

MEUG 8-week rolling calendar week starting 1 May 2017

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~ The Green Party announced a refreshed electricity policy on 20-Apr. Policies include:	
• a goal for 100 percent renewable electricity by 2030 (in average hydrological conditions)	
• \$112 million for winter warm-up payments to help low-income households cover their power bills	
• encouraging lines companies to work together and embrace new technology to bring down costs	
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~ Allan Dawson and Sandra Gamble appointed to EA Board by the Minister 18-Apr effectively immediately.	
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~ EA announced on 26-Apr they will “prepare a new cost-benefit analysis as part of its review of Transmission Pricing Methodology (TPM) guidelines, which will push the timetable for a final decision into 2018.” The EA intends to retain the timeline to implement any new guidelines by April 2020.	
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Parliament				
Energy Innovation (EV and Other Matters) Amendment Bill	10-May Commerce Committee reports back to the House			
MBIE consultation on exposure draft regs for fuels/gas				Subs closed with MBIE 28-Apr.
Budget day	25-May Budget Day			
Election day		24-Jun: 3 months B4 election		Election day 23-Sep
Ministerial & Departmental Policy				
MBIE				
* Energy targets	Energy targets published within next few months			
* NZ Energy Efficiency & Conservation Strategy re-refresh	New NZEECS published within next few months			
* Post Kaikora earthquakes review				Part of review of Wellington infrastructure resilience
* Electricity Demand & Generation Scenario forecasts	~ 2017 Q2 Part re-refresh 2017-50			Full EDGS update 2018Q1.
* Competition & Energy Markets regulatory systems				Due mid-2017.
* Commerce Act - work in progress:				Part 2, targeted Commerce Act review. Part 4, assessment of the merit review regime. Part 4, assessment of the "consumer voice" in consultations.
* Telecommunications Act 2001 review				Changes by 2020 - may be relevant to Part 4 of Commerce Act.
* Electricity Industry Act 2010 (EI Act)				If/when amended tag on provision for EA to set fees. Part 4, subpart 3, Continuance of supply - Greens noted may review.
* Post IM review: Contestable markets & innovation (+ CC, EA)				Timing for publication of Issues paper to be decided.
* National Computer Emergency Response Team				CERT co-ordinating with Transpower & others in the sector.
* IEA NZ 2017 review published Feb-17				MBIE considering IEA recommendations.
IRD				
* Decision on EDB rebates/discounts paper of Oct-16				Subs closed 28-Feb-17.

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Training				
NZX, Understanding Electricity Markets Masterclass		14-15 Jun		2-3 Aug, 21-22 Nov.
Energy Link (all in Wellington)			04-Jul	17-Oct.
			05-Jul	18-Oct
			06-Jul	19-Oct
ASX education event in collaboration with the EA			07-Jul	Target date for first event, tbc
Energy Management Assoc. of NZ (EMANZ)				09-Aug: Auditing to the new energy audit standard 2598/2014 11-15 Sep.
Seminars and other				
BusinessNZ Energy Council (BEC) presentations:		23-May		2nd in a series of 3 on meeting climate change leaders. 3rd in a series of 3 on meeting climate change leaders.
* Mike Bennetts, CEO Z-Energy				BEC Energy Panel - energy spokespeople
* Details tbc				22-Aug
* Details tbc				Forum partners ERANZ, GIC, NZX, ems Tradepoint and supported by EA.
* Luncheon seminar, John Hancock, Management consultant				
Freeman media, Energy Trader Forum, Auckland	10 May			
EMANZ conference, Disruptive Innovation, Wellington		23-24 May		
Energy Users Association of Australia, national conference		24-25 May, Solving Australia's Energy Crisis, Brisbane		
CEN 2017 Stakeholder event		07-Jun		
CC Competition Matters conference, Wellington			20-21 Jul	
ACCC/AER Regulatory conference, Brisbane			27-28 Jul	
Deloitte Energy Excellence Awards				09-Aug: Auckland
Australia-NZ Climate Change Business Conference				10 & 11-Oct, Auckland

