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Dear Mr Anand

Re: Extension Request for Submission on Starting Price Adjustments - Update Paper

Thank you for your letter to Matthew Lewer, dated 14 April 2011, in which Horizon Energy requests an extension until 30 May 2011 to make its submission on the Update Paper.

The Commission scheduled a due date for submissions of 13 May 2011 and a due date for cross-submissions of 27 May 2011. The Commission scheduled these due dates in light of the tight statutory timeframe in which the Commission must make its decisions on starting price adjustments for electricity distribution businesses. The Commission does not have much flexibility to alter these due dates.

However, in the interest of allowing Horizon Energy (and other parties) adequate time to consider and make a submission on the Commission's proposed approach, the Commission has decided to extend the consultation period for submissions on the industry-wide input assumptions. The due dates for submissions and cross submissions on these input assumptions are now 23 May 2011 and 6 June 2011 respectively.

In addition, the Commission has decided to extend the due date for submissions on all other matters to 16 May 2011 and the due date for cross-submissions on all other matters to 30 May 2011.

Regarding your request for data and calculations used in deriving input assumptions for the Commission's model, this information is now available on the Commission's website <http://www.comcom.govt.nz/2010-2015-default-price-quality-path/>.

In the interest of transparency, I will publish your letter along with this response on the Commission's website.

Yours sincerely

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