

## Media Release No. 2

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### Gas Supply Outage in Whanganui

The following is an update to our earlier media statement of 1030hrs today.

The water pipe has been repaired by Whanganui District Council and we are confident that water is no longer entering the network.

We are unable to establish how long the problem has existed but indications are that a significant volume of water is now in our pipes and needs to be removed before supplies can be safely restored.

The current list of properties that are affected are listed below. Consumers who have no gas and are not within the areas listed are advised to contact GasNet urgently.

GasNet representatives are currently visiting each property within the affected area and turning off the gas supply at the meter. Once this is complete we will be progressively disconnecting sections within the area and purging the water from the pipes. As each section is cleared a GasNet representative will then call to turn on each individual gas supply and relight the appliances at the property.

Due to the extent of the outage, the grid nature of the network and the effort required to isolate, purge and reinstate each section of pipe it is likely that **consumers supplies will not be restored for a number of days.**

Further information for those consumers affected by this outage and progress updates will be available from GasNet's website [www.gasnet.co.nz](http://www.gasnet.co.nz), by phone at 349 2050 or email [enquiries@gasnet.co.nz](mailto:enquiries@gasnet.co.nz).

GasNet is committed to ensuring that supplies are restored as soon as possible. Our offices are open with staff and contractors currently working on containing and resolving the outage.

#### **List of Affected Streets:**

<b><u>Street</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>	<b><u>Street</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>
Argyle Street	3	28	London Street	20	155
Barrack Street	1	24	Parsons Street	28	58
Campbell Street	111	111	Pitt Street	58	87
College Street	1	49	Russell Street	1A	12
Glasgow Street	18	49	Selwyn Crescent	1	15
Grey Street	5	59	Somme Parade	100	100
Halswell Street	2	43	Spier Street	1	22
Keith Street	94	94	Tay Street	13	36
Liverpool Street	77	119	Victoria Avenue	349	447

## **About GasNet**

Based in Whanganui, GasNet Limited is a company dedicated to the ownership and management of natural gas networks and meters, predominantly in the Whanganui-Manawatu region. Its Whanganui network has operated since the late 1800's when the city became established with management of its gas infrastructure a core activity within the GasNet business.

GasNet Limited is 100% owned by Whanganui District Council Holdings Limited, a Council Controlled Trading Organisation of the Whanganui District Council.

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