



MEUG near-term calendar from 18 Aug 2025 – public version

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Security of Supply									
TP	Fortnightly System Operator informal forum	19 Tu		2 Tu		16 Tu		30 Tu	
TP	HVDC planned outages: None advised	Ongoing							
TP	Simulated storage trajectories No forecasts cross the Watch curve, commentary up for July 2025 ERC update	Ongoing							
TP	New Zealand Generation Balance (NZGB): forecast over next 200 days; latest update here – August 2025 report)	Ongoing							
TP	Grid on winter ratings till 20 October (see CAN 3 May)	Ongoing							
TP	Security of Supply Assessment (SOSA): Final 2025 SoSA published here	Ongoing							
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 Credible Event - Review of groups of generating units, subs closed, next steps TBC	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Review of urgent Code amendment to the System Operator's information gathering powers, subs due 5 Sept			5 F					
EA	Future security and resilience (FSR) project . Decision on Part 8 Code amendments here , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Promoting reliable electricity supply – Code amendment proposal on common quality-related information, subs closed, subs published here , next steps TBA.	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Future system operation project - Distribution system operation, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Frequency-related Code amendment proposals, subs closed, subs published here , next steps TBC	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Battery energy storage systems roadmap, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							

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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 : Generation investment dashboard published here	Ongoing							
EA	Improving the accuracy of intermittent generation forecasts : hybrid forecasting arrangement in place	Ongoing							
Spot / hedge markets									
ComCom	Consultation on statement of preliminary issues relating Gentailers authorisation for Huntly agreement, subs due 27 Aug, decision by 16 Feb 2026		27 W						
TP	Consultation on Evolving market resource co-ordination: Tiebreaker provisions, subs and cross subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Stress test disclosures : applies to consumers grid connected or who buy from Clearing Manager; next disclosure due end Sept, stress test notice issued in May 2025 remains current and will apply for the quarter from October to December 2025	Ongoing						30 Tu	
EA	Hedge market and over the counter (OTC) market : Additional consultation on Improving visibility of competition in the OTC contract market, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Pricing in a renewables-based system : Authority released latest quarterly update (April to June 2025) on progress with MDAG recommendations here ; New dashboard highlights flexibility hedge product trends – see here	Ongoing							
Energy Competition Task Force and Market review									
EA / ComCom	<i>Action 1A: Consider requiring gentailers to offer firming for Power Purchase Agreements</i> : Published an update paper; Code change decision TBC	TBA							
EA / ComCom	<i>Action 1B: Introduce standardised flexibility products</i> : Trading of product from Jan 2025, auction logs of results available here , consultation on Regulating the standardised super-peak hedge contract, subs due 30 Sept, webinar on 10 Sept (register here)				10 W			30 Tu	
EA / ComCom	<i>Action 1C: Prepare for virtual disaggregation of the flexible generation base</i> : Outline published in Feb 2025								

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EA / ComCom	Action 1D: Investigate level playing field measures such as non-discrimination rules as a regulatory backstop: Consultation closed on level playing field measures, subs published here ; announcements of next steps to level the playing field here . Consultation on draft Code changes to introduce mandatory non-discrimination obligations – October, Consult on a review of market making - Nov	19 Tu							
EA / ComCom	Action 2A: Requiring distributors to pay a rebate when consumers export electricity at peak times, Decision paper published here	Ongoing							
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 here	Ongoing							
EA / ComCom	Action 2D: Reward industrial consumers for providing short-term demand flexibility: Consultation on an issues and option paper, subs closed, all subs published here , Consultation on Establishing an Energy reserve scheme, subs due 28 Aug		28 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 September	Ongoing							
Electricity Authority meetings / corporate work programme									
EA	Advisory groups and SRC: EA priority initiatives calendar out to March 2026 here , SRC 29 May 2025 meeting papers available here , calling for nominations for three new members of the Security and Reliability Council- due 9 Sept, next EAAG meeting TBC				9 Tu				
EA	Quarterly update held 21 August, next TBC	21 Th							
EA	Power Innovation Pathway – regulatory support to be provided to 8 high-value initiatives	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Our future is digital, subs closed, all subs published here , next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Green Paper , subs closed, all subs published here , next steps TBA	TBA							
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, retail market monitoring notice amended here	Ongoing							
EA	Consumer Care Obligations : published updated guidance here to support retailers with obligations.	Ongoing							
EA	Improving consumer choice : decision paper released here , updated guidelines on saves and win-backs here	Ongoing							