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Monopolies general				Budget for 2017-18 dependent on passage of Energy Innovation Bill. Tender closed 26-Apr. Target for 64k EV by end 2021.
EECA: Levy				
EECA: Lo emission vehicle contestable fund 2nd round				
Office of the Auditor General case studies on AMP practices			B4 end Jun: Completion	
TPNZ proposal early 2016 for a Transpower Works Agreement				TPNZ work on hold
Grid owner non-variable rated circuits shoulder to winter rating	10-May			
GIC, Gas Transmission Access Code Workshop, Wellington	17-May			
Monopoly services regulated by CC				
Aurora non-compliance enquiry				CC enquiry process not published.
Input Methodologies (IM)				
* TPNZ capex IM review - consultation on focus areas		May: paper published, subs close Jun		2017Q4 Draft decision consultation round 2018Q1 Final decision
		24-May: Workshop		
* TPNZ IRIS IM			30-Jun Final decision	
* Related party transactions (elec. & gas monopolies) Invitation paper to comment on emerging views		17-May subs due	03-Jul to 31-Aug Draft decision published, subs due 01-Sep to 29-Sep	01-Nov to 22-Dec final decision (eg IM and ID Δ's) Final decision 02-Oct to 22-Dec.
* Gas CPP info requirements				31-Jul to 29-Sep: Draft decision. 02-Oct to 22-Dec: Final decision.
* Dec-16 IM review decisions follow-on				Timing to be advised.
Information Disclosure (ID) and CC monitoring And post IM review Δ's to ID				Focus for CC this year.
			⇐ End Apr: First Gas trans & dist ID consultation paper published	Late 2017 other consequential ID Δ's

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<u>Monopoly services regulated by CC - continued</u>				
TPNZ IPP				
* Demand Response trial - decisions on round that closed 28-Apr				
* RCP2 listed projects to be submitted by TPNZ				
~ Central Park Wilton B reconductoring, request \$12.4m	04-May subs			
	11-May x subs			
~ HVDC line Haywards to Oteranga Bay.				Application for approval later this year
* Major capex proposals				Mid-18: Waikato and Upper NI voltage management
* Voltage disturbance working group (related to 1 of 9 development service perf. measures)				Jul-Aug: Next biannual meeting
* Annual Integrated Transmission Plan (ITP)				B4 end Sep: Tabled with CC and the published
* RCP3 reset and new IPP starting 01-Apr-20				TPNZ considering subs on second engagement paper that closed 28-Apr.
Proposed service performance measures				After ITP published end Sep.
Consultation on POS categorisation & VoLL				B4 end Sep-18 (ITP at that date forms basis for proposa)
TPNZ submission to CC				
DPP				
* Gas 2017-22 DPP final decision		31-May		
* Electricity DPP reset 01-Apr-20				Timing will flow from CC internal work on problem definition.
CPP - Powerco - CC consults on proposal			Mid-Jun to early Aug	Target go-live date 01-Apr-18

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Monopoly services regulated by EA				
System operator (SO)				No current governance topics. See also Markets work below.
TPNZ demand response (DR) protocol management, EA paper				Work to start on options to incorporate DR platform into spot market
EI Act s.16(1)(g), industry and market monitoring (monopolies):				
* Review of TLC's pricing and load control practices				With TLC for consideration
* Initial dashboards to compare EDB performance				To be published
* Efficiency of distribution company arrangements				Develop scope (dependent on Gov. view on IEA recommendation re NZPC)
EI Act s.90 EDB applications for line-energy exemptions				
* Top Energy & Ngawha Generation application				EA considering
* Maybe relevant here is industry agreed neutral access & ID policy (EA letter to ENA/ERANZ 15-Mar)				EA says needs to be more than "simply ensuring equal access to, and sharing of, network data."
Code Part 12				
* TPM - process changes announced 26-Apr				Consultation on new CBA late 2017 or early 2018 Final decision on review 2018H1 Implementation of any new guidelines by Apr-20
* DDA - implementing a proposal				2017Q3: Second consultation paper
DDA - Court hearing on EA jurisdiction				23-24 May: Vector & EnTrust application for a declaratory judgement
DDA - outage information				High priority issue for consumers
* Distribution pricing (work assumed by MEUG as DDA subset)				EA review EDB plans and provide feedback EA 2017-18 year: review of Distribution pricing principles

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Markets general ACCC review of elect. prices in Australia (started 27-Mar-17) ACCC gas market transparency measures (started 20-Apr-17)				Sep-17 preliminary insights report. Final report by 30-Jun-18. Quarterly reports over 3-years, first due Oct-17.
Markets work by EA Current members, David Bull and Hon Roger Sowry, terms end Board meetings	04-May	31-May 08-Jun	28-Jun	
Rulings Panel: Unison appeal to High Court - Solar City complaint				Hearing date not known
Working groups			13-Jul	
* Security & Reliability Council (SRC) meeting				
* Innovation & Participation Advisory Group (IPAG)				May: Chair appointed, Jun: Nominations open for members, Aug: Members appointed
* Market Development Advisory Group (MDAG)				May: Chair appointed, Jun: Nominations open for members, Aug: Members appointed
Regulatory Managers & Consumer representatives briefing		20-Jun		
2016 Code review programme (annual tidy-ups)		Jun: Board approve		
RAG review of Secondary Networks	EA response published shortly			Issues & options span many Parts of the Code and EI Act.
EI Act s.16(1)(f), market facilitation measures:				
* ASX cap products				Mid-17: ASX list \$130/MWh & \$300/MWh cap products at OTA & BEN Once listed EA design and monitor performance metrics.
* Offsetting ASX & spot market prudential requirements			Jul-17: Evaluation report on applicability to NZ of ASX/AEMO work	
* ASX education event in collaboration with the EA		07-Jul		Target date for first event, tbc
* Possible standardisation of OTC & intermediating contracts				In evaluation phase
* Transparency on ASX development activity	Final format for regular publication soon			
* Retail consumers on spot awareness of & managemnt of risks			B4 end Jun: Announce next steps after considering survey results	
* What's My Number Campaign				Winter-2017 campaign in planning.

