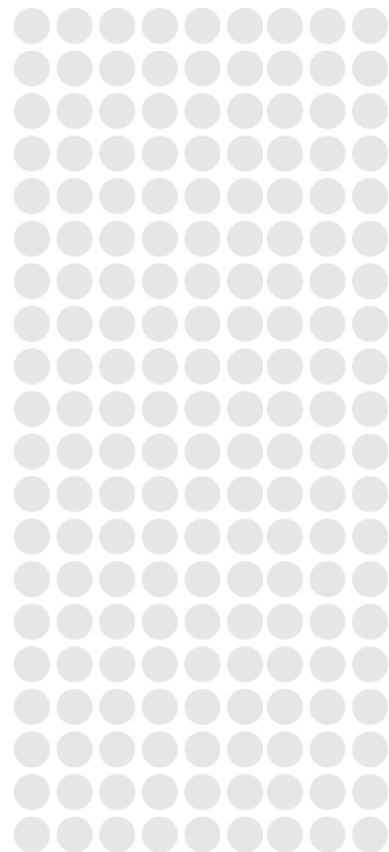




Roma Brisbane Pipeline

Financial year 2023-27 access arrangement information

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Abbreviations

AER	Australian Energy Regulator
COAG	Council of Australian Governments
GJ	Gigajoule
IP	Intellectual property
LNG	Liquefied natural gas
MW	Megawatt
NGL	National Gas Law
NGR	National Gas Rules
r	Rule
RBP	Roma Brisbane Pipeline
RIN	Regulatory Information Notice
s	Section
T&T	Transformation & Technology
TJ	Terajoule



1 Introduction

1.1 Information requirements

This Access Arrangement Information is part of a revisions proposal for the Access Arrangement for the Roma Brisbane Pipeline (**RBP**). Proposed revisions to the RBP Access Arrangement, to be submitted to the Australian Energy Regulator by 1 July 2021, have been prepared by the service provider for the pipeline, APT Petroleum Pipelines Pty Limited ABN 39 009 737 393 (**Roma Brisbane**).

Roma Brisbane is a wholly owned entity within APA Group.

The revised access arrangement is expected to commence on 1 July 2022.

The Access Arrangement Information has been prepared, in accordance with r. 42 and r. 43(1) of the National Gas Rules (**NGR**), to provide users and prospective users with sufficient information to:

- to understand the background to the access arrangement revision proposal
- to understand the basis and derivation of the various elements of the access arrangement revision proposal.

This document follows the scheme of NGR, r. 72 in its setting out the access arrangement information for a full access arrangement proposal.

1.2 Basis of information in the access arrangement information

Unless otherwise stated, all information in the access arrangement revision proposal is provided in real June 2022 dollars.

Past values are have been recast to values at June 2022 prices using the Consumer Price Index (CPI), All Groups Weighted Average Eight Capital Cities for the March quarter, published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Forecasts for the period from December 2019 to June 2021 have been made using the CPI forecasts published by the Reserve Bank of Australia in its May 2021 Statement on Monetary Policy.



1.3 Financial models

In April 2020, the AER published, in accordance with NGR r. 75A and r. 75B, the following financial models:

- Roll Forward Model (gas transmission service provider version)
- Post-tax Revenue Model (gas transmission service provider version).

Roma Brisbane has used the Roll Forward Model, without modification, to calculate the opening capital base for the RBP at commencement of the access arrangement period (1 July 2022).

Roma Brisbane has used the Post-tax Revenue Model, without modification, for the calculation of depreciation, the estimated cost of corporate income tax (including adjustment for the value of imputation credits), total revenue, and the X-factors for the path of the RBP reference tariffs.



2 Information for the earlier access arrangement period

2.1 Capital expenditure

Capital expenditure by asset class is set out in RBP-Attachment 2-RFM-210701-Public

2.2 Operating expenditure

Operating expenditure (by category) over the earlier access arrangement period

This data is contained in schedule F4 in the Annual RINs supplied to the AER for the period FY2011 to FY 2019 and FY2020. The FY2021 numbers will be provided in the ARIN for FY2021. It does not currently exist.

