



MEUG near-term calendar from 11 September 2023 – Public version

Week starting Monday		11 Sept	18 Sept	25 Sept	2 Oct	9 Oct	16 Oct	23 Oct	30 Oct
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Security of Supply									
TP	Fortnightly half-hour System Operator informal forum		19 Tu		3 Tu		17 Tu		31 Tu
TP	Lower South Island (LSI) security issues (very low lake levels) being monitored – now at 88% (SI total) of average as at 11 September	Ongoing							
TP	HVDC planned outages, see CAN 4 Sept for HVDC outages for Sept 2023, transmission outages around the HVDC over the course of the week will reduce north flow capacity by up to 400MW. Pole 2 outage on 16 Sep will limit HVDC capacity to 500MW.	16 - 17	18 – 22	25 – 29					
TP	Simulated storage trajectories No forecasts cross Watch curve.	Nil →							
TP	NZ Gen. Bal. (NZGB) 6-month base f/cast (latest updates here – Oct assessment 2023). NZGB assessment / revised CAN for potential negative generation balances in Sept – see CAN 11 Sept . See CAN 4 Sept for potential negative generation balance in Oct	Ongoing			4 W		16 – 19		
TP	AUFLS Project implemented by Jun-25 . SO currently progressing with phase 3, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Grid ratings change to Winter ratings, 10 May through to 20 October 2023 (see CAN 4 May 2023)	Ongoing					20 F		
TP	Final paper - Evolving security of supply assessment in New Zealand , feedback requested by 31 Aug, MEUG sub here , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Quarterly stress test disclosures due (consumers grid connected or buy from Clearing Manager) - next due end Sept, the two existing stress test scenarios will continue to apply Oct to Dec 2023	Ongoing		30 Sa					
EA	Managing peak winter electricity demand : Four options to be implemented by Winter 2023	Ongoing							
EA	Future security & resilience (FSR) project . Common Quality technical group established	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation : Ensuring an orderly thermal transition, link to MEUG sub , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on draft determination of causer for under-frequency events, subs due 3 Oct				3 Tu				
MBIE	Consultation held on Electricity Demand and Generation Scenarios (EDGS) 2023 , MEUG sub made, subs available here , next steps TBA	TBA							
Spot / hedge markets									
EA	Consultation on Improving Hedge Disclosure Obligations - Collection and Publication of Risk Management Information, subs closed 9 Aug, MEUG sub here , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on dispatch notification enhancement and clarifications , subs by 29 Sept, cross subs by 13 Oct			29 F		13 F			
EA	MDAG pricing in a renewables-based system , Options paper 6 Dec 202, subs 06-Mar. final report to be released Dec 2023	TBA							

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EA	Understanding Market monitoring weekly reports , latest trading conduct report –27 Aug 2023	Ongoing							
EA	FTR observations decision paper released 6 June, published the FTR nodal price map , next steps TBA	Ongoing							
EA	Retail market: ITP analysis – EA confirmed it will publish all ITP information, decision to clarify responsibility for retailer obligations	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation: Updating the consumer care guidelines , with submissions due by 2 Oct, online briefing for retailers on 15 Sept	15 F			2 M				
EA	Consultation : Issues and options paper: Review of forecasting provisions for intermittent generators in the spot market, MEUG sub made 26 July, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	09-Aug-21 UTS decision Jun-22, appeal 27-28-Feb. Prices interim till appeal decided	TBA							
MBIE	NZ Battery Cabinet reported back on 9 Aug on next steps - agreed to progress 2 options to the next stage - Lake Onslow and the portfolio approach, next report back mid-2024	Ongoing							
MBIE	Consideration of govt as a buyer in PPA market to assist new entrant gens.	Ongoing							
	ASX Clearers, ASX signaled they were in negotiations with two potential parties for ASX clearers, awaiting next update	TBA							
	FlexForum – Flexibility plan (Aug 22) and Progress report (Feb 23), next steps TBA	Ongoing							
Electricity Authority meetings / general work programmes									
EA	Review of consultation & feedback processes EA running workshops to discuss proposed advisory groups, consultation calendar published here , next steps TBA			27 W					
EA	Baseline Review, Sapere engaged for work, final report to be delivered to MBIE in July	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation: Code review programme , feedback sought on 23 proposed changes, subs due 10 Oct					10 Tu			
EA	Consultation: Proposed minor changes to the electricity registry , subs due by 26 Sept			26 T					
MEUG meetings / events									
	MEUG weekly 45” opt-in – updated dates	15 F		29 F	6 F	13 F	20 F		3 F
	Monthly meeting, MEC meeting on 20 Sept and 25 Oct		20 W					25 W	
Line monopoly services									
EA	Issues paper , EDB reg. settings update, published all submissions and a summary of submissions, preparing a decision paper for Board to consider in Sept 2023	TBA							
EA	Issues paper on targeted reform of distribution pricing , subs due 15 Aug, MEUG sub here , MEUG cross-sub here , online Industry forums to be held on 7,8, 14, 15 September	13/14							
TP	RCP4 (2025 - 2030) , TP will publish the independent verifier’s report in mid-Sept, hosting workshops for customers / stakeholders on 9 – 11 Oct, Proposal lodged with ComCom by 01 Dec	Ongoing				9 – 11			
TP	Renewable Energy Zones (REZ) project TRP last update 29 Aug 23	Ongoing							
TP	Net Zero Grid Pathways – updated preferred option consultation and BBI allocations subs due 6 Sept- MEUG	TBA							

