

## ACTION LIST

The following are the current SRC actions for completion.

Action	Date for completion	Status
The secretariat to invite the Climate Commissioner's office to an SRC meeting in 2021.	Feb-22	<b>In progress.</b> For February meeting, to follow Government response to CCC report
The secretariat to provide periodic updates on Future Security and Resilience.	Ongoing	<b>In progress.</b> Verbal update from the Authority's Chief Strategy Officer and project team.
The secretariat to provide regular updates to the SRC regarding the status of the hazards from trees regulations.	Ongoing	<b>In progress.</b> No update available from MBIE since last meeting
The secretariat to organise a follow up cyber-security survey to be sent to participants.	Feb-22	<b>In progress.</b> The survey is underway, with gas generation, transmission and storage added, and responses due 22 October. For discussion at the February 2022 meeting.

### 1. Updates

This section provides information on matters that do not warrant a dedicated agenda item, such as updates on recent matters relevant to security and reliability that have previously been discussed by the SRC or published by the Authority.

#### 1.1 System operator security of supply weekly update

1.1.1 The latest version available can be found [here](#)

#### 1.2 System operator's 9 August event internal reviews

The secretariat thanks the SRC for their input into the terms of reference for phase two of the Authority's review. There is an agenda item and related paper for this for discussion (item 11).

Transpower has published their own internal reports, which, while not required reading for this meeting, are available [here](#)

#### 1.3 Distributor investing for growth

Network Tasman [and others] are investing in the capacity, safety and reliability of its network. Further information is available [here](#)

## 1.4 Electricity Industry Amendment Bill

- 1.4.1 On 9 September the government introduced the Electricity Industry Amendment Bill into the house. It is intended to give effect to certain recommendations from the Electricity Price Review. The Bill makes some significant changes to the Electricity Industry Act 2010 which will, if enacted, impact on the work of the Electricity Authority.
- 1.4.2 The main changes are to:
- Establish a Small Electricity Consumers Agency, similar to EECA.
  - Give the Authority a new objective to protect the interests of domestic and small business consumers, and a related new function.
  - Delegate to the Authority the responsibility for developing the “arm’s length rules” (transferring the rules into a new Part 6A of the Code) and allowing the Authority to regulate non-participants for this purpose.
  - Giving the Authority explicit jurisdiction to require a distributor and other industry participants to enter into a distribution agreement on prescribed terms, and clarify that the Authority has jurisdiction to regulate for quality standards, provided they are within the context of the terms and conditions of access to the distribution network.
  - Giving the Minister power to directly amend the Code if certain EPR recommendations have not been satisfactorily addressed.
  - Enable the Authority to share information with other public service agencies or statutory entities.

You can view the Bill, and track its progress [here](#).

## 1.5 Energy Hardship expert panel members named, and reference group established

- 1.5.1 The government has announced the membership of the expert panel, with nominees for the reference group still being considered.
- 1.5.2 The objective of the expert panel is to recommend to government, policy priorities and actions to alleviate energy hardship, and provide impartial, evidence-based expert advice. The Panel’s work programme will in part, be drawn from the Electricity Price Review’s findings and the government’s response to its recommendations. Their work programme will be determined after the panel has convened.
- 1.5.3 The role of the reference group is to provide a forum to share information and encourage coordination across industry, NGOs and government agencies. The Group will help government work with others to shift the dial on energy hardship.
- 1.5.4 For further information, please use this link:  
<https://www.mbie.govt.nz/building-and-energy/energy-and-natural-resources/energy-hardship/energy-hardship-expert-panel-and-reference-group/>

## 1.6 Gas Industry Co – consultation on gas market settings

Relevant to this meeting's gas reliability and resilience theme, this consultation paper investigates current market commercial and regulatory settings and can be accessed [here](#)

### Questions for the SRC to consider

The SRC may wish to consider the following questions.

- Q1. What further information, if any, does the SRC wish to have provided to it by the secretariat in the updates section?**
- Q2. Does the SRC have a preference for how information in this paper is presented?**
- Q3. What advice, if any, does the SRC wish to provide to the Authority?**