

Commission Update – 8 February 2010

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Indicative levy rates for the quarter ending 30 September 2010

Indicative levy rates for the period 1 July to 30 September 2010 have been published in the consultation document:

- [Proposed appropriations and work priorities for the 2010/11 Financial Year](#)

The indicative rates can also be viewed at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/levies>
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Exemption from under-frequency event charge

The Commission intends, under regulation 194(3)(b) of the Electricity Governance Regulations 2003, to grant Nga Awa Purua Joint Venture an exemption from compliance with the under-frequency event charge requirements of rule 11.5.2 of section IV of part C of the Electricity Governance Rules 2003.

The notice of intention to grant exemption is published at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulesandregs/exemptions>

Submissions regarding this exemption should be made to submissions@electricitycommission.govt.nz by 5pm, Friday, 12 February 2010.

Publication of the EGR Committee meeting minutes

The publication of the Electricity Governance Regulations and Rules Committee (EGR Committee) minutes had been requested by participants to improve the transparency and understanding behind the EGR Committee's decisions.

While all six submissions agreed that the EGR Committee minutes should be published to increase transparency, it was the view of one submitter that confidentiality provisions in the Regulations (Regulation 66) would require agreement from each participant to publish information that related to every breach allegation. Compliance with this request would mean that the minutes could not be published in a timely manner and therefore, with regret, the EGR Committee decided not to publish the EGR Committee minutes.

This decision will be revisited if and when regulations permit a pragmatic and timely publication of the Committee's decisions.

The Commission remains committed to improving transparency and understanding of the market rules, and notes the Market Governance Updates which are published following every EGR Committee Meeting.

The submissions received on the proposal are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/submissions/compliance/egr-minutes>
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Submissions published

2009 Demand forecast

Two submissions were received on the 2009 Demand Forecast Consultation Paper. Submissions closed at 5pm, Friday, 29 January 2010.

The submissions are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/submissions/modelling/09-DF>

Auto Synchronisation Points Investment Proposal

One submission was received on the Auto Synchronisation Points Investment Proposal. Submissions closed at 5pm, Wednesday, 3 February 2010.

The submission is available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/transmis/gup/2009GUP/auto-synch#submission>
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Call for nominations for technical groups

Nominations are invited for the Scarcity Pricing Technical Group and the Default Buy Back Technical Group being established to assist in preparing working models for the schemes.

Details on the nominations and terms of reference for the groups are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/mdp/scarcity-capacity>

Email nominations to info@electricitycommission.govt.nz, with the relevant technical group in the subject line.

Nominations close at 5pm, Thursday, 11 February 2010.

Consultation documents

- [Approach to Domestic Retail Contracting Arrangements – Issues and Options Discussion](#)
Closes 19 February 2010
Posted 18 December 2009

Contacts

Contact details for the Commission are at: <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/contact>

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