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Hi Andy

Can I zoom or meet to discuss status of various EA projects?

See attached extract from the public MEUG 8-week calendar published today. The extract is from p1 and the red arrows on LHS indicate items I'd like to know progress on, what the next steps are and if and how MEUG might engage/assist.

Would like to cover this of by end of this week so can include updated info for MEUG members in the agenda papers for our next monthly meeting on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

Alternatively happy for you and or relevant colleagues to join us at meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> June (anytime 9:45am to 12:15pm) to talk about some or all of the topics with a red arrow. Happy to cover anything that cannot be discussed in a wider setting on a confidential basis.

Have copied to John Harbord for his information.

Also copied to Doug Watt as he is aware of our interest in the related topics titled "Wholesale prices review since 2018, and Structure, Conduct, Performance analysis" and "IWA pilot Economic Profit Analysis starting with MEL. Peer review of key adjustments." Doug might be the best person to discuss these two topics but thought I'd include in the whole list as a first start. Doug is also aware of the topic titled "Qu on MBIE (cc suppliers) on C&I versus household relative price  $\Delta$ 's since 2017," that's fairly cryptic but relates to the widening gap, on an index basis, of MBIE published stats 10-Jun on average household and C&I prices Mar-17 to Mar-21, refer graph below (MEUG graph of indexed prices using MBIE c/kWh data):

Kind regards

Ralph

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# MEUG near term calendar from 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021 – public version (EA work)

Decision/announcement/holiday meeting/event Submission(sub)/deadline

Week starting Monday	14-Jun week 1	21-Jun week 2	28-Jun week 3	05-Jul week 4	12-Jul week 5	19-Jul week 6	26-Jul week 7	02-Aug week 8
<b>Spot &amp; hedge markets (EA/ASX competition focus topics):</b>								
• Recent, current, and expected high spot prices till Q3, and risk to security.	ongoing							
• Wholesale prices review since 2018, and Structure, Conduct, Performance analysis.	ongoing							
• ExportNZ/ManufacturingNZ survey on energy and transport prices – survey results	tba							
• Qu on MBIE (cc suppliers) on C&I versus household relative price Δ's since 2017.	ongoing							
<b>Risk to security of supply (SoS):</b>								
• MEL & Tiwai 1-month extension of load reduction announced 27-May ends			end Jun					
• GNE & Methanex gas supply arrangement announced 28-May-21 ends for this winter								End Aug→
• Storage trajectories (spaghetti diag.) at 12-May Scenario at "Watch" slipped to Aug								Aug
• MCY Kawerau geothermal PS outage 07-Jun, "return to service in several months"								tba→
• GNE announcement 15-Feb to have 3rd Rankine available this winter ends								30-Sep→
• NZ Gen. Bal. (NZGB) 6-mnth f/cst N-1-G risk (01-Jun) Base case no risk, no Δ from Dec	Nil→							
• IWA pilot Economic Profit Analysis starting with MEL. Peer review of key adjustments.	ongoing							
• Levy consultation, Commercial Market Making Scheme subs		22 Tu						
• New trading conduct rules announced 01-Jun, to replace HSOTC rules commences			30 W					
• Wholesale mkt info disclosure - thermal fuels Code Δ 01-Apr. Arrange 2 <sup>nd</sup> zoom with EA	tba							
• Internal transfer prices/segmented profitability reporting subs closed 18-May, decision tba	tba							
• Actions to correct UTS 2019, published 11-Mar-21 x-subs closed 19-May, decision tba	tba							
• EA EPR work on contract prices & new generation costs – published on EMI.	tba							
• NZIER retailer cost index update/Retail Survey published (2020/21 work programme)	tba							
<u>Transpower lodge TPM proposal with EA</u> , (Note Trustpower appeals are in parallel).			30 W					