



Western Australia

# *Economic Regulation Authority*

## NOTICE

### PUBLIC FORUM

#### DRAFT DECISION – MID-WEST AND SOUTH-WEST GAS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS

On 28 February 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 AlintaGas Networks Pty Ltd (AGN) to the Access Arrangement for its Mid-West and South-West gas distribution systems.

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 4 March 2005. A further notice was to be placed on the Authority's website on 9 March 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 wanting to attend the proposed forum on the Authority's Draft Decision. The Authority will instead arrange to meet directly with those parties who have expressed an interest.

Submissions on the Draft Decision were invited from interested parties in the Authority's notice of 28 February 2005. The closing date for these submissions is 4:00pm WST 21 March 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 Code.

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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