



## STATEMENT OF REASONS

### **Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network (Tamworth distribution network): Notification of Annual Tariff Variation**

The Australian Energy Regulator (AER) has approved Central Ranges Pipeline Pty Limited's (CRPPL) proposed annual tariff variations for the Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network (Tamworth distribution network) in accordance with section 8.3F of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems* as applied under clause 30(1) and (4) of Schedule 3, Part 4 of the National Gas Law.

The reason for allowing the proposed tariff variations is that:

- the AER is satisfied that CRPPL has correctly applied the approved variation method to calculate the reference tariffs in accordance with section 4.4 of the access arrangement for the Central Ranges Pipeline Gas Network (Tamworth distribution network). The approved tariff variation method consists of an escalation formula whereby the reference tariffs are escalated by the change in the average quarterly CPI on a year on year basis.

The tariffs that are allowed for 2009-10 are:

<b>Transportation Service Charges</b>	<b>Tariff (exclusive of GST)</b>	<b>Tariff (inclusive of GST)</b>
Special Contract Transportation Service	0.05 \$/GJ	0.06 \$/GJ
Contract Transportation Service	1.43 \$/GJ	1.57 \$/GJ
I & C Transportation Service	1.79 \$/GJ	1.97 \$/GJ
Domestic Transportation Service	4.17 \$/GJ	4.59 \$/GJ
<b>Ancillary Service Charges</b>	<b>Tariff (exclusive of GST)</b>	<b>Tariff (inclusive of GST)</b>
Request for Service	\$63.36 plus \$63.35 per hr	\$69.68 plus \$69.68 per hr
Special Meter Read	\$37.99	\$41.79
Meter Testing Service	\$219.61	\$241.57
Domestic Customer Disconnection fee	\$79.18	\$87.10
I & C Contract and Special Contract Customer Disconnection fee	\$316.74	\$348.41
After Hours Reconnection Service	\$105.58	\$116.14