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STATEMENT OF REASONS

Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network distribution tariff variation for 2018-19

On 18 April 2018, APA Group applied to the AER for variation of the Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network distribution tariffs for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019. APA Group updated its application on 9 May 2018. The application is based on the 2004-19 access arrangement approved by IPART on 8 December 2005 and the 2008 amendments approved by the AER on 15 August 2008 and 10 October 2008.

The AER has considered APA Group's application in accordance with sections 3.2, 3.3, 3.4 and 3.4A of the Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network 2004-19 access arrangement.

The AER is satisfied that APA Group's application complies with the relevant principles and formulae set out in section 3.3 of the Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network 2004-19 access arrangement.

Having considered APA Group's proposal of 9 May April 2018 stating the nature of the proposed tariff, the AER approves these tariffs for commencement on 1 July 2018.

The approved 2018-19 distribution tariffs are set out in the section below.

Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network (distribution)

Transportation services

	\$/GJ
Special Contract Transportation Service	0.06
Contract Transportation Service	1.74
I & C Transportation Service	2.16
Domestic Transportation Service	5.06

Ancillary services

	\$/service
Request for Service	76.83 per hour
Special Meter Read	46.08
Meter Testing Service	266.31
Domestic Customer Disconnection fee	96.01
I & C Contract and Special Contract Customer Disconnection fee	384.09
After Hours Reconnection Service	128.04