Access Arrangement 6 2025 - 2029







Connect additional 68,000 residential and 2,300 commercial customers

Replace 290km of end of life pipeline



Replace more than 110,000 domestic and commercial meters



Prepare the gas distribution network for renewable gases

What is an Access Arrangement?

As the owner of the gas distribution network, ATCO must adhere to regulations and legislation to ensure we deliver services at a fair and reasonable price.

In order to provide certainty for ATCO, gas retailers and customers, ATCO reaches an agreement with the independent Economic Regulation Authority, known as an Access Arrangement, which outlines the terms and conditions that govern how access to the pipeline will be made available to third parties, including gas retailers.

It also outlines our capital and operational expenditure programs for the relevant period.

What is the price impact?



We work hard to keep prices as low as possible for our customers.

We have one of the lowest operating costs per customer connection for gas network operators in Australia.

We know many households prefer gas for cooking and heating. It's an essential requirement of hundreds of thousands of households.

We've looked at every opportunity to place downward pressure on our costs, and the prices we pass on, over the short, medium and long term.

The forecast increase in our annual distribution charges in 2025 will be around \$78 for the average household – that's around \$1.50 a week.

In preparing our plans for the next five years, we've engaged with more than 1000 individuals across a wide range stakeholder groups; from residents and small businesses, to large commercial and industrial gas users, as well as peak industry and community advocacy bodies.

The future of gas



ATCO's gas network is uniquely positioned to enable decarbonisation and support Western Australia's energy transition.

Our network will have an essential role in supporting the state's future energy transition, whether it's with natural gas, biomethane, hydrogen, or other renewable gases.

There is a significant investment in ATCO's 14,500km of pipeline supplying Perth and the Regions - it's an investment that can be leveraged to be part of the solution.

"Our vision is that the network will not only deliver cleaner energy, but also work with the electricity sector for energy storage – it can be a 'giant battery' connected to over 800,000 Western Australian homes and businesses."



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