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EA	Consultation on Enabling consumer mobility by improving access to electricity product data, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBC							
EA	Consultation on 26 July 2024 under-frequency event, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBC							
MEUG meetings / events									
	MEUG fortnightly opt-in meeting	22 F	29 F		12 F		26 F		10 F
	Monthly MEC meeting: Next Executive Committee meeting scheduled for 18 Aug	18 M							
Transmission and distribution services									
EA	Distribution pricing : Consultation on distribution generation pricing principles, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
EA	Consultation on Distribution connection pricing proposed Code amendment, decision paper here ; technical consultation on Distribution connection pricing fast-track measures, subs closed, all subs published, Code amendments to be finalised in Sept	TBA							
EA	Updating regulatory settings for distribution networks : Indicative work programme published here	Ongoing							
EA	Consultation on Network connections project – stage one, decision paper released here , scheduled to open a technical consultation on the Code drafting for the recent decisions by end of August	Ongoing							
EA	Default distributor agreements (DDA) : Current DDA came into effect 25 Nov 2024	Ongoing							
EA	Transmission Pricing Methodology : consultation on TPM technical amendments: regulatory asset base indexation and simple method benefit-based change cap, subs due 29 Aug		29 F						
TP	Consultation on Ōtāhuhu–Whakamaru A and B Lines reconductoring project, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Te Kanapu: Consultation 1 : Imagining Aotearoa in 2050, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Consultation on Resilience at Redclyffe substation, TP submitted major capex proposal to ComCom on 12 June, application here , next steps TBA	TBA							
TP	Consultation on short list for HVDC Link upgrade programme, subs closed, subs published here , next steps TBA	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	Upper South Island Upgrade Project : Further consultation on short list options for SI upgrades, subs and summary published, TP have applied to ComCom for approval of USI project (see here)	TBA							

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TP	Transmission pricing methodology (TPM): Transpower ran a TPM post implementation survey, webinars held in July	Ongoing							
ComCom	DPP5: Releasing an Open letter on 26 Aug, seeking feedback on approach to DPP5 for EDBs		26 Tu						
ComCom	Input Methodologies: Issues Notice of Intention to begin work on potential amendments to IMs for EDBs, draft decision expected in August 2025.	TBA							
ComCom	Consultation on draft decision paper for Aurora Energy's transition to the 2025 2030 default price-quality path, subs now due 5 Sept and cross subs by 23 Sept			5 F			23 Tu		
ComCom	DPP4 and DPP3 Reopeners : Consultation on Vector catastrophic event reopener draft decision, subs closed, next steps TBA; Published Unison Network Limited's application for DPP3 reopener; draft decision for consultation in due course	TBA							
ComCom	Innovation Allowances for EDBs (INTSA): Published three approval letters, one for DPP4 Innovation and Non-Traditional Solutions Allowance (Unison) and two for the DPP3 Innovation Project Allowance (Powerco and Vector)	TBA							
TP & EDB	Consultation on Energizing Queenstown – joint project between TP, Aurora and PowerNet, feedback due 19 Sept					19 F			
Greenhouse 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 : Energy strategy expected alongside Frontier final report	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on Regulatory proposals for natural and orange hydrogen development, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MfE:	NZ ETS Consultation on NZ ETS unit settings and annual regulatory updates 2025, subs closed, next steps TBA; Consultation on the Proposed changes to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme regulations 2025, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MfE	Emissions reduction plans : ERP2 released here	Ongoing							
MfE	NZUs at \$55.50 (Jarden, 15 Aug), 2025 auction calendar published – next auction 10 Sept 2025	Ongoing			10 W				
MfE / EA	Industrial allocation : 2025 EAF released here	Ongoing							

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Additional events and government workstreams									
INFRA	Feedback sought on draft National Infrastructure Plan, subs closed, final plan due Dec 2025	TBA							
MFE	Consultation on Infrastructure, development and primary sector national direction, electricity in Package 1, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on a draft Geothermal Strategy for New Zealand, subs due 12 Sept, webinar held 13 Aug				12 F				
MBIE	Consultation on Supporting the uptake of Smart Electric Vehicle charging in New Zealand, subs closed, next steps TBA	TBA							
MBIE	Consultation on Draft Fuel Security Plan, subs due 25 Aug		25 M						
MBIE	NZ Energy Quarterly Jan to March 2025 quarterly report here , next update on 11 Sept 2025				11 Th				
MBIE	Offshore renewable energy regime : Offshore Renewable Energy Bill introduced into Parliament on Tues 19 Dec (see here), committee report here , at second reading	TBA							
	Parliament sitting weeks (3-days beginning Tue) , 2025 sitting calendar here	19 – 21			9 – 11	16 – 18			7 – 9
	Training: Energy Link online training 2025 dates here								8 – 9
	Sector conferences / events: NZ Wind Energy Summit – 26 – 28 Aug, Utility Disputes Webinar – 28 Aug , Uni of Auckland Navigating a transitional period in the wholesale electricity market seminar – 2 Sept, EPOC Winter Workshop 2025 – 5 Sept , EEA 2025 conference – 9 – 11 Sept, Energy Centre seminar on energy consumptions changes – 10 Sept Climate Change and Business Conference – 8/9 Sept, Oceania Renewable Power Summit – 16/17 Sept		26 – 28	2, 5	8 – 11	16/17			
	Public holidays: school holidays start 20 Sept, term 4 starts 6 Oct					20 Sa			6 M

TP	Transpower	ComCom	Commerce Commission	MBIE	Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment
EA	Electricity Authority	CCC	Climate Change Commission	MfE	Ministry for the Environment
SO	System Operator	INFRA	Infrastructure Commission	EECA	Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority

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