Submission template

### Updating the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999 to reflect current industry standards

This is the submission template for the consultation document, *Updating the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999 to reflect current industry standards*

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) seeks written submissions on the issues raised in the discussion paper by 5pm on **4 February 2022**.After submissions close, MBIE will publish a summary of submissions on our website at www.mbie.govt.nz. We will not be making any individual submissions public. Should any part of your submission be included in the summary of submissions, MBIE will seek your permission to publish your information, and ensure it does not refer to any names of individuals.

When businesses or organisations make a submission, MBIE will consider that you have consented to the content being included in the summary of submissions unless you clearly state otherwise. If your submission contains any information that is confidential or that you do not want published, you can say this in your submission.

The Privacy Act 2020 applies to submissions and survey responses. Any personal information you supply to MBIE in the course of making a submission will be used by MBIE only in conjunction with matters covered by this document.

Submissions and survey responses may be the subject of requests for information under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA). Please set out clearly if you object to the release of any information in the submission, and in particular, which part (or parts) you consider should be withheld (with reference to the relevant section of the OIA). MBIE will take your views into account when responding to requests under the OIA. Any decision to withhold information requested under the OIA can be reviewed by the Ombudsman.

#### Submission instructions

Please make your submission as follows:

1. Fill out your name and organisation in the table, “Your name and organisation”.
2. Fill out your responses to the consultation document questions in the table, “Responses to discussion document questions”. Your submission may respond to any or all of the questions in the discussion paper. Where possible, please include evidence to support your views, for example references to independent research, facts and figures, or relevant examples.
3. We also encourage your input on any other relevant issues in the “Other comments” section below the table.
4. When preparing to send your submission:
	1. Delete these first two pages of instructions.
	2. Include your e-mail address and telephone number in the e-mail or cover letter accompanying your submission – we may contact submitters directly if we require clarification of any matters in submissions.
	3. If your submission contains any confidential information:
		1. Please clearly indicate this on the front of your submission or in the accompanying cover letter or e-mail. Any confidential information, together with reasons for withholding the information, should be clearly marked within the text of your submission. MBIE will take such objections into account and will consult with submitters when responding to requests under the Official Information Act 1982.
5. Send your submission:
* as a Microsoft Word document or searchable PDF to HSWregs@mbie.govt.nz (preferred), or
* by mailing your submission to:

*Health and Safety Policy*

*Workplace Relations and Safety Policy*

*Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment*

*PO Box 1473*

*Wellington 6140*

Please direct any questions that you have in relation to the submissions process to HSWregs@mbie.govt.nzSubmission on updating the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999 to reflect current industry standards

### Your name and organisation

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| **Name** |  |
| **Organisation (if applicable)** |  |

### Responses to consultation document questions

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| **Update to the Health and Safety in Employment (Pipelines) Regulations 1999 to reflect current industry standards**  |
|  | *Do you agree or disagree that there is an issue with outdated standards in Regulation 8(1)? If you disagree, please outline why. Are there additional issues with Regulation 8 we should consider?* |
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| 2 | *Are there any additional issues with Regulation 8 we should consider? If yes, what are they?* |
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| 3 | *Do you agree or disagree with the proposal to amend the current Regulations to include a provision requiring compliance with a relevant Safe Work Instrument? If you disagree, please outline why.* |
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| 4 | *Do you agree or disagree with the SWI referencing the standards proposed above? If you disagree, please outline why.* |
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| 5 | *Do you think that the ASME B31 standards are still relevant to pipelines in New Zealand, or is it sufficient to refer to AS(/NZS) 2885 only?* |
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| 6 | *Do you agree or disagree with retaining the current offence provision in the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015? If you disagree, please outline why.*  |
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| 7 | *Do you agree or disagree with our proposal that an immediate transition – in est. August 2022 - would be appropriate for this regulatory change? If you disagree, please outline why.* |
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| 8 | *Do you agree or disagree with the impacts identified in this proposal? If you disagree, please outline why. What additional impacts do we need to consider?* |
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### Other comments

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