The FY2022 estimate is contained in **E1** of RBP 2023-27-Reset RIN-Workbook 1-Forecast-Public (RIN Forecast)

2.3 Pipeline usage over the earlier access arrangement period

2.3.1 *Transmission pipeline, minimum, maximum and average demand for each receipt or delivery point*

This data is contained in schedule **N1** in the Annual RINs supplied to the AER for the period FY2011 to FY 2019 and FY2020. The FY2021 numbers will be provided in the ARIN for FY2021. It does not currently exist.

Roma Brisbane has not prepared its forecast demand on this basis and does not possess this information for FY 20

2.3.2 *User numbers for each receipt or delivery point*

This data is contained in schedule **S1** in the Annual RINs supplied to the AER for the period FY2011 to FY 2019 and FY2020. The FY2021 numbers will be provided in the ARIN for FY2021. It does not currently exist.

Roma Brisbane has not prepared its forecast demand on this basis and does not possess this information



2.4 Capital Base

How the capital base is arrived at and, if the access arrangement period commences at the end of an earlier access arrangement period, a demonstration of how the capital base increased or diminished over the previous access arrangement period how the capital base is arrived at and, if the access arrangement period commences at the end of an earlier access arrangement period, a demonstration of how the capital base increased or diminished over the previous access arrangement period is set out in RBP-Attachment 2-RFM-210701-Public (RFM) as dictated by the AER.



Forecast Information

2.5 Forecast Capital Base

the projected capital base over the access arrangement period, including:

(i) a forecast of conforming capital expenditure for the period and the basis for the forecast; and

(ii) a forecast of depreciation for the period including a demonstration of how the forecast is derived on the basis of the proposed depreciation method

This information is contained in RBP-Attachment 3-PTRM-210701-Public (PTRM).

2.6 Forecast Capacity and Utilisation

To the extent it is practicable to forecast pipeline capacity and utilisation of pipeline capacity over the access arrangement period, a forecast of pipeline capacity and utilisation of pipeline capacity over that period and the basis on which the forecast has been derived

Pipeline capacity is set out in worksheet N2 of RIN Forecast. Roma Brisbane doesn't possess a forecast of pipeline utilisation

2.7 Forecast Operating Expenditure

A forecast of operating expenditure over the access arrangement period is set out in the PTRM. the basis on which the forecast has been derived is set out in section 4 of RBP-Reset RIN Schedule 2 - 210701 – confidential (Schedule 2).

2.8 Allowed Rate of return

The allowed rate of return for each regulatory year of the access arrangement period is contained in the PTRM.

2.9 Corporate Income tax and imputation credits

The estimated cost of corporate income tax calculated in accordance with rule 87A, including the allowed imputation credits referred to in that rule are contained in the PTRM.

2.10 Efficiency Carryover mechanism

The proposed carry-over of increments for efficiency gains or decrements for efficiency losses in the previous access arrangement period and a demonstration of how allowance is to be made for any such increments or decrements are set out in RBP 2023-27-Final RIN-Efficiency Carryover mechanism-Public (ECM).

2.11 Proposed approach to setting Tariffs

The proposed approach to the setting of tariffs including:

(i) the suggested basis of reference tariffs, including the method used to allocate costs and a demonstration of the relationship between costs and tariffs; and

(ii) a description of any pricing principles employed but not otherwise disclosed under this rule;

This information is contained in section 15 of Schedule 2.

2.12 Tariff variation mechanism.

Roma Brisbane's rationale for the proposed reference tariff variation mechanism is set out in section 16 of Schedule 2.

2.13 Proposed incentive mechanism

RBP's rationale for any proposed incentive mechanism is set out in section 12 of the Schedule 2.

2.14 Proposed Revenue

The total revenue to be derived from pipeline services for each regulatory year of the access arrangement period is set out in worksheet F.3 of the RIN Forecast.