

DECEMBER MEETING – 2024

Date: Thursday 5 December 2024

Time: 1.20pm – 5.00pm

MC: Jen Nolan – At Large

Venue: [Te Wharewaka o Pōneke](#)

2 Taranaki Street, Wellington
Central (on the Whairepo lagoon,
near Te Papa) and online

Agenda

1.00pm **Doors open:** Registration and networking – tea and coffee

1.20pm **Introduction:** Welcome from the MC
Jen Nolan – *director, At Large*

1.25pm **Gas supply update**

Declining gas availability has produced some exceptional challenges over the past six years, with winter 2024 just the latest chapter. What went right and what went wrong in 2024 and what is the outlook into 2025 and beyond?

John Kidd – *director, head of research, Enerlytica*

1.45pm **Latest seasonal outlook**

Nick Zachar, a specialist energy and long-range forecaster for MetService, will deliver the latest seasonal outlook for the New Zealand energy market. He will touch on global climate drivers, local climate drivers, and their likely impact on seasonal New Zealand temperature and rainfall.

Nick Zachar – *lead meteorologist, MetService*

2.10pm **Security of Supply outlook**

In late September Transpower published its latest Security of Supply outlook, providing an assessment into 2025 based on the latest Electricity Risks Curves and several other key inputs. By December Transpower will have had a couple more iterations of ERCs to give us the most up-to-date assessment for 2025 and a look back at lessons learned from Winter/Spring 2024.

Ramu Naidoo – *market operations manager, Transpower*

2.35pm **Where to now? Ranking options for managing dry year risk against declining gas supplies**

The rapid and unexpected decline in gas reserves and production raises many questions about security, and management of dry year risk in particular. This talk describes and ranks scenarios which could feasibly get us through the next decade or more.

Greg Sise – *managing director, Energy Link*

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3.00pm **Afternoon networking break**

Tea, coffee, and a snack

3.30pm **Market Update | Futures – electricity**

Chris Pugh – *product development & sales, ASX*

3.40pm **Bridging the gap with fast LNG import capability**

This presentation raises awareness of the strategic potential of a unique 'insurance', which could improve energy security with fast, modular, and mature floating gas to grid technology.

Flagon B Bekker – *managing director, Transition 3energy*

3.55pm **Ministry for the Environment ETS Update**

Susan Baas – *manager market assurance and operations (climate change), Ministry for the Environment*

4.05pm **Panel | Developing new flex products**

The increasing interest in and deployment of Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) solutions in Aotearoa is providing opportunities in the market for new flexibility products. The market for grid-scale storage is maturing while flexibility products more broadly are being explored to support a highly renewable market – what can the market expect going forward?

Presenters and panelists:

Sam Turner – *market & portfolio analytics manager, Contact*

Tim Boyce – *head of wholesale markets, Contact*

Jo Goudie – *principal analyst – policy – wholesale markets, Electricity Authority*

Michael Richardson – *flexibility services manager, Transpower*

Facilitated by: **Toby Stevenson** – *consulting director, Sapere Research Group*

5.00pm **Networking drinks**

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