

## **Fortnightly report for the Minister for Energy 10 May 2024**

This report summarises items that may be of interest to the Minister for Energy but not necessarily require a formal briefing. Further information on any topic can be provided on request. Substantive items and decision papers will be provided to the Minister in the form of briefings.

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## 1. Current and upcoming publications and advice

Strategic priority	Title	Purpose	Action and timing
Development of flexibility markets	Guidance on distributor involvement in flexibility markets	The guidance outlines the Authority's expectations of how distributors should operate in the developing flexibility services market. <sup>1</sup>	Board considered: 30 April. Intended publication of draft guidance: Late May. Workshops: June.
Enabling investment and innovation	Transmission pricing methodology (TPM) amendments	Two decision papers to clarify and improve the TPM including one to enhance data sharing between Transpower and the Authority.	Board considered: 30 April. Intended publication date: 6 June.
Enabling investment and innovation	Open letter to distributors on Distribution Pricing Reform.	As signalled in our 7 May 2024 update paper on distribution pricing reform, we are also publishing a letter to distributors setting clear expectations on how to progress towards efficient distribution pricing, in line with our next steps outlined in the paper.	Intended publication date: 14 May.
System security and resilience	Review of forecasting provisions for intermittent generators in the spot market	Sets out the Authority's policy decisions to support more accurate intermittent generation forecasts and offers to support security of supply.	Intended publication date: 4 June. Board to consider: 21 May.
Monitoring, compliance, education and enforcement	Authority's decision paper on amending hedge disclosure obligations in the Code	Sets out the Authority's decisions on improving hedge disclosure obligations. This will increase transparency and access to information and support the Authority's monitoring functions.	Intended publication date: 6 June. Board to consider: 21 May.

<sup>1</sup> More information on this project is in the "deep dive."

## 2. Consultations underway

Strategic priority	Title	Purpose	Action and timing
	None		

## 3. Upcoming Electricity Industry Participation Code Amendments

Electricity Industry Participation Code Amendments that need to be presented to the House by the Minister's office **within 20 working days** following the date on which it is made.

Tracking number	Name	Date made	Date of Gazette Notification	Date in force	Due date for presentation to the House
	None				

## 4. Proposed additional verbal briefings

Name	Purpose	Indicative date*	Authority attendees
None			

## 5. Key external engagements

- Ara Ake Energy Hardship Conference: 21 May
- Security and Reliability Council - Minister Brown attending: 23 May
- EA Quarterly update (webinar): 27 June