

## MEUG near-term calendar from 10 November 2025 – public

**Promoting** a robust electricity market

Week starting Monday			17 Nov	24 Nov	1 Dec	8 Dec	15 Dec	22 Dec	29 Dec
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Securit	y of Supply								
TP	Fortnightly System Operator informal forum	11 Tu		25 Tu		9 Tu			
TP	HVDC planned outages: None advised	TBA							
TP	Simulated storage trajectories No forecasts cross the Watch curve, commentary up for Oct ERC update	Ongoing							
TP	New Zealand Generation Balance (NZGB): forecast over next 200 days; latest update here – October 2025 report)	Ongoing							
TP	Grid on shoulder ratings from 20 Oct to 1 Dec (see CAN 13 Oct)				1 M				
TP	Security of Supply Assessment (SOSA): Final 2025 SoSA published here; consultation on 2026 Security of Supply Assessment: Reference Case Assumptions and Sensitivities, subs due 24 Nov			24 M					
TP	Review of the System Operator Security of Supply Forecasting and Information Policy (SOSFIP): Consultation on draft amendment proposal for SOSFIP, subs / cross subs closed, all subs and cross subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	System Operator Rolling Outage Plan: Final 2025/26 plan published here	Ongoing							
TP	Consultation on Part 8 Code Amendment – Connected Asset Commissioning, Testing and Information Standard (CACTIS), subs closed, subs published <a href="here">here</a> , published summary of submissions and recommendations <a href="here">here</a> , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Review of urgent Code amendment to the System Operator's information gathering powers, subs closed, all subs published <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> , effective 1 Dec 2025				1 M				
EA	<u>Future security and resilience (FSR) project</u> . Authority has refreshed the FSR indicators – see <u>here</u>	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Promoting reliable electricity supply – Code amendment proposal on common quality-related information, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBC	TBA							
EA	<u>Consultation</u> on Future system operation project - Distribution system operation, subs closed, subs published <u>here</u> , next steps TBA	TBA							



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EA	<u>Consultation</u> on Frequency-related Code amendment proposals, subs closed, subs published <u>here</u> , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Battery energy storage systems roadmap, subs closed, all subs published <a href="here">here</a> , decision paper / regulatory roadmap for battery energy storage systems published <a href="here">here</a>	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Wholesale market arrangements for battery energy storage systems, subs due 23 Dec							23 Tu	
EA	Consultation on Promoting reliable electricity supply: A voltage- related Code amendment proposal, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Managing peak electricity demand: Decision paper released here, EA to progress six solutions	Ongoing							
EA	Improving visibility of generation investment: Consultation on Improving visibility of significant distributed generation and load projects, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
Spot / hed	lge markets								
TP	Consultation on Evolving market resource co-ordination: Tiebreaker provisions, subs and cross subs closed, subs published <a href="here">here</a> , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Stress test disclosures: applies to consumers grid connected or who buy from Clearing Manager; next disclosure due 22 Dec	Ongoing						22 M	
EA	Hedge market and over the counter (OTC) market: Decision to introduce new info disclosure requirements for OTC – see here; first submission made 14 Oct	Ongoing							
EA	Pricing in a renewables-based system: Authority released latest quarterly update (July – September 2025) on progress with MDAG recommendations here	Ongoing							
Energy Co	ompetition Task Force and Government Review								
EA / ComCom	Action 1A: Consider requiring gentailers to offer firming for Power Purchase Agreements: Published an update paper; Code change decision TBC	TBA							
EA / ComCom	Action 1B: Introduce standardised flexibility products: consultation on Regulating the standardised super-peak hedge contract, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA / ComCom	Action 1C: Prepare for virtual disaggregation of the flexible generation base: Outline published in Feb 2025	TBA							



