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A day trek from the Grand Chateau, Tongariro National Park

# Natural New Zealand – 70% Renewable Electricity Supply



Efficient

Industry Interests
•Profits
•Risk management
•Growth

Government Interests
•Public Good
•Infrastructure investment
•Security
•Economic efficiency
•Protection of employment
•Sustainable development

Customer Interests •Fair Price •Reliability •Quality •Freedom to choose

Market

Macro economic issues arising from supply constraints

- > New Zealand's electricity outlook
  - Energy constraints
  - Transmission constraints
  - Other significant factors
- Implications for the national economy
- > The role of demand response

# Energy constraints - key issues

- Reducing supply of primary energy
- Increasing demand
- Reduced security and higher prices
- Increased consenting and compliance process
- Carbon emission legislation, emissions trading and levies
- Increased Government intervention and regulation
- Increased uncertainty and risk for investors
  - Electricity suppliers
  - Industrial and commercial consumers

# Gas – proven and probable production



# One view of New Zealand's future electricity generation



### Electricity demand growth



### Electricity spot-price forecast

(Mean hydro inflows, rolling annual average Haywards price, c/kwh)















Implications for the national economy – the bleak view

- Reducing investor confidence leading to:
  - Existing businesses relocating
  - New businesses locating elsewhere
- New Zealand remains a commodity exporter rather than becoming an added value economy
- > Knowledge and experience drain accelerates
- Higher costs and risks associated with primary energy exploration leading to difficulties attracting supply-side investment
- > Eventual Government investment in major infrastructure and generation projects

## Implications for the national economy – the bright view

- New Zealand maintains its clean green image developing fair, efficient and sustainable use of its resources
- Development of a knowledge and experience base in efficient energy use, demand response and efficient systems management
- > Development of macro demand management techniques:
  - Optimum location of new industries
  - Holistic approach to resource management
  - Efficient infrastructure investment
  - Emissions trading expertise and opportunities
- > Demand response fully utilised to provide efficient use of infrastructure
- Energy efficiency fully utilised to provide sustainable resource use
- > New efficient technologies can be introduce incrementally

# Role of demand response

- It is certain that developing major supply side projects will become increasingly difficult.
- > The a key option is to increase efficiency and manage demand.
- > The only question is when will we do this:

### Summary

New Zealand's energy infrastructure is getting old and serious investment is required if projected growth rates of energy demand occur.

- > Our transmission lines are reaching full capacity in many regions
- > Many of our distribution networks are in need of refurbishment and upgrade.
- We are uncertain where the fuel for our power stations will come from and where the power stations will be located.

Given this uncertainty it is prudent to consider demand-side management as a means of managing supply security risk and providing additional 'free' capacity.

Under the direction of the GPS and to promote the achievement of NEECS goals the role of DSM must be fully explored. It is clear that for DSM to emerge as a credible solution there is a need for a leader and facilitator of DSM opportunities.



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