

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE OF THE DOCUMENT

Powerco's gas network provides an important service to many households and businesses across the North Island of New Zealand. As long-term stewards of the network assets, our aim is to focus on managing the network to deliver a safe, high-quality and highly efficient gas supply. Our gas business has an objective to deliver exceptional service to our customers and this influences our overall attitude, our priorities and day-to-day activities.

In 2013 we published our first comprehensive Asset Management Plan (2013 AMP). It set out the long-term strategy for the delivery of Powerco's gas distribution services and described, at a practical level, our asset management policies and processes, and the performance we expect and receive from our network assets. It also detailed how we strive to efficiently utilise the resources required to balance the price and service quality trade-offs that our customers tell us they require.

This 2014 Asset Management Plan Update (AMP update) covers the period from 1 October 2014 to 30 September 2024. It builds on last year's plan, and provides the latest information on Powerco's long-term strategy on managing our gas assets.

This AMP update was approved by the Board of Directors on 25 September 2014.

1.2 COMPLIANCE WITH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

This AMP update complies with the Gas Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012. We have structured this document to enable the reader to easily match the contents with the disclosure requirements.

The specific requirements on the contents of the AMP update are included in clauses 2.6.4 and 2.6.5. The AMP update must:

- Relate to the gas distribution services supplied by the gas distribution business (GDB)
- Identify any material changes to the network development plans disclosed in the last AMP
- Identify any material changes to the lifecycle asset management (maintenance and renewal) plans disclosed in the last AMP
- Provide the reasons for any material changes to the previous disclosures in the Report on Forecast Capital Expenditure set out in Schedule 11a and

Report on Forecast Operational Expenditure set out in Schedule 11b

- Identify any changes to the asset management practices of the GDB that would affect a Schedule 13 Report on Asset Management Maturity disclosure
- Include the reports set out in Schedule 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b and 12c, respectively related to:
 - Forecast Capital Expenditure
 - Forecast Operational Expenditure
 - Asset Condition
 - Forecast Utilisation
 - Forecast Demand

1.3 SUMMARY OF MATERIAL CHANGES

Since publishing the 2013 AMP we have continued to develop and refine our asset management approach including project justification and whole-of-life options analysis. These changes, coupled with delays during the transition to new field service and engineering arrangements, resulted in some projects planned for 2013 and 2014 being deferred or cancelled. Consequently network capital expenditure in 2013 was lower than forecast. The deferred network capital expenditure has altered the expenditure profile but the total across the planning period has not altered significantly.

The projects to increase quality of supply on our main networks (as detailed in our 2013 AMP) were successful. We collected additional information that fed into our network development planning.

There have been a number of minor amendments to network plans, affecting the timing and, in some cases, the solution proposed in the 2013 AMP. These amendments have been made to accommodate changes in sub-division development plans (controlled by others) and advancements in our monitoring and modelling of network performance. The amendments do not materially alter the overall expenditure forecasts.

An increase in non-network capital expenditure is forecast over the 2013-2017 period. The increase is due to bringing forward the implementation of an Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) system to advance our asset management capability, and other IT-related projects that will improve our monitoring and fault-response capability. We have revised our planning cycle and contractual arrangements to help us to meet our project delivery targets. We have also reviewed the expenditure allocation, especially between the quality of supply and system growth categories, to reflect the better understanding we have on the nature of the improvements projects.

We are continuously improving our Asset Management practices. New operational risk tools are progressively being introduced to optimise our decision-making process. We do not see these initiatives materially affecting the results of our Asset Management Maturity assessment disclosed last year.

There is no material change in our lifecycle asset management plan.

1.4 STRUCTURE OF THE 2014 AMP UPDATE

This AMP update is designed to meet disclosure requirements. In the interests of brevity, we have not attempted to duplicate the more explanatory style of the 2013 AMP.

If the reader seeks detailed information on how Powerco manages its gas assets over the long-term, we would encourage them to revert to the 2013 AMP, available on Powerco's website (www.powerco.co.nz).

This AMP update has 4 sections:

- Section 1 introduces the document
- Section 2 discusses the material changes in the network plans published in Section 8 of the 2013 AMP
- Section 3 provides the justification for the material changes in the expenditure forecasts
- Section 4 provides schedules 11a, 11b, 12a, 12b and 12c

2 CHANGES IN NETWORK PLANS

2.1 CONTEXT

Powerco operates 35 distribution networks over 5 regions:

- Wellington
- The Hutt Valley and Porirua
- Taranaki
- Manawatu and Horowhenua
- Hawkes Bay.

The two primary drivers for network development are our delivery and efficiency objectives and strategies described in Section 6 of the 2013 AMP. These include aspects such as:

- The rate of demand growth;
- Network capacity and utilisation;
- Network reliability;
- Efficiency and location of stations (DRSs); and
- Optimisation of our investment.

Together, these form the basis for our network development plans.

The 2013 AMP considered projects to 2019. This was reflective of our current knowledge and understanding of the network performance and our planning horizon being less accurate after a five-year horizon.

For this AMP update, we have reviewed the list of projects, their timing, and added projects in response to changes or issues identified since publishing the 2013 AMP. Changes in the network plans have affected all regions except Hawkes Bay.

2.2 WELLINGTON

2.2.1 CBD UPGRADE

The CBD pressure upgrade project started in 2013 and was expected to be completed before winter 2014. The project is more complex than anticipated at the planning stage and now won't be completed until 2015. In addition, the overall cost of the project has been revised from \$975k to \$1,200k. This is because of additional work required to upgrade the safety of the gas metering installations at customer's premises.

