Security and Reliability Council

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(Transpower System Operator)



SYSTEM OPERATOR



Agenda items

- Power System Performance
- Security of Supply
- System Operator Performance
- Joint Work Plan
- Market System Update



Power System Performance



Environment

Medium to 5 year view

Regulatory context

- The System Operator role
- Self-commitment market design

System Operator's approach

• To deliver a secure power system and an efficient electricity market to support New Zealand's economic and social wellbeing.



The SO Way

Our focus is on our approach and results.

'the SO Way' means we:

- Make the system operator an excellent place to work
- Listen and talk with customers
- Know our stuff we are competent
- Demonstrate leadership at all levels
- Are willing to be held accountable
- Demonstrate issue and subject ownership
- Approachable, proactive, positive and innovative



Strategic Issues

Medium to 5 year view

- 1. Managing a more dynamic grid
 - Running a grid closer to limits
 - New technologies (SPS, RPCs, HVDC, SFT)
- 2. Probabilistic or deterministic system operation
 - Keep the lights on
- 3. Support of the market
 - Gone are the days of being able to dispatch and run the market manually
 - Avoid 'big bang' approach to market systems development
 - SO supports current market initiatives



Strategic Issues(continued)

Medium to 5 year view

- 4. The evolving generation mix
 - Balancing the power system with intermittent generation
 - Changing characteristics of the power system
 - Reduced inertia
 - Storage and firming
 - Location of generation
- 5. Enabling customer response
 - Demand response as a means to manage price risk and as a security product



Strategic Issues(continued)

Medium to 5 year view

- 6. Industry organisation
 - Smart grid technologies
 - Controls across organisational and physical boundaries



SO Work Program

1	Grid Owner introduction of area-wide reactive power controllers
2	Commissioning of major grid investments – e.g HVDC
3	Variable and then dynamic line ratings
4	Improving systems to monitor and manage voltage and transient stability
5	Updating SCADA applications (which are approaching end of life)
6	Improving under frequency management (AUFLS, Instantaneous Reserves)
7	Improving wind and load forecasting
8	Systems and processes to implement Authority's market development initiatives
9	Systems and operational controls – demand side and load controllers
10	Improving visualisation and information provision
11	Automatic Generation Control (AGC)
12	Improving modularity of market systems



Security of Supply



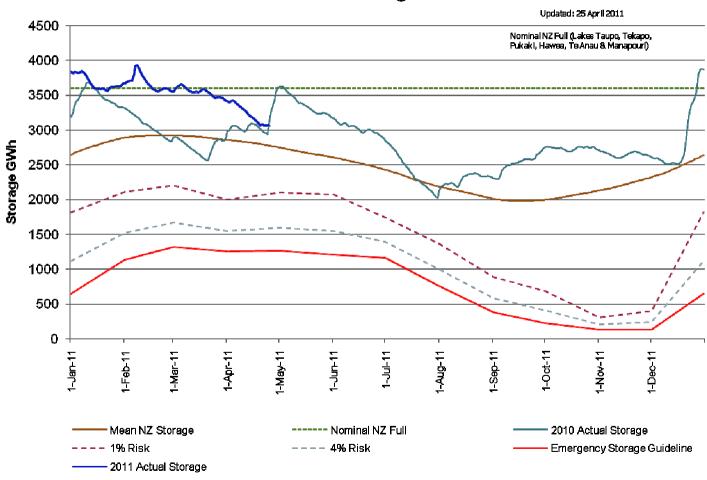
Information

- Code requires System Operator to:
 - prepare, consult on, and publish an annual security assessment against energy and security standards
 - publish information to assist interested parties monitor:
 - hydro and generating capacity and availability of transmission assets
 - hydro storage, primary fuel, and ancillary services
 - publish modelling data and methodologies used to prepare
 - · the annual security assessment
 - Information published
 - maintain an information policy that describes the above
- System Operator only receives information provided voluntarily
- Participants may and do undertake own research



Hydro Risk Curves

NZ Actual Controlled Storage and Risk Curve



Risk Indicators: Risk Meter



- **Normal:** No apparent risk of shortage
- Watch: Small risk of shortage in the next few months
- **Alert:** Moderate risk of shortage in the next few months
- **Emergency:** Significant risk of shortage in the next few weeks

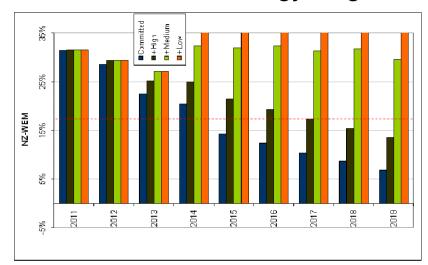
Comment

- Simplistic
 - Accessible to those less familiar with industry jargon
 - Creates cliff edges
- Assumed to align with hydro risk curves
- Opportunity for System Operator to convey risks not apparent with hydro risk curves?
 - Unseasonal snow melt
 - Inflow trends and climatic impacts (e.g. La Nina)
 - Heighten risk of plant or fuel failure
 - Short term demand trends in demand
 - Commissioning uncertainties
 - Reflect market risk assessment as reflected in spot prices



