



Western Australia

Economic Regulation Authority

NOTICE

EXTENSION OF TIME

The *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems* (Code) makes provision for the assessment period of a proposed Access Arrangement for a pipeline to be increased by periods of up to two months on one or more occasions.

AlintaGas Networks submitted its proposed revised Access Arrangement for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems on 31 March 2004 for approval by the Authority. Section 2.43 of the Code requires the Regulator to complete a Final Decision within 6 months of the receipt of the proposed revised Access Arrangement. The current Approved Access Arrangement set the Revisions Submission Date as 31 March 2004 and the intended Revisions Commencement Date as 1 January 2005. It is therefore necessary to formally extend the assessment period.

Accordingly, this is to advise that the Authority has extended the assessment period for the Mid-West and South-West Gas Distribution Systems by two months to 30 November 2004. This extension is granted pursuant to section 2.44 of the Code.

Please note that further extension to the above time period is anticipated and may be granted under the Code if necessary.

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