2.2.2 SYSTEM GROWTH

Growth is occurring in the northern part of the Wellington region but has been slower than expected. We consider this to be a timing issue and still anticipate the forecast system growth associated with new dwellings to occur within our planning timeframes.

We have re-profiled the expenditure profile for system growth accordingly.

2.3 HUTT VALLEY AND PORIUA

2.3.1 SYSTEM GROWTH

The reticulation of Maymorn Valley has been deferred from 2014 to 2016 (at the earliest). Timing for this development is dictated by the Hutt Valley council so we are relying on its timeframe to start the project and continue to liaise with the council.

2.4 TARANAKI

2.4.1 CUTFIELD ROAD DRS CAPACITY INCREASE

The Cutfield Rd DRS capacity increase project was identified in the 2013 AMP to increase capacity and supply security with a secondary objective of reducing noise levels from the station.

A detailed design review of this project identified a preferred solution comprising the installation of an additional DRS near the New Plymouth hospital. This solution has the additional benefit of providing sufficient capacity to address future growth forecast in the southern part of the city.

The cost for this revised project is \$150k, an increase of ~\$90k, and is scheduled for completion in 2015.

2.5 MANAWATU AND HOROWHENUA

2.5.1 MILSON REINFORCEMENT

Low pressure (<40% of the nominal operating pressure) has been identified in the suburb of Milson in Palmerston North. A river crossing is proposed to increase the pressure to an acceptable level to provide security and accommodate demand growth. The project, scheduled for delivery in 2014, will cost \$60k.

2.5.2 PALMERSTON NORTH IP EXTENSION

The eastern side of the Palmerston North LMP network relies on a single point of supply located in Robert Line and mainly services residential consumers. We fore-cast significant growth in this part of the city.

Further monitoring and modelling of this system has identified that the LMP network capacity is limited by the supply pressure to the DRS, which is affected by large industrial loads.

To increase the capacity to this growing area of the city, we will need to extend the intermediate pressure pipeline.

Between 2016 and 2017, we will spend \$2,000k to progressively extend the intermediate pressure network along Tremaine Avenue for approximately 2km. This will allow us to install a new point of supply into the medium pressure network, and relieve the station in Roberts Line. It will also be the first step towards the reticulation of the eastern part of the city. This expenditure can be accommodated within the existing capital expenditure forecast.

3 CHANGES IN EXPENDITURE FORECASTS

3.1 CONTEXT

The 2013 Gas AMP was the first Gas AMP disclosed for our gas business. Since its publication, we have continued to develop and refine our asset management approach. One result of this development is that some projects planned for 2013 and 2014 were deferred to allow more robust analysis and needs cases to be developed.

Additionally the commencement of the DPP period coincided with the new field service arrangements and changes to the engineering and contracts management structure. This transition resulted in some slippage in delivery but has delivered savings through competitive pricing and more efficient management.

Our field service contracts are rates-based. This gives us more certainty of costs on our minor projects. For larger projects, our ability to tender has delivered more competitive prices.

The new cost categories for reporting came into effect for regulatory year 2013. We have changed our financial system and standards to match these partway through the year. With a greater understanding of the intent of these categories, we have reallocated some expenditure between categories.

3.2 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The overall forecast expenditure for the period 2013-2017 has increased by ~\$4m compared to the 2013 AMP. This is primarily due to an increase in non-network capital expenditure.

The forecast network capital expenditure has reduced slightly and the revised project timing has changed the expenditure profile. Additionally there has been a shift between cost categories due to the reclassification of some project expenditure.





3.2.1 NON-NETWORK CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Non-network capital expenditure forecasts have increased by a total of \$4.8m over the 2013-2017 period. This is due to bringing forward the roll-out of the Enterprise Asset Management system to advance our asset management capability, and additional IT related projects that will improve our monitoring and fault-response capability.

3.2.2 REVISED TIMING

The expenditure in 2013 was~\$2m less than forecasted in the AMP. This is due to:

- · Deferrals to allow for more detailed analysis and needs cases to be developed
- Delays in project delivery through the transition period to new field service and engineering

The deferred projects will be carried forward and completed in 2014 and 2015. The revised forecast for network capital expenditure over the period 2013 – 2017 has been slightly reduced to reflect the lower project delivery costs as evidenced in projects completed in the past year.

3.2.3 REVISED COST CATEGORIES

The cost categories introduced by the Gas Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 were new to us. The capital works programme, as described in Section 3.2.3.1 of the 2013 AMP, is based on the contents of a network improvement register.

The projects in the improvement register have their cost category pre-allocated when entered into the list. This could be done several years before the execution of the project. We based last year's forecasts on these categories, which did not match the new cost categories.

With the experience gained this year, we have reallocated costs between system growth (reduction), quality of supply (higher), and asset replacement and renewal (slightly lower).

The improvement register will go under a full review for the 2015 Gas AMP, and we expect improved allocation accuracy.

3.2.4 SUMMARY OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

Figure 3.2 below shows the summary of capital expenditure broken down in the different categories. The 2013 AMP forecasts and the 2013 actual have been added for comparison purposes.



Figure 3.2: 2014 AMP Update Capital Expenditure Summary (Constant \$).

3.3 OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE

The revised overall operational expenditure is slightly under the forecast of the 2013 AMP over the period 2013-2017. As with capital expenditure, some reallocation between cost categories occurred. The operational expenditure in 2013 was affected by the transition in field service arrangement with some costs being deferred to 2014.

Forecast routine and corrective maintenance and inspection has been revised slightly down. We expect to maintain the level of expenditure broadly constant over the planning period.

