

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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CONSULTATION: Report on how Gas Industry Co would perform a GTAC Change Request role.

Gas Industry Co is currently consulting on a Report that sets out how it would perform a GTAC Change Request role, should the final version of the GTAC provide for it. Submissions on the Report are invited by **5.00pm Friday 22 September 2017** and can be made [here](#).

The code change provisions of the Gas Transmission Access Code (GTAC) were discussed at the GTAC workshops on 24/25 August. The current draft GTAC assigns a code change role to Gas Industry Co: to consult on proposed changes and make a recommendation to First Gas supporting or not supporting the proposal. In particular, following preliminary discussions on the proposed change between First Gas and holders of TSAs and ICAs, the Change Requestor would submit a Change Request to Gas Industry Co to consult on and make a recommendation to First Gas supporting, or not supporting, the proposal.

Gas Industry Co offered to set out how it would perform this role, as an aid to further stakeholder discussion on the GTAC change process.

INVITATION: Gas Industry Co 2017 annual Co-regulatory Forum.

Gas Industry Co invites industry stakeholders to attend the Company's annual Co-Regulatory Forum, on **Friday 24 November 2017**.

Each year at this time, we commence development of our *Statement of Intent*, in this case covering the financial years 2019-2021. This includes establishing:

- a Work Programme for FY2019, with indicative activity for the subsequent two years.
- Work Programme costs for FY2019, which are principally funded through market fees under gas governance rules and regulations and through annual Levy Regulations.

Our co-regulatory model relies on industry input in developing the *Statement of Intent*. In past years, we have found early engagement with stakeholders on strategic and work priorities to be invaluable, and we again seek your input into the forthcoming planning round. This commences with the Co-regulatory Forum, following which we will publish a formal Statement of Proposal with opportunity for stakeholders to make written submissions.

FORUM DETAILS

Date	Friday 24 November 2017
Time	10.00am to 12.30pm
Venue	Gas Industry Co, Level 8, The Todd Building, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington
RSVP	Please respond to Alison O'Connor by Friday 17 November 2017

We look forward to seeing you and/or your representatives at the Forum.

Customer switching numbers for August 2017 available.

The Gas Registry statistics recording gas consumer switching numbers for August 2017 are available [here](#). There were 4,963 completed customer switches in August 2017 – 431 more switches than in July 2017, but 927 less than in August 2016.

Switching rates have been over 18 percent for more than two years, with switching times having fallen markedly in the past two years. At the start of 2015, on average, switches took a little over six days to complete. The average time to complete switches now is two business days.

Gas Transmission Access Code - workshop reminder.

Further to our [4 September News Bulletin](#), First Gas will be holding a workshop on Friday 15 September 2017 to discuss the changes it has made to the draft Gas Transmission Access Code (GTAC), reasons for those changes, and to allow stakeholders to ask questions.

Mark-ups and submissions on the draft GTAC are due on 9 October (details of these processes will be notified shortly), so the workshop offers a good opportunity for stakeholders (and their legal advisors) to prepare for that work.

WORKSHOP DETAILS

Venue	Maui Room, Gas Industry Co, Level 8, The Todd Building, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington
Date	Friday 15 September 2017
Time	10.00am to 4.00pm (a light lunch will be available) RSVP to Alison O'Connor by 11 September 2017 Please RSVP your attendance for catering purposes*
Teleconference	10.00am to 4.00pm RSVP to Alison O'Connor by 11 September 2017 Please dial 08 30 32 , and use the Guest Pin 199285

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