

Kia ora, and welcome to the Gas Industry Company's News Bulletin - a periodic advisory of new and current consultations, workstream developments, publications and presentations.

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FY2020 Statement of Intent published.

We have released our [FY2020 – 2022 Statement of Intent](#) (SOI). The SOI is published annually and sets out Gas Industry Co's Work Programme for the coming year, together with an indication of expected activity for the subsequent two years. These were developed in consultation with stakeholders.

2019 Levy Regulations take effect.

The [Gas \(Levy of Industry Participants\) Regulations 2019](#), which provide for Gas Industry Company's wholesale and retail levies for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 came into force on 1 July 2019. The levies were also developed as part of the consultation process referred to above.

June 2019 switching numbers available.

The Gas Registry statistics recording gas consumer switching numbers for June 2019 are available [here](#). There were 3,619 completed customer switches during June 2019 – 367 less than May 2019, and 105 less than last June.

For the last couple of years switching numbers and the time they take to complete have been relatively stable. In the last 12 months we saw on average 3,821 switches taking place a month which took on average two days to complete. During that time the highest numbers of switches occurred in November 2018 (4,343) and January 2019 saw the lowest (3,220).

Cross submissions on the Options Paper for Information Disclosure available.

On 27 June 2019, at the close of the consultation period, Gas Industry Co received thirteen cross submissions on the Options Paper for Information Disclosure (Options Paper).

Gas Industry Co decided on a cross submissions process given the range of perspectives reflected in the twenty submissions it received in April on the Options Paper. The cross submissions process allowed parties the opportunity to provide further information on issues they consider to be important.

The cross submissions can be viewed [here](#).

REMINDER: Update of Requirements and Procedures documents for Gas Quality and Gas Measurement.

Gas Industry Co would like to remind stakeholders that comments and suggestions on the Gas Quality, and the Gas Measurement Requirements and Procedures documents are invited by **5.00pm, Wednesday 31 July 2019**. Please refer to the relevant links below for submitting comments.

Gas Industry Co maintains a number of "Requirements and Procedures" documents that provide an overview of the legal requirements and technical standards that apply to particular areas of the industry and describe common industry practices. These documents are a resource for interested parties, so it is important that they are kept accurate and up to date.

The anticipated introduction of the Gas Transmission Access Code (GTAC) has prompted us to revisit the documents so that we can issue the updates once the GTAC comes into effect. While most of the edits involve replacing references to the Maui Pipeline Operating Code and Vector Transmission Code with GTAC references, we have also taken the opportunity to make a few other updates and tidy-ups.

If your organisation has an interest in the composition of gas, the contaminants in it, or the pressure it is delivered at, we encourage you to review the Gas Quality Requirements and Procedures document and make your submission [here](#).

If your organisation has an interest in gas metering systems (GMSs) or the calculation of delivered energy quantities, we encourage you to review the Gas Measurement Requirements and Procedures document and make your submission [here](#).

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this Bulletin, please contact us at info@gasindustry.co.nz or 04-4721800

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