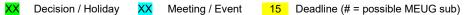
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EA / ComCom	Action 1D: Investigate level playing field measures such as non-discrimination rules as a regulatory backstop: Announcements of next steps to level the playing field <a href="here">here</a> , Consultation on Level playing field proposed Code amendments, subs due 25 Nov, Workshop on retail price consistency assessments (RPCAs) to be held 9 Dec (register <a href="here">here</a> ); Consultation on a review of market making - Nov			25 Tu		9 Tu			
EA / ComCom	Action 2A: Requiring distributors to pay a rebate when consumers export electricity at peak times:, Decision paper published <a href="hete">here</a> ; guidance resources <a href="hete">available</a> ; <a href="Consultation">Consultation</a> on Requiring distributors to pay a rebate when consumers supply electricity at peak times: definition of a small business, subs due 21 Nov		21 F						
EA / ComCom	2B Require all retailers to offer time-of-use pricing and Action 2C: Require retailers to better reward consumers for supplying power: Decision paper published <a href="here">here</a> ; guidance resources <a example.com="" here"="" href="mailto&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Ongoing&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;EA /&lt;br&gt;ComCom&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Action 2D: Reward industrial consumers for providing short-term demand flexibility: Consultation on Emergency Reserve Scheme Code amendment proposal. Subs due 14 Nov, decision expected by end of year, taking effect May 2026; call for experts to develop a standardised demand flexibility product – nominations due 25 Nov&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;14 F&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;25 Tu&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;MBIE&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Review of Electricity Market Performance: Government announcements on 1 Oct – see detail here; ROI for LPG here – closing date 17 Nov, RFI for leveraging Govt energy demand here – closing date 12 Nov&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;12 W&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;17 M&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;Electricity&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Authority meetings / corporate work programme&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;EA&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Advisory groups and SRC: EA priority initiatives calendar out to March 2026 &lt;a href=" https:="">here</a> ; SRC meeting papers – <a href="https://example.com/here">23 October 2025</a> ; organisational design review of the EA – requests for proposals <a href="here">here</a> , closing date – 24 Nov	Ongoing		24 M					
EA	Quarterly update held 21 Aug, recording here, next update TBC	TBC							
EA	Power Innovation Pathway – regulatory support to be provided to 8 high-value initiatives	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on collecting energy margin information, subs due 8 Dec					8 M			
EA	Consultation on Maximising benefits from local electricity generation, subs due 19 Nov, webinar held on proposals – recording <a href="here">here</a> and slides <a href="here">here</a> .		19 W						
EA	Consultation on Our future is digital, subs closed, all subs published here, EA ran workshops on digitalisation project in Sept, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Green Paper, subs closed, all subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							



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EA	Consultation on Evolving multiple retailing and switching, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Improving retail market monitoring: EA will begin publishing aggregated data and insights end of 2025	Ongoing							
EA	<u>Consumer Care Obligations</u> : Authority has published a framework for how it will monitor effectiveness of the Obligations, see <a href="here">here</a>	Ongoing							
EA	<u>Consumer mobility</u> : hosting a series of workshops where industry participants, data users and consumer service providers can input into how electricity data is shared, details <a href="here">here</a> , 9 workshops across Nov – Feb		20 Th						
EA	Improving consumer choice: Consultation on Improving electricity billing in New Zealand, subs now due 12 Nov; Consultation on Proposed Code amendments to improve access to product data, subs due 18 Nov; Consultation on Improving prudential security arrangements, subs due 28 Nov; Consultation on Requiring the use of half-hourly data for reconciliation, subs due 21 Nov	12 W	18, 21	28 F					
MEUG m	eetings / events								
	MEUG fortnightly opt-in meeting, MEUG Executive Director on leave 18 – 19 Nov		18 – 19, 21		5 F		19 F		
	Monthly MEC meeting: Next Executive Committee meeting scheduled for 11 Dec					11 Th			
Transmis	sion and distribution services								
EA	<u>Distribution pricing</u> : Consultation on distribution generation pricing principles, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Distribution connection pricing: technical consultation closed on Distribution connection pricing fast-track measures; online Q&A sessions on 13 Nov (register here), Code amendments finalised here	13 Th							
EA	Consultation on proposals to reduce barriers to new connections will open on 17 Nov, webinar to be held 17 Nov (register here)		17 M						
EA	Network connections project: decision paper released here, technical consultation on Network connections project (stage one) Code drafting, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	<u>Default distributor agreements (DDA)</u> : Current DDA came into effect 25 Nov 2024	Ongoing							
EA	<u>Transmission Pricing Methodology</u> : <u>consultation</u> on TPM technical amendments: subs closed and subs published <u>here</u> , decision paper published <u>here</u> – technical amendments to improve TPM	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Exploring network visibility, subs closed, subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	<u>Consultation</u> on Ōtāhuhu–Whakamaru A and B Lines reconductoring project, subs closed, summary of subs <u>here</u> , preparing application for ComCom to submit later in 2025	TBA							



