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2009/2010 System Operator Policy Statement – final recommendations

In accordance with the Electricity Act 1992, the Commission's Board has approved the final recommendations to the Minister of Energy and Resources on the rule changes for a new System Operator Policy Statement, effective 1 September 2009. The purpose of this rule change is to replace the current policy statement in Schedule C4 of part C of the Rules.

The *Gazette* notice, recommendation to the Minister, assessment and rule change are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulesandregs/recommend>
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Annual levy rates for the year ending 30 June 2010

The Commission has calculated the annual levy rates for the financial year ending 30 June 2010 in accordance with regulation 7 of the Electricity (Levy of Industry Participants) Regulations 2005.

The levy rates are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/opdev/levies/levyrates>
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Rulings Panel procedures 2009

The Rulings Panel has reviewed its procedures. On 2 April 2009 the proposed Ruling Panel Procedures 2009 were made available for comment on the Commission's website, and interested parties were invited to make submissions on the proposed procedures by 1 May 2009. One submission was received from Transpower. The Rulings Panel considered the submission and made some additional changes in response to the submission.

The Rulings Panel approved the revised procedures on 8 July 2009, and the Rulings Panel Procedures 2009 are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulingsp>

Transpower's submission, together with a summary of the submission and the Rulings Panel response are available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulingsp/rulingspcons>

Rulebook Drafting Manual

The Rules are delegated legislation made in accordance with the Electricity Act 1992. It is therefore appropriate that minimum standards of drafting be met before amendments to the Rules are recommended to the Minister of Energy and Resources.

Accordingly, the Commission has prepared a Rulebook Drafting Manual. The Commission applies the Manual when drafting recommended amendments to the Rules. It may also be useful to participants when proposing drafting amendments.

The Manual follows commonly accepted legislative drafting principles, with modifications to ensure that it is tailored to the particular technical requirements of the Rules. It is divided into four parts: Planning, Drafting Style, Formatting and Checking.

The Rulebook Drafting Manual is available at:

- <http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/rulesandregs>

Consultation documents

- [2009 Draft procurement plan](#)
Closes 23 July 2009
- [Resubmission of Bombay Bus Security investment proposal](#)
Closes 23 July 2009
- [Redclyffe 220/110kV Interconnection investment proposal](#)
Closes 29 July 2009

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