

**From:** Chris Abbott  
**To:** S9(2)(a); Doug Watt  
**Subject:** FW: Contact Energy - Section 46(2)(a) Information Request under the Electricity Industry Act 2010  
**Date:** Monday, 12 July 2021 2:51:35 pm  
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Hi S9(2)(a) & Doug,

I have sent the ZIP file separately through OneDrive.

Can you please confirm receipt of both the letter and associated documents.

Regards,  
Chris

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**From:** Chris Abbott  
**Sent:** Monday, 12 July 2021 2:34 pm  
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Kia ora S9(2)(a) & Doug

Please find Contact's response attached:

- Cover letter; and
- ZIP file of relevant documents.

All information provided is confidential, as outlined in the cover letter.

Can you please confirm receipt.

Regards,  
Chris

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12 July 2021

Doug Watt  
Manager Market Monitoring  
Electricity Authority  
**Wellington**

By email: **S9(2)(a)**

Dear Doug

**Response to Information Request under section 46(2)(a) of the Electricity Industry Act 2010**

We acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 5 July 2021 (the **letter**) requiring that Contact Energy Limited (**Contact**) supplies information under section 46(2)(a) of the Electricity Industry Act 2010.

The attached documents respond to the Electricity Authority's (the **Authority**) request for "all decision making documents (both Board and Executive team), and supporting analysis, relating to the Meridian/Contact CFD, including any consideration of the impact of the deal on the forward and spot markets".

Please note that all of the information and associated documents disclosed are confidential and highly commercially sensitive. In particular, the documents include detailed financial, commercial and strategy information that would not be available publicly. Accordingly, we request that all material is kept in the strictest confidence by the Authority and that the Authority informs Contact of any requests from any third party for the disclosure or documentation and gives Contact the opportunity to submit on the request.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Chris Abbott", written over a large red diagonal watermark that says "PROACTIVELY RELEASED BY ELECTRICITY AUTHORITY".

Chris Abbott  
**Head of Regulatory Affairs & Government Relations**