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Markets work by EA - continued				
El Act s.16(1)(g), industry and market monitoring (markets):				
* Final market performance enquiry reports published				
~ Overnight prices				Published 11-Apr, no additional work planned other than BAU monitoring
~ 2 hour revision rule enquiry				Published 11-Apr, no additional work planned other than BAU monitoring
* Saves and win-backs post implementation review				
* High spot prices 02-Jun-16				On hold due to compliance process
* C&I FPVV pricing vs ASX prices enquiry				Report possibly 2017Q4 (6 largest suppliers, 3-4 yrs data, ChCh, Akld)
* Lessons from South Australia blackout				
* SI AUFLS event 02-Mar-17				See also TPNZ Code Part 8 investigation.
Code Part 3				
* NZX 6-monthly disaster recovery testing. From 19-Apr	To 03-May			
* NZX user group meeting, focus on WITS users, Auckland		23-May		
Code Part 6				
* Implement Distributed Generation Pricing Principles Code change that came into effect 09-Jan-17				LSI DG payments change from Apr-18. TPNZ reported to EA on 21-Apr-17 on LSI DG required to meet GRS to 31-Mar-20. Same process for LNI (TPNZ report 30-Aug) and UNI & USI (31-Jan-18)
* Review DGPP incremental cost ceiling				EA to revisit this after progress on TPM and distribution pricing

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Code Part 8				
* Decision on under-frequency event 08-Sep-16				EA received no subs (closed 14-Mar), draft determination stands.
* Decision on Under-frequency event 03-Oct-16				EA received no subs (closed 14-Mar), draft determination stands.
* SI AUFLS event 02-Mar-17				TPNZ investigating. See also EA s.16(1)(g) enquiry
* NI ER implementation	08-May Data Provision deadline	22-May: NZX advise if need specific data	20-Jun: Specific data due date	10-Oct: Approved procurement schedule published 22-Nov: ER providers table implementation plans with SO 10-Apr-18: SO issues ER Schedule, and Statemnt of ER Obligations (SEROs) Transition starts Apr-18 and new ER fully operational Jun-19 Future discussions on adding procurement, & a real time regime
* IR event charge and cost allocation - WAG report to EA	May: EA Board likely to consider			
* Possible new IR products - SO recommended none needed.			Jul: Close out report published	
* Normal Frequency Management - strategic review	09-May: subs due			eg replace AOPOs with governor response & MFK national market.
Code Part 9				
* Review of stress test regime	May: Decision			
* Review of customer compensation scheme	May: Decision			
* NZ Generation Balance Assessment rolling 6 month risk f/cast	17 & 18-May			CAN 13-Apr: risk of a small gen. shortfall if large NI thermal unavailable.

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Markets work by EA - continued				
Code Part 10, 11, 15				
* New participant audit regime implementation		01-Jun: Go live		
Code Part 11 Registry Information Management				
* 2nd training course for registry users, Auckland			27-28 Jun	
* Data & data exchange			Jun or Jul: Issues paper	These 3 topics are - interrelated and have wider scope than just Part 11
* Barriers to mass participation			B4 end Jun: Issues paper	
* Multiple trading relationships			This calendar year: Issues paper	
Code Part 13:				
* Implementing shorter gate closure and bid & offer revisions	May: Code amendment gazetted			
			29-Jun, Code amendment goes-live	
* Annual hedge declaration certificates due			30-Jun for MYe17	
* FTR market:				
FTR enhancements	09-May: subs due			3 potential hubs: Whakamaru, Redclyffe, Kikiwa
Possible new FTR hubs	Soon: FTR Manager consults once CBA completed			
2017 FTR Allocation Plan released	End May			
* Wholesale market info: Review of cl. 13.2 exclusions			Jul: Consultation paper published and workshop held	
* Improving accuracy of hours ahead forecast prices				EA considering 15 subs lodged by closing date of 04-Apr
* Dispatch-based Real-time-pricing (RTP)			Jun: Consultation including a briefing session	
* Offer and dispatch			Jun: Wind generation offers consultation	
* Dispatchable Demand (DD) - EA considering EnerNOC proposals				ie aggregators as agents at conforming nodes, & block dispatch multiple GXPs
* Review of wholesale market trading arrangements				Work yet to start. Re-drafting Part 13 to improve clarity.