

Notification of Commission's decision

Decision to withdraw part of formal complaint laid with the Rulings Panel

On 14 June 2010, the Commission laid a formal complaint with the Rulings Panel concerning the following alleged breaches of the Electricity Governance Rules 2003 by Meridian Energy Limited (Meridian):

- alleged of Meridian since 1 March 2004 (alleged by Vector Limited (Vector))
- rule 3.1 of part D;
- alleged of Meridian since 1 February 2008 (alleged by the Market Administrator):
 - rules 11 and 12 of part E;
 - rule 3.1 of schedule E1 of part E;
 - rule 3.2 of schedule E2 of part E; and
 - rules 1.2, 2.2, and 4 of part J.

On 31 August 2010, the Commission decided to:

- **withdraw part of the formal complaint**, being that part of the formal complaint concerning the alleged breach of rule 3.1 of part D.

Reasons for the Commission's decision

The Commission withdrew the formal complaint concerning the alleged breach of rule 3.1 of part D because:

- the Rulings Panel and the Commission were advised that the parties to the investigation (Meridian, Todd Energy Limited, Mighty River Power Limited, Genesis Power Limited and Vector) had settled the issues of compensation in respect of the alleged breach of rule 3.1 of part D;
- the Commission considered that the alleged breach of rule 3.1 of part D was inadvertent and had directed the investigator to seek an order of compensation only in respect the alleged breach of rule 3.1 of part D. Therefore, there was no live issue before the Rulings Panel in respect of that part of the formal complaint; and
- Vector had withdrawn its allegation that Meridian had breached rule 3.1 of part D.