



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE PREPARED  
IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
ELECTRICITY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
DETERMINATION  
UNDER PART 4 OF THE COMMERCE ACT 1986**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

These Information Disclosure documents are submitted by The Power Company Limited pursuant to Part 4 of the Commerce Act 1986 in accordance with:

- ❑ The Electricity Information Disclosure Determination 2012, (Consolidated in 2018), issued 3 April 2018.
- ❑ The Electricity Distribution Services Input Methodologies Determination 2012, (Consolidated in 2014), issued 30 March 2015.

## 2. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE DISCLAIMER

The information disclosed in this Information Disclosure package issued by The Power Company Limited has been prepared in accordance with the Determination listed above.

The Determination requires the information to be disclosed in the manner it is presented.

The information should not be used for any other purposes than that intended under the Determination.

The financial information presented is for the electricity distribution business as described within the Determination.

Due to rounding and automatic calculations in the spreadsheets there may be minor summing variances.

## 3. SCHEDULES

Company Name

The Power Company Limited

For Year Ended

31 March 2022

SCHEDULE 1: ANALYTICAL RATIOS

This schedule calculates expenditure, revenue and service ratios from the information disclosed. The disclosed ratios may vary for reasons that are company specific and, as a result, must be interpreted with care. The Commerce Commission will publish a summary and analysis of information disclosed in accordance with the ID determination. This will include information disclosed in accordance with this and other schedules, and information disclosed under the other requirements of the determination.

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1(i): Expenditure metrics

Expenditure per GWh energy delivered to ICPs (\$/GWh)

Expenditure per average no. of ICPs (\$/ICP)

Expenditure per MW maximum coincident system demand (\$/MW)

Expenditure per km circuit length (\$/km)

Expenditure per MVA of capacity from EDB-owned distribution transformers (\$/MVA)

Operational expenditure

Network

Non-network

Expenditure on assets

Network

Non-network

20,744

447

102,995

1,859

35,020

12,565

270

62,387

1,126

21,213

8,179

176

40,608

733

13,808

31,208

672

154,953

2,797

52,687

31,208

672

154,953

2,797

52,687

–

–

–

–

–

17

1(ii): Revenue metrics

Revenue per GWh energy delivered to ICPs (\$/GWh)

Revenue per average no. of ICPs (\$/ICP)

Total consumer line charge revenue

Standard consumer line charge revenue

Non-standard consumer line charge revenue

72,809

1,567

85,043

1,410

31,801

967,265

23

1(iii): Service intensity measures

Demand density

Volume density

Connection point density

Energy intensity

18

90

4

21,525

Maximum coincident system demand per km of circuit length (for supply) (kW/km)

Total energy delivered to ICPs per km of circuit length (for supply) (MWh/km)

Average number of ICPs per km of circuit length (for supply) (ICPs/km)

Total energy delivered to ICPs per average number of ICPs (kWh/ICP)

30

1(iv): Composition of regulatory income

Operational expenditure

Pass-through and recoverable costs excluding financial incentives and wash-ups

Total depreciation

Total revaluations

Regulatory tax allowance

Regulatory profit/(loss) including financial incentives and wash-ups

Total regulatory income

(\$000)

% of revenue

16,475

28.51%

13,419

23.22%

15,969

27.64%

28,991

50.17%

4,476

7.75%

36,028

62.35%

57,783

40

1(v): Reliability

Interruption rate

20.74

Interruptions per 100 circuit km

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**SCHEDULE 2: REPORT ON RETURN ON INVESTMENT**

This schedule requires information on the Return on Investment (ROI) for the EDB relative to the Commerce Commission's estimates of post tax WACC and vanilla WACC. EDBs must calculate their ROI based on a monthly basis if required by clause 2.3.3 of the ID Determination or if they elect to. If an EDB makes this election, information supporting this calculation must be provided in 2(iii).

EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their ROI in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes).

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		CY-2	CY-1	Current Year CY
		31 Mar 20	31 Mar 21	31 Mar 22
		%	%	%
7	<b>2(i): Return on Investment</b>			
8				
9	<b>ROI – comparable to a post tax WACC</b>			
10	Reflecting all revenue earned	6.04%	3.17%	8.66%
11	Excluding revenue earned from financial incentives	6.04%	3.17%	8.66%
12	Excluding revenue earned from financial incentives and wash-ups	6.04%	3.17%	8.66%
13				
14	<b>Mid-point estimate of post tax WACC</b>	4.27%	3.72%	3.52%
15	25th percentile estimate	3.59%	3.04%	2.84%
16	75th percentile estimate	4.95%	4.40%	4.20%
17				
18				
19	<b>ROI – comparable to a vanilla WACC</b>			
20	Reflecting all revenue earned	6.47%	3.50%	8.96%
21	Excluding revenue earned from financial incentives	6.47%	3.50%	8.96%
22	Excluding revenue earned from financial incentives and wash-ups	6.47%	3.50%	8.96%
23				
24	<b>WACC rate used to set regulatory price path</b>	NA	NA	NA
25				
26	<b>Mid-point estimate of vanilla WACC</b>	4.69%	4.05%	3.82%
27	25th percentile estimate	4.01%	3.37%	3.14%
28	75th percentile estimate	5.37%	4.73%	4.50%
29				
30	<b>2(ii): Information Supporting the ROI</b>			
31				(\$000)
32	Total opening RAB value	420,819		
33	plus Opening deferred tax	(22,973)		
34	<b>Opening RIV</b>		397,846	
35				
36	<b>Line charge revenue</b>		57,825	
37				
38	Expenses cash outflow	29,893		
39	add Assets commissioned	24,308		
40	less Asset disposals	777		
41	add Tax payments	2,206		
42	less Other regulated income	(42)		
43	<b>Mid-year net cash outflows</b>		55,673	
44				
45	<b>Term credit spread differential allowance</b>		408	
46				
47	Total closing RAB value	457,373		
48	less Adjustment resulting from asset allocation	0		
49	less Lost and found assets adjustment	–		
50	plus Closing deferred tax	(25,243)		
51	<b>Closing RIV</b>		432,130	
52				
53	<b>ROI – comparable to a vanilla WACC</b>			8.96%
54				
55	Leverage (%)			42%
56	Cost of debt assumption (%)			2.55%
57	Corporate tax rate (%)			28%
58				
59	<b>ROI – comparable to a post tax WACC</b>			8.66%
60				

**2(iii): Information Supporting the Monthly ROI**

Opening RIV

N/A

Line charge revenue

Expenses cash  
outflowAssets  
commissionedAsset  
disposalsOther regulated  
incomeMonthly net cash  
outflows

April

May

June

July

August

September

October

November

December

January

February

March

Total

Tax payments

Term credit spread differential allowance

Closing RIV

Monthly ROI – comparable to a vanilla WACC

Monthly ROI – comparable to a post tax WACC

**2(iv): Year-End ROI Rates for Comparison Purposes**

Year-end ROI – comparable to a vanilla WACC

8.79%

Year-end ROI – comparable to a post tax WACC

8.49%

\* these year-end ROI values are comparable to the ROI reported in pre 2012 disclosures by EDBs and do not represent the Commission's current view on ROI.

**2(v): Financial Incentives and Wash-Ups**

Net recoverable costs allowed under incremental rolling incentive scheme

Purchased assets – avoided transmission charge

Energy efficiency and demand incentive allowance

Quality incentive adjustment

Other financial incentives

Financial incentives

Impact of financial incentives on ROI

Input methodology claw-back

CPP application recoverable costs

Catastrophic event allowance

Capex wash-up adjustment

Transmission asset wash-up adjustment

2013–15 NPV wash-up allowance

Reconsideration event allowance

Other wash-ups

Wash-up costs

Impact of wash-up costs on ROI

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**SCHEDULE 3: REPORT ON REGULATORY PROFIT**

This schedule requires information on the calculation of regulatory profit for the EDB for the disclosure year. All EDBs must complete all sections and provide explanatory comment on their regulatory profit in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes).  
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7	<b>3(i): Regulatory Profit</b>		(\$000)
8	<b>Income</b>		
9	Line charge revenue	57,825	
10	plus Gains / (losses) on asset disposals	(749)	
11	plus Other regulated income (other than gains / (losses) on asset disposals)	706	
12			
13	<b>Total regulatory income</b>	57,783	
14	<b>Expenses</b>		
15	less Operational expenditure	16,475	
16			
17	less Pass-through and recoverable costs excluding financial incentives and wash-ups	13,419	
18			
19	<b>Operating surplus / (deficit)</b>	27,889	
20			
21	less Total depreciation	15,969	
22			
23	plus Total revaluations	28,991	
24			
25	<b>Regulatory profit / (loss) before tax</b>	40,912	
26			
27	less Term credit spread differential allowance	408	
28			
29	less Regulatory tax allowance	4,476	
30			
31	<b>Regulatory profit/(loss) including financial incentives and wash-ups</b>	36,028	
32			
33	<b>3(ii): Pass-through and Recoverable Costs excluding Financial Incentives and Wash-Ups</b>		(\$000)
34	<b>Pass through costs</b>		
35	Rates	263	
36	Commerce Act levies	186	
37	Industry levies	153	
38	CPP specified pass through costs	—	
39	<b>Recoverable costs excluding financial incentives and wash-ups</b>		
40	Electricity lines service charge payable to Transpower	12,584	
41	Transpower new investment contract charges	233	
42	System operator services	—	
43	Distributed generation allowance	—	
44	Extended reserves allowance	—	
45	Other recoverable costs excluding financial incentives and wash-ups	—	
46	<b>Pass-through and recoverable costs excluding financial incentives and wash-ups</b>	13,419	
47			
48	<b>3(iii): Incremental Rolling Incentive Scheme</b>		(\$000)
49			
50		CY-1 31 Mar 21	CY 31 Mar 22
51	Allowed controllable opex	—	—
52	Actual controllable opex	—	—
53			
54	Incremental change in year		—
55			
56			
57	CY-5 31 Mar 17	—	—
58	CY-4 31 Mar 18	—	—
59	CY-3 31 Mar 19	—	—
60	CY-2 31 Mar 20	—	—
61	CY-1 31 Mar 21	—	—
62	<b>Net incremental rolling incentive scheme</b>		—
63			
64	<b>Net recoverable costs allowed under incremental rolling incentive scheme</b>		—
65	<b>3(iv): Merger and Acquisition Expenditure</b>		
66			(\$000)
67	Merger and acquisition expenditure		—
68			
68	Provide commentary on the benefits of merger and acquisition expenditure to the electricity distribution business, including required disclosures in accordance with section 2.7, in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes)		
69	<b>3(v): Other Disclosures</b>		
70			(\$000)
71	Self-insurance allowance		—

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**SCHEDULE 4: REPORT ON VALUE OF THE REGULATORY ASSET BASE (ROLLED FORWARD)**

This schedule requires information on the calculation of the Regulatory Asset Base (RAB) value to the end of this disclosure year. This informs the ROI calculation in Schedule 2. EDBs must provide explanatory comment on the value of their RAB in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes). This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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**4(i): Regulatory Asset Base Value (Rolled Forward)**

	for year ended	RAB 31 Mar 18 (\$000)	RAB 31 Mar 19 (\$000)	RAB 31 Mar 20 (\$000)	RAB 31 Mar 21 (\$000)	RAB 31 Mar 22 (\$000)
Total opening RAB value		355,086	373,678	385,009	407,982	420,819
less Total depreciation		12,615	13,762	14,313	15,236	15,969
plus Total revaluations		3,886	5,526	9,710	6,184	28,991
plus Assets commissioned		25,100	20,360	28,192	22,706	24,308
less Asset disposals		744	792	616	818	777
plus Lost and found assets adjustment		2,964	—	—	—	—
plus Adjustment resulting from asset allocation		—	—	—	—	0
Total closing RAB value		373,678	385,009	407,982	420,819	457,373

**4(ii): Unallocated Regulatory Asset Base**

	Unallocated RAB *	RAB
	(\$000)	(\$000)
Total opening RAB value	420,819	420,819
less Total depreciation	15,969	15,969
plus Total revaluations	28,991	28,991
plus Assets commissioned (other than below)	—	—
Assets acquired from a regulated supplier	—	—
Assets acquired from a related party	24,308	24,308
Assets commissioned	24,308	24,308
less Asset disposals (other than below)	777	777
Asset disposals to a regulated supplier	—	—
Asset disposals to a related party	—	—
Asset disposals	777	777
plus Lost and found assets adjustment	—	—
plus Adjustment resulting from asset allocation	—	0
Total closing RAB value	457,373	457,373

\* The 'unallocated RAB' is the total value of those assets used wholly or partially to provide electricity distribution services without any allowance being made for the allocation of costs to services provided by the supplier that are not electricity distribution services. The RAB value represents the value of these assets after applying this cost allocation. Neither value includes works under construction.



## 4(iii): Calculation of Revaluation Rate and Revaluation of Assets

CPI <sub>1</sub>	1,142
CPI <sub>2</sub> *	1,068
Revaluation rate (%)	6.93%

	Unallocated RAB *		RAB
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Total opening RAB value	420,819		420,819
less Opening value of fully depreciated, disposed and lost assets	2,410		2,410
Total opening RAB value subject to revaluation	418,409		418,409
Total revaluations		28,991	28,991

## 4(iv): Roll Forward of Works Under Construction

	Unallocated works under construction		Allocated works under construction
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Works under construction—preceding disclosure year		10,510	10,510
plus Capital expenditure	22,148		22,148
less Assets commissioned	24,308		24,308
plus Adjustment resulting from asset allocation			
Works under construction - current disclosure year		8,349	8,349
Highest rate of capitalised finance applied			

## 4(v): Regulatory Depreciation

	Unallocated RAB *		RAB
	(\$000)	(\$000)	(\$000)
Depreciation - standard	15,969		15,969
Depreciation - no standard life assets	—		—
Depreciation - modified life assets	—		—
Depreciation - alternative depreciation in accordance with CPP	—		—
Total depreciation		15,969	15,969

## 4(vi): Disclosure of Changes to Depreciation Profiles

(\$000 unless otherwise specified)

Asset or assets with changes to depreciation*	Reason for non-standard depreciation (text entry)	Depreciation charge for the period (RAB)	Closing RAB value under 'non-standard' depreciation	Closing RAB value under 'standard' depreciation

\* Include additional rows if needed

## 4(vii): Disclosure by Asset Category

(\$000 unless otherwise specified)

	Subtransmission lines	Subtransmission cables	Zone substations	Distribution and LV lines	Distribution and LV cables	Distribution substations and transformers	Distribution switchgear	Other network assets	Non-network assets	Total
Total opening RAB value	60,332	4,372	111,463	143,489	19,930	55,958	17,692	7,578	7	420,819
less Total depreciation	1,926	111	4,081	6,368	701	1,780	736	265	1	15,969
plus Total revaluations	4,171	306	7,706	9,869	1,368	3,815	1,230	525	—	28,991
less Asset disposals	267	0	4,991	10,227	441	1,774	6,223	385	—	24,308
plus Lost and found assets adjustment			346			413	19			777
plus Adjustment resulting from asset allocation										—
plus Asset category transfers										—
Total closing RAB value	62,844	4,567	119,733	157,217	21,038	59,354	24,390	8,223	6	457,373
Asset Life										
Weighted average remaining asset life	36.8	39.3	33.1	25.0	42.6	33.1	25.7	16.3	—	(years)
Weighted average expected total asset life	57.4	45.4	45.3	58.4	61.7	47.2	38.9	32.5	—	(years)



		(£'000)
44	<b>5a(iv): Amortisation of Revaluations</b>	
45		
46	Opening sum of RAB values without revaluations	372,280
47		
48	Adjusted depreciation	14,026
49	Total depreciation	15,969
50	Amortisation of revaluations	1,943
51		
52	<b>5a(v): Reconciliation of Tax Losses</b>	(£'000)
53		
54	Opening tax losses	-
55	plus Current period tax losses	-
56	less Utilised tax losses	-
57	Closing tax losses	-
58		
59	<b>5a(vi): Calculation of Deferred Tax Balance</b>	(£'000)
60		
61	Opening deferred tax	(22,973)
62	plus Tax effect of adjusted depreciation	3,927
63		
64	less Tax effect of tax depreciation	4,964
65		
66	plus Tax effect of other temporary differences*	620
67		
68	less Tax effect of amortisation of initial differences in asset values	1,943
69		
70	plus Deferred tax balance relating to assets acquired in the disclosure year	-
71		
72	less Deferred tax balance relating to assets disposed in the disclosure year	(90)
73		
74	plus Deferred tax cost allocation adjustment	(0)
75		
76	Closing deferred tax	(25,243)
77		
78	<b>5a(vii): Disclosure of Temporary Differences</b>	
79	In Schedule 14, Box 6, provide descriptions and workings of items recorded in the asterisked category in Schedule 5a(vi) (Tax effect of other temporary differences).	
80		
81	<b>5a(viii): Regulatory Tax Asset Base Roll-Forward</b>	(£'000)
82		
83	Opening sum of regulatory tax asset values	190,248
84	less Tax depreciation	17,727
85	plus Regulatory tax asset value of assets commissioned	26,396
86	less Regulatory tax asset value of asset disposals	241
87	plus Lost and found assets adjustment	-
88	plus Adjustment resulting from asset allocation	-
89	plus Other adjustments to the RAB tax value	-
90	Closing sum of regulatory tax asset values	198,676

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## SCHEDULE 5b: REPORT ON RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

This schedule provides information on the valuation of related party transactions, in accordance with clause 2.3.6 of the ID determination.  
This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in clause 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by clause 2.8.

