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#### This Gas Industry Company Bulletin is bringing you an update on our D+1 project.

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- Advanced Gas Metering initial discussions.
- Critical Contingency Operator RFP process.
- A reminder about our current consultations.
- Latest switching numbers.

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#### D+1 Update

For the last six years, Gas Industry Company has operated a pilot D+1 model which provides retailers/shippers with an estimate of their customers' consumption at each gas network the day after gas has flowed. We are now proceeding with a project to replace the pilot model with a more robust and formalised set of D+1 arrangements.

The first phase of the project is to transition daily operation and hosting of the pilot model to EMS. This phase is on track for completion in the next couple of weeks.

The next phases of the project are to replace the pilot model with a production-quality system and consider amendments to the Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 to incorporate daily allocations. This work will be supported by the Daily Allocation Working Group.

If you would like to stay informed about updates on the D+1 project, please contact andrew.walker@gasindustry.co.nz

### **Advanced Gas Metering Workstream**

Gas Industry Company is assessing the impact of the deployment of advanced gas metering to residential and small business customers in the gas market and will consider whether any new gas market rules, regulations or non-regulatory arrangements are needed to address identified issues.

We are having initial informal discussions with gas market stakeholders to understand the current state of advanced gas metering in the gas market, and to develop a list of potential issues arising from the deployment of that technology.

Please contact <a href="mailto:todd.spencer@gasindustry.co.nz">todd.spencer@gasindustry.co.nz</a> if you or your organisation would like to be involved in these initial workstream discussions.

# **Gas Market Settings Investigation Consultation Paper**

A reminder that our Gas Market Settings Investigation Consultation Paper is open for submissions until **4pm on Thursday 24 June 2021**.

You can read the paper here.

You can submit by logging into Gas Industry Company's website and uploading your submission. If you cannot upload your submission, you can email it to <a href="mailto:consultations@gasindustry.co.nz">consultations@gasindustry.co.nz</a> with "Submission - Gas Market Settings Investigation" in the subject line. Submissions may be amended at any time before the

closing date. Please see the document for detail about confidential submission content.

Gas Industry Company is happy to meet industry stakeholders to discuss the investigation or any issues in more detail. Please contact carolyn.vanleuven@gasindustry.co.nz

## **Critical Contingency Operator**

Gas Industry Company is required to appoint service providers to perform various roles under gas governance arrangements. The term of the current Critical Contingency Operator (CCO), appointed under the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Regulations 2008, expires on 1 March 2022.

We expect to begin an open market procurement process for the CCO role in July 2021. If you wish to register your interest in receiving the RFP documentation, please contact <a href="mailto:gerry.hughes@gasindustry.co.nz">gerry.hughes@gasindustry.co.nz</a>

# Extending the Electricity Price Review's Final Recommendations to the Gas Market – Consultation on New Gas Market Guidelines

A reminder that our Extending the Electricity Price Review's Final Recommendations to the Gas Market – New Gas Market Guidelines Consultation is open for submissions until **5pm on 13 July 2021**.

You can read the paper here.

You can submit by logging into the website and uploading your submission. If you cannot upload your submission, you can email it to <a href="mailto:consultations@gasindustry.co.nz">consultations@gasindustry.co.nz</a> with "Submission - Extending the Electricity Price Review's Final Recommendations to the Gas Market – Consultation on New Gas Market Guidelines" in the subject line.

# **Customer switching updates**

Our <u>Gas Registry Statistics Dashboard</u> that provides an overview of New Zealand's natural gas market has had a revamp and is now more interactive. Clicking individual data points can filter other visuals and provide more detailed information.

The dashboard includes reports on distribution and meter ownership, retailer statistics, monthly switching statistics and data on the number of times ICPs have switched since the registry began in 2009.

3,856 customers completed switches during May 2021.

This is 79 less than April 2021 and 591 more than May 2020.

#### **Switching Trends**

During the last 12 months we saw, on average, 4,156 switches taking place per month, and they took an average of two days to complete.

During that time the highest number of switches took place in July 2020 at 4,962 switches, and the lowest was in January 2021 at 3,402.

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