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Information disclosure for outages

Thank you for the opportunity to cross submit to the Gas Industry Company's consultation *Options for Information Disclosure*, following submissions made on 17 April 2019.

In our view the submissions demonstrate a high-level of support for gas market disclosure of planned and unplanned outages. The means for how those disclosures are made (centralised or dispersed on participant's web-sites) will need further attention.

Having reviewed submissions, we consider stakeholder support lies towards regulated rather than voluntary approaches for outages disclosure. As submitted previously, we consider a rules-based information disclosure regime would support reliable and consistent outage information for outage co-ordination and longer-term system security assessments.

We note the outcomes of MBIE's recent [consultation](#) on changes to the Gas Act¹ could provide the Company with powers for regulating information disclosure.

Yours sincerely

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¹ [Submissions closed on 12 June 2019]