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GEA Safe+Connects - POL Connections

On Friday 25 November Mr Tony Say, Chief Executive Officer of CEM International Pty Ltd and Gas Energy Australia Board of Directors and Treasurer and Mr Darryl Ramm, Manager Technical Development from Gas Energy Australia met with the GAMAA Executive Council to brief them on the Safe+Connect project.

The Safe+Connect project is reviewing the safeness of the type 21 (POL) connection used on 4.5 and 9kg gas cylinders supplying portable gas appliances such as BBQ and area heaters. The project team headed by Darryl Ramm is in the process of capturing robust current data and looking at previous reports and evidence both in Australia and overseas.

The briefing to GAMAA is part of an ongoing process of keeping stakeholders informed and brought GAMAA Exec Council members up to speed on the project so far and asked for support in gathering research and reports on the safeness of the current POL connection.

GAMAA and GEA will remain closely engaged on this important project and GAMAA members will be updated as more information comes to hand.

Australia has ratified the Paris Agreement on November 10, 2016.

The Sydney Morning Herald - 10 November 2016

The day after the announcement of Trump's election victory in the United States, Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull announced Australia's ratification of the Paris Agreement, locking in Australia's global commitment to reducing emissions and long term goal of transitioning to a low carbon future.

[Read the full article here](#)

Government climate review a welcome opportunity to plug national policy gap

Clean Energy Council - 5 December 2016

The Federal Government's 2017 review of its approach to climate change is an opportunity to develop a comprehensive long-term strategy to transition Australia to a zero emission energy sector in decades to come, the Clean Energy Council said after the release of the review's terms of reference today.

"Long-term renewable energy policy is essential to provide investment signals that will continue to attract capital from both local and international investors. The majority of Australians support the shift towards renewable energy, and the rapidly-falling cost of both renewables and storage makes these technologies an obvious choice to reduce emissions in the energy sector.

"While renewable energy is the lowest-cost type of energy which can be built today, it is competing against old coal-fired power plants which were built by taxpayers many decades ago. While many of these will close in the decades to come, a national energy strategy is needed to minimise the impact on local communities, power prices and energy security.

[Read more on this article here](#)

The Australian Domestic Gas Outlook Conference - Sydney from 13-16 March 2017

The Australian Domestic Gas Outlook (ADGO) conference has established itself as the annual meeting place for stakeholders in Australia's domestic gas industry, attracting over 250 senior managers each year. Now in its 5th year the event has built a loyal following within the industry and is well known for its high caliber of speakers and timely and relevant content.

Key speakers include:

- Senator the Hon. Matthew Canavan, **Minister for Resources and Northern Australia**
- Rod Sims, Chair, **Australian Competition and Consumer Commission**
- John Pierce, Chair, **Australian Energy Market Commission**
- Martin Ferguson, Group Head of Natural Resources, **Seven Group Holdings**
- Ian Macfarlane, Chief Executive Officer, **Queensland Resources Council**
- Malcolm Roberts, Chief Executive Officer, **APPEA**
- Page Maxson, Chief Executive Officer, **Australia Pacific LNG**
- Kylie Hargreaves, Deputy Secretary, **NSW Department of Industry**
- Richard Cottee, Managing Director, **Central Petroleum**
- Tony Frencham, Regional President, **Dow Chemical Company**
- Tony Mahar, Chief Executive Officer, **National Farmers Federation**
- Paul Adams, Managing Director, **Jemena**
- Rob Wheals, Group Executive Transmission, **APA Group**
- Ian Davies, Managing Director, **Senex Energy**
- David Maxwell, Chief Executive Officer, **Cooper Energy**

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