



COMMERCE COMMISSION

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Mr Patrick Strange
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Dear Patrick

Re: Proposed staging of submission deadlines

Thank you for your letter dated 20 July 2010 proposing staged deadlines for submissions and cross-submissions on input methodologies and individual price quality path regulation for Transpower. The Commission has considered your request and is able to accommodate some of the additional time proposed.

In summary, the Commission is prepared to grant the 3 day extension requested for submissions on the Individual Price-Quality Path Draft Reasons Paper and the specified topics in the Input Methodologies Draft Reasons paper (cost allocation, asset valuation and treatment of taxation). There will, however, be no extension for cross-submissions on these matters. The Commission is also prepared to grant the 10 day extension requested for submissions and cross-submissions on the cost of capital input methodology and Draft Input Methodology Determination.

The revised deadlines are therefore as follows:

Revised Submission Deadline	Subject
Monday 9 August (3 day extension)	Submissions on the following subjects: Input Methodologies Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost Allocation • Asset Valuation • Treatment of Taxation Individual Price-Quality Path Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form of Control • Operating Expenditure • Capital Expenditure • Quality Standards/Incentive Regime • All other matters not specified for the extension to 16 August

Monday 16 August (10 day extension)	Submissions on the following subjects: Input Methodologies Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Capital Input Methodologies Determination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting suggestions on Commerce Act (Transpower Input Methodologies) Draft Determination
Monday 23 August (no extension)	Cross submissions on matters submitted on 9 August: Input Methodologies Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost Allocation • Asset Valuation • Treatment of Taxation Individual Price-Quality Path Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form of Control • Operating Expenditure • Capital Expenditure • Quality Standards/Incentive Regime • All other matters not specified for the cross-submission extension 2 September 2010
Thursday 2 September (10 day extension)	Cross Submissions on: Input Methodologies Draft Reasons Paper: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Capital Input Methodologies Determination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting suggestions on Commerce Act (Transpower Input Methodologies) Draft Determination

Yours sincerely



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Acting Chair