Forecast asset replacement and renewal has been reviewed slightly upwards to reduce the number of defects identified on the network.

Figure 3.3 below shows the revised operational expenditure forecast, compared with the 2013 AMP, and the 2014 actual.

Figure 3.3: Comparison between 2013 AMP, 2014 AMP Update Forecasts, and 2013 Actual Operational Expenditure (Constant \$).



4 SCHEDULES

								Company Name	pany Name Powerco Limited									
							AMP	Planning Period		1 October 2	2014 – 30 Septer	nber 2024						
SCH hiss heva 5DBs	INTEDULE 11d. REPORT ON FORECAST CAPTIAL EXPENDITORE his schedule requires a breakdown of forecast expenditure on assets for the current disclosure year and a 10 year planning period. The forecasts should be consistent with the supporting information set out in the AMP. The forecast is to be expressed in both constant price and nominal dollar terms. Also required is a forecast of the value of commissioned assets (i.e., the value of RAB additions) DBs must provide explanatory comment on the difference between constant price and nominal dollar forecasts of expenditure on assets in Schedule 14a (Mandatory Explanatory Notes). his information is not part of audited disclosure information.																	
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7			Current Year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5	СҮ+6	СҮ+7	СҮ+8	CY+9	CY+10					
8		for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19	30 Sep 20	30 Sep 21	30 Sep 22	30 Sep 23	30 Sep 24					
9	11a(i): Expenditure on Assets Forecast	: F	\$000 (nominal dollars	5)														
)	Consumer connection	-	3,990	4,080	4,248	4,388	4,541	4,653	4,732	4,822	4,918	5,008	5					
	System growth	-	1,200	2,394	2,253	1,965	1,901	2,389	2,291	2,303	2,188	2,195						
	Asset replacement and renewal	-	1,550	2,533	2,941	2,813	3,272	3,164	3,218	3,279	3,344	3,406						
	Asset relocations		76	115	118	120	124	127	129	131	134	136						
	Quality of supply	Г	2 472	2 250	2 002	3 676	1 544	1 5 9 2	1 901	1 926	1 672	1 702						
	Legislative and regulatory	the second se	2,473	2,235	2,383		1,544	1,382	1,001	1,030	1,072	1,703						
,	Other reliability, safety and environment	the second se	1.873	1.258	1.412	1.485	973	1.070	1.177	1.309	1.802	1.998						
3	Total reliability, safety and environment		4,347	3.517	4,395	5,161	2.517	2,652	2,979	3.145	3,474	3,701						
	Expenditure on network assets		11,163	12,639	13,955	14,447	12,356	12,984	13,348	13,679	14,059	14,446	1					
	Non-network assets	Ĩ	1,620	2,045	2,275	2,171	1,522	1,178	1,163	1,159	1,182	1,206						
	Expenditure on assets		12,783	14,684	16,231	16,618	13,878	14,162	14,511	14,839	15,241	15,652	1					
2																		
	plus Cost of financing	_	-	15	31	32	31	31	32	33	34	35						
	less Value of capital contributions	_	542	610	626	640	653	667	680	693	707	721						
	plus Value of vested assets		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						
5	Capital expenditure forecast	L	12,241	14,089	15,635	16,010	13,255	13,527	13,863	14,179	14,568	14,965	1					
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	Value of commissioned assets	L	11,629	13,996	15,558	15,991	13,393	13,513	13,846	14,163	14,548	14,945	1					
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	Consumer connection	le l		4.001	4.079	4 1 1 9	4 170	4 107	A 10F	4 101	4 101	4 174						
	System growth		1 200	2 347	2 162	4,118	4,179	4,197	2 026	4,101	1 860	1 829						
	Asset replacement and renewal	1	1,550	2,347	2,823	2.640	3.011	2,854	2,846	2.843	2,843	2,838						
;	Asset relocations	-	76	113	113	112	114	114	114	114	114	114						
7	Reliability, safety and environment:	-																
3	Quality of supply	Γ	2,473	2,216	2,864	3,450	1,421	1,427	1,593	1,592	1,422	1,419						
	Legislative and regulatory		-	-	-	-		-	-	-		-						
)	Other reliability, safety and environment		1,873	1,234	1,355	1,394	896	965	1,041	1,135	1,532	1,665	1					
1	Total reliability, safety and environment		4,347	3,449	4,219	4,844	2,316	2,392	2,635	2,727	2,954	3,084	3					
?	Expenditure on network assets		11,163	12,395	13,395	13,559	11,369	11,713	11,805	11,861	11,951	12,039	1					
3	Non-network assets		1,620	2,006	2,184	2,038	1,401	1,063	1,029	1,005	1,005	1,005						
1	Expenditure on assets		12,783	14,400	15,579	15,597	12,770	12,776	12,834	12,866	12,957	13,044	1					
	Subcomponents of expenditure on assets (where know	n)																
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48			Current Year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5	CY+6	CY+7	CY+8	CY+9	CY+10
49		for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19	30 Sep 20	30 Sep 21	30 Sep 22	30 Sep 23	30 Sep 24
50	Difference between nominal and constant price forecasts		\$000										
51	Consumer connection		-	79	171	270	363	455	547	641	737	834	934
52	System growth		-	47	90	121	152	234	265	306	328	366	415
53	Asset replacement and renewal		-	49	118	173	261	310	372	436	501	567	635
54	Asset relocations		-	2	4	7	10	12	15	17	20	23	25
55	Reliability, safety and environment:												
56	Quality of supply		-	44	120	226	123	155	208	244	251	284	317
57	Legislative and regulatory		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58	Other reliability, safety and environment		-	24	57	91	78	105	136	174	270	333	409
59	Total reliability, safety and environment		-	68	176	317	201	260	344	418	521	616	726
60	Expenditure on network assets		-	244	560	887	986	1,271	1,543	1,818	2,108	2,406	2,736
61	Non-network assets		-	39	91	133	122	115	134	154	177	201	225
62	Expenditure on assets		-	283	651	1,021	1,108	1,386	1,677	1,972	2,285	2,607	2,961
70													
71			Current Year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5					
72	11a(ii): Consumer Connection	for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19					
-		,											
/3	Consumer types defined by GDB*		\$000 (in constant pri	ces)	2.644	2.657	2.712	2 720					
74	Residential / Small Commercial		3,527	3,537	3,614	3,657	3,/12	3,729					
75	Commercial		3/8	3/9	379	377	381	383					
76	Industrial		86	85	85	84	85	86					
77			-	-	-	-	-						
78	- * include additional source if needed	l	-	-	-	-	-	-					
79	Consumer connection ower diture		2 000	4.001	4.079	4 1 1 9	4 170	4 107					
01	loss Capital contributions funding consumer connection		5,990	4,001	4,078	4,118	4,179	4,197					
01	Concumer connection loss canital contributions		2 440	2 402	2 477	2 5 1 9	2 5 7 9	2 506					
02	consumer connection less capital contributions		3,443	3,402	3,477	5,518	3,378	3,350					
83	11a(iii): System Growth												
0.0													
04	Main pipe		41	70	202	62	60	74					
05	Service pine		17	22	333	36	25	21					
87	Stations		17		225	20	25						
88			1	1	1	1	1	1					
89	Special crossings		0	0	0	0	0	0					
90	Intermediate Pressure total		59	113	643	90	86	106					
91	Medium pressure												
92	Main pipe		/85	1,511	1,045	1,206	1,144	1,409					
93	Service pipe		329	633	438	506	479	591					
94	Stations		-	-	-	-	-	-					
95	Line valve		12	24	16	19	18	22					
96	Special crossings		1	1	1	1	1	1					
97	wedium Pressure total		1,127	2,169	1,500	1,732	1,642	2,023					
98	Low Pressure												
99	Main pipe		10	20	14	16	15	19					
100	Service pipe		4	8	6	7	6	8					
101	Line valve		0	0	0	0	0	0					
102	Special crossings		0	0	0	0	0	0					
102	Low Prossure total		15	20	20	22	22	27					

