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Dear Stakeholders

# **Confirmed GTC prices for GY2026**

Firstgas has today released confirmed transmission prices under the Gas Transmission Code (GTC). A schedule of these prices is attached and is published on <u>OATIS</u>.

### **Volume forecasts**

As in previous years, Firstgas engaged Aretê Consulting Limited to forecast gas flows for the coming gas year. An initial forecast was produced in February 2024, followed by an updated forecast in August 2025 using more recent data. Confirmed prices are based on the later forecast, 86.6 PJ for the entire transmission system, compared with the 91.3 PJ forecast used for provisional pricing.

#### Feedback from Stakeholders

Firstgas received two responses to the provisional pricing memo we published in May 2025.<sup>1</sup> The first noted the impact on retail pricing and expressed the need to liaise with their customers on the changes.

The second submission noted that the transmission price increases are greater than inflation, characterising the changes as "unsustainable." This submission also suggested that Firstgas should not seek to recover its full allowable revenue, and in particular, should not use the washup mechanism to recover shortfalls from previous years. Firstgas notes that there are a number of reasons why actual revenue may be greater or lesser than forecast revenue, and we consider the washup mechanism to be an effective way of dealing with any such difference. In general, Firstgas aims to recover its forecast allowable revenue for a particular year in that year, to the extent possible.

### **Prices for GY2026**

Prices for GY2026 are set out in the attached schedule.

From 1 October 2025, capacity reservation fees increase by \$77 per GJ.MDQ in most regions; by \$87 in Eastland. The throughput fee excluding (Frankley Road) will be \$1.22 per GJ.

The Frankley Road throughput fee will be \$0.50 per GJ for gas that is delivered to a consumer on that pipeline.

Kind regards

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proposed changes to pricing: Transmission pricing for GY2026, published 30 May 2025 on OATIS.



Schedule: Confirmed Standard Transmission Fees under the Gas Transmission Code Effective 1 October 2024 (separate .pdf attachment)