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Dear Sarah,

Terms of reference for Electricity Authority review of 20 June 2024 grid emergency under the Electricity Industry Act 2010

On 21 June 2024 I wrote to you requesting that you undertake a review, under section 18 the Electricity Industry Act 2010, into the 20 June event where a transmission tower fell resulting in significant loss of power in Northland.

The terms of reference of the review have now been established and are attached to this letter. The scope of the review is to understand and explain the cause(s) of the event, the response to the event and lessons that can be learnt from the event.

I request that you appoint an independent party to chair/head the review and that you consult with me on who that person is. I request that you provide a written report to me within 12 weeks of this request, in accordance with the scope and other matters set out in the attached terms of reference.

Yours sincerely

Hon Simeon Brown

Minister for Energy