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Low Pressure total	15	29	20	23	22
Other assets					
Monitoring and control systems	-	37	l _	ļ -	-
Cathodic protection systems	-	_		-	-
Other assets (other than above)	-		-	-	-
Other total	-	37	-	-	-
System growth expenditure	1,200	2,347	2,162	1,845	1,749
less Capital contributions funding system growth	-			-	-
System growth less capital contributions	1,200	2,347	2,162	1,845	1,749

120							
121		Current Year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5
	for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19
122	11a(iv): Asset Replacement and Renewal						
123	Intermediate pressure	\$000 (in constant pri	ces)				
124	Main pipe	19	23	46	46	58	58
125	Service pipe	8	10	19	19	24	24
126	Stations	43	318	-		-	-
127	Line valve	257	526	1	1	1	1
128	Special crossings	98	259	0	0	0	0
129	Intermediate Pressure total	425	1,136	66	66	84	84
130	Medium pressure						
131	Main pipe	729	665	1,682	1,674	1,916	1,924
132	Service pipe	305	497	705	702	803	806
133	Station	56	-	-	-	-	-
134	Line valve	20	7	14	14	18	18
135	Special crossings	0	0	1	1	1	1
136	Medium Pressure total	1,111	1,168	2,401	2,390	2,737	2,749
137	Low Pressure						
138	Main pipe	5	6	12	12	15	15
139	Service pipe	2	2	5	5	6	6
140	Line valve	0	0	0	0	0	0
141	Special crossings	0	0	0	0	0	0
142	Low Pressure total	7	8	17	17	21	21
143	Other assets						
144	Monitoring and control systems	-	-	-	-	-	-
145	Cathodic protection systems	7	171	339	168	170	-
146	Other assets (other than above)	-	-	-	-	-	-
147	Other total	7	171	339	168	170	-
148							
149	Asset replacement and renewal expenditure	1,550	2,484	2,823	2,640	3,011	2,854
150	less Capital contributions funding asset replacement and renewal	-	-	-	-	-	-
151	Asset replacement and renewal less capital contributions	1,550	2,484	2,823	2,640	3,011	2,854
152							
153	11a(v): Asset Relocations						
154	Project or programme*						

Project or programme* Nil * include additional rows if needed All other asset relocations projects or programmes Asset relocations expenditure less Capital contributions funding asset relocations Asset relocations less capital contributions

