

Economic Regulation Authority

NOTICE

PUBLIC FORUM

DRAFT DECISION DAMPIER TO BUNBURY NATURAL GAS PIPELINE

On 11 May 2005 the Economic Regulation Authority (Authority) placed a notice on its website advising that the Authority had issued its Draft Decision on the revisions proposed by DBNGP (WA) Transmission Pty Ltd to the Access Arrangement for the Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline (DBNGP).

The notice stated that it was intended that interested parties would have the opportunity to discuss the Draft Decision with the Authority and a Public Forum would be held if there was sufficient interest.

Parties wishing to discuss the Draft Decision were requested to register their interest by 13 May 2005. A further notice was to be placed on the Authority's website on 16 May 2005 advising interested parties of the Authority's decision in relation to the Public Forum.

The Authority has decided **not to hold a Public Forum** due to the small number of parties expressing an interest in attending the proposed forum. Instead, parties who have expressed an interest in attending a Public Forum will be given the opportunity to discuss any matters at a meeting to be arranged by the Authority.

Submissions on the Draft Decision were invited from interested parties in the Authority's notice of 11 May 2005. The closing date for these submissions is 4:00pm WST 26 May 2005. All submissions must be in writing and should be provided in both hard copy and electronic format (where possible).

Submissions made to the Authority will be treated as in the public domain and placed on the Authority's website unless confidentiality is claimed in respect of the submission or part of the submission and the issues or parts of the submission in relation to which confidential treatment is sought are clearly marked. Any claim of confidentiality will be considered in accordance with the provisions of sections 7.11 to 7.14 of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipelines*.

The receipt and publication of any submission lodged shall not be taken as indicating that the Authority has formed an opinion as to whether or not any particular submission contains any information of a confidential nature and no duty of confidence will arise from the Authority in these circumstances.

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