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Cabinet Legislation Committee

Minute of Decision

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On 11 November 2021, the Cabinet Legislation Committee:

- 1 **noted** that in October 2019, the Cabinet Environment, Energy and Climate Committee agreed to repeal the criminal penalty provided under section 43T of the Gas Act 1992 (the Gas Act), and to add a new civil pecuniary penalty for consumers (other than domestic consumers) who are not industry participants [ENV-19-MIN-0055];
- 2 **noted** that the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Amendment Regulations 2021 will give effect to the decision referred to in paragraph 1 above;
- 3 **authorised** the submission to the Executive Council of the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Amendment Regulations 2021 [PCO 24030/4.0];
- 4 **noted** that the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Amendment Regulations 2021 will come into force on 12 January 2022;
- 5 **noted** that the Gas Governance (Critical Contingency Management) Amendment Regulations 2021 will be made under section 43F of the Gas Act and that the following criteria contained in section 43J of the Gas Act are met:
 - 5.1 the regulations implement the effect of a recommendation of the industry body (currently the GIC); and
 - 5.2 the regulations do not differ from that recommendation in any material way (e.g. other than style or minor detail).

Rebecca Davies
Committee Secretary

Present:

Hon Michael Wood (Chair)
Hon Andrew Little
Hon David Parker
Hon Poto Williams
Hon Kris Faafoi
Hon Michael Wood (Deputy Chair)
Hon Kiri Allan
Hon Dr David Clark
Keiran McAnulty, MP (Senior Government Whip)

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