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**APA Group (ASX: APA)**  
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## **APA application for the review of AER's final determination on the Victorian Transmission System access arrangement**

APA Group (ASX:APA) today announced that it has applied for the review of the Australian Energy Regulator's (AER's) final decision in relation to the access arrangement on APA's Victorian Transmission System (APA GasNet) for the period 2013-2017.

On 29 April 2013 the AER published its own access arrangement for APA GasNet after earlier not approving APA's revised access arrangement.

Following a detailed review of AER's final decision and published access arrangement, APA has applied for a merits review of this regulatory decision. The review is focused on a number of areas which were detailed in APA's response to AER's final decision. These include the cost of equity included in the derivation of the weighted average cost of capital and the use of indexation in the determination of regulatory depreciation.

APA anticipates the outcome of the merits review will be available by the end of this calendar year.

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