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## CONSULTATION REMINDER FOR SUBMISSIONS

### Consultation on Gas Industry Co FY2018 Statement of Intent and Levy. Submissions close Friday 3 February 2017.

In December 2016, Gas Industry Co issued the [Consultation on Gas Industry Co FY2018 Statement of Intent and Levy](#) paper (Consultation Paper) in respect of its proposed strategy, work programme and levy for FY2018. Submissions are invited by **5.00pm, Friday 3 February 2017**.

This Consultation Paper sets out the key elements of Gas Industry Co's Statement of Intent and the associated Levy Funding Requirement (LFR) to form part of the levy regulations for the year ending 30 June 2018 (FY2018). Its contents reflect initial feedback received at the Co-Regulatory Forum on 22 November.

Please be advised that Gas Industry Co has today reissued the [Consultation Paper](#) providing a further detail of the proposal under the proposed hybrid option in Section 5, page 23.

The changes are reflected in the extract copied below for your convenience:

*Discussions to date have caused Gas Industry Co to think that a hybrid of options 1 & 3 might be feasible. The hybrid option would require:*

1. *where gas sales occur at a Maui receipt point, the pipeline owner would provide the nominations data for the receipt point that identifies volumes acquired by each shipper who trades at that point; and*
2. *in all other cases, including sales transported via private pipelines, gas producers would be required to provide a monthly schedule of those sales by customer.*
3. [the data in points 1 & 2 above would be required to be forwarded to Gas Industry Co by the last day of the month following the month of gas flow; e.g. data on January nominations or \(TSP\) or January sales \(gas producers\) would be due by the last day of February.](#)

[Note that the data requirements in this hybrid option would be in addition to the wholesale levy returns that are currently furnished by those who purchase gas from gas producers.](#)

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### December 2016 customer switching numbers available

The Gas Registry Statistics recording gas consumer switching numbers for December 2016 are now available. The 3,902 completed customer switches during December 2016 was 338 fewer than the completed switches in November 2016, and 967 less switches than December 2015.

Gas customers can switch retailers for many reasons, but the high level of activity in the gas retail market suggests that customers find changing retailer easy and can put pressure on retailers to offer competitive terms and pricing. Switching rates have been over 18% for more than two years.

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