172		for year ended	Current Year CY 30 Sep 14	CY+1 30 Sep 15	CY+2 30 Sep 16	CY+3 30 Sep 17	CY+4 30 Sep 18	CY+5 30 Sep 19
173	11a(vi): Quality of Supply		·	·				·
175	Project or programme*	¢	000 (in constant price	oc)				
175	Milson reinforcement (Manawatu)		67	-	-	-	_	
170	Bell Block - Links Drive transfer (Taranaki)	-	-	112	_	_	_	_
	Waterloo DBS replacement (Hutt Valley - Porirua)	-	92	279	-	-	-	-
	Base Hospital DRS installation (Taranaki)	-	-	168	-	-	-	-
	Wellington CBD Upgrade (Wellington)	-	802	425	-	-	-	-
	Huatoki Street Looping (Taranaki)	_	-	-	68	-	-	-
	Ferndale Southern looping (Taranaki)	_	-	-	248	405	-	-
	Hokowhitu reinforcement (Manawatu)	_	-	-	565	-	-	-
177	Palmerston North IP extension (Manawatu)		-	-	571	1,630	-	-
178	DRS flow measurement equipement (All regions)		57	348	282	281	284	285
179	Eastbourne pressure upgrade (Hutt Valley - Porirua)		276	-	-	-	-	-
180	Whitby (Mana) Reinforcement (Hutt Valley - Porirua)		897	-	-	-	-	-
181	* include additional rows if needed							
182	All other quality of supply projects or programmes	L	282	884	1,129	1,135	1,137	1,142
183	Quality of supply expenditure	L	2,473	2,216	2,864	3,450	1,421	1,427
184	less Capital contributions funding quality of supply		-	-	-	-	-	-
185	Quality of supply less capital contributions	L	2,473	2,216	2,864	3,450	1,421	1,427
186								
187	Project or programme							
189	Nil		-	-	=	=	-	-
190	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
191	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
192	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
193	-		-	-	-	-	-	-
194	* include additional rows if needed	_						
195	All other legislative and regulatory projects or programmes		-	-	-	-	-	-
196	Legislative and regulatory expenditure	Ļ	-	-	-	-	-	-
197	less Capital contributions funding legislative and regulatory	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
198	Legislative and regulatory less capital contributions	L	-	-	-	-	-	-
199	11a(viii): Other Reliability, Safety and Environment							
200	Project or programme*							
201	DRS protection programme (All regions)		201	706	1,129	1,124	568	571
202	Hyderabad Road IP pipe realignment (Hawkes Bay)		-	279	-	-	-	-
203	IP signage renewal (All regions)		503	-	-	-	-	-
204	Westshore (Hawkes Bay)		502	-	-	-	-	-
205	-							
206	* include additional rows if needed							
207	All other reliability, safety and environment projects or programmes		667	248	226	270	327	395
208	Other reliability, safety and environment expenditure		1,873	1,234	1,355	1,394	896	965
209	less Capital contributions funding other reliability, safety and environme	nt	-	-	-	-	-	-
210	Other Reliability, safety and environment less capital contributions		1,873	1,234	1,355	1,394	896	965

211	11a/iv): Non-Network Assets						
211	Pouting expanditure						
212	Project or programme*						
213	Nil						
214							
215							
217							
218	-	_	_	_	-	_	_
219	* include additional rows if needed	ļI					
220	All other routine expenditure projects or programmes	1,620	1,960	1,537	1,173	1,129	1,063
221	Routine expenditure	1,620	1,960	1,537	1,173	1,129	1,063
222	Atunical expenditure						
222	Atypical expenditure						
223	Project or programme*	r – – – – – – – – – – – – – – – – – – –	10		0.05	272	
224	Enterprise Asset Management System	-	46	646	865	272	
225		-		-	-	-	
226		-		-	-	-	
227		-	-	-	-	-	-
228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
229	* include additional rows if needed	r1		1		1	
230	All other atypical expenditure projects or programmes	-	-	-	-	-	-
231	Atypical expenditure	-	46	646	865	272	
232	New webwerk ender and dates	1.630	2.000	2.404	2.020	1 401	1.052
233	Non-network assets expenditure	1,620	2,006	2,184	2,038	1,401	1,063

