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This Gas Industry Company Bulletin is bringing you an update on the release of our Final Statement of Proposal for Production and Storage Facility Outage Information consultation.

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Statement of Proposal for Production and Storage Facility Outage Information

In January we released our <u>Draft Statement of Proposal: Gas Production and Storage Facility Outage</u> <u>Information</u> for consultation.

These views were used to inform the development of the final Statement of Proposal. We have now released the final paper. It assesses the problems with inadequate production and storage facility outage information and identifies options for addressing these issues. You can read it <u>here</u>.

We welcome your feedback on the paper by 5pm Thursday 26 August 2021.

You can submit your feedback by logging into Gas Industry Company's website and uploading your submission.

If you cannot upload your submission, you can email it to <u>consultations@gasindustry.co.nz</u> with "Submission - Final Statement of Proposal" in the subject line.

Gas Market Settings Investigation submissions

We have published submissions we received on our Gas Market Settings Investigation Consultation Paper.

The Investigation is considering the role of gas in supporting the energy transition and the fitness for purpose of current market, commercial and regulatory settings, following a request from the Minister of Energy and Resources.

We are now developing a report for the Minister, which we expect to complete in late August.

You can read the submissions and more about the Investigation here.

Levy 2022 and Statement of Intent 2022-2024

Gas Industry Company's Levy FY2022 and Statement of Intent have been published on our website.

You can read the Levy FY2022 here and the Statement of Intent here.

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 have begun an open market procurement process for the CCO role. Information about the request for proposals process can be found <u>here</u>. The deadline for proposals is **1pm** on **Monday 9 August 2021**.

If you have any questions, please contact gerry.hughes@gasindustry.co.nz

Vector Transmission Code Change Request Notification

Vector has posted a Change Request Notification proposing to update the Vector Transmission Code to reflect the change in ownership of the Vector gas transmission system in 2016.

In 2016, the Vector group sold Vector Gas Limited and the gas transmission system to First State Funds. Vector Gas Limited was renamed to First Gas Limited (FGL).

The proposed changes to the Code are to:

- replace the various usages of Vector with the appropriate FGL replacements; and
- replace the Vector Gas Limited name in sections 26.2 26.3 and in Schedules 1 and 7.

As the proposed changes have no impact on the operation of the Code, Vector proposes a reduced timeframe for progressing this Change Request pursuant to section 25.15 of the Code. The intended effective date of the proposed amendment is 9 August 2021.

A copy of the Change Request Notification, which contains the timetable and invitation for submissions, can be found in the publications section of the VTC Information Exchange <u>here.</u>

Quarterly Report

Gas Industry Company's Quarterly Report for the period of 1 April to 30 June 2021 is now available on our website, read it <u>here</u>.

Customer switching updates

3,450 customers completed switches during June 2021.

This is 351 fewer than May 2021 and 305 fewer than June 2020.

Switching Trends

During the last 12 months we saw, on average, 4,124 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 3,401.

Find out more

Switching numbers are available in the Gas Registry here.

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