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7	<b>5b(i): Summary—Related Party Transactions</b>	(\$000)	(\$000)
8	Total regulatory income		18
9			
10	Market value of asset disposals		—
11			
12	Service interruptions and emergencies	3,584	
13	Vegetation management	1,365	
14	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection	4,283	
15	Asset replacement and renewal (opex)	747	
16	<b>Network opex</b>		9,979
17	Business support	3,096	
18	System operations and network support	1,842	
19	<b>Operational expenditure</b>		14,917
20	Consumer connection	2,801	
21	System growth	2,675	
22	Asset replacement and renewal (capex)	13,704	
23	Asset relocations	211	
24	Quality of supply	447	
25	Legislative and regulatory	—	
26	Other reliability, safety and environment	4,948	
27	<b>Expenditure on non-network assets</b>		—
28	<b>Expenditure on assets</b>		24,786
29	Cost of financing		—
30	Value of capital contributions		—
31	Value of vested assets		—
32	<b>Capital Expenditure</b>		24,786
33	<b>Total expenditure</b>		39,703
34			
35	Other related party transactions		—
36	<b>5b(iii): Total Opex and Capex Related Party Transactions</b>		
37			
38	<b>Name of related party</b>	<b>Nature of opex or capex service provided</b>	<b>Total value of transactions (\$000)</b>
39	PowerNet Limited	Service interruptions and emergencies	3,584
40	PowerNet Limited	Vegetation management	1,365
41	PowerNet Limited	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection	4,283
42	PowerNet Limited	Asset replacement and renewal (opex)	747
43	PowerNet Limited	System operations and network support	1,842
44	PowerNet Limited	Business support	3,096
45	PowerNet Limited	Consumer connection	2,801
46	PowerNet Limited	System growth	2,675
47	PowerNet Limited	Asset replacement and renewal (capex)	13,704
48	PowerNet Limited	Asset relocations	211
49	PowerNet Limited	Quality of supply	447
50	PowerNet Limited	Other reliability, safety and environment	4,948
51			
52			
53	<b>Total value of related party transactions</b>		39,703
54	* include additional rows if needed		
55			

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**SCHEDULE 5c: REPORT ON TERM CREDIT SPREAD DIFFERENTIAL ALLOWANCE**

This schedule is only to be completed if, as at the date of the most recently published financial statements, the weighted average original tenor of the debt portfolio (both qualifying debt and non-qualifying debt) is greater than five years.  
 This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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**5c(i): Qualifying Debt (may be Commission only)**

Issuing party	Issue date	Pricing date	Original tenor (in years)	Coupon rate (%)	Book value at issue date (NZD)	Book value at date of financial statements (NZD)	Term Credit Spread Difference	Debt issue cost readjustment
US Private Placement (USPP) US \$40M	4/2/2020	7/11/2019	10.0	BKBM plus margin	62,794	55,218	235	(63)
US Private Placement (USPP) US \$25M	4/2/2020	7/11/2019	11.0	BKBM plus margin	39,246	34,511	177	(43)
US Private Placement (USPP) NZ \$50M	20/5/2021	19/3/2021	12.0	3.80%	50,000	50,000	263	(58)
* include additional rows if needed						139,729	675	(164)

**5c(ii): Attribution of Term Credit Spread Differential**

Gross term credit spread differential

511

Total book value of interest bearing debt

230,618

Leverage

42%

Average opening and closing RAB values

439,096

Attribution Rate (%)

80%

Term credit spread differential allowance

408

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**SCHEDULE 5d: REPORT ON COST ALLOCATIONS**

This schedule provides information on the allocation of operational costs. EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their cost allocation in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes), including on the impact of any reclassifications. This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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**5d(i): Operating Cost Allocations**

Value allocated (\$000s)				
	Arm's length deduction	Electricity distribution services	Non-electricity distribution services	OVABAA allocation increase (\$000s)
<b>Service interruptions and emergencies</b>				
Directly attributable		3,584		
Not directly attributable				
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		3,584		
<b>Vegetation management</b>				
Directly attributable		1,365		
Not directly attributable				
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		1,365		
<b>Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection</b>				
Directly attributable		4,283		
Not directly attributable				
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		4,283		
<b>Asset replacement and renewal</b>				
Directly attributable		747		
Not directly attributable				
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		747		
<b>System operations and network support</b>				
Directly attributable		2,503		
Not directly attributable				
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		2,503		
<b>Business support</b>				
Directly attributable		3,354		
Not directly attributable		639	35	674
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>		3,993		
<b>Operating costs directly attributable</b>		15,836		
<b>Operating costs not directly attributable</b>		639	35	674
<b>Operational expenditure</b>		16,475		

**5d(ii): Other Cost Allocations**

		(\$000)
<b>Pass through and recoverable costs</b>		
<b>Pass through costs</b>		
Directly attributable	602	
Not directly attributable		
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	602	
<b>Recoverable costs</b>		
Directly attributable	12,817	
Not directly attributable		
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	12,817	

**5d(iii): Changes in Cost Allocations\* †**

		(\$000)	
Change in cost allocation 1		CY-1	Current Year (CY)
Cost category			
Original allocator or line items			
New allocator or line items			
		Original allocation	New allocation
		Difference	
Rationale for change			
Change in cost allocation 2		(\$000)	
Cost category		CY-1	Current Year (CY)
Original allocator or line items			
New allocator or line items			
		Original allocation	New allocation
		Difference	
Rationale for change			
Change in cost allocation 3		(\$000)	
Cost category		CY-1	Current Year (CY)
Original allocator or line items			
New allocator or line items			
		Original allocation	New allocation
		Difference	
Rationale for change			

\* a change in cost allocation must be completed for each cost allocator change that has occurred in the disclosure year. A movement in an allocator metric is not a change in allocator or component.  
† include additional rows if needed

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**SCHEDULE 5e: REPORT ON ASSET ALLOCATIONS**

This schedule requires information on the allocation of asset values. This information supports the calculation of the RAB value in Schedule 4. EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their cost allocation in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes), including on the impact of any changes in asset allocations. This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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**7 5e(i): Regulated Service Asset Values**

	Value allocated (\$000s) Electricity distribution services
<b>Subtransmission lines</b>	
Directly attributable	62,844
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	62,844
<b>Subtransmission cables</b>	
Directly attributable	4,567
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	4,567
<b>Zone substations</b>	
Directly attributable	119,733
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	119,733
<b>Distribution and LV lines</b>	
Directly attributable	157,217
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	157,217
<b>Distribution and LV cables</b>	
Directly attributable	21,038
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	21,038
<b>Distribution substations and transformers</b>	
Directly attributable	59,354
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	59,354
<b>Distribution switchgear</b>	
Directly attributable	24,390
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	24,390
<b>Other network assets</b>	
Directly attributable	8,223
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	8,223
<b>Non-network assets</b>	
Directly attributable	6
Not directly attributable	–
<b>Total attributable to regulated service</b>	6
<b>Regulated service asset value directly attributable</b>	457,373
<b>Regulated service asset value not directly attributable</b>	–
<b>Total closing RAB value</b>	457,373

**51 5e(ii): Changes in Asset Allocations\* †**

			(\$000)	
			CY-1	Current Year (CY)
<b>Change in asset value allocation 1</b>				
Asset category		Original allocation		
Original allocator or line items		New allocation		
New allocator or line items		Difference	–	–
Rationale for change				
<b>Change in asset value allocation 2</b>				
Asset category		Original allocation		
Original allocator or line items		New allocation		
New allocator or line items		Difference	–	–
Rationale for change				
<b>Change in asset value allocation 3</b>				
Asset category		Original allocation		
Original allocator or line items		New allocation		
New allocator or line items		Difference	–	–
Rationale for change				

\* a change in asset allocation must be completed for each allocator or component change that has occurred in the disclosure year. A movement in an allocator metric is not a change in allocator or component.

† include additional rows if needed

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**SCHEDULE 5g: REPORT SUPPORTING ASSET ALLOCATIONS**

This schedule requires additional detail on the asset allocation methodology applied in allocating asset values that are not directly attributable, to support the information provided in Schedule 5e (Report on Asset Allocations). This schedule is not required to be publicly disclosed, but must be disclosed to the Commission.  
This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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Line Item*	Allocation methodology type	Allocator	Allocator type	Allocator Metric (%)		Value allocated (\$000)				OVABAA allocation increase (\$000)
				Electricity distribution services	Non-electricity distribution services	Arm's length deduction	Electricity distribution services	Non-electricity distribution services	Total	
Subtransmission lines										
Not directly attributable										
Subtransmission cables										
Not directly attributable										
Zone substations										
Not directly attributable										
Distribution and LV lines										
Not directly attributable										
Distribution and LV cables										
Not directly attributable										
Distribution substations and transformers										
Not directly attributable										
Distribution switchgear										
Not directly attributable										
Other network assets										
Not directly attributable										
Non-network assets										
Not directly attributable										
Regulated service asset value not directly attributable										
* include additional rows if needed										

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**SCHEDULE 6a: REPORT ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE DISCLOSURE YEAR**

This schedule requires a breakdown of capital expenditure on assets incurred in the disclosure year, including any assets in respect of which capital contributions are received, but excluding assets that are vested assets. Information on expenditure on assets must be provided on an accounting accruals basis and must exclude finance costs.

EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their expenditure on assets in Schedule 14 (Explanatory Notes to Templates).

This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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7	<b>6a(i): Expenditure on Assets</b>	(\$000)	(\$000)
8	Consumer connection		2,801
9	System growth		2,675
10	Asset replacement and renewal		13,704
11	Asset relocations		211
12	Reliability, safety and environment:		
13	Quality of supply	447	
14	Legislative and regulatory	—	
15	Other reliability, safety and environment	4,948	
16	<b>Total reliability, safety and environment</b>		5,395
17	<b>Expenditure on network assets</b>		24,786
18	Expenditure on non-network assets		—
19			
20	<b>Expenditure on assets</b>		24,786
21	plus Cost of financing		—
22	less Value of capital contributions		2,638
23	plus Value of vested assets		—
24			
25	<b>Capital expenditure</b>		22,148
26	<b>6a(ii): Subcomponents of Expenditure on Assets (where known)</b>		(\$000)
27	Energy efficiency and demand side management, reduction of energy losses		—
28	Overhead to underground conversion		—
29	Research and development		—
30	<b>6a(iii): Consumer Connection</b>		
31	<i>Consumer types defined by EDB*</i>	(\$000)	(\$000)
32	Half Hour Individuals	270	
33	Non-Domestic	589	
34	Domestic	1,941	
35			
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37	<i>* include additional rows if needed</i>		
38	<b>Consumer connection expenditure</b>		2,801
39			
40	less Capital contributions funding consumer connection expenditure	2,479	
41	<b>Consumer connection less capital contributions</b>		322
42	<b>6a(iv): System Growth and Asset Replacement and Renewal</b>		
43		System Growth	Asset Replacement and Renewal
44		(\$000)	(\$000)
45	Subtransmission	12	209
46	Zone substations	2	1,971
47	Distribution and LV lines	1,453	6,419
48	Distribution and LV cables	1,005	—
49	Distribution substations and transformers	42	2,330
50	Distribution switchgear	84	2,449
51	Other network assets	78	326
52	<b>System growth and asset replacement and renewal expenditure</b>	2,675	13,704
53	less Capital contributions funding system growth and asset replacement and renewal	—	—
54	<b>System growth and asset replacement and renewal less capital contributions</b>	2,675	13,704
55			
56	<b>6a(v): Asset Relocations</b>		
57	<i>Project or programme*</i>	(\$000)	(\$000)
58	Line relocation	211	
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63	<i>* include additional rows if needed</i>		
64	All other projects or programmes - asset relocations		
65	<b>Asset relocations expenditure</b>		211
66	less Capital contributions funding asset relocations	159	
67	<b>Asset relocations less capital contributions</b>		52

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69	<b>6a(vi): Quality of Supply</b>			
70	Project or programme*	(\$000)	(\$000)	
71	Supply Quality Upgrades	339		
72	Network Improvements Projects	105		
73				
74				
75				
76	* include additional rows if needed			
77	All other projects programmes - quality of supply	3		
78	<b>Quality of supply expenditure</b>		447	
79	less Capital contributions funding quality of supply			
80	<b>Quality of supply less capital contributions</b>		447	
81	<b>6a(vii): Legislative and Regulatory</b>			
82	Project or programme*	(\$000)	(\$000)	
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88	* include additional rows if needed			
89	All other projects or programmes - legislative and regulatory			
90	<b>Legislative and regulatory expenditure</b>		—	
91	less Capital contributions funding legislative and regulatory			
92	<b>Legislative and regulatory less capital contributions</b>		—	
93	<b>6a(viii): Other Reliability, Safety and Environment</b>			
94	Project or programme*	(\$000)	(\$000)	
95	Earth Upgrades	3,986		
96	Hillside Protection Remediation	475		
97				
98				
99				
100	* include additional rows if needed			
101	All other projects or programmes - other reliability, safety and environment	487		
102	<b>Other reliability, safety and environment expenditure</b>		4,948	
103	less Capital contributions funding other reliability, safety and environment			
104	<b>Other reliability, safety and environment less capital contributions</b>		4,948	
105				
106	<b>6a(ix): Non-Network Assets</b>			
107	<b>Routine expenditure</b>			
108	Project or programme*	(\$000)	(\$000)	
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113				
114	* include additional rows if needed			
115	All other projects or programmes - routine expenditure			
116	<b>Routine expenditure</b>		—	
117	<b>Atypical expenditure</b>			
118	Project or programme*	(\$000)	(\$000)	
119				
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124	* include additional rows if needed			
125	All other projects or programmes - atypical expenditure			
126	<b>Atypical expenditure</b>		—	
127				
128	<b>Expenditure on non-network assets</b>		—	

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**SCHEDULE 6b: REPORT ON OPERATIONAL EXPENDITURE FOR THE DISCLOSURE YEAR**

This schedule requires a breakdown of operational expenditure incurred in the disclosure year.  
 EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their operational expenditure in Schedule 14 (Explanatory notes to templates). This includes explanatory comment on any atypical operational expenditure and assets replaced or renewed as part of asset replacement and renewal operational expenditure, and additional information on insurance.  
 This information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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		(\$000)	(\$000)
7	<b>6b(i): Operational Expenditure</b>		
8	Service interruptions and emergencies	3,584	
9	Vegetation management	1,365	
10	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection	4,283	
11	Asset replacement and renewal	747	
12	<b>Network opex</b>		9,979
13	System operations and network support	2,503	
14	Business support	3,993	
15	<b>Non-network opex</b>		6,496
16			
17	<b>Operational expenditure</b>		16,475
18	<b>6b(ii): Subcomponents of Operational Expenditure (where known)</b>		
19	Energy efficiency and demand side management, reduction of energy losses		63
20	Direct billing*		–
21	Research and development		–
22	Insurance		374
23	* Direct billing expenditure by suppliers that directly bill the majority of their consumers		

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### SCHEDULE 7: COMPARISON OF FORECASTS TO ACTUAL EXPENDITURE

This schedule compares actual revenue and expenditure to the previous forecasts that were made for the disclosure year. Accordingly, this schedule requires the forecast revenue and expenditure information from previous disclosures to be inserted.

