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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.

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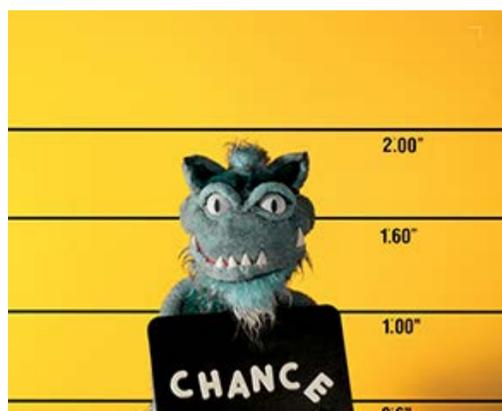
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### "Chance the puppet" takes to the world stage



International LPG industry executives will soon get advice on process safety from a Kiwi puppet aptly named Chance.

Chance will make his debut at the World LPGA Forum in Marrakech in October. He represents all the gremlin's in the system for most companies that can lead to accidents. He shows that you should leave nothing to "Chance" in our business safety improvement platform.

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### The future of gas in New Zealand – a teaser

Interesting insights and challenging questions are likely to spark lively debate among delegates attending the upcoming Gas NZ Forum on the 7-9 November.

The Forum will include a variety of presentations from experts in the gas industry, one of whom is the CEO of Liquigas, Albert de Geest.

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### Process heat plan driving the uptake of renewable energy in New Zealand



A new government initiative is in hand to increase the uptake of renewable energy and improve energy efficiency in the process heat sector.

The plan is being implemented by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE), in collaboration with The Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA). It's entitled 'Process Heat in New Zealand' (PHINZ).

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### RMA reform simplifies hazardous substance controls



The Resource Management Act (RMA) is one of three key pieces of legislation that direct how hazardous substances are managed in New Zealand. After 26 years, the RMA is being reformed, which will mean more efficient processes for councils and those dealing with hazardous substances.

The Resource Legislation Amendment Act 2017 (RLAA) represents the Government's second phase of reform of the RMA. The reform contains nearly 40 amendments and revisions to five different Acts. It is the most comprehensive package of reforms to the RMA since its establishment in 1991.

Executive Director of the LPG Association of New Zealand, Peter Gilbert, says the reform of the RMA is hugely significant.

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### The benefits and challenges of a joint trans-Tasman Standard

As Australia and New Zealand have similar government and industry processes, it makes sense to create joint trans-Tasman Standards to encourage more cohesive processes. But at what cost?

Manager of Standards New Zealand, Carmen Mak, says Standards New Zealand and Standards Australia are committed to working in partnership and continuing to promote the harmonisation of Standards across the Tasman.

"It makes sense for government and industry from both countries to work together wherever possible to develop joint Standards for the mutual benefit of both our economies," she said.

She says the two Standards organisations have agreed to share costs for the commissioning and reviewing of Standards.

"We have agreed on an arrangement where both organisations pay each other commissioning fees for projects where the other holds the Secretariat. The projects require a party who can commit to the commissioning of the project and the funding of the commissioning fees. These fees can be co-funded by several parties."

Executive Director of the LPG Association of New Zealand, Peter Gilbert, agrees that continuing with joint Standards with Australia for gas and LPG makes sense. However, the commissioning fee for amendments and new projects is beginning to cause issues in some areas.

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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:daniel@lpga.org.nz).

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