

MEUG near-term calendar from 16 June 2025 – public version

Promoting a robust electricity market

		16 June	23 June	30 June	7 July	14 July	21 July	28 July	4 Aug
Week starting Monday			Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
Secu	rity of Supply								
TP	Fortnightly System Operator informal forum – extended 1 hour forum on 24 June to discuss Energy Security Outlook 101		24 Tu		<mark>8 Tu</mark>		22 Tu		<mark>5 Tu</mark>
TP	Lower South Island (LSI) security issues (very low lake levels) being monitored: now at 83% (SI total) of average as at 16 June	Ongoing							
TP	HVDC planned outages: None advised	Ongoing							
TP	Simulated storage trajectories No forecasts cross the Watch curve, commentary up for May 2025 ERC update	Ongoing							
TP	New Zealand Generation Balance (NZGB): forecast over next 200 days; latest update here – June 2025 report)	Ongoing							
TP	Automated Under Frequency Load Shedding (AUFLS) Project: March 2025 industry presentation here, project expected to be completed by end June 2025.	Ongoing							
TP	Grid on winter ratings till 20 October (see CAN 3 May)	Ongoing							
TP	Security of Supply Assessment (SOSA): Final 2024 SoSA here; Consultation on draft SOSA 2025, subs closed, all subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Review of the System Operator Security of Supply Forecasting and Information Policy (SOSFIP): Expect to consult on a draft SOSFIP amendment proposal in Sept 2025 and submit a final proposal to the Authority late 2025	Ongoing							
TP	System Operator Rolling Outage Plan: Final 2025/26 plan published here	Ongoing							
TP	Consultation on Draft Ancillary Services Procurement Plan 2025, subs closed, TP have submitted its change proposal and draft Plan to the EA for their consideration. next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Consultation on Credible Event - Review of groups of generating units, subs closed, next steps TBC	TBA							
EA	Future security and resilience (FSR) project. Decision on Part 8 Code amendments here – came into effect 1 May, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Frequency-related Code amendment proposals, subs due 17 June	17 Tu							



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EA	Consultation on Promoting reliable electricity supply: A voltage-related Code amendment proposal, subs due 15 July					15 Tu			
EA	Managing peak electricity demand: Decision paper released here, EA to progress six solutions, new outage rules effective from 1 Jan 2025	Ongoing							
EA	Improving visibility of generation investment: EA has issued decision paper - issuing two information gathering notices to collect more data	Ongoing							
EA	Improving the accuracy of intermittent generation forecasts: hybrid forecasting arrangement to take effect 31 July 2025, application form to use own forecast here and guidance here	Ongoing						31 Th	
Spot / hedge m	narkets								
EA	Stress test disclosures: applies to consumers grid connected or who buy from Clearing Manager; next disclosure due end June			30 M					
EA	Hedge market and over the counter (OTC) market: Improvements to hedge disclosure obligations went live 30 Oct 2024 (here); Consultation on Improving visibility of competition in the OTC contract market, subs closed, all subs published here, next steps TBC	Ongoing							
EA	Pricing in a renewables-based system: Authority released latest quarterly update (Jan – March 2025) on progress with MDAG recommendations here; . New dashboard highlights flexibility hedge product trends – see here	Ongoing							
EA	Understanding Market monitoring weekly reports, latest trading conduct report –1 June 2025	Ongoing							
Energy Compe	tition Task Force and Ministerial Review								
EA / ComCom	Action 1A: Consider requiring gentailers to offer firming for Power Purchase Agreements: Working paper published here , subs closed and published here ; published an update paper - Enabling new generation entry – Options for power purchase; Code change decision in June 2025	TBA							
EA / ComCom	Action 1B: Introduce standardised flexibility products: Trading of product from Jan 2025, EA published the Standardised Flexibility Co-design Group's (Co-design Group) recommendations here , auction logs of results available here	Ongoing							
EA / ComCom	Action 1C: Prepare for virtual disaggregation of the flexible generation base: EEAG input in Nov 2024, Outline published in Feb 2025	Ongoing							
EA / ComCom	Action 1D: Investigate level playing field measures such as non-discrimination rules as a regulatory backstop: Consultation paper on level playing field measures, webinar held 13 March (recording here), subs closed, all subs published here, in principle decision published in August.	Ongoing							
EA / ComCom	Action 2A: Requiring distributors to pay a rebate when consumers export electricity at peak times: Consultation on Requiring distributors to pay a rebate, subs due, webinar held 12 Feb (recording here), subs and cross subs closed, Code change decision in June 2025	TBA							



