



# Notice

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## 2026 gas rate of return instrument review

### Appointment of consumer reference group

The Economic Regulation Authority has appointed the members of the consumer reference group for the [2026 gas rate of return review consultation process](#).

The appointed consumer reference group members are:

- Chris Pattas (Chair), experienced economic regulator
- Kieran Donoghue, energy industry consumer advocate
- Bobby Ditric, energy industry professional
- Sarah Holman, consumer policy advocate.

The gas rate of return instrument is used to determine the allowed rate of return on capital for regulated gas network service providers in Western Australia. The rate of return provides service providers with the funding to pay interest on any loans and give a return on equity to investors.

The consumer reference group will provide feedback to the ERA throughout the review, representing broad consumer perspectives. The consumer reference group may directly engage with consumers for insight as the review progresses.

The ERA will publish any written advice, recommendations or submissions provided by the consumer reference group.

### Further information

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