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	did not submit, and no submissions received								
TP	Otahuhu substation STACOM BBI –subs due 29 Sept, cross subs 13 Oct			29 F		13 F			
TP	Consultation paper on Western Bay of Plenty development plan major capex proposal long-list, Paper released 17 July, subs due 13 September	13 W							
TP	Consultation on Murihiku Southland Regional Development Plan , in Sept, will publish short-term tactical options and invite input into draft Regional Development Plan	Ongoing							
TP	Upper South Island: published long-list consultation about upgrades to manage grid stability in the upper South Island as electricity use increases, feedback due by 6 Oct	Ongoing			6 Fri				
ComCom	Consultation on Transpower’s cost to implement new TPM, draft decision released on 12 Sept, with subs due by 26 Sept	12 T		26 Tu					
ComCom	Intend to publish draft decision on Transpower’s Net Zero Grid Pathways (staged) major capex proposal in late October	TBA							
ComCom	Targeted EDB ID review tranche 2, process paper published 30 May, draft decision for consultation published here , subs due 14 Sept, cross subs 5 Oct	14 Th			5 Th				
ComCom	EDB DPP4 Process Paper released, sub made by MEUG, Issues paper to be published in Oct 2023	TBA							
ComCom	2023 Input Methodologies review , Draft IMs decision paper – MEUG sub here cross-sub here and NZIER report here , released amended notice of intention – technical consultation during Aug-Oct, next steps TBA	TBA							
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ComCom	Review of EDBs Asset Management Plans , ComCom issued letter outlining scope of two reviews – EDBs 2023 AMPs and efficiency / productivity	TBA							
ComCom	MGUG (Franks Ogilvie) Gas IM/DPP3 accelerated depreciation decision appeal . Timing TBA	TBA							
GHG policy topics relevant to electricity policy									
MBIE	Release of energy-related consultations – advancing New Zealand’s energy transition , overview document here , webinar on package – 18 Aug, all submissions due 2 November	Ongoing							2 Th
MBIE	Offshore renewable energy, document here , summary of submissions here , webinar held 24 Aug	Ongoing							2 Th
MBIE	Electricity market measures(document here) webinar on 29 Aug,	Ongoing							2 Th
MBIE	Implementation of the ban on fossil-fuel baseload (document here), webinar on 29 Aug,	Ongoing							2 Th
MBIE	Gas Transition Plan, document here , webinar on 30 Aug	Ongoing							2 Th
MBIE	Interim Hydrogen roadmap, document here , webinar on 31 Aug	Ongoing							2 Th
	Inquiry into climate adaptation, under consideration by Environment committee , subs due 1 Nov	Ongoing							1 W
CCC	Consultation on second ERP, MEUG sub made on 23 June, final advice due to Govt by 31 Dec 2023	TBA							
MfE	Next ETS auction for 2023 – 6 December 2023, NZUs at \$73.00 (Jarden, 12 September), 6 Sept auction failed to clear	Ongoing							
MfE	Consultation – Deferral of NZ ETS reporting obligations for animals-farmer activities , MEUG did not submit,	TBA							

XX Decision / Holiday XX Meeting / Event 21 Deadline (# = possible MEUG sub)

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MfE	Consultation - Review of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme , subs due 11 Aug, public webinars during June/July, MEUG submitted (link here), next steps TBA	TBA							
MfE	Consultation - A redesigned NZ ETS Permanent Forest Category , subs due 11 Aug, public webinars on 27 and 29 June, sector specific webinar on 11 July, MEUG did not submit, next steps TBA	TBA							
EECA	Government Investment in Decarbonising Industry (GIDI) Fund, Applications open for commercial building projects , with fund open until 30 June 2024; Round 5 of GIDI funding announced here .	TBA							
Additional events and government workstreams									
MBIE	NZ Energy Quarterly next due 14 Sept 2023, released Energy in New Zealand 2023 report released	14 Th							
MBIE	Tree Hazard Regulations , sub made on 5 May, next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation draft Collaboration and sustainability guidelines, MEUG didn't submit, next steps TBA	TBA							
	Select Committee considering Emergency Management Bill , subs due 3 Nov, report back by 28 Dec	Ongoing							3 F
	Parliament sitting weeks (3-days beginning Tue) . Pre-election Economic and Fiscal Outlook (PREFU) released on 12 Sept (link here), General election on 14 Oct	12				14 Sa			
	Energy Link online training – next round of training on 12, 18 Oct, and 7 Nov					12 Th	18 W		
	Sector events: ComCom stakeholder event on 21 Sept		21 Th						
	Sector conferences: NZ Wind energy summit 12/13 Sept, Climate change and business conference 19/20 Sept, SEANZ conference 21/22 Sept, Energy Trader Forum 29 Nov, Taranaki Energy Forum , 22 Nov	12/13	19 -22						
	Public holidays: School holidays 23 September– 8 Oct, Labour day 23 Oct		23 Sa		8 Sun			23 M	

TP Transpower
EA Electricity Authority
SO System Operator

ComCom Commerce Commission
CCC Climate Change Commission

MBIE Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
MfE Ministry for the Environment
EECA Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority

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