



MEUG near-term calendar from 14 August 2023 – Public version

Week starting Monday		14 Aug	21 Aug	28 Aug	4 Sept	11 Sept	18 Sept	25 Sept	2 Oct
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Security of Supply									
TP	Fortnightly half-hour System Operator informal forum		22 Tu		5 Tu		19 Tu		3 Tu
TP	Lower South Island (LSI) security issues (very low lake levels) being monitored – now at 108% (SI total) of average as at 14 August	Ongoing							
TP	HVDC planned outages, see CAN 7 June for HVDC outages for Sept 2023, see CAN 10 Aug for potential negative generation in Sept	TBA				16	19,20, 22	25-29	
TP	Simulated storage trajectories No f/casts cross Watch curve.	Nil →							
TP	NZ Gen. Bal. (NZGB) 6-month base f/cast (latest update Aug report and Sept assessment 2023) Shortfalls low gas and or wind scenarios Aug – September. NZGB assessment for potential negative generation balances in August 2023 – see CAN 19 July 2023 .	Ongoing		3 Su	4 M				
TP	AUFLS Project implemented by Jun-25 . Transition plan to be agreed SO & EA by Jun-23. Transpower ran sessions with NI AUFLS providers in July (presentation and Q&A), next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Grid ratings change to Winter ratings, 10 May through to 20 October 2023 (see CAN 4 May 2023)	Ongoing							
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							
EA	Managing peak winter electricity demand : Decision paper released on 9 March, four options to be implemented by Winter 2023	Ongoing							
EA	Future security & resilience (FSR) project . Final FSR Roadmap and Phase 3 published 18 August, EA monitoring new FSR indicators	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on issues paper on Part 8 of the Code's common quality requirements , sub made 30 May, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation : Ensuring an orderly thermal transition, subs closed, link to MEUG sub , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on two draft determinations of causer for under-frequency events, subs due 29 Aug			29 T					
MBIE	Consultation held on Electricity Demand and Generation Scenarios (EDGS) 2023 , MEUG sub made on 9 June, subs to be made public this month, next steps TBA	TBA							
Spot / hedge markets									
EA	Real time pricing (RTP) – fully live from 27 April	Ongoing							
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							

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EA	MDAG pricing in a renewables-based system , Options paper 6 Dec 202, subs 06-Mar. final report possibly released late 2023	TBA							
EA	Understanding Market monitoring weekly reports , latest trading conduct report – 30 July 2023 and Energy markets review Q1 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; Retailer financial stress data request - retailer financial stress from 01-Oct-22 results yet to be published	Ongoing							
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							
MBIE	Consultation paper - Strengthening national direction on renewable electricity generation and electricity transmission, MEUG sub made on 1 June, next steps TBA	TBA							
	ASX Clearers, ASX signaled they were in negotiations with two potential parties for ASX clearers, awaiting next update	TBA							
	Reporting of gentailers 2022/23 financial year earnings, Contact on Aug 14, Mercury on Aug 21, Genesis on Aug 24, and Meridian on Aug 29	14 M	21, 24	29 Tu					
	FlexForum – Flexibility plan (Aug 22) and Progress report (Feb 23), Aug newsletter here , FlexForum is now incorporated, next steps TBA	Ongoing							
Electricity Authority meetings									
EA	Review of consultation & feedback processes update provided on 27 June and subs published, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Baseline Review, Sapere engaged for work, final report to be delivered to MBIE in July	Ongoing							
	MEUG Chair and Executive Director meeting with new EA Chairperson			1 Fr					
MEUG meetings / events									
	MEUG weekly 45" opt-in – updated dates for Aug	16 W		1 F	8 F	15 F		29 F	6 F
	Monthly meeting, MEC meeting on 23 August and 20 Sept		23 W				20 W		
Line monopoly services									
EA	Consultation paper – Amendments to correct minor TPM issues, update provided on 27 June, consulting further on issue 5 , subs due 19 July, MEUG did not make a submission, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation paper - Changes to the Benchmark agreement for SRAM funding and to reflect the new TPM, did not submit, next steps TBA	TBA							