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TP	<u>Te Kanapu</u> : Workshop – 29 Oct (Wellington); <u>Consultation</u> on phase 2: potential scenarios, subs due 14 Nov	14 F							
TP	Consultation on Resilience at Redclyffe substation, TP submitted major capex proposal to ComCom on 12 June, application here, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	HVDC Link upgrade programme: subs closed on short list, subs published here, webinar held 9 Sept to discuss proposal, major capex proposal submitted to ComCom	TBA							
TP	Consultation on Waikato Regional Interconnection Capacity Project closed, consultation on shortlist in late 2025, submit application to ComCom in first half of 2026	TBA							
TP	<u>Upper South Island Upgrade Project</u> : TP have applied to ComCom for approval of USI project (see <u>here</u> )	TBA							
TP	Transmission pricing methodology (TPM): Transpower ran a post implementation survey, webinars held in July	Ongoing							
ComCom	Consultation on draft decision: Proposed amendment to the input methodologies for electricity distribution businesses – accounting for shifted revenue, subs due 5 Dec, cross subs by 19 Dec				5 F		19 F		
ComCom	Consultation on draft decision – reconsideration of DPP3 DPP – CPI error in reopeners, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	DPP5: <u>Consultation</u> on Open letter seeking feedback on approach to DPP5 for EDBs, MEUG sub <u>here</u> , next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation on draft decision paper for Aurora Energy's transition to the 2025 2030 default price-quality path, subs closed, subs and cross subs published <a example.com="" here"="" here-name="https://example.com/h&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;TBA&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;ComCom&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;EDB Reopeners: Consultation on draft decision on Unison (Cyclone Gabrielle catastrophic event) reopener – subs closed, next steps TBA; Published Wellington Electricity unforeseeable large project reopener; Final reopener guidance published here&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;TBA&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;ComCom&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;Innovation Allowances for EDBs (INTSA): Final INTSA guidance and feedback on draft &lt;a href=" href="https://example.com/here-name=" https:="">here</a> ; current applications from Vector (2), Powerco and Horizon	Ongoing							
TP & EDB	Consultation on Energizing Queenstown – joint project between TP, Aurora and PowerNet, feedback closed, summary of subs <a href="here">here</a> , next steps TBA	TBA							





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Greenhou	ise gas topics relevant to electricity policy								
MBIE	Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage (CCUS): Govt decisions on key elements of CCUS framework here, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Advancing New Zealand's energy transition: Next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on Regulatory proposals for natural and orange hydrogen development, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MFE	Consultation on amendment to the second emissions reduction plan, subs due 26 Nov			26 W					
MfE:	NZ ETS Key dates, events and announcements here	TBA							
MfE	Emissions reduction plans: ERP2 released here	Ongoing							
MfE	NZUs at \$52.74 (Jarden, 7 Nov),2025 auction calendar <u>published</u> – next auction 3 Dec 2025; ETS 2026 auction dates confirmed <u>here</u>	Ongoing			3 W				
MfE / EA	Industrial allocation: 2025 EAF released here	<b>Ongoing</b>							
Additiona	ll events and government workstreams								
MBIE	Consultation on Improving the transparency of the gas market, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on draft Geothermal Strategy for NZ, subs closed, MEUG sub here, summary of subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	NZ Energy Quarterly Jan to March 2025 quarterly report here, June quarter update here, next update 11 Dec	Ongoing				11 Th			
MBIE	Offshore renewable energy regime: Offshore Renewable Energy Bill introduced into Parliament (see <a href="here">here</a> ), at Committee of Whole House	TBA							
EECA	Consultation on Unlocking the potential of demand flexibility in homes, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EECA	Consultation on regulatory policy options for increasing the energy efficiency of heat pump water heaters (HPWH), subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
	Parliament sitting weeks (3-days beginning Tue), 2025 sitting calendar here	11- 13	18- 20			9 – 11	16 - 18		
	Training: Energy Link online training 2026 dates here; Brightstar course - The Fundamentals of Renewable Energy & Energy Transition 19/20 Nov		19/20						





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Sector conferences / events: NZ Geothermal workshop – 11 – 13  Nov, Seminar on Germany Energy Policies - Auckland Uni 12 Nov, NZ Power Summit (Auckland) – 18/19 Nov, GSNZ Annual conference (Auckland) 24 – 27 Nov, EECA Market update – 2 Dec, Energy Trader Forum – 3 Dec (Wellington), NZWEA speaker series – China Wind turbine OEMs – 11 Dec	11 – 13	18/19		2, 3	11 Th			
Public holidays: Term 4 start 6 Oct, Christmas day – 25 Dec, Boxing Day – 26 Dec, New Years Day – 1 Jan, Day after New Year's Day – 2 Jan							<mark>25, 26</mark>	<mark>1, 2</mark>

TP	Transpower	ComCom	Commerce Commission	MBIE	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
EA	Electricity Authority	CCC	Climate Change Commission	MfE	Ministry for the Environment

System Operator **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority** SO **INFRA** Infrastructure Commission **EECA** 

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