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In our 11 December 2017 News Bulletin, Gas Industry Co invited stakeholders to provide submissions to assist our assessment of whether the Gas Transmission Access Code (GTAC) that First Gas Limited submitted on 8 December 2017 is materially better than the current terms and conditions of access to and use of the gas transmission pipelines.

On 22 December 2017, we issued a further News Bulletin to advise stakeholders that, following feedback from some stakeholders on the timeframes in the 11 December 2017 News Bulletin, we had decided to extend the deadline for submissions on the final GTAC from Monday 15 January 2018 to **5.00pm, Monday 22 January 2018**. That News Bulletin noted that we were considering indicative dates for the remainder of the GTAC assessment process.

We can now confirm that our indicative timetable for the GTAC assessment process is as follows:

Process	Date
Stakeholders provide submissions to Gas Industry Co on the final GTAC submitted to Gas Industry Co on 8 December 2017. Gas Industry Co seeks stakeholders' views on whether the GTAC is or isn't materially better than the existing arrangements, and reasons why	Monday, 22 January 2018
Gas Industry Co issues its preliminary assessment of the new GTAC for consultation with stakeholders	Monday, 12 February 2018
Stakeholders provide submissions to Gas Industry Co on the preliminary assessment of the new GTAC	Monday, 19 March 2018
Gas Industry Co issues its final assessment (termed a "final determination" in the MPOC)	Friday, 20 April 2018

Stakeholders will note that we have allowed a period of five weeks for submissions on Gas Industry Co's preliminary assessment of the GTAC. We believe that this is sufficient time for stakeholders to read, reflect on and respond to our preliminary assessment.

Submissions on the final GTAC to Gas Industry Co can be made [here](#). The 8 December 2017 GTAC is available [here](#).

In making your submission, you can express whatever views and provide whatever supporting information you consider relevant to our assessment. However, you may find it helpful to read the guidance for submitters and use the submission template provided on Gas Industry Co's website [here](#).

Information on development of the GTAC can be found [here](#).

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