			Company Name	e Powerco Limited									
							AMP	Planning Period		1 October	2014 – 30 Septer	nber 2024	
SC	HEDULE 11b: REPORT ON FORECAST OPER	ATIONAL EX	(PENDITURE										
This	s schedule requires a breakdown of forecast operational expenditure	e for the disclosur	e year and a 10 year	planning period. The f	orecasts should be	consistent with the si	upporting informatio	on set out in the AMP	The forecast is to be	e expressed in both c	onstant price and nor	ninal dollar terms.	
This	information is not part of audited disclosure information.	stant price and no	minal donar operad	onar expenditure fore	casis in schedule 14		latory Notes).						
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0		for your onded	Current year CY	CY+1 30 Sen 15	CY+2 30 Sep 16	CY+3 30 Sep 17	CY+4 30 Sep 18	CY+5 30 Sep 19	CY+6 30 Sep 20	(Y+/ 30 Sep 21	CY+8 30 Sen 22	CY+9 30 Sen 23	CY+10 30 Sep 24
0	Operational Expenditure Forecast	for year chucu	\$000 (in nominal doll	are)	00000000	00 0cp 17	00 00p 10	50 500 15	00 000 20	00 00p 22	50 500 22	00 00p 10	000000
10	Service interruptions incidents and emergencies		3/19	357	367	377	387	396	406	417	427	438	119
11	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection		1,968	1,854	1,904	1,956	2,006	2,056	2,107	2,160	2,215	2,270	2,327
12	Asset replacement and renewal		3,135	3,030	3,111	3,198	3,278	3,360	3,445	3,531	3,620	3,711	3,804
13	Network opex		5,452	5,241	5,382	5,531	5,670	5,813	5,959	6,108	6,261	6,419	6,580
14	System operations and network support		3,510	3,615	3,752	3,806	3,952	3,992	4,039	4,120	4,202	4,286	4,372
15	Business support		7,025	7,108	7,153	7,036	6,995	7,174	7,350	7,497	7,647	7,800	7,956
10	Non-network opex		10,534	10,723	16,905	10,843	10,947	16,079	11,389	11,617	11,850	12,087	12,328
17	operational experiate are	_	13,500	13,504	10,207	10,574	10,017	10,575	17,540	11,725	10,111	10,505	10,500
18			Current year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	СҮ+5	СҮ+6	CY+7	СҮ+8	CY+9	CY+10
19		for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19	30 Sep 20	30 Sep 21	30 Sep 22	30 Sep 23	30 Sep 24
20			\$000 (in constant prie	ces)									
21	Service interruptions, incidents and emergencies		349	351	352	354	356	358	359	361	363	365	367
22	Asset replacement and renewal		3,135	2,972	2.986	3.001	3.016	3.031	3.047	3.062	3.077	3.093	3,108
24	Network opex		5,452	5,140	5,166	5,192	5,218	5,244	5,270	5,296	5,323	5,349	5,376
25	System operations and network support		3,510	3,545	3,601	3,572	3,636	3,601	3,572	3,572	3,572	3,572	3,572
26	Business support		7,025	6,971	6,866	6,604	6,437	6,472	6,501	6,501	6,501	6,501	6,501
27	Non-network opex		10,534	10,516	10,467	10,177	10,073	10,073	10,073	10,073	10,073	10,073	10,073
28	Operational expenditure	I	15,986	15,656	15,633	15,368	15,291	15,317	15,343	15,369	15,396	15,422	15,449
29	Subcomponents of operational expenditure (wher	e known)											
30	Research and development		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Insurance		268	289	303	318	334	351	368	387	406	426	448
32													
33			Current year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5	СҮ+6	CY+7	СҮ+8	CY+9	CY+10
34		for year ended	30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19	30 Sep 20	30 Sep 21	30 Sep 22	30 Sep 23	30 Sep 24
25	Difference between nominal and real forecasts		¢000										
35	Service interruptions incidents and emergencies		\$000	7	15	23	31	30	47	55	64	73	82
37	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection		_	36	76	120	160	201	244	287	332	378	426
38	Asset replacement and renewal		-	58	125	196	262	329	398	469	543	618	696
39	Network opex		-	101	216	340	453	569	689	812	939	1,069	1,204
40	System operations and network support		-	70	151	234	315	391	467	548	630	714	800
41	Business support		-	137	287	432	558 874	702	1 216	996	1,146	1,299	1,455
42	Operational expenditure		-	308	438	1 006	1 327	1,093	2 005	2 356	2 715	2,013	2,255
75	operational experiance e		-	508	054	1,000	1,527	1,002	2,005	2,330	2,/13	5,005	5,439

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Asset condition at start of planning period (percentage of units by grade)

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SCHEDULE 12a: REPORT ON ASSET CONDITION

This schedule requires a breakdown of asset condition by asset class as at the start of the forecast year. The data accuracy assessment relates to the percentage values disclosed in the asset condition columns. Also required is a forecast of the percentage of units to be replaced in the next 5 years. All information should be consistent with the information provided in the AMP and the expenditure on assets forecast in Schedule 11a.

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8	Operating Pressure	Asset category	Asset class	Units _	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade unknown	Data accuracy (1–4)	% of asset forecast to be replaced in next 5 years
9	Intermediate Pressure	Main pipe	IP PE main pipe	km	-	-	18.81%	80.39%	0.80%	3	0.00%
10	Intermediate Pressure	Main pipe	IP steel main pipe	km	0.06%	-	79.88%	0.27%	19.79%	3	0.06%
11	Intermediate Pressure	Main pipe	IP other main pipe	km	-	-	25.06%	0.23%	74.71%	3	0.00%
12	Intermediate Pressure	Service pipe	IP PE service pipe	km	-	-	81.43%	14.45%	4.12%	3	0.00%
13	Intermediate Pressure	Service pipe	IP steel service pipe	km	-	0.01%	24.54%	0.91%	74.53%	3	0.01%
14	Intermediate Pressure	Service pipe	IP other service pipe	km	-	-	93.88%	1.73%	4.39%	3	0.00%
15	Intermediate Pressure	Stations	Intermediate pressure DRS	No.	3.49%	3.49%	77.33%	12.21%	3.49%	2	6.98%
16	Intermediate Pressure	Line valve	IP line valves	No.	0.43%	0.78%	55.72%	8.52%	34.55%	2	0.82%
17	Intermediate Pressure	Special crossings	IP crossings	No.	-	2.07%	75.29%	0.29%	22.36%	2	1.03%
18	Medium Pressure	Main pipe	MP PE main pipe	km	0.02%	0.02%	88.87%	10.30%	0.80%	3	0.03%
19	Medium Pressure	Main pipe	MP steel main pipe	km	0.08%	0.01%	79.94%	0.18%	19.79%	3	0.09%
20	Medium Pressure	Main pipe	MP other main pipe	km	-	-	25.15%	0.14%	74.71%	3	0.00%
21	Medium Pressure	Service pipe	MP PE service pipe	km	0.02%	0.03%	83.80%	12.03%	4.12%	3	0.05%
22	Medium Pressure	Service pipe	MP steel service pipe	km	-	0.02%	25.35%	0.11%	74.52%	3	0.02%
23	Medium Pressure	Service pipe	MP other service pipe	km	-	0.01%	91.91%	3.69%	4.39%	3	0.01%
24	Medium Pressure	Stations	Medium pressure DRS	No.	-	-	85.11%	7.45%	7.45%	2	0.00%
25	Medium Pressure	Line valve	MP line valves	No.	-	0.67%	49.21%	15.60%	34.51%	2	0.34%
26	Medium Pressure	Special crossings	MP special crossings	No.	0.39%	2.98%	64.02%	3.02%	29.59%	2	1.88%
27	Low Pressure	Main pipe	LP PE main pipe	km	-	0.01%	92.25%	6.95%	0.80%	3	0.01%
28	Low Pressure	Main pipe	LP steel main pipe	km	-	-	80.19%	0.02%	19.79%	3	0.00%
29	Low Pressure	Main pipe	LP other main pipe	km	-	-	25.26%	0.03%	74.71%	3	0.00%
30	Low Pressure	Service pipe	LP PE service pipe	km	-	0.13%	85.38%	10.38%	4.12%	3	0.13%
31	Low Pressure	Service pipe	LP steel service pipe	km	-	-	25.17%	0.29%	74.54%	3	0.00%
32	Low Pressure	Service pipe	LP other service pipe	km	-	-	89.55%	6.06%	4.39%	3	0.00%
33	Low Pressure	Line valve	LP line valves	No.	-	0.31%	35.33%	28.31%	36.04%	2	0.16%
34	Low Pressure	Special crossings	LP special crossings	No.	-	-	90.03%	0.33%	9.63%	2	0.00%
35	All	Monitoring & control systems	Remote terminal units	No.	-	-	-	100.00%	-	4	0.00%
36	All	Cathodic protection systems	Cathodic protection	No.	-	16.27%	46.78%	6.44%	30.51%	3	8.14%

