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2024 Co-regulatory Forum

Our annual Co-regulatory Forum will be held online on **Thursday 28 November**, **10.00am – 12.00pm**.

This year, we will discuss the FY2026 Work Programme and associated Levy which will inform the development of our Statement of Intent for 2026-2028.

Our co-regulatory model relies on the input of industry to develop our Work Programme. Early conversations about priorities are invaluable and attending the co-regulatory forum is your chance to contribute to this process.

Those attending the event will receive a registration pack with questions we would like you to consider before the forum to help stimulate constructive dialog at the event.

The feedback we receive will be used to develop a consultation paper which will provide an opportunity for written submissions.

Registration for the forum is essential.

To register for the event, **email info@gasindustry.co.nz** with 'RSVP co-reg forum' as the subject.

You will then receive a registration pack and a link to the event taking place online on Thursday 28 November.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Sir Brian Roche steps down from the Board

After a year as an independent Director on the Gas Industry Co Board, Sir Brian Roche has stepped down to take up a new role as the Public Service Commissioner.

We thank Sir Brian for the insight and wisdom he shared during his time on the Board and wish him well with his new role leading the public service.

The Board has commenced a recruitment process for an independent Director in relation to this vacancy.

Assessment of Firstgas Use-Of-Service Agreement (2024)

An independent assessment has been completed of the new Firstgas standard Use-of-System Agreement.

Under the Gas Distribution Contracts Oversight Scheme (the Scheme), Gas Industry Co has committed to assessing terms and conditions agreements as they are revised or replaced. Greenwood Roche was appointed to undertake the independent assessment of the new Firstgas agreement.

The Independent Assessor's report considers that the Firstgas agreement is, overall, 'Substantially' aligned with the principles of the Scheme.

Gas Industry Co has also published a paper on matters the Independent Assessor raised for us to consider.

You can read the Independent Assessor's report and the Gas Industry Co comments on our website.

${\color{red} \textbf{emsTradepoint}}$

Transpower is to keep the emsTradepoint platform operating until at least September 2025, at which time its future will be reassessed.

Gas Industry Co considers an effective gas trading market essential to ensuring the security of New Zealand's energy supply and will consider options to continue this service as part of the FY2026 work programme.

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