2011 Annual Security Assessment

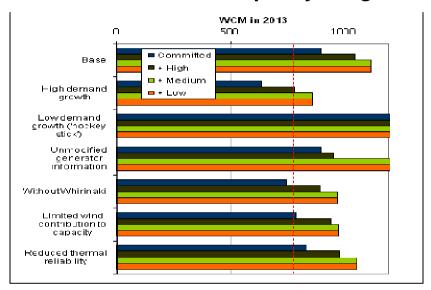
New Zealand Winter Energy Margin



- Base case scenario, existing plus committed investment (Stratford, Te Uku, Mahinerangi 1 (30MW)) – meet NZ winter energy margin
- From 2013, including removal of 1 Huntly unit, and any of:
 - High demand
 - Removal of Whirinaki
 - Historically low inflows

requires further investment

New Zealand Winter Capacity Margin



- Base case winter capacity margin similar picture to base case winter energy margin
- Capacity margin may not be met in 2013 without further investment if there is:
 - High demand growth, or
 - Whirinaki is removed form service

Development plan

- Security of Supply Forecasting and Information Policy
 - Review initial policy
 - Review security of supply monitoring metric
 - Incorporate introduction of scarcity pricing
- Emergency Management
 - Review of initial policy
 - Include gas supply failures (gas contingencies)
 - Include relationship with civil emergencies
- Conservation Campaign Core elements of design
- Black start standard



System Operator Performance



Performance

- Principle task is to 'Keep the lights on'
- Assessment
 - Delivery of operations
 - Delivery of CAPEX plan
- Proposal is for a more consistent set of measures and a single assessment process



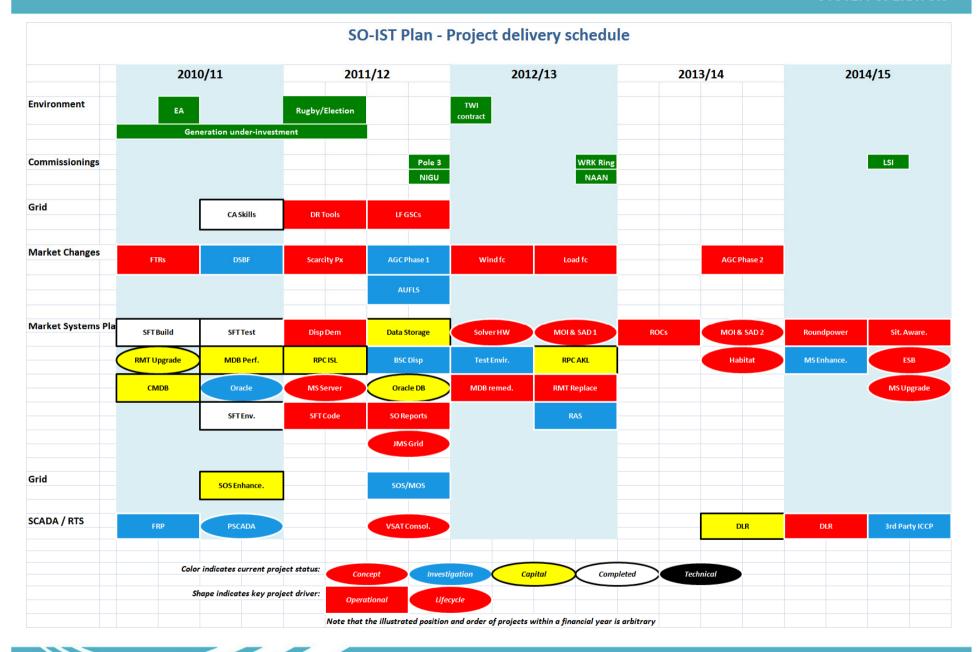
Joint Work Plan



SO Work Programme (2011-12)

- Total programme list has 79 projects which have been categorised
- The demand categories are classified as:

Category	No. of Projects
SO (Lifecycle)	11
SO (Grid Build/Support)	4
SO (TP Corporate)	2
SO (EA Development – Market)	5
SO (Development)	13
SO (BAU)	7
Work programme total for 2011-12	<u>42</u>





Market System Update



Market System Failure 20 Apr 2011

- 0700 Momentary loss of supply during standby generator test causes partial failure of market systems
- 0727 SO dispatch by phone electronic dispatch suspect.
- 0823 CAN to market notifying problems publishing schedules, phone dispatch, bids and offers may not be incorporated in dispatch
- 0946 SAD initiated dispatch via electronic dispatch facility
- 1021 CAN to market updating situation
- 1215 Dispatch via SAD based on SDS -updated CAN to market
- 1520 Market System restored dispatch continues via phone –update CAN issued
- 1715 Full market system function restored (electronic dispatch)
- Power system testing and repair continued until 1400hrs Friday 22 April 2011 when power system and market systems returned to normal configurations.
- Final Pricing for 20 April recomputed available 26 April 2011



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