EDBs must provide explanatory comment on the variance between actual and target revenue and forecast expenditure in Schedule 14 (Mandatory Explanatory Notes). This information is part of the audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8. For the purpose of this audit, target revenue and forecast expenditures only need to be verified back to previous disclosures.

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7	<b>7(i): Revenue</b>	<b>Target (\$000) <sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Actual (\$000)</b>	<b>% variance</b>
8	Line charge revenue	58,517	57,825	(1%)
9	<b>7(ii): Expenditure on Assets</b>	<b>Forecast (\$000) <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Actual (\$000)</b>	<b>% variance</b>
10	Consumer connection	2,241	2,801	25%
11	System growth	2,694	2,675	(1%)
12	Asset replacement and renewal	12,503	13,704	10%
13	Asset relocations	118	211	79%
14	Reliability, safety and environment:			
15	Quality of supply	471	447	(5%)
16	Legislative and regulatory	-	-	-
17	Other reliability, safety and environment	4,174	4,948	19%
18	<b>Total reliability, safety and environment</b>	4,644	5,395	16%
19	<b>Expenditure on network assets</b>	22,200	24,786	12%
20	Expenditure on non-network assets	65	-	(100%)
21	<b>Expenditure on assets</b>	22,265	24,786	11%
22	<b>7(iii): Operational Expenditure</b>			
23	Service interruptions and emergencies	3,374	3,584	6%
24	Vegetation management	1,215	1,365	12%
25	Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection	4,910	4,283	(13%)
26	Asset replacement and renewal	880	747	(15%)
27	<b>Network opex</b>	10,380	9,979	(4%)
28	System operations and network support	1,954	2,503	28%
29	Business support	2,746	3,993	45%
30	<b>Non-network opex</b>	4,700	6,496	38%
31	<b>Operational expenditure</b>	15,080	16,475	9%
32	<b>7(iv): Subcomponents of Expenditure on Assets (where known)</b>			
33	Energy efficiency and demand side management, reduction of energy losses	-	-	-
34	Overhead to underground conversion	-	-	-
35	Research and development	-	-	-
36				
37	<b>7(v): Subcomponents of Operational Expenditure (where known)</b>			
38	Energy efficiency and demand side management, reduction of energy losses	-	63	-
39	Direct billing	-	-	-
40	Research and development	-	-	-
41	Insurance	324	374	16%

<sup>1</sup> From the nominal dollar target revenue for the disclosure year disclosed under clause 2.4.3(3) of this determination

<sup>2</sup> From the CY+1 nominal dollar expenditure forecasts disclosed in accordance with clause 2.6.6 for the forecast period starting at the beginning of the disclosure year (the second to last disclosure of Schedules 11a and 11b)

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**SCHEDULE 8: REPORT ON BILLED QUANTITIES AND LINE CHARGE REVENUES**

This schedule requires the billed quantities and associated line charge revenues for each price category code used by the ED8 in its pricing schedules. Information is also required on the number of ICPs that are included in each consumer group or price category code, and the energy delivered to these ICPs.

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**8(i): Billed Quantities by Price Component**

Consumer group name or price category code	Consumer type or types (eg, residential, commercial etc.)	Standard or non-standard consumer group (specify)	Average no. of ICPs in disclosure year	Energy delivered to ICPs in disclosure year (MWh)
Low user	Residential	Standard	10,188	62,091
Domestic	Residential	Standard	17,163	157,728
Non-Domestic	Commercial	Standard	9,273	209,380
Individual non half hour	Commercial	Standard	62	7,203
Individual half hour	Commercial	Standard	205	175,304
Non-Standard	Commercial	Non-standard	4	182,056
Generation	Commercial	Non-standard	2	443
Add extra rows for additional consumer groups or price category codes as necessary				
Standard consumer totals			36,891	611,706
Non-standard consumer totals			6	182,499
Total for all consumers			36,897	794,205

Unit charging basis (eg, days, kW of demand, kVA of capacity, etc.)

**Billed quantities by price component**

Price component	Variable day energy sales	Variable day energy purchases				
kWh	KWh					
	51,238,306					
	125,203,168					
	164,971,659					
	5,682,886					
123,642,974						
116,678,016						
301,046						
123,642,974	347,096,019	—	—	—	—	—
116,678,016	—	—	—	—	—	—
240,320,990	347,096,019	—	—	—	—	—

Add extra columns for additional billed quantities by price component as necessary

8(ii): Line Charge Revenues (\$000) by Price Component

Consumer group name or price category code	Consumer type or types (eg, residential, commercial etc.)	Standard or non-standard consumer group (specify)	Total line charge revenue in disclosure year	Notional revenue foregone from posted discounts (if applicable)
Low user	Residential	Standard	\$6,771	\$1,151
Domestic	Residential	Standard	\$17,742	\$2,877
Non-Domestic	Commercial	Standard	\$21,796	\$3,250
Individual non half hour	Commercial	Standard	\$463	\$84
Individual half hour	Commercial	Standard	\$5,250	\$526
Individual half hour	Commercial	Non-standard	\$4,388	\$241
Generation	Commercial	Non-standard	\$1,416	\$49
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			–	
Standard consumer totals			\$52,022	\$7,888
Non-standard consumer totals			\$5,804	\$291
Total for all consumers			\$57,825	\$8,179

Add extra rows for additional consumer groups or price category codes as necessary

Total distribution line charge revenue	Total transmission line charge revenue (if available)
\$5,639	\$1,132
\$14,797	\$2,945
\$18,164	\$3,631
\$284	\$179
\$2,724	\$2,525
\$2,231	\$2,157
\$1,205	\$211
\$41,609	\$10,413
\$3,436	\$2,367
\$45,045	\$12,780

Rate (eg, \$ per day, \$ per kWh, etc.)

Line charge revenues (\$000) by price component

Fixed	Variable	Variable			
\$/Day	\$/kwh	NIGHT \$/kWh [Volume Not Charged]			
421.22	\$6,656	(\$307)			
9,067.10	\$9,436	(\$761)			
8,916.48	\$13,451	(\$572)			
17.00	\$446				
2,961.45	\$2,288				
4,388.01					
1,415.58					
\$21,383	\$32,278	(\$1,640)	–	–	–
\$5,804	–	–	–	–	–
\$27,187	\$32,278	(\$1,640)	–	–	–

Add extra columns for additional line charge revenues by price component as necessary

8(iii): Number of ICPs directly billed

Number of directly billed ICPs at year end

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**SCHEDULE 9a: ASSET REGISTER**

This schedule requires a summary of the quantity of assets that make up the network, by asset category and asset class. All units relating to cable and line assets, that are expressed in km, refer to circuit lengths.

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						Items at start of year (quantity)	Items at end of year (quantity)	Net change	Data accuracy (1-4)
8	Voltage	Asset category	Asset class	Units					
9	All	Overhead Line	Concrete poles / steel structure	No.		91,507	92,494	987	3
10	All	Overhead Line	Wood poles	No.		18,236	17,485	(751)	3
11	All	Overhead Line	Other pole types	No.		—	—	—	N/A
12	HV	Subtransmission Line	Subtransmission OH up to 66kV conductor	km		891	891	0	3
13	HV	Subtransmission Line	Subtransmission OH 110kV+ conductor	km		—	—	—	N/A
14	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG up to 66kV (XLPE)	km		13	13	0	4
15	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG up to 66kV (Oil pressurised)	km		—	—	—	N/A
16	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG up to 66kV (Gas pressurised)	km		—	—	—	N/A
17	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG up to 66kV (PILC)	km		1	1	—	4
18	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG 110kV+ (XLPE)	km		—	—	—	N/A
19	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG 110kV+ (Oil pressurised)	km		—	—	—	N/A
20	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG 110kV+ (Gas Pressurised)	km		—	—	—	N/A
21	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission UG 110kV+ (PILC)	km		—	—	—	N/A
22	HV	Subtransmission Cable	Subtransmission submarine cable	km		—	—	—	N/A
23	HV	Zone substation Buildings	Zone substations up to 66kV	No.		58	58	—	4
24	HV	Zone substation Buildings	Zone substations 110kV+	No.		—	—	—	N/A
25	HV	Zone substation switchgear	50/66/110kV CB (Indoor)	No.		—	—	—	N/A
26	HV	Zone substation switchgear	50/66/110kV CB (Outdoor)	No.		59	59	—	3
27	HV	Zone substation switchgear	33kV Switch (Ground Mounted)	No.		9	13	4	3
28	HV	Zone substation switchgear	33kV Switch (Pole Mounted)	No.		294	302	8	3
29	HV	Zone substation switchgear	33kV RMU	No.		—	2	2	4
30	HV	Zone substation switchgear	22/33kV CB (Indoor)	No.		21	23	2	3
31	HV	Zone substation switchgear	22/33kV CB (Outdoor)	No.		32	34	2	3
32	HV	Zone substation switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV CB (ground mounted)	No.		163	158	(5)	3
33	HV	Zone substation switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV CB (pole mounted)	No.		45	48	3	3
34	HV	Zone Substation Transformer	Zone Substation Transformers	No.		61	61	—	3
35	HV	Distribution Line	Distribution OH Open Wire Conductor	km		6,717	6,719	3	3
36	HV	Distribution Line	Distribution OH Aerial Cable Conductor	km		—	—	—	N/A
37	HV	Distribution Line	SWER conductor	km		9	9	—	3
38	HV	Distribution Cable	Distribution UG XLPE or PVC	km		118	121	4	3
39	HV	Distribution Cable	Distribution UG PILC	km		37	34	(3)	3
40	HV	Distribution Cable	Distribution Submarine Cable	km		—	—	—	N/A
41	HV	Distribution switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV CB (pole mounted) - reclosers and sectionalisers	No.		30	27	(3)	3
42	HV	Distribution switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV CB (Indoor)	No.		20	28	8	3
43	HV	Distribution switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV Switches and fuses (pole mounted)	No.		13,858	13,796	(62)	3
44	HV	Distribution switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV Switch (ground mounted) - except RMU	No.		—	—	—	N/A
45	HV	Distribution switchgear	3.3/6.6/11/22kV RMU	No.		111	114	3	3
46	HV	Distribution Transformer	Pole Mounted Transformer	No.		10,575	10,635	60	3
47	HV	Distribution Transformer	Ground Mounted Transformer	No.		689	705	16	3
48	HV	Distribution Transformer	Voltage regulators	No.		72	72	—	3
49	HV	Distribution Substations	Ground Mounted Substation Housing	No.		7	7	—	3
50	LV	LV Line	LV OH Conductor	km		848	849	0	3
51	LV	LV Cable	LV UG Cable	km		216	224	8	3
52	LV	LV Street lighting	LV OH/UG Streetlight circuit	km		355	359	4	3
53	LV	Connections	OH/UG consumer service connections	No.		38,361	38,735	374	3
54	All	Protection	Protection relays (electromechanical, solid state and numeric)	No.		603	665	62	3
55	All	SCADA and communications	SCADA and communications equipment operating as a single system	Lot		1	1	—	4
56	All	Capacitor Banks	Capacitors including controls	No.		6	6	—	4
57	All	Load Control	Centralised plant	Lot		5	5	—	4
58	All	Load Control	Relays	No.		—	—	—	N/A
59	All	Civils	Cable Tunnels	km		—	—	—	N/A



		Company Name		The Power Company Limited	
		For Year Ended		31 March 2022	
		Network / Sub-network Name			

Company Name **The Power Company Limited**For Year Ended **31 March 2022**

Network / Sub-network Name

**SCHEDULE 9c: REPORT ON OVERHEAD LINES AND UNDERGROUND CABLES**

This schedule requires a summary of the key characteristics of the overhead line and underground cable network. All units relating to cable and line assets, that are expressed in km, refer to circuit lengths.

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		Overhead (km)	Underground (km)	Total circuit length (km)
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10	<b>Circuit length by operating voltage (at year end)</b>			
11	> 66kV	—	—	—
12	50kV & 66kV	525	—	525
13	33kV	366	14	380
14	SWER (all SWER voltages)	5	4	9
15	22kV (other than SWER)	1	1	2
16	6.6kV to 11kV (inclusive—other than SWER)	6,718	155	6,873
17	Low voltage (< 1kV)	849	224	1,073
18	<b>Total circuit length (for supply)</b>	<b>8,465</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>8,862</b>
19				
20	Dedicated street lighting circuit length (km)	271	88	359
21	Circuit in sensitive areas (conservation areas, iwi territory etc) (km)			
22				
23	<b>Overhead circuit length by terrain (at year end)</b>			
24	Urban	475	6%	
25	Rural	4,552	54%	
26	Remote only	804	9%	
27	Rugged only	2,023	24%	
28	Remote and rugged	611	7%	
29	Unallocated overhead lines	—	—	
30	<b>Total overhead length</b>	<b>8,465</b>	<b>100%</b>	
31				
32				
33	Length of circuit within 10km of coastline or geothermal areas (where known)	1,542	17%	
34				
35	Overhead circuit requiring vegetation management	1,548	18%	

Company Name **The Power Company Limited**  
 For Year Ended **31 March 2022**

**SCHEDULE 9d: REPORT ON EMBEDDED NETWORKS**

This schedule requires information concerning embedded networks owned by an EDB that are embedded in another EDB's network or in another embedded network.

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	Location *	Number of ICPs served	Line charge revenue (\$000)
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\* Extend embedded distribution networks table as necessary to disclose each embedded network owned by the EDB which is embedded in another EDB's network or in another embedded network

Company Name **The Power Company Limited**For Year Ended **31 March 2022**

Network / Sub-network Name

**SCHEDULE 9e: REPORT ON NETWORK DEMAND**

This schedule requires a summary of the key measures of network utilisation for the disclosure year (number of new connections including distributed generation, peak demand and electricity volumes conveyed).

