

## December 2025

## Statement of reasons: APA VTS 2026 Gas Transmission Annual Tariff Variation

The AER approves Victorian Transmission System's (VTS) 2026 tariff variation notice submitted on 9 December 2025 which contains tariffs which will commence on 1 January 2026. VTS's approved tariffs are set out on our website.

In 2026, most of VTS's transmission reference tariffs will increase by 0.8%. The transmission tariff increases are driven by inflation, the real price path set in the 2023–27 access arrangement, and the adjustment to account for changes in volumes.

The AER found that the tariff variation is consistent with the mechanisms set in section 4 and section D of its 2023–27 access arrangement and is satisfied the tariff variation proposal is consistent with the access arrangement.

We note gas retailers ultimately determine how these underlying network tariffs are reflected in the retail prices offered to customers. Transmission charges make up approximately 3% of the retail bill.