

OffGAR OFFICE OF GAS ACCESS REGULATION

NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS ACCESS ARRANGEMENT: ALINTAGAS MID AND SOUTH WEST DISTRIBUTION NETWORK

This is to notify that the proposed Access Arrangement and Access Arrangement Information for the Mid and South West Gas Distribution Network has been lodged with the Independent Gas Access Regulator by AlintaGas, pursuant to Section 2.2 of the National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems (the Code).

The proposed Access Arrangement sets out the terms and conditions under which AlintaGas will make access available to the distribution network to third party users of gas pipeline services. The Access Arrangement Information is intended to permit interested parties to understand the derivation of the elements of the Access Arrangement.

The Gas Access Regulator is required to assess the proposed Access Arrangement against the specific criteria in the Code.

Available Documentation

The proposed Access Arrangement and Access Arrangement Information are available at no cost from the Office of Gas Access Regulation (OffGAR) web site (www.offgar.wa.gov.au). Printed copies of the documentation are available directly from OffGAR for \$25.00 per set. Requests for the document can be made to:

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Invitation to Comment

OffGAR now invites submissions on the proposed Access Arrangement from all interested parties. These comments must be received by 4pm Thursday 5 August 1999 Western Standard Time.

In assessing the proposed Access Arrangement, OffGAR will take account of all submissions received by the due date.

Confidentiality

In general, all submissions from interested parties will be treated as in the public domain and placed on the OffGAR web site. Where an interested party wishes to keep part or all of the contents of a submission confidential, it should indicate these parts clearly. However, where the Gas Access Regulator considers that the release of this information would not be 'unduly harmful' to the legitimate business interests of any party, it will provide the party making the submission the option of revising or withdrawing its submission.

Format of Submissions

Submissions with comments on the proposed Access Arrangement should be in both written and electronic form, preferably in Word 6.0 or Word 97 and addressed to Mr. Robert Pullella at the address above.

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GAS ACCESS REGULATOR

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