Changes to Gas Governance Arrangements

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Q1 Do you support the proposals in Section 4 (Capturing and maintaining registry information)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
Add two new meter owner fields to the registry (i) Meter Type and (ii) AGMI Communicating (Y/N)	 Agreed. In addition, the MEP should be required to enter on to the Registry all of the information required for recording the energy used at ICPs, i.e. there should be no need for the retailer to ask the MEP for additional information. Currently Meter model is not available on the registry. This should be included at the same time as these additional fields. Nova also proposes that the relevant ANZSIC Code should be recorded at each ICP. With the gas transition it will be valuable to determine which industries are transitioning away from gas over time, and which activities are maintaining gas usage. 	
 Amend Rules 58.1 and 61.1 to improve clarity and consistency of ICP update timeframes. 	 Any proposed timeframes must be consistent across all participants involved in the process e.g. Where MEOs have 10 days to update the registry, Retailers should have 15 to allow for the paperwork to arrive from the MEO. 	
 Introduce a two-tier framework for assessing compliance with update timeframes. 	Agreed	
 Introduce a new definition for distribution injection points. 	Agreed	
 Introduce an obligation on distributors to give notice of a new injection point. 	Agreed	

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Distributor must populate details of the network injection point (specific parameters to be determined).	Agreed	
Q2. Do you support the proposals in Section 5 (Allocation groups, interrogation and submission requirements)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
Amend allocation group rules and definitions to provide for daily-reconciled ICPs	 Agree in principle In line with 1.1, rather than extending allocation groups, a retailer field for "Submission Type" added to the Registry to flag whether the ICP is subject to daily or annual/monthly submission allow for more flexibility. Most businesses separately manage allocation groups and submission types. Combining these will unnecessarily create complexity within a business. Nova suggests 1 new allocation group for AMI metering instead of 2 (3 & 5). Adding ANZSIC would be the appropriate alternative to split customers arbitrarily by usage levels using allocation groups (when the allocation group 3 & 5 split would not result in any difference in meter reads or submissions in practice.) 	
Publish guidance or criteria for assigning daily- reconciled ICPs to allocation groups	Agreed as above.	
 Require all consumer installations that have (or are expected to have) annual consumption greater than or equal to 20TJ, to have a TOU meter with Telemetry installed and be assigned to allocation group 1. 	Agreed	
Retailers musty provide daily metered energy volumes to the allocation agent each day for all ICPs in allocation groups 1, 3, and 5.	Agreed	
Determine an appropriate file format for retailers to submit daily AGMI data to the allocation agent.	Agreed	

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Validated injection and daily-reconciled consumption data must be provided seven days per week.	Agreed	
Q3. Do you support the proposals in Section 6 (Energy conversion)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
 Broaden the obligation to demonstrate compliance with NZS 5259:2015 to capture (a) all allocation participants and (b) all aspects of the standard. 	Do not agree. Any items specified within NZS5259:2015 that GIC believe have an impact should be extracted from the standard and proposed as rules. Applying a broad-brush requirement to comply with the standard potentially exposes participants to costs and risks that are not easily defined.	
 Introduce requirement to use Gas Industry Co published temperature data for temperature correction or otherwise be able to demonstrate compliance with NZS 529:2015 	If accepted, the data should be populated to the ICP or Gas Gate record on the registry. Applies to the remaining proposals in Q3.	
 Require Gas Industry Co to refresh temperature data at intervals not exceeding ten years. 	Agreed	
The transmission system owner must publish validated gas composition data seven days per week.	Agreed	
 Develop appropriate roles and procedures to ensure retailers have all the information required to measure energy consumption for their customers on networks with distribution injection points. 	Agreed	

Q4. Do you support the proposals in Section 7 (Allocation stages)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider

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Incorporate the D+1 allocation into the Reconcilliation Rules, allowing for changes to the timing of the morning and afternoon publication deadlines.	Agreed	
 Do not implement any changes to the timing of the initial or interim allocations at this stage. 	Agreed	
Q5. Do you support the proposals in Section 8 (Allocation methodology and UFG)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
 Maintain the current approach for UFG allocation (a combination of AUFG, MUFG and G1M UFG) as the prevalence of AGMI and telemetery increases but continue to monitor UFG levels and causes. 	Agreed	
 Modify the standard and G1M allocation methodologies to provide for AGMI data in allocation groups 3 and 5 and for distribution injection points 	Agreed	
 Incorporate the D+1 allocation methodology into the Reconciliation Rules. 	Agreed. This should be made effective from 1 October 2024.	
Q6. Do you support the proposals in Section 9 (Maintaining contract & customer information)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
Require volumes transacted for distribution injection points to be assigned to a contract ID.	Agreed	
Require retailers to notify the allocation agent of customer, contract and consumption information that is pertinent to D+1 allocations	This requirement should specify the instances where a retailer must provide customer and contract information. "Pertinent" needs to be defined.	
Q7. Do you support the proposals in Section 10 (Minor and technical changes)? Do you agree that these issues are minor and technical? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		

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•	For rule 61.1 the participant can only update the information once they become aware. The "become aware" portion needs to apply to the timeframe that the participant must update the registry.	
	Nova supports the remainder of the changes.	
Q8. Do you support the proposals in Section 11 (Non-regulatory changes)? Please provide comments and feedback, including whether there are additional changes that Gas Industry Co should consider		
Allow approved non-industry participants access to an ICP lookup API	Agreed	
Allow use of the GIEP Exchange for GAA submissions / reports	Agreed	
Make improvements to gas registry security	Agreed	
Introduce a D+1 run report	Agreed	