

Commission Update – 15 March 2010

Contents

Report on advanced metering infrastructure in New Zealand.....	1
Appropriation proposals for 2010/11	1
Decisions of Electricity Rulings Panel on invoice disputes	2
Market Administrator's compliance report for February 2010	2
Consultation documents	2
Contacts	2
Commission Update subscription.....	2

Report on advanced metering infrastructure in New Zealand

In December 2009, the Commission reported to the Minister of Energy and Resources on advanced metering infrastructure (AMI).

The report discusses whether the roll-out of AMI and technical standards for AMI systems should be regulated, or whether the voluntary AMI guidelines currently in place are adequate.

The report is available at:

- www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/retail/ami/index.html
-

Appropriation proposals for 2010/11

The Commission has consulted on its work priorities and appropriations for 2010/11, with eight submissions being received by the closing date of 3 February 2010.

The appropriation request is for the full 2010/11 year. This approach is explained in the appropriation consultation paper (see link below).

The proposed appropriations were presented to the Minister of Energy and Resources, who has accepted the proposal and agreed to its publication.

It should be noted that this paper reflects the Commission's proposed appropriations for 2010, not the Government decision which will be set out in the Estimates, to be published on Budget day (20 May 2010).

The Commission's Statement of Intent, covering its plans and budget in more detail for the 2010/11 year, will be published after Budget day. The Minister of Energy and Resources has approved the production of a Statement of Intent for one year as opposed to three.

The consultation paper is available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/consultation/appropriations-2010-11>

The submissions are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/submissions/subcorporate/approp-workpriorities-2010-11>

The proposal to the Minister is available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/Corporate>

Decisions of Electricity Rulings Panel on invoice disputes

The Electricity Rulings Panel found that it had no power to deal with two referrals of disputes involving invoices issued to Trustpower.

The Commission is consulting on changes to the Electricity Governance Rules, which would allow the Rulings Panel to deal with such disputes.

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulingsp>

Market Administrator's compliance report for February 2010

The Market Administrator's compliance report for February is available at:

- www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/servproinfo/ma-report/index.html

Consultation documents

- [Interconnection Asset Capacity and Grid Configuration](#)
Closes 15 March 2010
Posted 22 February 2010
- [Discussion paper: Security, Web Services, and EIEP Data Exchange](#)
Closes 19 March 2010
Posted 17 February 2010
- [Correction of Information Errors and Dispute Resolution Processes: Proposed Amendments to Parts H and J of the Rules](#)
Closes 22 March 2010
Posted 5 March 2010

Contacts

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

Commission Update subscription

To subscribe or unsubscribe to the Commission Update, please email:

info@electricitycommission.govt.nz