

## Welcome to the Gasline Newsletter

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Gasline is published regularly as part of the industry's efforts to encourage the direct use of natural gas and LPG into households and small businesses.

Using natural gas and LPG as a direct energy source offers numerous cost, environmental and energy efficiency benefits. Gas New Zealand hopes to educate consumers and policy makers about the many advantages of making wider use of this strategic energy asset.

### NZ's gas story to hit the road



Gas remains an essential component of New Zealand's current energy supply, and overall, the country's gas industry is in good health.

That's according to Gas Industry Company's (GIC) Chief Executive Steve Bielby, whose comments appear in the fourth edition of *The New Zealand Gas Story*, which hits the road next month.

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### Industry forum highlights prospects of gas



*Gas Industry Forum 2016 attendees listen to a speaker*

More than 125 attendees paid tribute to the gas industry's 'bigger picture' at the latest forum held in Queenstown from November 2-4.

LPG Association Executive Director Peter Gilbert says the gas industry delegates "thoroughly enjoyed" the three-day annual Gas Industry Forum, which included networking events, and a plethora of presentations.

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### New GANZ Board member well equipped for role

With 29 years' experience under his belt, Bill Miller of Vector is joining the Board of the Gas Association of New Zealand (GANZ) as its newest member.

Bill has garnered years of experience throughout several areas across the gas and electricity industries.

He currently works with Vector's Advanced Metering Services as a Gas Metering Manager, and is responsible for more than 215,000 operational gas metering systems including growing the base of new gas metering assets.

In addition, Bill oversees development, implementation, and maintenance of Safety Management Systems for gas metering assets.

While his background is mostly in the natural gas sector in the United Kingdom and New Zealand, he also spent a short stint in Vietnam.

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### EECA appoints new Chief Executive



*New EECA CE James Hay*

The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA) has announced James Hay has been appointed as its new Chief Executive.

He will take up the role in mid-January 2017.

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### NZ Downstream 2017: the new energy future

The NZ Downstream strategic forum is the country's premier event for stakeholders of the downstream energy industry.

It will offer insights into current energy sector challenges and opportunities such as grid performance, distributed renewable generation, the changing retail landscape, and the democratisation of energy.

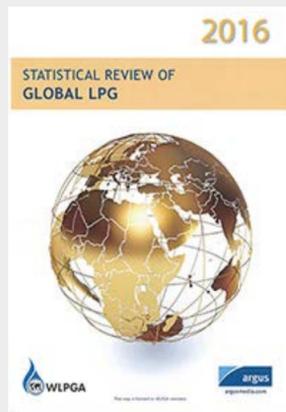


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### Strong global LPG production, says latest stats

The latest global LPG statistics, produced by the WLPGA Association in cooperation with Argus Media, portray a similar narrative to the positive figures here on New Zealand shores; a growth trend.

The 2016 Statistical Review of Global LPG showed global LPG production reached over 292 million tonnes per year in 2015, a four percent rise from 2014.



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### STORY IDEAS?

**We are always looking for stories from both the natural gas and LPG worlds, as well as the wider gas community.**

If you have any story ideas for Gasline please [email Daniel](mailto:info@lpga.org.nz).

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