

Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Exemption DR08-25-S: Injection information) Notice 2008

Pursuant to rules 19 and 20 of the Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008, Gas Industry Company Limited ("Gas Industry Co"), as the industry body appointed pursuant to s43ZL of the Gas Act 1992, gives the following notice.

Notice

1. Title and commencement

- (a) This notice is the Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Exemption DR08-25-S: Injection information) Notice 2008.
- (b) This notice comes into force on the day after the date this notice is published on Gas Industry Co's website.

2. Interpretation

- (a) In this notice, Rules means the Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 made by the Minister of Energy under sections 43F, 43Q and 43S of the Gas Act 1992 by notice published in the New Zealand Gazette, as may be amended from time to time.
- (b) Any term that is defined in the Rules and used, but not defined, in this notice has the same meaning as in the Rules.

3. Standard Exemption

Transmission system owners are granted an exemption under rule 19 from the requirement to comply with rule 42 on days other than business days for gas gates with telemetry metering, subject to the following terms and conditions.

- (a) The exemption will expire on 30 April 2009;
- (b) To avoid doubt, the exemption is limited to the provision of estimated daily energy quantities on days that are not business days; and
- (c) No later than 31 March 2009, Gas Industry Co will provide a report, prepared in consultation with allocation participants, which provides investment and other relevant information on the implications of terminating the exemption, and sets out a recommended course of action for the period beginning after the expiry of the exemption.
- (d) The exemption is in addition to the exemption granted to transmission system owners in respect of rule 42 in the *Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Exemption DR08-15 to 18-S: Injection information) Notice 2008*.

- (e) The *Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Urgent Exemption DR08-25-S: Injection information) Notice 2008* is revoked.

4. Reasons

The reasons for granting the exemption are:

- (a) Transmission system owners will be unable to comply with the requirements of rule 42 on days that are not business days without incurring undue cost;
- (b) The exemption will provide time for the investigation and reporting on the costs and benefits in complying with rule 42 on days that are not business days; and
- (c) The expiry date and reporting requirements of this notice are consistent with those set out in the *Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Exemption DR08-15 to 18-S: Injection information) Notice 2008*.
- (d) Given this notice addresses the matters that the *Gas (Downstream Reconciliation) Rules 2008 (Urgent Exemption DR08-25-S: Injection information) Notice 2008* was intended to address on an interim basis, that notice has been superseded and is to be revoked.

DATED at Wellington this 6th day of November 2008.

For and on behalf of Gas Industry Company Limited:

RT HON JAMES BOLGER, O.N.Z, Chair.