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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 , cross subs by 30 Aug, online session on 21 July, Industry forums to be held on 7,8, 14, 15 September	15 Tu		30 W	7/8	14/15			
TP	RCP4 (starts Apr-25) proposal lodged with CC by 01-Dec-23 Independent verifier underway	Ongoing							
TP	Renewable Energy Zones (REZ) project TRP last update 14 Feb 23	TBA							
TP	Net Zero Grid Pathways: NZGP1 MCP application for \$393m 05-Dec-22 , Transpower consulting on proposed starting BBI customer allocations, deadline for submissions/cross-submissions to be extended, consulting further on NZGP1 proposal during August.	TBA							
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: In August, will publish long-list consultation about upgrades to manage grid stability in the upper South Island as electricity use increases	Ongoing							
ComCom	Targeted EDB ID review tranche 2, process paper published 30 May, next step of changes to focus on decarbonization, asset management and quality, draft decision paper to be published August 2023.	TBA							
ComCom	EDB DPP4 Process Paper released, sub made by MEUG, next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	2023 Input Methodologies review, Draft IMs decision paper – subs due 19 July – MEUG sub here , cross sub closed 9 Aug, MEUG cross-sub here and NZIER report here , next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	2023 Input Methodologies review, Draft IMs decision paper – Transpower release expected 21 June, subs due 26 July – MEUG did not submit, cross subs due 14 Aug , MEUG sub here , next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	Review of EDBs Asset Management Plans , review by external consultant July – Aug	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	18 F							
MBIE	Offshore renewable energy, document here , summary of submissions here , webinar on 24 Aug		24 Th						
MBIE	Electricity market measures(document here) and implementation of the ban on fossil-fuel baseload (document here), webinar on 29 Aug			29 Tu					
MBIE	Gas Transition Plan, document here , webinar on 30 Aug			30 W					
MBIE	Interim Hydrogen roadmap, document here , webinar on 31 Aug			31 Th					
	CCR Amendment Bill (late payment penalties & industrial allocation) – did not submit, Select Committee reported back on 9 Aug (link here), next steps – second reading TBA	TBA							
CCC	Consultation on second ERP, MEUG sub made on 23 June, next steps TBA	TBA							

XX Decision / Holiday XX Meeting / Event 11 Deadline (# = possible MEUG sub)

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MfE	Next ETS auction for 2023 – 6 Sept 2023, NZUs at \$60.50 (Jarden, 15 Aug)	Ongoing			6 W				
MfE	MfE announcement - updated ETS settings for 2023 – 2028, auction settings for Dec 2023 will be changed.	TBA							
MfE	Consultation - Review of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme , subs due 11 Aug, public webinars during June/July, MEUG submitted on 11 Aug (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 Energy Quarterly released on 8 June 2023, next due 7 Sept 2023	Ongoing			7 Thu				
MBIE	Tree Hazard Regulations , sub made on 5 May, next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation on draft Collaboration and sustainability guidelines, subs due 23 Aug		24 Th						
	Select Committee considering Emergency Management Bill , subs due 3 Nov, report back by 28 Dec	Ongoing							
	DPMC consultation paper Strengthening the resilience of Aotearoa New Zealand’s critical infrastructure system, subs closed 8 Aug, MEUG did not submit, next steps TBA	TBA							
	Parliament sitting weeks (3-days beginning Tue) . 3 sitting weeks remain for this Parliament.	15 Tu	22 Tu	29 Tu					
	Energy Link online training – next round of training on 12, 18 Oct	TBA							
	Sector events: EECA stakeholder function, 28 Aug, NZ Energy Excellence Awards , 30 Aug			28, 30					
	Sector conferences: NZ Wind energy summit 12/13 Sept, SEANZ conference 21/22 Sept, Energy Trader Forum 29 Nov, Taranaki Energy Forum , 23 Aug and 22 Nov		23 W			12/13	21/22		
	Public holidays: School holidays 23 September– 8 Oct						23 Sa		

TP Transpower
EA Electricity Authority

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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