										Cc	ompany Name		Powerco Limited
										AMP PI	anning Period	1	L October 2014 – 30 September 2024
DULE 12b	: REPORT ON FO a breakdown of current an	RECAST UTILISA d forecast utilisation (for	TION r heavily utilised pipeli	nes) consistent wit	h the information p	rovided in the AMP and the de	emand forecast in so	hedule S12c.					
Forecast Ut	ilisation of Heavily U	tilised Pipelines					Utilisation						
				Minimum			otilisation						
			Nominal operating o	perating pressure (MinOP)	Total capacity at MinOP	Remaining capacity at MinOP	Current Year CY	CY+1	CY+2	CY+3	CY+4	CY+5	
Regio	n Network	Pressure system	(kPa)	(kPa)	(scmh)	(scmh) Unit	v/e 30 Sep 14	v/e 30 Sep 15	v/e 30 Sep 16	v/e 30 Sep 17	v/e 30 Sep 18	v/e 30 Sep 19	Comment
	-					scmh	5047	3391	3391	3391	3391	3391	****
Wellingto	n Tawa A	Wellington CBD	10	6	5,010	32 kPa	2.16	3.506	3.506	3.506	3.506	3.506	
Wallingto	Town A	Wellington ID	1 200	200	22.022	1 191 scmh	24302	24452	24602	24752	25127	25197	The Wellington IP network is currently performing at the
weiningto	I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	weinington ip	1,200	500	25,652	1,101 kPa	338	333	328	314	310	305	required standard. The minimum operating pressure pre-
Wollingto		Wollington 25kPa	25	15	6 766	71 scmh	6787	8282	8767	8767	8767	8767	The Wellington 25kPa will be affected by the transfer of
weiningto	I Iawa A	Wennigton 23kPa	25	15	0,700	kPa	11.9	10.5	12.1	12.1	12.1	12.1	Terrace and Kelburn areas from the Wellington CBD pre-
Wellingto	а Тажа А	Wellington North	185	111	3 817	190 scmh	3802	4106	4202	4298	4394	4490	
wennigto	I Iawa A	weinigton worth	185	111	5,612	kPa	95	95	95	95	95	95	
Hutt	Waitangirua/	Plimmerton IP	1 200	300	915	123 scmh	849	921	994	1063	1118	1179	The Whitby project which took place last year increased
Valley/Por	irua Pauatahanui		1,200	500	510	kPa	593	495	374	261	256	199	capacity of this system. Studies are underway to confirm
Taranaki	Manaja	Manaja	340	204	144	60 scmh	169	169	169	169	169	169	This pressure system is dependent on a single commerce
						kPa	149	149	149	149	149	149	consumer. We do not expect any increase in the demand
Taranaki	New Plymouth	Bell Block North	240	144	541	75 scmh	541	507	517	602	687	772	With the growth happening at the extremity of this press
						kPa	144	179	177	172	167	160	system, pressure levels are currently under our target. I
Taranaki	New Plymouth	New Plymouth MP	250	150	5,355	62 scmh	5255	5398	5466	5534	5602	5670	
			-			kPa	89	143	141	139	137	135	and the second
Taranaki	Patea	Patea	350	210	202	79 scmh	247	244	241	238	235	232	This pressure system is expected to see its performance increasing due to the decrease of demand forecasted over
						kPa	125	132	138	145	151	157	The performance of this pressure system relies mainly
Taranaki	Waverley	Waverley	350	210	173	54 scmn	210	210	210	210	210	210	industrial customer. It is expected to see its performance
			+ +			кра	88	88	88	88	88	88	
Manawat	Palmerston North	Palmerston North LMP	100	60	5,233	75 scmn	5293	5341	5389	5437	5485	5533	
		Palmorston North MP	+ +			кра	57	57	6/	67	67	67	
Manawat	u Palmerston North Palmerston North MP 400 150 2,564	375 scmn	2432	24/9	2481	2266	2279	2291					
			+ +			kPa somb	195	183	1/9	230	227	224	Growth is not expected in this network at this stage A si
Manawat	Palmerston North	Awapuni LMP	100	60	61	18 kpp	64 EA	54	70	70	54	54	interconnection in RY15 will increase the performance o
		the action of the second of the	a second and a second	<i>c</i>		RPd	54	/9	79	79	79	79	· · · · ·

Disclaimer for supply enquiries

The information in this table contains modelled estimates of utilisation and capacity. Any interested party seeking to invest in supply from Powerco's distribution networks should contact Powerco or their retailer and confirm availability of capacity.

