

Welcome to Gas Industry Co's News Bulletin, a periodic advisory of new and current consultations, workstream developments, publications and presentations.

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## News item

### Critical Contingency Management Regulations – Frequency of consumer notifications

Gas Industry Co has released its *Final Decision Paper* on the frequency of consumer notifications of the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Regulations 2008 (CCM Regulations).

Gas Industry Co proposed a two-yearly notification interval in a consultation with industry late last year. Following the generally supportive feedback, Gas Industry Co has confirmed that notifications will occur on a two-yearly basis.

This decision means that retailers should notify consumers of the Regulations over the course of the current calendar year given that notifications were last conducted in 2014.

Gas Industry Co also encourages retailers to communicate the Regulations to newly gained customers.

The *Final Decision Paper – frequency of consumer notifications of the CCM Regulations* is available on our website.

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## Other news

### NZ Gas Story - updated

Gas Industry Co has updated and republished Issue 4 of the *New Zealand Gas Story* to incorporate developments since the last edition in December 2015.

The latest issue covers:

- The acquisition by First State Investments of the transmission system and the distribution networks through the purchase of Vector Gas Ltd – Vector Gas Ltd has since been renamed First Gas Limited.
- An update to the Distribution Chapter with the latest statistics disclosed by Powerco.
- The Commerce Commission's decision not to conduct an inquiry into gas metering services at this time.

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## Reminders

### Security and Reliability Issues Paper

### CONSULTATION OPEN and WORKSHOP INVITATION

Gas Industry Co reminds stakeholders that submissions on the *Gas Transmission Security and Reliability Issues Paper* released on 21 April 2016 are invited by **5.00pm, Friday 10 June 2016**.

Stakeholders are also reminded of a workshop being held on **Tuesday, 24 May 2016**, where the *Issues Paper* will be presented. In the afternoon of the same day, Gas Industry Co will host a Commerce Commission workshop to consider what quality measures should be considered for the price-quality reset. Event details are found below.

The *Issues Paper* focusses on security and reliability (S&R) of the gas transmission system. It:

- introduces key gas transmission S&R concepts;
- reviews available security and reliability information for each transmission system;
- discusses current commercial and regulatory arrangements for gas transmission that support S&R;
- analyses what is required to achieve effective gas transmission S&R, and considers whether all of those elements are present in current New Zealand arrangements; and
- draws some conclusions from the preceding analysis, and proposes a number of action points.

[> Read more and upload a submission](#)

#### WORKSHOP DETAILS

**Date** Tuesday, 24 May 2016

<b>Time</b>	10.00 – 12.00pm	Gas Industry Co workshop on the S&R <i>Issues Paper</i>
	12.00 – 1.00pm	Lunch
	1.00 – 4.00pm	Commerce Commission workshop on quality measures

**Location** Gas Industry Co, Level 8, The Todd Building, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington

**RSVP** [Estelle Tolmay](#) by Friday, 20 May 2016

## Critical Contingency Operator – Industry Training INVITATION

The Critical Contingency Operator (CCO) will be running its Annual Industry Exercise in June to test the Critical Contingency Management Plans. In preparation, the CCO will conduct the following training sessions in Auckland, New Plymouth and Wellington:

Location	Venue	Date	Time
Auckland	Genesis Energy 660 Great South Rd Ellerslie	Tuesday 24 May 2016	1.00 – 3.00pm
New Plymouth	First Gas Ltd 42 Connett Road West Bell Block	Wednesday 25 May 2016	10.00 – 12.00pm
Wellington	Gas Industry Company Level 8, The Todd Building 95 Customhouse Quay	Thursday 26 May 2016	1.00 – 3.00pm

To attend one of the sessions above or to find out more, please respond directly to the CCO [here](#).

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