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EA / ComCom	2B Require all retailers to offer time-of-use pricing and Action 2C: Require retailers to better reward consumers for supplying power: Consultation on Improving pricing plan options, subs and cross subs closed, webinar held 12 Feb (recording here), Code change decision in June 2025	TBA							
EA / ComCom	Action 2D: Reward industrial consumers for providing short-term demand flexibility: Consultation on an issues and option paper with subs now due 3 July, Code change decision if or when required			3 Th					
MBIE	Review of Electricity Market Performance: Frontier selected as lead consultation, MEUG met with reviewers on 24 Feb, Ministers received report, expecting announcements or release around July / August	Ongoing							
Electricity Autl	hority meetings / corporate work programme								
EA	Advisory groups and SRC: EA priority initiatives calendar from May to Oct 2025 here ; call for nominations for the Distribution pricing technical group (see here) – nominations due 17 June, call for nominations for Switch & Data Formats Group (here) – nominations due 1 July	17 Tu		1 Tu					
EA	Power Innovation Pathway – regulatory support to be provided to 6 high-value initiatives (see here); 2 more initiatives selected to receive enhanced regulatory support (here)	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Our future is digital, subs due 10 July				10 Th				
EA	Consultation on Green Paper - Working together to meet the needs of New Zealanders, subs now due 25June	17 Tu	25 W						
EA	Quarterly online updates: 28 May recording available here , next update TBC	TBC							
EA	Consultation on Evolving multiple retailing and switching, subs due 29 July	Ongoing						<mark>29 Tu</mark>	
EA	Improving retail market monitoring: EA will begin publishing aggregated retail data and insights on website end of 2025; extension application form and updated FAQ posted on site.	Ongoing							
EA	Consumer Care Obligations: published updated guidance here to support retailers with obligations from 1 April.	Ongoing							
EA	Improving consumer choice: decision paper released here, updated guidelines on saves and win-backs here	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on 26 July 2024 under-frequency event, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on 14 Jan 2025 under under-frequency event, subs closed, next steps TBC	TBA							



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MEUG meeti	ings / events								
	MEUG fortnightly opt-in meeting – next meeting Thursday 19 June	19 Th		4 Fr		18 F		1 Fr	
	Monthly MEC meeting: AGM on 25 June – in person meeting		25 W						
Transmissio	n and distribution services								
EA	<u>Distribution pricing</u> : Consultation on distribution generation pricing principles, subs and cross subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Distribution connection pricing proposed Code amendment, webinar here , subs and cross-sub closed, all subs published here , all cross subs published here , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	<u>Updating regulatory settings for distribution networks</u> : Indicative work programme published <u>here</u>	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Network connections project – stage one, webinar here subs and cross subs closed, all subs published here, all cross subs published here, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Default distributor agreements (DDA): Decision paper on changes to DDA here, changes came into effect 25 Nov 2024	Ongoing							
EA	<u>Transmission Pricing Methodology</u> : decision paper <u>here</u> on changes to TPM, with changes effective 1 April 2026	Ongoing							
TP	Consultation on Resilience at Redclyffe substation, subs closed, TP submitted major capex proposal to ComCom on 12 June, media here and application here , next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Consultation on short list for HVDC Link upgrade programme, subs due 20 June, webinar held 21 May	20 F							
TP	Consultation on long list of options for Waikato Regional Interconnection Capacity Project, all subs published here , consultation on shortlist in late 2025, submit application to ComCom in first half of 2026	TBA							
TP	Upper South Island Upgrade Project: Further consultation on short list options for SI upgrades, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Transmission pricing methodology (TPM): Published updated TPM assumptions book version 2.0 here; Transpower ran a TPM post implementation survey (here), responses closed	Ongoing							
ComCom	Reopeners for EDBs: consultation on draft reopener guidance for EDBs, subs closed, next steps TBA; Published Unison Network Limited's application for a catastrophic event DPP3 reopener; draft decision for consultation in due course	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation on open letter on proposed approach to Aurora's transition to DPP4, subs closed, draft decision expected in July.	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation on draft decision on the Firstlight (Cyclone Gabrielle catastrophic event) reopener, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
ComCom	Innovation Allowances for EDBs (INTSA): Applications received from Orion and Powerco; Consultation on draft Innovation and Non-	TBA							





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	Traditional Solutions Allowance (INTSA) guidance, feedback closed, MEUG provided feedback via email, next steps TBA								
Greenhous	e gas topics relevant to electricity policy								
MBIE	Carbon Capture Utilisation and Storage (CCUS): Govt announced decisions on key elements of CCUS framework (here) released Cabinet papers here, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Advancing New Zealand's energy transition: Status / timing of energy strategy TBC	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on Regulatory proposals for natural and orange hydrogen development, subs due 4 July			4 F					
MfE:	Consultation on NZ ETS unit settings and annual regulatory updates 2025, subs due 29 June		<mark>29 Su</mark>						
MfE	Consultation on the Proposed changes to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme regulations 2025, subs due 29 June		29 Su						
MfE	Emissions reduction plans: ERP2 released here	Ongoing							
MfE	ETS: NZUs at \$57.50 (Jarden, 13 June 2025 auction calendar <u>published</u> – next auction 18 June 2025	18 W							
Additional e	events and government workstreams								
MFE	<u>Consultation</u> on Infrastructure, development and primary sector national direction, electricity in Package 1, subs due 27 July						<mark>27 Su</mark>		
MBIE	NZ Energy Quarterly Jan to March 2025 quarterly report here, next update on 11 Sept 2025	Ongoing							
MBIE	Offshore renewable energy regime: Offshore Renewable Energy Bill introduced into Parliament on T19 Dec (see								

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

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