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**9e(i): Consumer Connections**

Number of ICPs connected in year by consumer type

Consumer types defined by EDB\*

Domestic
Half Hour Individual
Non Domestic

\* include additional rows if needed

Connections total

Number of  
connections (ICPs)

388
3
87

478

**Distributed generation**

Number of connections made in year

Capacity of distributed generation installed in year

56 connections  
0.38 MVA**9e(ii): System Demand****Maximum coincident system demand**

GXP demand

plus Distributed generation output at HV and above

Maximum coincident system demand

less Net transfers to (from) other EDBs at HV and above

Demand on system for supply to consumers' connection points

Demand at time of  
maximum  
coincident demand  
(MW)

151
10
161
1.2
160

**Electricity volumes carried**

Electricity supplied from GXPs

less Electricity exports to GXPs

plus Electricity supplied from distributed generation

less Net electricity supplied to (from) other EDBs

Electricity entering system for supply to consumers' connection points

less Total energy delivered to ICPs

Electricity losses (loss ratio)

Energy (GWh)

706
105
256
21
836
794
41

5.0%

Load factor

0.60

**9e(iii): Transformer Capacity**

Distribution transformer capacity (EDB owned)

Distribution transformer capacity (Non-EDB owned, estimated)

Total distribution transformer capacity

Zone substation transformer capacity

(MVA)

470
46
517
461

Company Name **The Power Company Limited**For Year Ended **31 March 2022**

Network / Sub-network Name

**SCHEDULE 10: REPORT ON NETWORK RELIABILITY**

This schedule requires a summary of the key measures of network reliability (interruptions, SAIDI, SAIFI and fault rate) for the disclosure year. EDBs must provide explanatory comment on their network reliability for the disclosure year in Schedule 14 (Explanatory notes to templates). The SAIFI and SAIDI information is part of audited disclosure information (as defined in section 1.4 of the ID determination), and so is subject to the assurance report required by section 2.8.

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10(i): Interruptions

Interruptions by class

Class A (planned interruptions by Transpower)

Class B (planned interruptions on the network)

Class C (unplanned interruptions on the network)

Class D (unplanned interruptions by Transpower)

Class E (unplanned interruptions of EDB owned generation)

Class F (unplanned interruptions of generation owned by others)

Class G (unplanned interruptions caused by another disclosing entity)

Class H (planned interruptions caused by another disclosing entity)

Class I (interruptions caused by parties not included above)

Total

Number of interruptions

—

531

1,304

1

—

—

2

—

—

1,838

Interruption restoration

Class C interruptions restored within

≤3Hrs

>3hrs

925

379

SAIFI and SAIDI by class

Class A (planned interruptions by Transpower)

Class B (planned interruptions on the network)

Class C (unplanned interruptions on the network)

Class D (unplanned interruptions by Transpower)

Class E (unplanned interruptions of EDB owned generation)

Class F (unplanned interruptions of generation owned by others)

Class G (unplanned interruptions caused by another disclosing entity)

Class H (planned interruptions caused by another disclosing entity)

Class I (interruptions caused by parties not included above)

Total

SAIFI

SAIDI

—

0.84

2.62

0.04

—

—

0.00

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—

3.50

—

192.1

174.8

3.7

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0.0

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370.6

Normalised SAIFI and SAIDI

Classes B & C (interruptions on the network)

Normalised SAIFI

Normalised SAIDI

3.46

360.9

10(ii): Class C Interruptions and Duration by Cause

Cause

Lightning

Vegetation

Adverse weather

Adverse environment

Third party interference

Wildlife

Human error

Defective equipment

Cause unknown

SAIFI

SAIDI

0.01

0.26

0.31

0.00

0.50

0.12

0.16

0.86

0.39

1.6

18.9

31.1

0.0

34.3

10.9

3.2

49.4

25.2

10(iii): Class B Interruptions and Duration by Main Equipment Involved

Main equipment involved

Subtransmission lines

Subtransmission cables

Subtransmission other

Distribution lines (excluding LV)

Distribution cables (excluding LV)

Distribution other (excluding LV)

SAIFI

SAIDI

0.01

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0.75

0.01

0.07

1.6

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176.3

2.9

11.3

10(iv): Class C Interruptions and Duration by Main Equipment Involved

Main equipment involved

Subtransmission lines

Subtransmission cables

Subtransmission other

Distribution lines (excluding LV)

Distribution cables (excluding LV)

Distribution other (excluding LV)

SAIFI

SAIDI

0.35

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0.07

1.83

0.05

0.31

9.6

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0.3

143.8

3.3

17.9

10(v): Fault Rate

Main equipment involved

Subtransmission lines

Subtransmission cables

Subtransmission other

Distribution lines (excluding LV)

Distribution cables (excluding LV)

Distribution other (excluding LV)

Total

Number of Faults

Circuit length (km)

18

—

1

1,036

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240

1,304

891

14

6,724

160

Fault rate (faults per 100km)

2.02

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15.41

5.63

## SCHEDULE 14 MANDATORY EXPLANATORY NOTES

*(Guidance Note: This Microsoft Word version of Schedules 14, 14a and 15 is from the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 – as amended and consolidated 3 April 2018. Clause references in this template are to that determination)*

1. This schedule requires EDBs to provide explanatory notes to information provided in accordance with clauses 2.3.1, 2.4.21, 2.4.22, and subclauses 2.5.1(1)(f), and 2.5.2(1)(e).
2. This schedule is mandatory—EDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.7.1. Information provided in boxes 1 to 11 of this schedule is part of the audited disclosure information, and so is subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.
3. Schedule 15 (Voluntary Explanatory Notes to Schedules) provides for EDBs to give additional explanation of disclosed information should they elect to do so.

### Return on Investment (Schedule 2)

4. In the box below, comment on return on investment as disclosed in Schedule 2. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2).

#### Box 1: Explanatory comment on return on investment

The Power Company Limited achieved a post-tax ROI of 8.66%, which is 4.46% above the 75th percentile estimate of post-tax WACC of 4.20%. The Power Company also achieved an 8.96% vanilla ROI, which is 4.46% above the 75th percentile estimate of vanilla WACC of 4.50%.

The increase in the post tax ROI of 5.49% from 2021 is due to the CPI increase of 6.93%, up from 1.52% in 2021

No items were reclassified in the disclosure year.

### Regulatory Profit (Schedule 3)

5. In the box below, comment on regulatory profit for the disclosure year as disclosed in Schedule 3. This comment must include-
  - 5.1 a description of material items included in other regulated income (other than gains / (losses) on asset disposals), as disclosed in 3(i) of Schedule 3
  - 5.2 information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2)

#### Box 2: Explanatory comment on regulatory profit

Included in other regulated income is income related to the Mobile Substation and the Seaward Bush to Bluff 33kv distribution lines.

No items were reclassified in the disclosure year.

**Merger and acquisition expenses (3(iv) of Schedule 3)**

6. If the EDB incurred merger and acquisitions expenditure during the disclosure year, provide the following information in the box below-

6.1 information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2)

6.2 any other commentary on the benefits of the merger and acquisition expenditure to the EDB.

Box 3: Explanatory comment on merger and acquisition expenditure

There were no merger or acquisition expenses incurred in the disclosure year.

**Value of the Regulatory Asset Base (Schedule 4)**

7. In the box below, comment on the value of the regulatory asset base (rolled forward) in Schedule 4. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2).

Box 4: Explanatory comment on the value of the regulatory asset based (rolled forward)

The calculation of the Regulatory Asset Base (RAB) used the 31 March 2021 figure of \$420,819k as the starting point with inflationary indexing over the year to 31 March 2022 plus additions less disposals, resulting in a closing RAB balance of \$457,373k at 31 March 2022.

No items were reclassified.

**Regulatory tax allowance: disclosure of permanent differences (5a(i) of Schedule 5a)**

8. In the box below, provide descriptions and workings of the material items recorded in the following asterisked categories of 5a(i) of Schedule 5a-

8.1 Income not included in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but taxable;

8.2 Expenditure or loss in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but not deductible;

8.3 Income included in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but not taxable;

8.4 Expenditure or loss deductible but not in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax.

Box 5: Regulatory tax allowance: permanent differences

The expenditure deductible but not in regulatory profit is the \$221k cost of easements and a tax deductible expense and \$12k relating to a non-deductible expense.

There are no other permanent differences.

**Regulatory tax allowance: disclosure of temporary differences (5a(vi) of Schedule 5a)**

9. In the box below, provide descriptions and workings of items recorded in the asterisked category 'Tax effect of other temporary differences' in 5a(vi) of Schedule 5a.

Box 6: Temporary differences / Tax effect of other temporary differences (current disclosure year)

Temporary differences are the tax effect of the difference between the tax and disclosure treatment of capital contribution income.

Taxable Capital Contributions:	\$ 2,215
	<u>\$ 2,215</u>
Tax Rate:	28%
Temporary Differences	<u>\$ 620</u>

**Cost allocation (Schedule 5d)**

10. In the box below, comment on cost allocation as disclosed in Schedule 5d. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2).

Box 7: Cost allocation

With the exception of some Business Support costs (which have been apportioned using the ABAA method via a revenue proxy cost allocator), all other costs are directly attributable as they were either passed through by PowerNet Ltd as agents or were invoiced to The Power Company Ltd.

A proxy cost allocator is used as there is no direct relationship between not directly attributable business support costs and how they have been incurred.

No items were reclassified.

**Asset allocation (Schedule 5e)**

11. In the box below, comment on cost allocation as disclosed in Schedule 5e. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 8: Commentary on asset allocation

All network assets are directly attributable.

No items were reclassified.



**Capital Expenditure for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 6a)**

12. In the box below, comment on expenditure on assets for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 6a. This comment must include-
- 12.1 a description of the materiality threshold applied to identify material projects and programmes described in Schedule 6a;
  - 12.2 information on reclassified items in accordance with 2.7.1(2).

Box 9: Explanation of capital expenditure for the disclosure year

The materiality threshold of programmes or projects identified during the disclosure year was set at \$500k. Lower value projects with defined scope were included in the list for specific identification within categories.

No items were reclassified during the disclosure year.

**Operational Expenditure for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 6b)**

13. In the box below, comment on operational expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 6b. This comment must include-
- 13.1 Commentary on assets replaced or renewed with asset replacement and renewal operational expenditure, as reported in 6b(i) of Schedule 6b;
  - 13.2 Information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2).
  - 13.3 Commentary on any material atypical expenditure included in operational expenditure disclosed in Schedule 6b, including the value of the expenditure the purpose of the expenditure, and the operational expenditure categories the expenditure relates to.

Box 10: Explanation of capital expenditure for the disclosure year

Reactive and minor maintenance is performed on The Power Company Limited's transformers and lines and this is classified as refurbishment and renewal maintenance when the work performed is not material in relation to the overall value of the asset.

No items were reclassified during the disclosure year.

There was no material atypical expenditure disclosed in Schedule 6b.

**Variance between forecast and actual expenditure (Schedule 7)**

14. In the box below, comment on variance in actual to forecast expenditure for the disclosure year, as reported in Schedule 7. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with subclause 2.7.1(2).

Box 11: Explanatory comment on variance in actual to forecast expenditure

**Capital Expenditure:**

The overall actual capex expenditure on network assets was 12% over budget.

Cost increases in materials resulting from supply shortages, commodity price increases, increased shipping costs and general inflationary pressures have led to increased capital expenditure costs.

**Customer Connections**

- 25% above budget
- Customer driven and above plan amount of new connection work was required, mainly domestic houses and subdivision reticulation work.

**Asset replacement and renewal**

- 10% over budget.
- The largest increase was the 11 kV line replacement with additional urgent work from the increased network inspections.
- ABS replacement work was prioritised due to safety concerns.
- Material costs increased significantly during the year due to COVID related supply issues.

**Asset relocations:**

- 79% over budget.
- Work mainly driven by customer request with the opportunity taken to move lines to the road side where it is economical.

**Quality of supply:**

- Overall spend was 5% under budget.
- Minor reduction in upgrade work.

**Other Reliability, Safety and Environment:**

- 19% over budget.
- Increased emphasis on earth upgrades to improve network safety with additional cost of materials and sub-contractors.
- Extra cost from the Hillside protection upgrade work due to additional scope of works.

**Operational Expenditure:**

Total operational expenditure was 9% over budget.

## Service interruptions and emergencies

- 6% over budget
- Higher unplanned distribution fault response due to weather conditions.

## Vegetation management:

- 12% over budget
- The internal administration and inspection costs were higher than budget immediately prior to the new Asplundh contract being awarded from 1 April 2022.

## Routine and corrective maintenance:

- 13% under budget.
- Few individual distribution earth maintenance projects with some work being carried out within the larger capital earth upgrade projects.
- The new inspection teams were still being set up and resourced during the year with the total inspection budgets being 10% underspent as a result.

## Asset replacement and renewal maintenance:

- 15% under budget
- Fewer small defects identified with some work incorporated into full capital feeder refurbishment projects.

## System operations, network support and business support

- 38% over budget
- This is due to an input error in the AMP. The actual budget is \$6,478 and the actual is within budget.

**Information relating to revenues and quantities for the disclosure year**

15. In the box below provide-

15.1 a comparison of the target revenue disclosed before the start of the disclosure year, in accordance with clause 2.4.1 and subclause 2.4.3(3) to total billed line charge revenue for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 8; and

15.2 explanatory comment on reasons for any material differences between target revenue and total billed line charge revenue.

Box 12: Explanatory comment relating to revenue for the disclosure year

Target revenue for the year was \$58,517k, the total billed was \$57,825 which is 692k (1%) below budget.

**Network Reliability for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 10)**

16. In the box below, comment on network reliability for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 10.

**Box 13: Commentary on network reliability for the disclosure year**

Due to its consumer ownership, The Power Company Ltd (TPCL) is not subject to Default Price-Quality Path (DPP) regulation. Nonetheless TPCL calculates SAIDI and SAIFI limits and targets for non-exempt networks to allow for assessment of performance on a consistent basis with other networks.

In accordance with the Issues Register for Electricity and Gas Information Disclosure (ID), issues 447 and 458, TPCL has calculated and disclosed normalised SAIDI and SAIFI consistent with the 2012 Electricity Distribution Business (EDB) ID Determination.

TPCL has disclosed a normalised SAIDI at 360.93 and normalised SAIFI at 3.46 for 2021/22. This compares with the 2020/21 year TPCL published ID Determination values for normalised SAIDI of 314.05 and normalised SAIFI of 3.53 for the 2020/21 year – meaning slightly less interruptions, but of a slightly longer duration compared with last year. The total number of power interruptions on TPCL increased by 23% in 2021/22 compared with 2020/21. There was a decrease in Class B planned interruptions, but another increase in Class C unplanned interruptions similar to increases last year.

Although Class C SAIFI was the major contributor to overall SAIFI, it was a decrease from 2020/21. Class B SAIDI was higher than Class C indicating long duration Class B interruptions.

The most significant cause of Class C interruptions was defective equipment (predominately ABS switches and 11kV leads), which increased in frequency and duration compared with last year. Adverse weather, third party interference and cause unknown were also high contributors to Class C SAIDI.

86% of TPCL's network is distribution lines, accordingly the majority of interruptions occurred on these lines. However there was a marked decrease in interruption duration of Class B interruptions on distribution lines. Fault rates per 100km of line increased for all main equipment except sub transmission cables. Distribution line fault rate was 61% higher than the previous year.

The information has been prepared on a basis consistent with the previous year's disclosure and TPCL has recorded successive interruptions, originating from the same cause, as single interruptions.

**Insurance cover**

17. In the box below, provide details of any insurance cover for the assets used to provide electricity distribution services, including-
- 17.1 The EDB's approaches and practices in regard to the insurance of assets used to provide electricity distribution services, including the level of insurance;
- 17.2 In respect of any self insurance, the level of reserves, details of how reserves are managed and invested, and details of any reinsurance.

**Box 14: Explanation of insurance cover**

The Power Company Limited insures its substations, network equipment and buildings.

- Substations and network equipment are insured for \$182.36 million.

Lines and cables are not insured.

The Power Company Limited therefore "self-insures" but does not recognise the cost of self-insurance.

**Amendments to previously disclosed information**

18. In the box below, provide information about amendments to previously disclosed information disclosed in accordance with clause 2.12.1 in the last 7 years, including:
- 18.1 a description of each error; and
- 18.2 for each error, reference to the web address where the disclosure made in accordance with clause 2.12.1 is publicly disclosed.

