



Circle K to start offering fuel in New Zealand within two years

The first Circle K convenience store has opened in Auckland with another three under construction in the country's capital.

Kiwi consumers waiting for a full Circle K offering with fuel will have to wait at least two years as the company focuses on city convenience stores for its first stage in New Zealand.

New Zealand's Circle K site development director Iqbal Basra of Pamma Retail Group (PRG) said petrol was not on the agenda immediately, but the company wanted to include it in its franchise model within two years, reports Stuff.co.nz.

The four first sites will all be located in Auckland, with a national rollout to follow shortly.

Alimentation Couche-Tard, parent company of Circle K, has 9978 convenience stores throughout North America, of which 8691 stores have fuel, 2723 stores in Europe, and more than 2000 sites operate under the banner in 16 other countries, taking the total number of stores to 16,000.