

Commission Update – 12 April 2010

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Market Development Programme Briefing

Market Development Programme (MDP) initiatives to improve the performance of the electricity market, were discussed with industry participants at a conference on 29 October 2009.

A further briefing on the MDP projects is being held in Wellington on 25-26 May 2010. This briefing will focus on:

- Proposals for scarcity pricing, default buy-back and locational price risk management.
- Updates on transmission pricing, demand-side initiatives, and related work.
- Worked examples enabling participants to consider different scenarios and their potential impacts.

Discussion and sharing of viewpoints will be encouraged.

A full agenda and registration details will be available shortly. If you would like to register your interest in attending, please email conference@electricitycommission.govt.nz.

Final decision on Auto Synchronisation Points Investment Proposal

On 23 December 2009, Transpower submitted the *Auto Synchronisation Points Investment Proposal*, a reliability investment for approval under rule 13 of section III of part F of the Electricity Governance Rules 2003. The investment is part of the 2009 Grid Upgrade Plan.

On 22 March 2010, a notice of intention to approve the proposal was published.

Under rule 15.2, certain parties can request a public conference within 10 working days of publication of the notice of intention.

No request for a public conference was received; therefore the decision to approve the *Auto Synchronisation Points Investment Proposal* is final.

Details are available at:

- www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/transmis/gup/2009GUP/auto-synch

Consultation documents

- [Proposed amendments to parts E and J of the Rules](#)
Closes 19 April 2010
Posted 23 March 2010
- [Wind Forecasting and Market Integration: Options](#)
Closes 26 April 2010
Posted 19 March 2010
- [Amendments to Advanced Metering Infrastructure Guidelines](#)
Closes 30 April 2010
Posted 19 March 2010

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