**Box 15: Disclosure of amendment to previously disclosed information**

No amendments were disclosed.

## SCHEDULE 14A MANDATORY EXPLANATORY NOTES ON FORECAST INFORMATION

*(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 – as amended and consolidated 3 April 2018.)*

1. This Schedule provides for EDBs to provide explanatory notes to reports prepared in accordance with clause 2.6.6.
2. This Schedule is mandatory—EDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.7.2. This information is not part of the audited disclosure information, and so is not subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.

*Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11a)*

3. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure for the current disclosure year and 10 year planning period, as disclosed in Schedule 11a.

Box 1: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts

Inflationary assumptions were used to calculate the nominal prices in the forecast.

*Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11b)*

4. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure for the current disclosure year and 10 year planning period, as disclosed in Schedule 11b

Box 2: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts

Nominal Prices are based on publicly available New Zealand Treasury's economic forecast indicated in the Half Year Economic and Fiscal Update report released in December 2020:

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Inflator (CAPEX & OPEX)	1.2%	1.4%	1.8%	2.1%	2.1%

Forecasts are in line with the business plan projections and explanations outlined in the Asset Management Plan.

## SCHEDULE 15 VOLUNTARY EXPLANATORY NOTES

*(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 – as amended and consolidated 3 April 2018.)*

1. This schedule enables EDBs to provide, should they wish to-
  - 1.1 additional explanatory comment to reports prepared in accordance with clauses 2.3.1, 2.4.21, 2.4.22, 2.5.1 and 2.5.2;
  - 1.2 information on any substantial changes to information disclosed in relation to a prior disclosure year, as a result of final wash-ups.
2. Information in this schedule is not part of the audited disclosure information, and so is not subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.

Voluntary explanatory comment on disclosed information

### Schedule 10

Network reliability is compliant with quality requirements under DPP3, however due to the manual nature of the interruption reporting process, there are inherent limitations in the ability of TPCL to collect and record the network reliability information required to be disclosed in Schedule 10 (i) to 10 (iv).

There is currently no independent evidence to support the accuracy of installation control points ('ICP's') affected by an interruption, impacting the completeness and accuracy of ICP data included in the SAIDI and SAIFI interruption statistics.

A number of actions and initiatives are being taken to overcome limitations, including roll out and/or access to smart meter data, strengthening of processes relating to the deletion of outages from the outage system, and retention of documentation.

The information has been prepared on a basis consistent with the previous year's disclosure and TPCL has recorded successive interruptions, originating from the same cause, as single interruptions.

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## **APPENDIX A:**



# **Related Party Transactions: Additional Information Disclosures**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

For the purpose of meeting the 2022 Related Party Transaction reporting requirements, in accordance with section 2.3.6 of the Electricity Information Disclosure Determination 2012, (Consolidated in 2018), issued 3 April 2018.

The following information is provided in reference to and support of:

- ❑ **The Power Company Limited's Information Disclosure**, for the year ended 31 March 2022  
- Schedule 5(b) Related party Transactions

## **2. INFORMATION DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS**

The Related Party Transaction information disclosed on the following pages has been prepared in accordance with **Full Disclosure** requirements, due to the level of expenditure incurred by a related party on the The Power Company Limited (TPCL) network assets, being greater than \$20 million for the year ending 31 March 2022.

Full Disclosure requires additional information be provided associated with related party transactions, including related party relationships, procurement policies & processes, application of these policies & processes and examples of market testing of transaction terms. The IM Determination require all related party transactions be valued at an 'arm's length' basis. Under Full Disclosure, an independent appraiser is required to assess whether the related party transactions comply with an 'arm's length' valuation criteria.

This information is also subject to the Information Disclosure assurance opinion and Director Certification.

### 3. RELATED PARTY RELATIONSHIPS

In accordance with Input Methodology rules, a Related Party Transaction occurs when a regulated supplier transacts with an entity which is related to it by common shareholding or other common control.

The Power Company Limited has an interest in the PowerNet Limited Joint Venture, the OtagoNet Joint Venture, Lakeland Network Limited, and the Southern Generation Limited Partnership through their wholly owned subsidiary company Last Tango Limited.

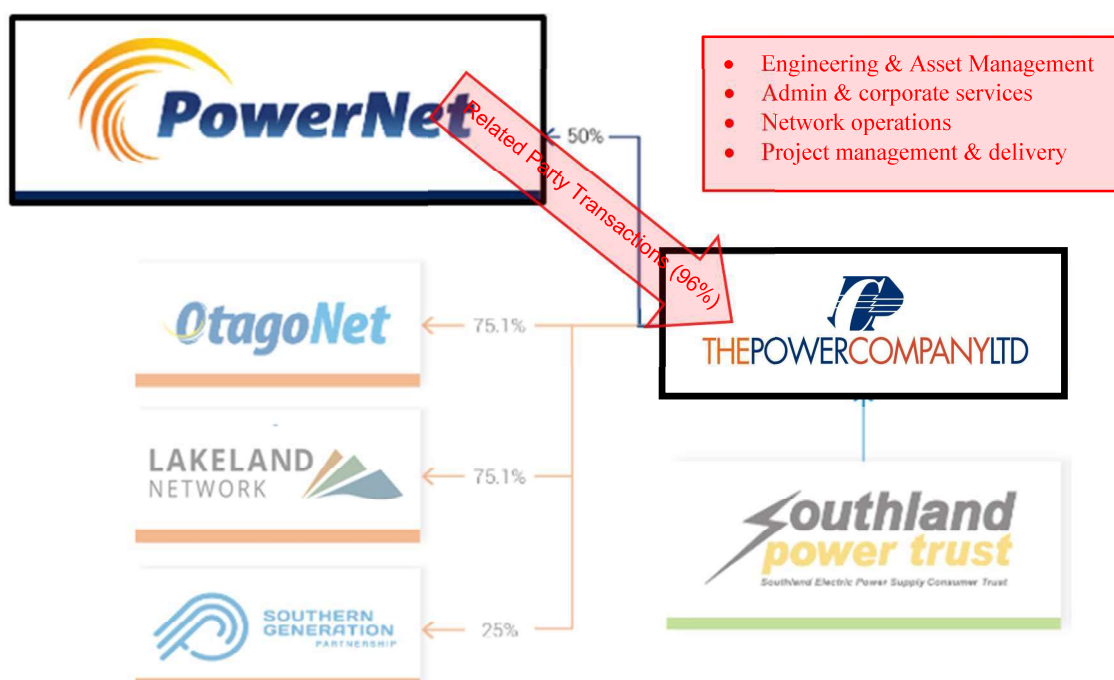
During the year ending 31 March 2022, TPCL had related party transactions with the following entities:

- Goods and services provided by – PowerNet Limited, OtagoNet Joint Venture;
- Goods and services provided to – PowerNet Limited, OtagoNet Joint Venture.

#### Company Structure

The Power Company Limited (TPCL) is wholly-owned by the Southland Electric Power Supply Consumer Trust ("Southland Power Trust"). The following diagrams illustrate TPCL's ownership interests in PowerNet and other related entities, and the nature of related party transaction work undertaken.

ID Determination reference: 2.3.8



**a. PowerNet Limited**

TPCL holds a 50% shareholding in electricity network management company PowerNet Limited. PowerNet provides a range of field contracting, asset management, system control and business services to TPCL. The value of regulatory related goods and services provided to TPCL by PowerNet, for the year ended 31 March 2022, is categorised as follows:

	(\$000)
<i>Operating Expenditure:</i>	
i. Service interruptions and emergencies	3,584
ii. Vegetation management	1,365
iii. Routine and corrective maintenance and inspection	4,283
iv. Asset replacement and renewal (Opex)	747
v. System operations and network support	1,842
vi. Business support	3,096
<i>Capital Expenditure:</i>	
vii. Consumer connection	2,801
viii. System growth	2,675
ix. Asset replacement and renewal (Capex)	13,704
x. Asset relocations	211
xi. Quality of supply	447
xii. Other reliability, safety and environment	4,948
<b>Total PowerNet Related Party expenditure</b>	<b>39,703</b>

In the year to 31 March 2022, PowerNet provided 100% of the TPCL Lines Business Capital Expenditure, and 91% of all Operating Expenditure. The high percentage of related party transactions relative to total expenditure is due to PowerNet operating under a Network Management Agreement (NMA) with TPCL, in the form of an “agency agreement”.

Services provided under the agreement include:

- Electricity distribution field services
- System control services
- Project management of capital and maintenance work
- Faults restoration and stand by (on call) arrangements
- Asset management for TPCL and metering,
- Health, Safety and Environment management
- Business support, IT support and human resources
- Corporate, finance and commercial services

**b. OtagoNet Joint Venture**

TPCL has a 75.1% ownership interest in the OtagoNet Joint Venture electricity distribution network (OJV), based in coastal and inland Otago, via a joint venture arrangement with Electricity Invercargill Ltd.

During the year, TPCL received \$60,000 from OJV relating to the rental of specialised substation equipment, otherwise there were no other related party transactions between OJV and TPCL during the reporting period.

**Network Management Agreement ('Agency Agreement')**

TPCL incurs 100% of its capital expenditure and the majority of its operating costs for its electricity distribution and metering businesses from PowerNet, in accordance with the explicit terms and conditions of the PowerNet Network Management Agreement (NMA).

While TPCL owns the Network Assets and provides electricity distribution services through their network across Southland (excluding parts of Invercargill city and the Bluff township area), under the agreement PowerNet will manage the network assets, will carry out an agreed capital works programme, has the exclusive right to provide line function services, and will provide the business administration services on behalf of TPCL.

PowerNet was established in 1994 to extract operational efficiencies from the merger of field work management, asset management and office based functions performed by TPCL and Electricity Invercargill Limited (EIL). In 1993, there were two autonomous lines companies in Southland (TPCL and EIL). Each had a separate staff, management and Board of Directors, and each had a different ownership structure. Directors of both companies recognised there would be significant economies of scale benefits if there were a single lines company covering the area. Due to different ownership a single lines company was not possible, however a single network management entity was a viable option.

The ongoing drive for efficiency by merging operations and achieving scale was recently acknowledged by the 2018 Government Pricing Review, and the terms of reference required investigation into the "PowerNet model" as the review looked at how other EDBs could potentially do the same.

PowerNet charges Agency Fees to the EDB's and metering businesses it manages under the NMA's. These charges recover costs incurred in the performance of the system control services, asset management, corporate, finance and commercial services.

These costs are charged to customers based on a cost allocation methodology applied within PowerNet. The allocation is based on various allocation drivers, including field operating orders, staff numbers, EDB asset size, EDB customers and a departmental assessment of indirect labour time splits. The allocation forms the basis of costs recovered from:

- the agency fee to be charged to the EDB's and metering businesses and
- the capital mark-up to recover costs allocated to EDB and meter capital projects

An independent review in 2018 of the allocation methodology ensured all parties that are charged agency and other fees by PowerNet are treated consistently and appropriately for each party.

## 4. PROCUREMENT POLICY

*ID Determination 2.3.10 & 2.3.11*

Under the Network Management Agreement (NMA), TPCL has contracted PowerNet to manage the operational functions, maintain the network assets, implement the Asset Management Plan, and provide business management services, and hence, act on behalf of TPCL when project managing and purchasing required goods and services in the course of carrying out the responsibilities of the Agreement. Due to the special relationship with TPCL, the PowerNet **Procurement Policy** (including the **Procurement Strategy**), is implied as also being the procurement practices followed by TPCL. Therefore, the Procurement Policy and Procurement Strategy provided for the purpose of this information disclosure, are as provided by PowerNet.

The PowerNet **Procurement Policy**, sets the procurement principles for staff to follow when engaging suppliers or sourcing goods and services. The PowerNet **Procurement Strategy** provides guidance on practices and processes for the business to follow when engaging with the suppliers of goods and services, and anywhere the business commits to a purchase obligation.

These documents are to ensure appropriate practices and controls are followed, and to make sure the best value and quality is achieved for the business and stakeholders.

## 5. APPLICATION OF PROCUREMENT POLICY

### *ID Determination 2.3.12 (1)*

As noted above, the procurement policy and processes adopted by TPCL are based on the PowerNet Procurement Policy and Strategy (FNPO-035). Under the NMA, PowerNet is responsible for sourcing all materials and services required to maintain the TPCL network assets and project manage the replacement or development of new assets, on behalf of TPCL. PowerNet recovers this expenditure through charging TPCL for capital and maintenance work, and through applying an agency fee for recovering a share of the associated business services costs.

The **Procurement Policy** adopted by TPCL puts emphasis on making decisions in the interest of an asset's lifecycle cost – in particular, capital versus maintenance decisions; considerations when sourcing labour, materials and equipment, and engaging customers for external party works.

The **Procurement Strategy** document covers in detail the applicable processes and practices of purchasing goods and services.

While PowerNet is a related party of TPCL for reporting purposes, the NMA is a commercial arrangement and is structured as two separate legal entities, with different ownership interests, operating on an 'arms-length' basis.

### *Planning*

Adequate planning is an important part of the TPCL procurement process. Each year the PowerNet Network Asset Engineers prepare the TPCL Asset Management Plan (AMP) a strategic, long-term view of the Network capabilities and constraints. The AMP provides an internal asset management framework for TPCL's network, including the Annual Works Programme (AWP), detailing the capital and operating expenditure (asset maintenance, replacement and/or development) required. The AMP is reviewed and approved by the TPCL board, prior to the PowerNet Engineers' and Project Managers' developing the AWP, as a key part of the annual business planning process. The AWP translates projects identified in the AMP into categorised work streams with detailed assumptions regarding the timing, materials and resources needed to complete the work, resulting in a more refined cost estimate, for Project Managers' to apply. The AMP is a 10 year view, whilst the AWP focuses on the upcoming 12 month period. In certain cases with large forecasted spend, a project business case is required in advance, for separate Board consideration and approval. The finalised AWP expenditure is included within the TPCL annual business plan approval process.

Project Manager's are assigned to implement the identified projects, within the guidelines of the project budget, and are responsible for managing the resources and making sure the project is completed to required standard.

Where required for high cost projects, or if specialised skills or equipment are required, a 'Request for Tender' process may be undertaken, to provide an indication of market supplier interest and greater certainty of project costs. The PowerNet Tendering Policy provides the steps that are to be followed when work is tendered. The decision to undertake a Tender process will be determined during the project planning phase.

Goods and services will be procured within approved budgets, with any exceptions requiring approval from a Senior Leader or Chief Executive Officer, in line with the financial authority limits. Written cost estimates or quotes are required from Suppliers depending on the value or nature of the job to manage cost expectations.

*Resourcing*

Having the combined network management of TPCL, EIL, OJV and LNL, gives PowerNet a stronger position to negotiate more favourable competitive prices for goods and services, through the greater purchasing volumes and activity, than would otherwise be possible by TPCL alone. A supplier agreement with Corys Electrical makes it possible to source the required specialised electrical materials at near wholesale prices, and the volume of work enables priority response and competitively low prices from many external service providers.

The market of available suppliers of high voltage electrical work in Southland is very small, and in some cases for specialised tasks, non-existent. PowerNet has learnt over the past 25 years through different operating models (from operating with internal field crews, to operating with fully outsourced labour arrangements), the most effective, efficient and reliable outcome for getting TPCL's Works Programme projects completed in a timely manner, to the required standard, is to secure required skills internally, and to apply these staff as needed, across the different networks PowerNet manages. In many cases, external contractors are still required for large projects or technically challenging tasks, where resources can be outsourced (eg. approximately 20% of the TPCL Capital project expenditure during the 2021/22 year is non-PowerNet labour cost). Having a team of experienced Line Mechanics and high voltage Technicians enables PowerNet to provide an effective faults response service, reducing the impact on customers of unplanned outages, and helping the TPCL network meet its regulatory outage performance targets (SAIDI & SAIFI targets). For this reason, in many cases for TPCL network asset maintenance tasks, the work is allocated to PowerNet internal labour teams with the appropriate skills and equipment.

