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## Minister approves Gas Governance Arrangements recommendation

The Minister for Energy has approved our recommendation for amendments to the Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 and the Gas (Switching Arrangements) Rules 2008.

These changes are needed to ensure the gas governance arrangements remain fit for purpose as technology, gas supply and commercial arrangements evolve in the downstream gas market. In particular, the changes respond to the deployment of smart gas meters, evolution of the D+1 pilot and for the potential injection of renewable gases into downstream networks.

Gas Industry Co will work with MBIE and stakeholders to draft the rule amendments and plan the implementation of any associated system changes.

The Gas Governance Arrangements Recommendation can be viewed on our website.

## Reminder: Outage Information Disclosure Rules: Annual Monitoring Disclosures and Certificates due shortly

Gas producers and gas storage owners are required to provide Gas Industry Co with their annual outage information disclosures and certificate of correctness by 15 April 2025.

The Gas (Facilities Outage Information Disclosure) Rules 2022 provide for effective and timely disclosure of information regarding a planned or unplanned outage at a gas production facility or a gas storage facility, for all gas and related market participants.

You can read more about the <u>Outage Information Disclosure Rules</u> and required information and access the specified certificate on our website.

Please provide the required information to Gas Industry Company by **15 April 2025** by email to: <u>info@gasindustry.co.nz</u>

#### Consultation on correcting submission errors at TUK06502

Gas Industry Co is consulting on a proposal to deal with the impact from a submission error that occurred at the Tuakau gas gate (TUK06502).

The error occurred in November 2021, when Genesis under submitted 4,352 GJ.

The proposal being considered is a financial settlement to be facilitated by the Market Administrator.

Please note, that rule 51 of the <u>Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008</u> allows special allocations to be performed up to 12-months after the publish date for a final allocation, therefore special allocations are not considered.

The <u>Consultation paper</u> on the proposal to correct the submission error at TUK06502 can be found on our website.

Gas Industry Co invites feedback from allocation participants on the proposal by 5.00pm on Friday 28 March 2025 by email to <a href="mailto:consultations@gasindustry.co.nz">consultations@gasindustry.co.nz</a>.

### Briefing to Minister for Energy – Hon Simon Watts

In January, we provided the new Minister for Energy, Hon Simon Watts, with a Briefing to the Incoming Minister (BIM).

The BIM provides an updated overview of the gas sector, key issues, and a summary of the Gas Industry Co work programme priorities. It also includes a copy of the Gas Supply and Demand study – 2024.

The 2025 BIM can be viewed on our website.

# Gas Industry Co FY2026 Work Programme and Levy – next steps

The Gas Industry Co FY2026 Work Programme and Levy consultation closed on 7 February.

We would like to thank the industry for providing wide-ranging feedback. The ten submissions we received are now being considered in the drafting of our 2026-2028 Statement of Intent (SOI) and Levy Recommendation. The Minister will receive the SOI for comment and the Levy Recommendation for approval in March, and these will take effect from 1 July 2025.

The <u>FY2026 Work Programme and Levy</u> consultation document, submissions received, and analysis of submissions, can be viewed on our website.

# Critical Contingency Operator (CCO) annual exercise and media workshop

The Participant's Brief for the annual exercise due to take place on 21 May 2025, is now available on the <u>CCO website</u>.

#### Media workshop

Gas Industry Co, alongside the CCO, is organising this workshop in April to provide industry with guidance on protocols for keeping the public informed during critical contingency events. Rules for public announcements are set out in the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Regulations 2008.

A meeting invite will be sent to those on the CCO media contact list. If anyone else is interested in attending, please email <a href="mailto:info@gasindustry.co.nz">info@gasindustry.co.nz</a>.

### Hon Amy Adams elected Chair of Gas Industry Co Board

The Gas Industry Company Board elected Hon Amy Adams as Chair at the February Board meeting.

Hon Amy Adams joined the Board in late 2024. She brings extensive experience through her legal background, her previous role as a Member of Parliament and government minister and her current role as the Chancellor of the University of Canterbury.

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