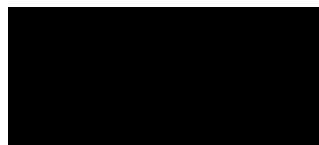


## **Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Firstlight Catastrophic Event) Amendment Determination 2025**

**[2025] NZCC 12**

**The Commission:** Vhari McWha  
Dr Derek Johnston  
Nathan Strong

**Date of decision:** 26 June 2025



Dated at Wellington this 26th day of June 2025

COMMERCE COMMISSION

Wellington, New Zealand

<b>Determination history</b>		
<b>Determination date</b>	<b>Decision number</b>	<b>Determination name</b>
27 November 2019	[2019] NZCC 21	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path Determination 2020 [2019] NZCC 21
30 March 2020	[2020] NZCC 3	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Definition of discount) Amendments Determination 2020 [2020] NZCC 3
26 November 2020	[2020] NZCC 25	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Wellington Electricity transition) Amendments Determination 2020 [2020] NZCC 25
17 December 2020	[2020] NZCC 28	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Aurora quality standard variation) Amendments Determination 2020 [2020] NZCC 28
4 March 2022	[2022] NZCC 2	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Unison unforeseeable major capex project) Amendment Determination 2022 [2022] NZCC 2
30 November 2022	[2022] NZCC 25	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Powerco transition) Amendments Determination 2022 [2022] NZCC 25
1 March 2023	[2023] NZCC 3	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Compliance Statement Due Date) Amendment Determination 2023
10 November 2023	[2023] NZCC 29	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Innovation Project Allowance Approval Criteria) Amendment Determination 2023
8 August 2024	[2024] NZCC 13	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Wellington Electricity Lines Limited Unforeseeable Major Capex Projects) Amendment Determination 2024
19 September 2024	[2024] NZCC 20	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Unison Networks Limited Unforeseeable Major Capex Project) Amendment Determination 2024
26 June 2025	[2025] NZCC 12	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Firstlight Catastrophic Event) Amendment Determination 2025

[Drafting notes:

- This amendment determination amends the Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path Determination 2020 [2019] NZCC 21 to specify a catastrophic event allowance for Firstlight Network Limited to provide for a catastrophic event.
- The included amendments which are secondary legislation are made under section 52P of the Commerce Act 1986.]

## Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Firstlight Catastrophic Event) Amendment Determination 2025

Under section 52P of the Commerce Act 1986 (**Act**), the Commerce Commission makes the following determination:

### 1. TITLE

- 1.1 This determination is the Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Firstlight Catastrophic Event) Amendment Determination 2025.

### 2. DETERMINATION AMENDED

- 2.1 This determination amends the Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path Determination 2020 [2019] NZCC 21 (**principal determination**).

### 3. COMMENCEMENT AND APPLICATION

- 3.1 This determination comes into force on 27 June 2025, the day after notice is given in the New Zealand Gazette under the Legislation Act 2019.
- 3.2 Without limiting clause 3.1, amendments to the **principal determination** apply for the DPP regulatory period from 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2025.

### 4. PRINCIPAL DETERMINATION AMENDMENTS

- 4.1 After paragraph (5) of Schedule 2.1 of the **principal determination**, insert:

“(6) the catastrophic event allowance, specified in accordance with clauses 4.5.7 and 3.1.3(1)(m) of the **IM determination**, is as specified in Table 2.1.1:

**Table 2.1.1: Catastrophic event allowance**

Non-exempt EDB	Assessment period				
	(\$000)				
	Ending 31 March 2021	Ending 31 March 2022	Ending 31 March 2023	Ending 31 March 2024	Ending 31 March 2025
Firstlight Network Limited	-	-	-	-	1,381

## Explanatory note

This note is not part of the determination but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This is secondary legislation issued under the authority of the <a href="#">Legislation Act 2019</a> .	
Title	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path (Firstlight Catastrophic Event) Amendment Determination 2025
Principal or amendment	Amendment
Consolidated version	No
Empowering Act and provisions	Commerce Act 1986  Section 52P
Replacement empowering Act and provisions	Not applicable
Maker name	Commerce Commission
Administering agency	Commerce Commission
Date made	26 June 2025
Publication date	26 June 2025
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Commencement date	27 June 2025
End date (when applicable)	Not applicable
Consolidation as at date	Not applicable
Related instruments	Electricity Distribution Services Default Price-Quality Path Determination 2020 [2019] NZCC 21