While the project resources and materials required are planned by network engineers within the PowerNet Asset Management team, the selection of the Suppliers to provide the work is a responsibility of the respective Project Manager. In making the selection, the Project Manager is mindful of making decisions based on the best outcome on behalf of the network – and so, to protect the value and reliability of the Network Assets, the Project Manager selects the materials and scopes the design to meet the required network design standard. Outsourcing is considered for each element of the project if appropriate, and market testing performed where uncertainties exist in cost or difficulty. This selection process may not always result in the cheapest or easiest short-term option being applied, with decisions made to make sure the outcome is of a high quality and reliable standard, in the best long-term interests of the customers and stakeholders.

Materials are sourced by Corys Electrical who can provide a range of options for the Project Manager to select from, at competitively low prices in accordance with conditions in the PowerNet supply agreement.

Suitable Contractors must be capable of meeting the operating and health & safety standards of PowerNet, and there are specific controls to check new applicants, to make sure they have completed the requirements (eg. PreQual health & safety assessment) and are reputable before allowing them to be selected.

*Cost of assets, goods or services from Related Party*

The costs PowerNet incurs undertaking the responsibilities of managing TPCL's network assets are charged to TPCL each month. Agreed charges are included within the Network Management Agreement, including monthly progress invoices in relation to the Annual Works Programme project activity expenditure. In return for the management of the network assets and related business support costs, PowerNet charges TPCL an Agency fee, and applies an internal commercial mark-up to recover its operating costs and enable a modest commercial profit.



## 6. PURCHASES REQUIRED FROM A RELATED PARTY

### *ID Determination 2.3.12 (2)*

Activities for which TPCL customers are required to use PowerNet (Related Party) in relation to electricity distribution services are:

#### **Fault Response and Reactive Maintenance**

Under the Network Management Agreement, PowerNet is responsible for maintaining the TPCL Network Assets in good operational order, and in an overall standard equal or better to the initial condition. Returning power to consumers safely and quickly, following a fault or outage event, is an important requirement and performance measure for TPCL.

When a customer reports an outage, the PowerNet System Control operator will notify PowerNet staff to respond, (if they haven't done so already if an alarm system has been activated).

PowerNet provides on-call line mechanics and technicians, located across the Southland region, able to respond in a very short period of time to a fault call out, to provide a reliable and efficient fault response service, and minimise the impact of a power outage on TPCL network customers. Without these remote depot locations the duration (SAIDI) of outages on the TPCL network would be adversely affected. Having skilled labour, trained to the network accepted standard and practices, located at various depots across the network, and having appropriate tools and equipment capable of resolving an outage safely and quickly, is a key reason why PowerNet provides fault response services internally, rather than outsourcing.

#### **New Connections**

The process for requesting a new connection or capacity upgrade on the TPCL network is managed by the PowerNet Distribution team (PowerNet policy FNPO-025 Commercial Terms for New and Altered Customer Connections, or "Connections" policy). This is essential to maintain a consistent design specification standard for the TPCL network assets.

As highlighted in the Connections policy, depending on the nature of the customer work required, the Network will likely be required to manage parts of this work, especially where the work involves network equipment being installed or connection being made to Network assets. For high voltage lines installation (11kVA and above), requiring road side access, the Utilities Access Act 2010 controls who has the authorisation to operate in this space, and restricts the access to only approved utility companies. Hence, PowerNet, under the NMA, manages the construction of lines or installation of network equipment along road-sides on behalf of TPCL, or where special easements are required across private land. However, low voltage work on private land is the responsibility of the property owner.

An application must be completed by the customer for the PowerNet Connections team to review and provide an explanation of requirements relating to the work, and any associated costs (in the form of a letter of quotation). The quote must be accepted by the customer before PowerNet will begin any work on behalf of the Network.

If PowerNet are required to undertake construction or installation work, the Project Manager will evaluate what resources are required, and who can do the work. This work may be contracted to an external supplier however due to the small number of high voltage contractors available in Southland, this work is often undertaken by the PowerNet Distribution field staff.



The new connection process and responsibilities are explained on the PowerNet website, where details are provided for Customers to use an independent contractor:

<https://powernet.co.nz/your-power-supply/individual-connection/>

### Using an Independent Contractor

It is possible for a consumer to use an independent contractor to design and build part of their new connection. If you are developing a new subdivision or if your new supply is large or remote from the existing network and will require our high voltage network extending across private land you can use an Independent Contractor to carry out some of the work. Further information is available in our Independent Contractor and Developer Reticulation in Subdivisions documents. Please note that there are some statutory tasks that only PowerNet can perform.


### Arborist/Tree Management

PowerNet is responsible for vegetation management on the TPCL network, in accordance with the Network Management Agreement. Due to the large, mainly rural, area of the TPCL network, PowerNet has a supplier agreement with network approved external contractors, to undertake the trimming and cutting of trees and vegetation where required. Arborist crews inspect the network lines and identify areas of risk where trees are growing inside the legal 'growth limit zone'. In these circumstances, the property owner is notified of their obligations by issuing a 'Tree Cut/Trim Notice'. Under the Tree regulations and TPCL's tree management process – the first cut or trim is at the cost of TPCL (via PowerNet managed external contractor). Following the first cut, the tree owner is responsible for keeping the tree(s) clear of the 'Growth Limit Zone' around TPCL's power lines and equipment.


PowerNet provides advice on its website (<https://powernet.co.nz/services/trees/>) relating to tree regulations and owner's responsibilities, and offers a list of network approved contractors who can undertake tree cutting services on the TPCL network for the owner – making it clear owners are not obliged to use PowerNet's services.

The following content can be found on the PowerNet web page, under the services offered:

<https://powernet.co.nz/services/trees/approved-contractors/>



### Approved contractors



**Important note:**

- If you choose to organise your own tree cutting and are not using one of our approved contractors (listed below) please call PowerNet System Control on 0800 808 587 at least three days before proceeding to discuss the work to be undertaken.
- You or your contractor must apply to work closer than 4m to electric power lines or cables. [Click here](#) to complete a close approach permit form and view the close approach permit guidelines.

**Asplundh (Invercargill)**  
Office on 03 216 8051  
Ryan, Contract Manager on 027 662 1999  
[enquiry@asplundh.co.nz](mailto:enquiry@asplundh.co.nz) or visit [www.asplundh.co.nz](http://www.asplundh.co.nz)

**Bruce Dickens Tree Topping – Quotes:**  
Phil, Operations Manager, on 0274 441 008 or 03 212 8686  
Bruce on 0274 756 732  
Office on 0800 001 165  
[phil@brucedickens.treetopping.co.nz](mailto:phil@brucedickens.treetopping.co.nz) or visit [www.dickens.treetopping.co.nz](http://www.dickens.treetopping.co.nz)

**Delta – Quotes:**  
Enquiries phone 03 21516499  
Ngao Rhodes, Tree Service Administrator cell: 021 516400  
[ngao.rhodes@thekidelta.co.nz](mailto:ngao.rhodes@thekidelta.co.nz) or visit [THEKIDELTA.CO.NZ](http://THEKIDELTA.CO.NZ)

The Tree Cut/Trim Notice is issued to the tree owner, indicating available options for the work required. The tree owner responds with their preference – either to manage their own contractor, or engage PowerNet. If PowerNet is selected to do this work in TPCL's network area, instructions are provided to the respective sub-contractors to undertake the required work.

## 7. PROCUREMENT REPRESENTATIVE EXAMPLES

### *ID Determination 2.3.12 (3)*

TPCL requires a range of services from PowerNet to manage the Network operations. These services may often have very different characteristics and may involve a different procurement process, to suit the work being undertaken. The following list illustrates the categories of transactions with different procurement processes:

#### i. **Major Construction Projects (System Growth/Asset Replacement & Renewal)**

Significant large-scale projects are managed by the PowerNet Asset Management – Major Projects team. These projects are often long term (greater than 12 months), complex in design, and greater than \$1m in cost, with additional procurement requirements. Due to the large amount of dedicated resource and long period of time required, these projects are often subcontracted by PowerNet.

#### **EXAMPLE: Athol to Kingston 11-22kV Upgrade Project**

The following example is provided to illustrate the procurement process followed by PowerNet (Related Party) for a 'Major Project' to upgrade aging assets.

Project Name:	Athol to Kingston 11-22kV Upgrade Project
Project Date:	June 2020 – July 2022
Project Number:	10757
Project Expenditure:	\$ 540,265 External labour & materials \$ 253,302 PowerNet services ----- \$ 793,567 2021/22 Project Expenditure  \$ 1,070,859 2020/21 Project Expenditure ----- \$ 1,864,426 (Total Project Expenditure)
Project Classification:	System Growth (Capital)
Project Manager:	PowerNet Limited
Subcontractors:	PowerNet Ltd / Decom Ltd

There has been an increase in load coming online in the Kingston Area with the new housing development, sewage and water treatment station and several farms installing irrigation north of Garston. The size of the conductor from Garston ABS to Fairlight Regulator needed to be increased and two three phase regulator sites were required, one at Garston and the other at Allendale.

A review of available resources highlighted that due to the size and technical challenges with this project, and in the interest of a timely construction, it was decided to outsource the regulator design and construction to external suppliers.

PowerNet distribution teams from Gore and Lumsden carried out all of the linework.

**Market Testing:** The majority of the Upgrade project cost was carried out by PowerNet while the Civil and Electrical design of the regulator sites and the construction activities relating to those sites was outsourced by PowerNet. An external contractor completed the design and installation of the two three phase regulator sites, and materials provided through the Corys supply agreement. The PowerNet project management and internal labour cost is benchmarked to local market rates.

ii. **New Connection / Capacity Upgrade (System Growth)**

New connections and capacity upgrades are generally customer driven, whether it be for a new property, or expansion of an existing property. Project size can range from a small connection of a newly built house, to the construction of a new manufacturing plant.

The procurement of goods and services for this type of work follows the same PowerNet procurement processes for a general construction project, only this work is more heavily influenced by a customer need rather than a network need. The PowerNet New Connection policy governs the requirements for this work.

**EXAMPLE: New Subdivision Connection (February 2022)**

The following example is provided to illustrate the procurement process followed by PowerNet (Related Party) for a 'New Connection' to the TPCL network:

Project Name:	New Subdivision (TPCL Works programme)
Completion Date:	February 2022
Project Number:	CC 371297 / 371296
Project Expenditure:	\$ 8,350 External materials & services \$ 12,583 PowerNet services ----- \$ 20,933 Total Cost (2021/22)
Project Classification:	System Growth (Capital Expenditure)
Project Manager:	PowerNet Ltd
Construction:	PowerNet - Distribution Team
Subcontractors:	N/a

A customer installation connection application was received for Project CC371297 by PowerNet in mid 2021. The customer had requested a new electricity connection for a small subdivision in rural Southland, with a supply capacity of 15kVA single phase connection per section to be installed. The PowerNet distribution team undertook the work, being able to provide the skilled distribution services and equipment required. Materials were sourced through the Corys Supply Agreement.

**Market Testing:** PowerNet benchmarked internal labour rates favourably against similar Line Mechanic or Technician roles from other available external suppliers over the 2020-2022 period. Of the \$2.8M capital expenditure spent on New Connections and Capacity Upgrades, 50% of this cost related to external labour and materials. The materials sourced through Corys Electrical supply agreement includes a range of contractual mechanisms to ensure efficient prices are being provided to PowerNet.

iii. **Distribution & Technical Projects (Asset Replacement and Renewal)**

Asset Replacement and Renewal projects are generally driven by internal asset condition and monitoring assessments, performed periodically by PowerNet staff on TPCL network assets. Depending on the nature of the work, this could be a small scale project relating to the replacement of an 11kV Line Pole (eg. 'Red Tag Pole') managed by the PowerNet Distribution Team, or a larger technical project (eg. 500kV transformer replacement or substation upgrade project) managed by the PowerNet Technicians team.

**EXAMPLE: ABS Replacement (Southland – February 2022)**

The following example is provided to illustrate the procurement process followed by PowerNet (Related Party) for a 'Distribution' project for the TPCL network:

Project Name:	Replace Lochiel Cnr N ABS SH1 Lochiel (Defect 11322)
Completion Date:	03/02/2022
Project Number:	CC 390211
Project Expenditure:	\$ 9,120 External labour & materials \$ 9,036 PowerNet services ----- \$ 18,156 Total Cost (2021/22)
Regulatory Classification:	Replacement & Renewal (Capital Expenditure)
Project Manager:	PowerNet – Barrie Duffin
Construction:	PowerNet - Distribution
Subcontractors:	Traffic Management Services

PowerNet undertook Project CC390211 to replace an Air Break Switch on an 11kV Feeder near Winton following a routine inspection that identified a defect that could trigger asset failure and replacement was deemed essential to maintain security of supply within the area. The ABS was subsequently replaced in a planned process. A PowerNet Project Manager was assigned to plan and oversee the work. Consideration is given to the timing, to make sure resources are available, and to minimise the impact of a power outage to affected TPCL customers. PowerNet was assigned to undertake the work, being able to provide the skilled distribution services and equipment required. Materials were sourced through the Corys Supply Agreement.

**Market Testing:** The prices charged by PowerNet have been benchmarked against similar roles from other external Suppliers utilised during 2020-2022. The materials sourced through Corys Electrical supply agreement includes a range of contractual mechanisms to ensure efficient prices are being provided to PowerNet.

iv. **Faults Response (Service interruptions and emergencies)**

Fault response is a key service provided by PowerNet. Minimising power outage time of network faults, and minimising the number of customers impacted, is an important performance measure of TPCL network. As noted above, PowerNet Line Mechanics and Technicians provide an on-call service, able to respond quickly to an unplanned outage or event. PowerNet Line Mechanic crews are based in depots located across the Southland and Otago regions for quick response to fault call-outs and to minimise travel time across the network.

**Market Testing:** Market prices assumed where PowerNet is applying the same labour rates as applied across other spend categories which are more commonly market tested. The prices charged by PowerNet have been benchmarked against similar Line Mechanic or Technician roles from other external Suppliers utilised during 2020-2022.

v. **Arborist Work (Vegetation Management)**

Tree management costs are driven by work required to comply with Government regulations for proximity of branches and vegetation to power lines. TPCL is responsible for encouraging property owners to comply with the regulations. PowerNet manages this service on behalf of TPCL. Inspectors identify hazards, liaise with landowners and issue Cut/Trim notices to the landowner as required, and arrange for a TPCL external contractor to undertake the work.

**EXAMPLE: Vegetation Management (Rural Southland – October 2021)**

The following example is provided to illustrate the procurement process followed by PowerNet (Related Party) for Vegetation Management expenditure on TPCL network:

Project Name:	Vegetation Control (TPCL Works Programme)
Project Completion Date:	October 2021
Project Number:	CC 387111
Project Number:	\$ 1,574 External labour & materials \$ 157 PowerNet services ----- \$ 1,731 (2021/22)
Regulatory Classification:	Vegetation Management (Operating Expenditure)
Project Manager:	PowerNet Ltd
Subcontractors:	Asplundh Ltd

PowerNet became aware of trees growing within the permissible distance of power lines during a routine Lines inspection in the rural Southland area. Details of the location and work required ('dismantle trees to clear 11kV powerlines') were noted on the PowerNet Cut/Trim Notice (CTN226832), and provided to a network approved external contractor to provide a quote. PowerNet allocates this work based on capability and availability between the two network approved external contractors in Southland.

As this example was a 'first cut' notification, the cost of the work is charged to TPCL, rather than the property owner.

