

MINUTES

Meeting number: 28

Venue: **Electricity Authority, Meeting Room 1 and via Zoom**

Time and date: 9:00am – 10:45pm, Thursday, 6 May 2021

Attendees

- Tony Baldwin (Chairperson)
- Stu Innes
- Andrew Kerr
- Tony Oosten
- Rebecca Osborne
- Ann Whitfield
- Fiona Wiseman
- Al Yates
- Paul Baker
- Murray Henderson (Observer, Transpower)

In attendance

- James Tipping (Chief Strategy Officer, Electricity Authority)
- Kelsey Little (Programme Coordinator, Market Design, Electricity Authority)
- Alistair Dixon (Principal Advisor, Market Design, Electricity Authority)
- Chris Otton (Senior Advisor, Market Design, Electricity Authority)
- Andrew Millar (Manager Energy Projects and Programmes, MBIE)
- Conrad Edwards (Principle Policy Advisor, NZ Battery Project, MBIE)
- Mark Pickup (Principal Advisor, MBIE)

Apologies

- Matthew Cleland

The meeting opened at 9:25am

Introduction

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and introduced Kelsey who will be joining MDAG going forward in Sal's absence and Chris who will be the Authority's representative to the Group.

1 MDAG/MBIE

- MBIE staff presented on the NZ battery project.
- MDAG and MBIE discussed project scope, timeline and deliverables, and how MDAG's proposed project could fit into the NZ battery project.
- MBIE staff thanked the MDAG for their time

- MBIE staff left

2 MDAG Discussion

MDAG discussed how MDAG's proposed project could align with and support the MBIE project. Discussion included scope of the project, key assumptions, technology considerations, market settings, whether transition considerations should be included.

Member feedback to be emailed and subsequent meeting scheduled to discuss.

Action 28.1 – MDAG members to provide written feedback on the proposed scope for discussion at the next meeting.

Action 28.2 – Secretariat to arrange the next MDAG meeting for approximately 1 weeks' time to discuss the written feedback.

3 Meeting Administration

Minutes of previous meetings

The Group agreed to publish minutes from meeting #27 – with one small tweak to note that Murray did attend (currently not listed on attendees).

Actions list

Actions list was not discussed.

The meeting ended at 11:00am