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WORKSHOP INVITATION

Notice of Gas Transmission Workshop

Gas industry Co and First Gas invite industry stakeholders to a workshop on Wednesday 24 August 2016 in Wellington. The joint workshop will cover:

- Balancing – an interim improvement
- New gas transmission access code – proposed development process
- Transmission prices – roles and responsibilities
- Gas quality – past work and future direction

EVENT DETAILS

Venue	Gas Industry Co, Level 8, The Todd Building, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington
Date	Wednesday, 24 August 2016
Time	1.00 to 4.00pm
RSVP	Estelle Tolmay (by 5.00pm, 23 August 2016) If you are unable to attend, but wish to participate by conference call, please register here .

AGENDA ITEMS

Balancing – an interim improvement

Shippers are concerned that the current balancing arrangements can result in a shipper being cashed-out for more than its Running Mismatch positions under the D+1 Pilot Agreement. First Gas considers that a solution is possible and it would like to discuss this possibility, and any other proposed solutions.

New gas transmission access code – proposed development process

The gas transmission systems, previously owned by Maui Development Limited (MDL) and Vector Gas Limited, are now owned by First Gas Limited (First Gas). First Gas wishes to replace the Maui Pipeline Operating Code (MPOC) and Vector Transmission Code (VTC) with a single new access code. A new pricing methodology would also be developed.

Gas Industry Co has been working with First Gas to ensure that new access arrangements can be developed through an inclusive process, allowing for full consideration of

stakeholder views. A proposed approach and timetable for the work are set out in this [First Gas memorandum](#).

Transmission prices – roles and responsibilities

It is timely, before work on developing new access arrangements begins, to remind stakeholder of the roles and responsibilities for transmission pricing. Gas Industry Co has prepared a short paper, [Transmission Prices – Roles and Responsibilities](#). The paper may also be helpful in the context of the Commerce Commission's review of input methodologies that will apply to the next reset of the gas transmission price-quality path.

Gas quality – past work and future direction

Single ownership of the transmission pipelines may also offer an opportunity to address some outstanding issues related to gas quality. Gas Industry Co would like to remind workshop participants of previous industry work in this area, and to discuss the outstanding issues.

Feedback

We welcome any feedback on the workshop and/or the associated papers. Feedback, and any response, will be posted on our website. You can submit your feedback [here](#).

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