**Market Testing:** While PowerNet manages vegetation control work across TPCL network, almost all work is outsourced to external contractors, under a preferred supplier agreement, with set prices for different components of work undertaken. These prices are reviewed and agreed periodically by PowerNet, however, and are benchmarked where possible.

vi. **Routine and Corrective Maintenance**

Routine inspections and planned maintenance are important for maximising the useful life of TPCL network assets and equipment. PowerNet Network Asset Engineers undertake annual inspection work to identify assets that require maintenance.

**EXAMPLE: Circuit Breaker Maintenance**

The following example is provided to illustrate the procurement process followed by PowerNet (Related Party) for a 'Technical' planned maintenance project for the TPCL network:

Project Name:	EDN– 11kv Feeder CB Maintenance
Completion Date:	June 2021
Project Number:	371660
Project Expenditure:	\$ 180 External material \$ 6,814 PowerNet services ----- \$ 6,994 Total Cost (2021/22)
Regulatory Classification:	Routine & Corrective Maintenance (Technical Maintenance)
Project Manager:	PowerNet Ltd
Inspection:	PowerNet - Technicians Team

PowerNet is tasked with the planned maintenance and inspection of TPCL Network assets. The inspections are carried out in line with manufacturer's recommendations.

**Market Testing:** Market prices assumed where PowerNet is applying the same labour rates as applied across other spend categories which are more commonly market tested. The prices charged by PowerNet have been benchmarked against similar Line Mechanic or Technician roles from other external Suppliers utilised during 2020-2022.

vii. **Business Services (Opex)**

Administration processes and systems associated with running TPCL network are managed by PowerNet support services teams (eg. Network Assets, Operations, Finance, HSE). A share of these costs are charged to TPCL by way of an Agency fee, which would otherwise be directly incurred by TPCL, if there was no 'Agency Agreement' (or NMA) in place with PowerNet.

**Market Testing:** Market testing the provision of business services is very difficult due to the lack of comparability available. However, the benefits of TPCL sharing the cost of running these management and administration systems with other EDB's EIL and OJV (economy of scale benefits), was recognised in an independent benchmarking exercise in 2018 of PowerNet business and network support services to TPCL/EIL/OJV, against other equivalent sized EDB's on a cost per ICP basis. The findings of the review rated TPCL favourably against similar sized EDB's in the same peer group.



## **APPENDIX B:**

# **MAP OF NETWORK EXPENDITURE AND CONSTRAINTS**

*ID Determination 2.3.13 - 2.3.16*

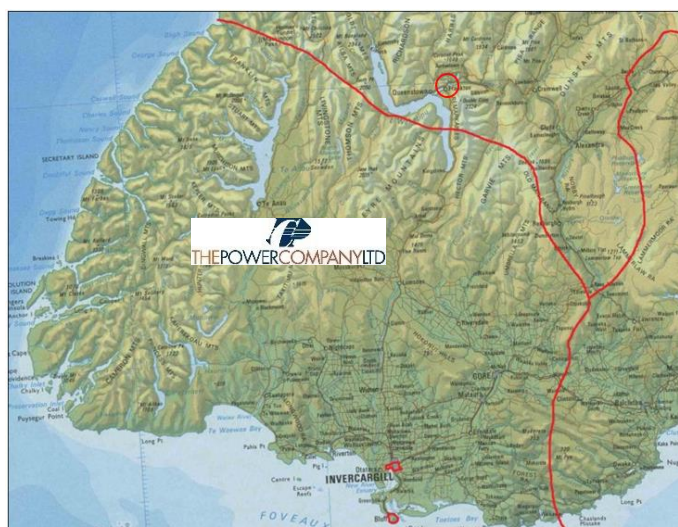
### **Regulatory requirements**

- Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Amendments Determination 2017 (NZCC 33), clauses 2.3.13 to 2.3.16.
- Input methodologies review – related party transactions final decision and determinations guidance 21 December 2017, table 5.1 (copied below, refer to ID for precise requirements).

The purpose of this section is to identify on a map the anticipated network expenditure and network constraints in accordance with the TPCL network 2022-2032 Asset Management Plan.

### **TPCL - 10 largest forecast Network Operating Expenditure projects (Maintenance)**

- Clause 2.3.13(1), 2.3.14(1) and (2).



The 10 largest forecast Operating Expenditure projects in the 2022-2032 Asset Management Plan for TPCL network are explained below, and indicated on the Network map above where relative to a single area:

#### **1. Incident Response – Distribution - \$33.25m**

Provision is made for staff, plant and resources to be ready for line faults and emergencies. Fault staff respond to make the area safe, isolate the faulty equipment or network section and undertake repairs to restore supply to all customers.

#### **2. Technical Planned – Maintenance - \$13.10m**

Following the results of the routine inspection and testing of assets at zone substations, the resulting maintenance work on the substation equipment, switchgear, transformers, and protection relays.

3. Distribution Routine Inspections - \$12.47 m

Five yearly network inspections (20% inspected annually), other routine tests and minor maintenance works on distribution assets.

4. Vegetation Management - \$11.50m

Annual tree trimming in the vicinity of the overhead network to prevent contact with lines, maintaining network reliability.

5. General Distribution Refurbishment - \$5.95m

Refurbishment works for plant other than that located at distribution substations which won't impact on the valuation of the distribution asset. Covers items like cross-arms, insulators, strains, re-sagging lines, stay guards, straightening poles, pole caps, ABS handle replacements etc.

6. Technical Routine Inspections & Checks - \$5.43m

Routine inspection and testing of assets at zone substations. Includes such things as partial discharge surveys on switchgear, oil DGA, breakdown, moisture and acidity, operation counts, protection testing etc.

7. Distribution Routine Maintenance - \$4.29m

Routine and planned maintenance on lines, cables, transformers and other distribution components, includes temporary disconnections for customers.

8. Distribution Corrective Maintenance - \$2.55m

Follow up work in the distribution area after the initial incident response work is complete.

9. Incident Reponse Technical – Unplanned - \$2.09m

Provision is made for staff, plant and resources to be ready for substation faults and emergencies. Fault staff respond to make the area safe, isolate the faulty equipment or network section and undertake repairs to restore supply to all customers.

10. Technical Corrective Maintenance - \$1.09m

Follow up work in the technical area after the initial incident response work is complete.

*Further detail relating to TPCL network Operating Expenditure in a table at the end of this section.*

Please Note: All of these projects -

- Are network wide (apply to entire area as shown on map above).
- Have a contract in place that is with PowerNet Limited through a network management agreement (related party).
- Are forecast to require the supply of assets/goods or services by PowerNet Limited (related party).

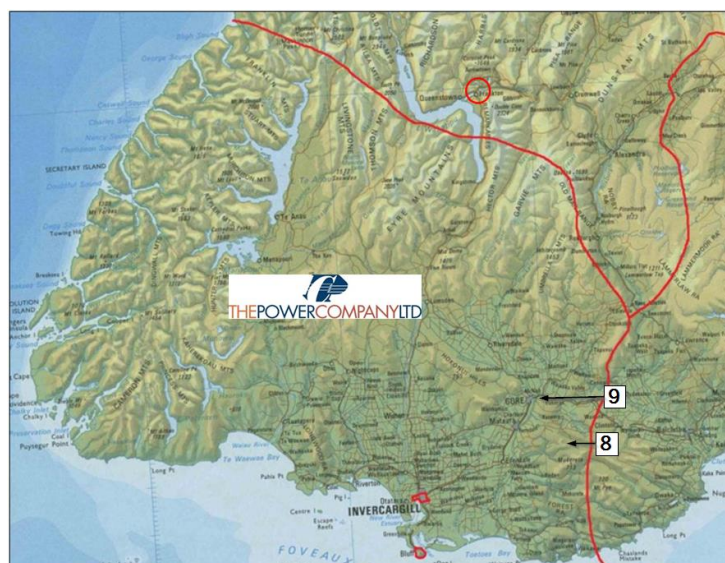
**Possible future constraints related to TPCL network Operating Expenditure projects:**

There are no identified constraints impacting the network Operating Expenditure budget. All costs are driven by network maintenance requirements and inspection programming.



**TPCL - 10 largest forecast Network Capital Expenditure projects**

- Clause 2.3.13(2), 2.3.14(1) and (2).



The 10 largest forecast Capital Expenditure projects in the 2022-2032 Asset Management Plan for TPCL network are explained below, and indicated on the Network map above where relative to a single area:

1. 11kV Line Replacement - \$69.90m

Scheduled for every year, the on-going replacements of 11kV line assets. These are identified through routine inspection. As work is planned based on feeders, this renewal and refurbishment covers distribution lines, cables, dropouts and ABS's. This budget also covers Red tagged pole replacement, Increasing road crossing height, Minor distribution renewals and upgrades.

2. Condition Based Asset Replacements - \$35.05m

Scheduled for 2027 – 2032, these projects include the replacement or refurbishment of equipment arising outside the current asset management plan. Typically used for assets where performance and reliability deteriorates faster than expected and needs to be corrected in the medium term. This will typically occur on assets outside the planned asset management program and where general maintenance have limited success.

Typical identification in the short to medium term with implementation from six to ten years.

3. Unspecified System Growth Projects - \$23.03m

Scheduled for 2025 – 2032, the projects budget is an estimate of costs for projects that are as yet unknown but from experience are considered likely to arise in the longer term (six to ten year time frame). Certainty for these estimates is obviously quite low. Potential large growth increases in Athol, Lumsden and Riversdale areas could result in the extension and upgrade of the subtransmission network and conversion of some affected distribution networks to 22kV.

4. Earth Upgrades - \$21.70m

Scheduled for every year, ineffective earthing may create hazardous voltage on and around network equipment (Earth Potential Rise; EPR) during fault situations, affecting safety for the public and for staff. Poor earthing can also prevent protection systems from operating correctly, which may affect the safety and reliability of the network. Routine earth site inspection and testing identifies any sites that require upgrades. Determining the most appropriate upgrade option can

be quite complex, but the ultimate aim is to find the optimal trade-off between cost and risk reduction. Upgrade works may include additional earthing rods or banks, replacement of surface material (asphalt or gravel) to reduce risk, and installation of insulating fences or fence sections to reduce the risk of transfer to adjacent conductive fences.

5. Transformer Replacement - \$12.88m

Scheduled for every year, the on-going replacements of distribution transformers which are generally identified during distribution inspections and targeted inspections based on age.

6. Customer Connections ( $\leq 20\text{kVA}$ ) - \$11.69m

Scheduled for every year, planning for new connections uses averages based on historical trending, modified by any local knowledge if appropriate however customer requirements are generally unpredictable and quite variable. Larger customers especially, which have the greatest effect on the network, tend not to disclose their intentions until connection is required (perhaps trying to avoid alerting competitors to commercial opportunities), so cannot be easily planned for in advance. Various options are considered generally to determine the least cost option for providing the new connection. Work required depends on the customer's location relative to existing network and the capacity of that network to supply the additional load. This can range from a simple LV connection at a fuse in a distribution pillar box at the customer's property boundary, to upgrade of LV cables or replacement of overhead lines with cables of greater rating, up to requirement for a new transformer site with associated 11kV extension if required.

7. ABS Renewals - \$10.82m

Scheduled until 2030, when inspection indicates deterioration is sufficient enough to lose confidence in continued reliable operation and maintenance is considered uneconomic.

8. Kaiwera Downs – Mercury 45 MW Wind Farm - \$10.02m

Scheduled for 2022 - 2024, this is a new 33 kV line from the Transpower Gore GXP to connect the new Mercury Energy 45 MW wind farm at Kaiwera Downs. The size of the peak generation at 45 MW requires a separate dedicated line back to the GXP.

9. McNab Substation upgrade to 33 kV - \$8.90m

Scheduled for 2022 - 2024, the existing McNab 11 kV switching station is to be upgraded to a 33/11 kV dual transformer substation to supply the new electrode boiler load at the Mataura Valley Milk Plant. The work will involve the two new transformers and 11 kV switchboard extension. The current supply cables are rated for 33 kV but will be extended from the South Gore substation to two new circuit breakers at the Transpower Gore GXP.

10. Customer Connections ( $> 100\text{kVA}$ ) - \$7.45m

Scheduled for every year, planning for new connections uses averages based on historical trending, modified by any local knowledge if appropriate however customer requirements are generally unpredictable and quite variable. Larger customers especially, which have the greatest effect on the network, tend not to disclose their intentions until connection is required (perhaps trying to avoid alerting competitors to commercial opportunities), so cannot be easily planned for in advance. Various options are considered generally to determine the least cost option for providing the new connection. Work required depends on the customer's location relative to existing network and the capacity of that network to supply the additional load. This can range from a simple LV connection at a fuse in a distribution pillar box at the customer's property boundary, to upgrade of LV cables or replacement of overhead lines with cables of greater rating, up to requirement for a new transformer site with associated 11kV extension if required.

Further detail relating to TPCL network Capital Expenditure is in a table at the end of this section.

Please Note: All of these projects -

- Are network wide (apply to entire area as shown on map above), with the exception of #8 and #9 which are pinpointed on the map above;
- Have a contract in place that is with PowerNet Limited through an agency agreement (related party);
- Are forecast to require the supply of assets/goods or services by PowerNet Limited (related party).

**Possible future constraints related to TPCL network Capital Expenditure projects:**

The following map indicates where potential future constraints may impact the TPCL network performance:



**3. Unspecified Projects System Growth**

Constraint – Unable to maintain supply voltage due to forecast load growth, timing being 3 - 10 years.

**TPCL - 10 largest forecast Network Operating Expenditure projects (Maintenance)**

- Clause 2.3.13(1), 2.3.14(1) and (2).

Project	Project description	Likely timing	Value	Location	Contract in place?	Is contract with RP?	Forecast to include RP?	Currently not indicated for RP
#1	Incident Response - Distribution - Unplanned	Every Year	\$33.25m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#2	Technical Planned Maintenance	Every Year	\$ 13.10m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#3	Routine Distribution Inspections	Every Year	\$ 12.47m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#4	Vegetation Management	Every Year	\$ 11.50m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#5	General Distribution Refurbishment	Every Year	\$ 5.95m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#6	Technical Routine Inspections & Checks	Every Year	\$ 5.43m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#7	Distribution Routine Maintenance	Every Year	\$ 4.29m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#8	Distribution Corrective Maintenance	Every Year	\$ 2.55m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#9	Incident Response Technical - Unplanned	Every Year	\$ 2.09m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#10	Technical Corrective Maintenance	Every Year	\$ 1.09m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A

**TPCL - 10 largest forecast Network Capital Expenditure projects**

- Clause 2.3.13(2), 2.3.14(1) and (2).

Project	Project description	Likely timing	Value	Location	Contract in place?	Is contract with RP?	Forecast to include RP?	Currently not indicated for RP
#1	11kV Line Replacement	Every Year	\$ 69.90m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#2	Condition Based Asset Replacements	2027 - 2032	\$ 35.05m	Network Wide	No	N/A	Very likely	N/A
#3	Unspecified System Growth Projects	Every Year	\$ 23.03m	Network Wide	Yes	N/A	Very likely	N/A
#4	Earth Upgrades	2025 - 2032	\$ 21.70m	Network Wide	No	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#5	Transformer Replacement	Every Year	\$ 12.88m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#6	Customer Connections (≤ 20kVA)	Every Year	\$ 11.69m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#7	ABS Renewals	2022 - 2030	\$ 10.82m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#8	Kaiwera Downs – Mercury 45 MW Wind Farm	2022-2024	\$ 10.02m	#8 on map	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#9	NcNab Substation Upgrade to 33 kV	2022-2024	\$ 8.90m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A
#10	Customer Connections (≥ 100kVA)	Every Year	\$ 7.45m	Network Wide	Yes	Yes	Very likely	N/A

**Possible future constraints related to TPCL network Capital Expenditure projects:**

- Clause 2.3.13(4), 2.3.14(1) and (2).