Notes and assumptions

Growth patterns used were outlined in the 2013 Gas AMP, revised with our current knowledge.

If the growth was expected to spread over multiple years, it was uniformly spread over life.

The number of lots identified in the 2013 Gas AMP was multiplied by 0.6scm/h to calculate a diversified load per connection. This was summed and placed at a single point in the model where the load is expected to occur.

If the growth specified in the 2013 Gas AMP was inferior to our supply forecasts, we would reconcile these by adding the load at one extremity of the network.

		Company Name		Powerco	Limited					
		AMP	Planning Period	1 October 2014 – 30 September 2024						
sc	HEDULE 12c. REPORT ON FORECAST DEMAND		J J L L							
This	schedule requires a forecast of new connections (by consumer type), neak demand a	nd energy volumes for	the disclosure year a	nd a 5 year planning	period. The forecasts	should be				
con	sistent with the supporting information set out in the AMP as well as the assumption	s used in developing the	e expenditure forecas	sts in Schedule 11a ar	nd Schedule 11b and	the capacity and				
utili	isation forecasts in Schedule 12b.									
sch re	f									
-	12c(i) Consumer Connections									
/ 8	Number of ICPs connected in year by consumer type									
9		Current year CY	СҮ+1	СҮ+2	CY+3	CY+4	СҮ+5			
10		30 Sep 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sep 17	30 Sep 18	30 Sep 19			
11	Consumer types defined by GDB									
12	Residential / Small Commercial	1,502	1,517	1,551	1,577	1,583	1,583			
13	Commercial	100	100	100	100	99	99			
14	Industrial	1	1	1	1	1	1			
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
1/	lotal	1,603	1,618	1,652	1,678	1,683	1,683			
18	12c/ii): Cas Delivered	Current year CV	CV+1	CV+2	CV+2	CV+4	CV+5			
19	12c(ii). Gas Delivered	30 Sen 14	30 Sep 15	30 Sep 16	30 Sen 17	30 Sen 18	30 Sen 19			
19	Number of ICPs at year end	103.913	104.602	105.319	106.037	106.755	107.477			
20	Maximum daily load (GJ/day)	44,054	44,281	44,743	45,215	45,695	46,185			
21	Maximum monthly load (GJ/month)	1,011,730	1,016,946	1,027,565	1,038,405	1,049,418	1,060,662			
22	Number of directly billed ICPs (at year end)	-	-	-	-	-	-			
23	Total gas conveyed (GJ/annum)	8,901,169	8,970,650	9,064,805	9,160,687	9,258,341	9,357,037			
24	Average daily delivery (GJ/day)	24,387	24,577	24,767	25,098	25,365	25,636			
25										
26	Maximum monthly amount of gas entering network (GJ/month)	1,011,730	1,016,946	1,027,565	1,038,405	1,049,418	1,060,662			
27	LOAD TACTOR	/3.32%	/3.51%	/3.51%	/3.52%	/3.52%	/3.52%			

Schedule 14a: Mandatory Explanatory Notes on Forecast Information

(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Gas Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012)

- 1. This Schedule requires GDBs to provide explanatory notes to reports prepared in accordance with clause 2.6.5.
- 2. This Schedule is mandatory—GDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.7.3. This information is not part of the audited disclosure information, and so is not subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.

Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11a)

3. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 11a.

Box 1: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts

The index used to translate nominal \$ forecasts into constant \$ forecasts is the Statistics NZ CPI (All Groups). The CPI index applied is the annual average rate of increase based on the CPI index predictions included in the NZIER Quarterly Predictions from June 2014.

For example, the index used for the year ending 30 September 2015 is based on the annual average movement using CPI predictions (actuals where available) as follows:

(Q1 RY15 + Q2 RY15 + Q3 RY15 + Q4 RY15)/(Q1 RY14 + Q2 RY14 + Q3 RY14 + Q4 RY14).

Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11b)

4. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 11b.

Box 2: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts

The index used to translate nominal \$ forecasts into constant \$ forecasts is the Statistics NZ CPI (All Groups). The CPI index applied is the annual average rate of increase based on the CPI index predictions included in the NZIER Quarterly Predictions from June 2014.

For example, the index used for the year ending 30 September 2015 is based on the annual average movement using CPI predictions (actuals where available) as follows:

(Q1 RY15 + Q2 RY15 + Q3 RY15 + Q4 RY15)/(Q1 RY14 + Q2 RY14 + Q3 RY14 + Q4 RY14).

5 COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

DIRECTORS' CERTIFICATE CONFIRMING REGULATORY COMPLIANCE OF POWERCO'S GAS ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE IN THE FORM REQUIRED BY SCHEDULE 17 OF THE GAS DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION DISCLOSURE DETERMINATION 2012

Certification for Year-beginning Disclosures

We, John Loughlin and Murray Bain being directors of Powerco Limited certify that, having made all reasonable enquiry, to the best of our knowledge:

- (a) the following attached information of Powerco Limited prepared for the purposes of clause 2.6.3(2)(b) and clause 2.6.5(2) of the Gas Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 in all material respects complies with that determination;
- (b) the prospective financial or non-financial information included in the attached information has been measured on a basis consistent with regulatory requirements or required industry standards.

Director

Date: 25 September 2014

Director

Date: 25 September 2014