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Dear Victoria

Submission on Gas Disruption Study

Genesis Energy Limited welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission to the Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment ("the MBIE") on the consultation paper "Gas Disruption Study" dated January 2014.

Overall, we found the consultation paper provided useful insight and contextual information for industry participants who may be impacted by gas disruption. However, it is not clear to us what the desired outcome you are seeking in producing the paper, or how MBIE intends to use it in the future.

It is important for MBIE to understand how, and to what extent, gas disruption will impact the New Zealand economy. This paper is a good start in providing valuable contextual information for this understanding. But more generally, we suggest that MBIE needs to engage more frequently with industry to stay on top of market developments that are affected by, or that may affect the severity of, gas disruption. For example, industry decisions on thermal generation development, and Tiwai point, will result in different market dynamics and market needs. In turn, these decisions will lead to different market scenario settings. We consider that MBIE needs to maintain an active watch on these type of issues.

If you would like to discuss any of these matters further, please contact me on 04 495 6357.

Yours sincerely



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