**3. Unspecified Projects System Growth**

Constraint – Unable to maintain supply voltage due to forecast load growth, timing being 7-10 years.

Description of constraint	Related to CapEx project #	Expected timing of constraint
Unable to maintain supply voltage due to forecast load growth	#3	1-2 years



## Independent Assurance Report

To the Directors of The Power Company Limited and the Commerce Commission

### **Assurance report pursuant to Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 (Consolidated 9 December 2021)**

We have completed the reasonable assurance engagement in respect of the compliance of The Power Company Limited (the "Company") with the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 (consolidated 9 December 2021) (the 'Determination') for the disclosure year ended 31 March 2022 where we are required to opine on:

- whether the Company has complied, in all material respects, with the Determination, in preparing the information disclosed under schedules 1 to 4, 5a to 5g, 6a and 6b, 7, 10, the related party transactions information disclosed in Appendix A, and the explanatory notes disclosed in boxes 1 to 11 in Schedule 14 ('the Disclosure Information'); and
- whether the Company's basis for valuation of related party transactions ('valuation of related party transactions'), has complied, in all material respects, with clause 2.3.6 of the Determination and clauses 2.2.11(1)(g) and 2.2.11(5) of the Electricity Distribution Services Input Methodologies Determination 2012 (consolidated 20 May 2020) ('the IM Determination').

This assurance report should be read in conjunction with the Commerce Commission's Information Disclosure exemption, issued to all electricity distribution businesses on 17 May 2021 under clause 2.11 of the Determination. The Commerce Commission granted an exemption from the requirement that the assurance report, in respect of the information in Schedule 10 of the Determination, must take into account any issues arising out of the Company's recording of SAIDI, SAIFI, and number of interruptions due to successive interruptions.

#### **Qualified Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the possible effect of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, in all material respects:

- as far as appears from an examination of them, proper records to enable the complete and accurate compilation of the Disclosure Information have been kept by the Company;
- as far as appears from an examination, the information used in the preparation of the Disclosure Information has been properly extracted from the Company's accounting and other records and has been sourced, where appropriate, from the Company's financial and non-financial systems;
- the Disclosure Information complies with the Determination; and
- the basis for valuation of related party transactions complies with the Determination and the IM Determination.

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

As described in Box 1 of Schedule 15, there are inherent limitations in the ability of the Company to collect and record the network reliability information specifically the interconnection points ('ICP's') affected by an interruption and the duration of the interruption used in calculating the amounts required to be disclosed in Schedules 10(i) to 10(iv). Consequently, there is no independent evidence available to support the accuracy of the ICP's affected and duration of an interruption. Controls over the accuracy of ICP and interruption data included in the SAIDI and SAIFI outage statistics are limited throughout the year.





There are no practical audit procedures that we could adopt to independently confirm the accuracy of the ICP data used to record the number of ICP's affected and duration of the interruption for the purposes of inclusion in the amounts relating to SAIDI and SAIFI outage statistics set out in Schedules 10(i) to 10(iv).

Because of the potential effect of the limitations described above, we are unable to form an opinion as to the accuracy of the data that forms the basis of the compilation of Schedules 10(i) to 10(iv). In this respect alone we have not obtained all the recorded evidence and explanations that we have required.

We have conducted our engagement in accordance with the Standard on Assurance Engagements (SAE) 3100 (Revised) *Compliance Engagements* ("SAE 3100 (Revised)"), issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board. An engagement conducted in accordance with SAE (NZ) 3100 (Revised) requires that we comply with the International Standard on Assurance Engagements (New Zealand) 3000 (Revised) Assurance Engagements Other Than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information.

We have obtained sufficient recorded evidence and explanations that we required to provide a basis for our qualified opinion.

### **Our assurance approach**

#### **Overview**

Our assurance engagement is designed to obtain reasonable assurance about the Company's compliance, in all material respects, with the Determination and IM Determination.

Quantitative materiality levels are determined for testing purposes within individual schedules included in the Disclosure Information based on the nature of the information set out in the schedules. These thresholds are determined based on our assessment of errors that could have a material impact on key measures within the Disclosure Information:

- Financial information – any impact resulting in +/-100 basis points of the Return of Investment ('ROI')
- Performance based schedules – 5% of non-financial measures
- Related party transactions – 2% of total related party transactions.

When assessing overall material compliance with the Determination, qualitative factors are considered such as the combined impact on ROI and other key measures as well as assessing the arm's length valuation rules on related party transactions, which may impact on users assessment on whether the purpose of Part 4 of the Commerce Act 1986 has been met.

We have determined that there are two key assurance matters:

- Regulatory Asset Base
- Related Party Transactions

#### **Materiality**

The scope of our assurance engagement was influenced by our application of materiality.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined certain quantitative thresholds for materiality. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our assurance engagement, the nature, timing and extent of our assurance procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and in aggregate on the Disclosure Information as a whole.

## Scope

Our procedures included analytical procedures, evaluating the appropriateness of assumptions used and whether they have been consistently applied, agreement of the Disclosure Information to, or reconciling with, source systems and underlying records, an assessment of the significant judgements made by the Company in the preparation of the Disclosure Information and valuing the related party transactions, and evaluation of the overall adequacy of the presentation of supporting information and explanations.

These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether the Company has complied, in all material respects, with the Determination in the preparation of the Disclosure Information for the year ended 31 March 2022, and whether the basis for valuation of related party transactions complies, in all material respects, with the Determination and the IM Determination.

## Key Assurance Matters

Key assurance matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in carrying out the assurance engagement during the current disclosure year. These matters were addressed in the context of our assurance engagement as a whole, and in forming our opinion. We do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. In addition to the matter described in the Basis of Qualified Opinion section of our report, we have determined the matters described below to be Key Assurance Matters.

Key Assurance Matter	How our procedures addressed the key assurance matter
<p><b>Regulatory asset base</b></p> <p>The Regulatory Asset Base (RAB), as set out in Schedule 4, reflects the value of the Company's electricity distribution assets. These are valued using an indexed historic cost methodology prescribed by the Determination. It is a measure which is used widely and is key to measuring the Company's return on investment and therefore important when monitoring financial performance or setting electricity distribution prices.</p> <p>The RAB inputs, as set out in the IM Determination, are similar to those used in the measurement of fixed assets in the financial statements, however, there are a number of different requirements and complexities which require careful consideration.</p> <p>Due to the importance of the RAB within the regulatory regime, the incentives to overstate the RAB value, and complexities within the regulations, we have considered it to be a key area of focus.</p>	<p>We have obtained an understanding of the compliance requirements relevant to the RAB as set out in the Determination and the IM Determination. Our procedures included the following:</p> <p><b>Assets commissioned</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We reconciled the assets commissioned, as per the regulatory fixed asset register, to the asset additions disclosed in the audited annual financial statements and investigated any reconciling items;</li> <li>• We inspected the assets commissioned during the period, as per the regulatory fixed asset register, to identify any specific cost or asset type exclusions, as set out in the Determination, which are required to be removed from the RAB;</li> <li>• We tested a sample of assets commissioned during the disclosure period for appropriate asset category classification.</li> </ul> <p><b>Depreciation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We compared the standard asset lives by asset category to those set out in the IM Determination;</li> <li>• We verified the spreadsheet formula utilised to calculate regulatory depreciation expense is in line with IM Determination clause 2.2.5.</li> </ul> <p><b>Revaluation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We recalculated the revaluation rate set out in the IM Determination using the relevant Consumer Price Index indices taken from the Statistics New Zealand website;</li> </ul>



Key Assurance Matter	How our procedures addressed the key assurance matter
<p><b>Related party transactions</b> Disclosures over related party transactions including related party relationships, procurement policies/processes, application of these policies/processes and examples of market testing of transaction terms as required under the Determination, as amended and the IM Determination are set out in Appendix A.</p> <p>The Determination and the IM Determination require the Company to value its transactions with related parties, disclosed in Schedule 5b, in accordance with the principles-based approach to the arm's length valuation rule. This rule states that the value of goods or services acquired from a related party cannot be greater than if it had been acquired under the terms of an arm's length transaction with an unrelated party, nor may it exceed the actual cost to the related party. A sale or supply to a related party cannot be valued at an amount less than if it had been sold or supplied under the terms of an arm's-length transaction with an unrelated party.</p> <p>Arm's-length valuation, as defined in the IM Determination, is the value at which a transaction, with the same terms and conditions, would be entered into between a willing seller and a willing buyer who are unrelated and who are acting independently of each other and pursuing their own best interests.</p> <p>The Company is required to use an objective and independent measure to demonstrate compliance with the arm's-length principle. In the absence of an active market for similar transactions, assigning an objective arm's length value</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We tested the mathematical accuracy of the revaluation calculation performed by management;</li> </ul> <p><b>Disposals</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We inspected the asset disposals within the accounting fixed asset register to ensure disposals in the RAB meet the definition of a disposal per the IM Determination.</li> </ul> <p>We have obtained an understanding of the compliance requirements relevant to related party transactions as set out in the Determination, and the IM Determination. We have ensured Schedule 5(b) and Appendix A includes all required disclosures including current procurement policies, descriptions of how they are applied in practice, representative example transactions and when and how market testing was last performed. Our procedures over Schedule 5(b) and Appendix A included the following:</p> <p><b>Completeness and accuracy of related party relationships and transactions</b> We have tested the completeness and accuracy of the related party relationships and transactions by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agreeing the disclosures within Schedule 5(b) to the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022 and to the accounting records, investigating any differences and determining whether any such differences are justified; and</li> <li>Applying our understanding of the business structure against the related party definition in IM Determination clause 1.1.4(2)(b) to assess management's identification of any "unregulated parts" of the entity.</li> </ul> <p><b>Practical application of procurement policies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Testing a sample of operating expenditure and capital expenditure transactions disclosed in Schedule 5(b) by inspecting supporting documentation to determine compliance with the disclosed procurement policy and practices.</li> </ul> <p><b>Arm's length valuation rule</b> We obtained the Company's assessment of the available independent and objective measures used in supporting the arm's length valuation principle and performed the following procedures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Re-performed the calculations and agreed key inputs and assumptions to supporting documentation;</li> <li>Where benchmarking or other market information was used as independent and objective measures, we assessed whether the related party transaction</li> </ul>

Key Assurance Matter	How our procedures addressed the key assurance matter
to a related party transaction is difficult and requires significant judgement.  We have identified related party transactions at arm's-length as a key audit matter due to the judgement involved	values fell within an acceptable range. Qualitative factors were considered in determining the appropriate acceptable range.

### Director's Responsibilities

The Directors are responsible on behalf of the Company for compliance with the Determination and the valuation of related party transactions in accordance with the Determination, for the identification of risks that may threaten such compliance, controls that would mitigate those risks, and monitoring the Company's ongoing compliance.

### Our Independence and Quality Control

We have complied with the Professional and Ethical Standard 1 *International Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners (including International Independence Standards) (New Zealand)* or other professional requirements, or requirements in law or regulation, that are at least as demanding, which include independence and other requirements founded on the fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behaviour.

In accordance with the Professional and Ethical Standard 3 (Amended) *Quality Control for Firms that Perform Audits and Reviews of Financial Statements, and Other Assurance Engagements* or other professional requirements, or requirements in law or regulation, that are at least as demanding, our firm maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards, and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

We are independent of the Company. Our firm carries out other services for the Company in the areas of regulatory advisory services, other regulatory requirements of the Commerce Act 1986, financial statement audit and tax pooling services. The provision of these other services has not impaired our independence.

### Assurance Practitioner's responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the Company has complied, in all material respects, with the Determination in the preparation of the Disclosure Information for the disclosure year ended 31 March 2022 and on whether the basis for valuation of related party transactions complies, in all material respects, with the Determination and the IM Determination.

Our engagement has been conducted in accordance with ISAE (NZ) 3000 (Revised), *Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information* and SAE 3100 (Revised) *Compliance Engagements* which require that we plan and perform our procedures to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Company has complied in all material respects with the Determination in the preparation of the Disclosure Information for the disclosure year ended 31 March 2022, and whether the basis for valuation of related party transactions complies, in all material respects, with the Determination and the IM Determination.

An assurance engagement to report on the Company's compliance with the Determination and the IM Determination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the compliance activity and controls implemented to meet the requirements of the Determination and the IM Determination. The procedures selected depend on our judgement, including the identification and assessment of risks of material non-compliance with the requirements of the Determination and the IM Determination.



### **Inherent Limitations**

Because of the inherent limitations of an assurance engagement, together with the internal control structure, it is possible that fraud, error or non-compliance may occur and not be detected. A reasonable assurance engagement for the disclosure year ended 31 March 2022 does not provide assurance on whether compliance with the Determination and the IM Determination will continue in the future.

### **Use of Report**

This report has been prepared for the Directors and the Commerce Commission in accordance with clause 2.8.1(1) of the Determination and is provided solely to assist you in establishing that compliance requirements have been met.

Our report should not be used for any other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility for any reliance on this report to anyone other than the Directors of the Company, as a body, and the Commerce Commission, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

The engagement partner on the assurance engagement resulting in this independent auditor's report is Elizabeth Adriana (Adri) Smit.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Elizabeth Adriana (Adri) Smit'.


Chartered Accountants  
25 August 2022

Christchurch, New Zealand

**5. Schedule 18: Certification for Year-End Disclosures****Clause 2.9.2**

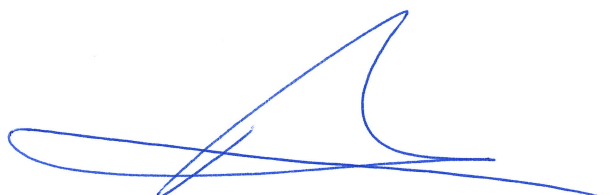
We, Douglas William Fraser and Peter William Moynihan, being directors of The Power Company Limited certify that, having made all reasonable enquiry, to the best of our knowledge-

- a) the information prepared for the purposes of clauses 2.3.1, 2.3.2, 2.4.21, 2.4.22, 2.5.1, 2.5.2, and 2.7.1 of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 in all material respects complies with that determination; and
- b) the historical information used in the preparation of Schedules 8, 9a, 9b, 9c, 9d, 9e, 10, and 14 has been properly extracted from The Power Company Limited's accounting and other records sourced from its financial and non-financial systems, and that sufficient appropriate records have been retained
- c) in respect of information concerning assets, costs and revenues valued or disclosed in accordance with clause 2.3.6 of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 and clauses 2.2.11(1)(g) and 2.2.11(5) of the Electricity Distribution Services Input Methodologies Determination 2012, we are satisfied that-
  - i. the costs and values of assets or goods or services acquired from a related party comply, in all material respects, with clauses 2.3.6(1) and 2.3.6(3) of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 and clauses 2.2.11(1)(g) and 2.2.11(5)(a)-2.2.11(5)(b) of the Electricity Distribution Services Input Methodologies Determination 2012; and
  - ii. the value of assets or goods or services sold or supplied to a related party comply, in all material respects, with clause 2.3.6(2) of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012.]



**Douglas William Fraser**

**24 August 2022**



**Peter William Moynihan**

**24 August 2022**

**Footnote:**

The Directors of The Power Company Limited note the amendment in respect to the Information Disclosure Exemption: Disclosure and auditing or reliability information within schedule 10, issued by the Commerce Commission on 17 May 2021 that has removed the auditor report requirements relating to the treatment of successive interruptions for reporting SAIDI, SAIFI, and interruptions, because of potential inconsistencies in treatment approaches across the industry.

Directors note that they do not appear to have been provided a similar exemption relating to treatment of successive interruptions regarding their certification. The information has been prepared on a basis consistent with the previous year's disclosure and The Power Company Limited has recorded successive interruptions, originating from the same cause, as single interruptions