



# The process for amendments of market rules

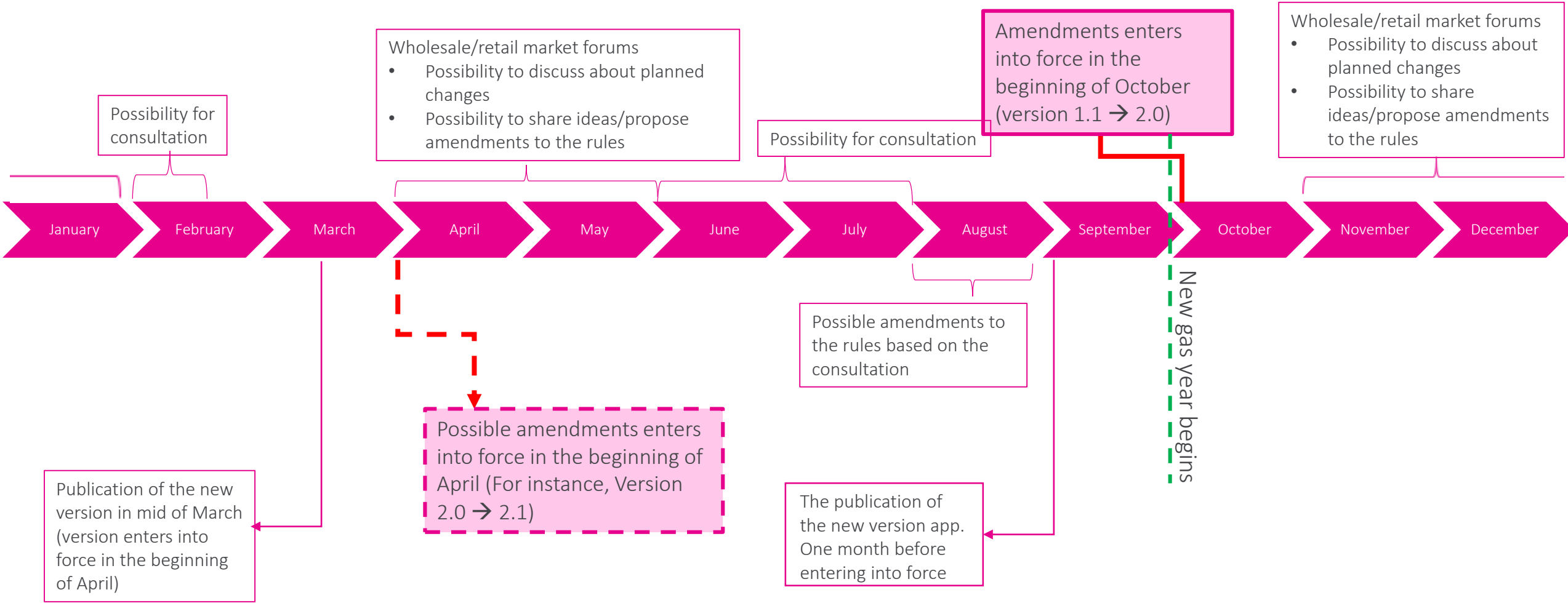
# The process for market rule amendments

- Market rules, such as 'Rules for gas transmission' are documents which need to be amended in constantly developing market and changing environment.
- The amendments to the market rules may affect customers' systems and policies, so it is important to communicate changes well in advance.
- It is not appropriate to publish new version of the rules after each need for an amendment. Thus, the process for the amendments is developed. Urgent needs for amendments (such as requirement from NRA, updated legislation) are determined separately.
- In the upcoming wholesale market forums, we can discuss the planned amendments in advance and also new development ideas can be brought up by market participants.
- You can submit your development ideas to [commercial@gasgrid.fi](mailto:commercial@gasgrid.fi).



Gasgrid encourages to send your development ideas/possible stumbling blocks of the rules!  
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- Drivers for rule changes:
1. Methodological changes approved by the NRA (tariffs, balance management, capacity, etc.)
  2. Ideas / suggestions from market participants
  3. Internal ideas / suggestions / needs for change
  4. Changes in EU legislation



Urgent updates for market rules will be amended asap. Urgent needs are i.e. requirements from legislation or rules clearly hindering competition.

# The rule amendment process

- The process in nutshell:
  - 1) Amendments to the Market Rules one or two times per year:
    - 1) The main amendments connected to the gas year, such as version 1.2. → 2.0. (publication in the beginning of October)
    - 2) Amendment, if necessary, such as version 2.1. → 2.2. (in the beginning of April)
  - 2) Depending on the size of the changes, time for public consultation is reserved. Also, the target is to publish the final amended version well before entering into force.
  - 3) Changes are informed in advance by publishing the new version w/o track changes compared to applicable version.
- Exceptions:
  - If the legislation requires faster implementation than specified in the rule amendment process or an anti-competitive rule is identified, the amendment process will be completed as quickly as possible.
  - In changes that require IT system updates, it is essential to communicate well before the update is required by amendment in rules. This is kept in mind in the amending process.