

Received on 27 January 2011

24 January 2011

Catherine Schofield Fund Management Ministry for the Environment

Dear Mrs Schofield

Re: Annual Emission Reduction Reports

Please find enclosed Meridian Energy Limited's Annual Emission Reduction Reports for 2010 for Te Apiti and While Hill due for submission to the Ministry for the Environment by 31 January 2011.

If you require any further information or have any questions please contact me on 03 353 9555.

Kind regards

Stuart Sutherland

Wholesale Services and Compliance Manager - Markets and Production

Email stuart.sutherland@meridianenergy.co.nz

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White Hill Wind Farm 2010 Annual Emission Reduction Report

1 Background

This report fulfils the reporting obligations set out in the Project Agreement between Meridian and the Crown dated 9 May 2005.

2 The Project

White Hill is located six kilometres south-east of Mossburn in Southland and is sited on an area of mostly forestry land approximately eight kilometres by three kilometres.

It was fully commissioned in October 2007. Twenty-nine 2MW turbines at White Hill generate enough electricity for 30,000 average homes and the wind farm connects directly to the local area network owned by The Power Company and operated by PowerNet.



Key dates during the development and construction of White Hill Wind Farm		
Project announced and public consultation commenced	September 2004	
Resource consents granted	December 2004	
Karakia and construction commencement ceremonies	March 2006	
Emission reductions and electricity generation commence	8 June 2007	
Official opening by Prime Minister	8 June 2007	
Wind farm fully commissioned	1 October 2007	



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3 Emissions generated – 2010 calendar year

The emissions generated have been assessed using the methodology of Schedule 2 – Methodology for Determining Emission Reductions, of the Project Agreement dated 9 May 2005.

This schedule requires that Meridian records the quantities of petrol and diesel used in the construction of the project, and the quantities of cement, iron, steel and aluminium introduced into the project during the construction and operation of the project.

The White Hill wind farm was operational during the 2010 calendar year. Emissions from sources other than cement, iron, steel and aluminium will be reported in Meridian's GHG Inventory which is prepared on a financial year basis.

There were no emissions generated on site at White Hill wind farm in 2010 from cement, iron, steel or aluminium.

Emissions generated – 2010 calendar year (operational emissions)			
Material	Quantity	Emission factor ¹	Emissions generated
Diesel	10,802 litres	0.00271 tCO₂e/litre	Not required to be reported
Petrol	0 litres	0.00232 tCO₂e/litre	Not required to be reported
Iron and steel imported	15 tonnes	0 tCO₂e/tonne	0 tCO₂e
Iron and steel produced in New Zealand	0 tonnes	2.01 tCO₂e/tonne	0 tCO₂e
Aluminium imported	0 tonnes	0 tCO₂e/tonne	0 tCO ₂ e
Aluminium produced in New Zealand	0 tonnes	1.62 tCO₂e/tonne	0 tCO₂e
Cement	0 tonnes	0.46 tCO₂e/tonne	0 tCO₂e
Total operational emissions generated 2010			0 tCO₂e

4 Electricity exported – 2010 calendar year

This table shows the total electricity exported from White Hill wind farm in 2010 as recorded at the Grid Injection Point by NZX Limited.

Revenue Meter	kWh	
Total electricity generated (kWh)	182,364,366	

¹ Emission factor as prescribed in Schedule 2 of the Project Agreement



Appendix 1 sets out the generation from each turbine and a combined generation total of 193,858,609 kWh. The total electricity output of the Project as measured by the Revenue Meter is 11,494,243 kWh less than this combined total because the revenue meter output incorporates generation losses. Generation losses include wind farm distribution losses (i.e. cables between turbines), transformer losses, and local service supply at the White Hill substation. This is within expected limits.

There is no other generation that is not part of the project that flows through the above meters.

5 Emission reductions generated – 2010 calendar year

The table below sets out the emission reduction units generated by the project to date. This is calculated using the methodology prescribed in Schedule 2 of the Project Agreement.

Element	Annual Production	Factor	t CO ₂ -e
Total electricity generation (GWh)	182.364366 GWh	625 tCO ₂ /GWh	113,977.73
		Less operational emissions	0
Less other generation not part of the project, recorded by the meters (GWh)	0 GWh		0
		Net emission reductions generated for the 2010 calendar year	113,977.73

6 Emission units claimed – 2010 calendar year

113,977.73 net emission reductions x $0.89^2 = 101,440$ Emission Units claimed.

Meridian claims 101,440 ERUs for the 2010 calendar year.

7 How the generation is measured

The total electricity generated is recorded at the Grid Injection Point by NZX Limited.

Appendix 2 contains "a report which verifies the total electricity generated from the Project and injected into the national transmission system in that Year by the person responsible for the reconciliation of electricity injected into and taken from electricity networks in New Zealand or any other person authorised to administer and certify the reconciliation of such data by that person".

² Ratio specified as C in clause 5.1 of the Project Agreement



Appendix 3 contains evidence that the metering and recording equipment has been certified as compliant by a reputable, independent quality assurance service provider.

8 Statements

As at 31 December 2010, nothing has, or has the potential, to be an impediment to achieving the agreed emission reductions during the first commitment period.

This report:

- has been prepared using the methodology of Schedule 2 Methodology for Determining Emission Reductions, of the Project Agreement dated 9 May 2005.
- meets all other requirements of Schedule 4 Contents for Annual Reports, of the Project Agreement dated 9 May 2005.

Signature:

Name:

Stuart Sutherland

Position:

Wholesale Services and Compliance Manager

Date:

24 January 2011



9 Unit Transfer Details

1	Project name:	Project White Hill
2	Name of the project developer:	Meridian Energy Limited
3	Project ID:	NZ - 1000002
4	Calendar year for which units are being transferred:	2010
5	Participant's account identifier:	NZ-1024
6	Quantity of units:	101,440
7	Type of units:	ERUs



Appendix 1

 $\label{eq:continuous} Generation for each turbine - 2010 \\ (This data is generated by the Vestas Online database)$

Park Unit	Actual Output (WTG counter) kWh
WHL12	6,831,915
WHL13	6,675,934
WHL14	6,524,418
WHL15	7,169,400
WHL16	7,276,920
WHL17	7,142,528
WHL21	6,194,878
WHL22	7,062,645
WHL23	6,352,138
WHL24	6,809,892
WHL25	7,375,639
WHL31	6,186,114
WHL32	6,415,412
WHL33	6,060,220
WHL34	5,602,704
WHL41	6,667,685
WHL42	7,032,920
WHL43	7,249,632
WHL44	6,834,570
WHL45	6,747,878
WHL46	6,775,670
WHL47	7,213,740
WHL51	5,567,845
WHL52	6,295,136
WHL53	6,452,976
WHL54	6,428,081
WHL55	7,121,655
WHL56	7,030,867
WHL11	6,759,197
Total	193,858,609



Appendix 2

Letter from NZX Limited confirming net generation from the White Hill wind farm.





19 January 2011

Amy Cooper Meridian Energy Limited P O Box 2128 Christchurch

Dear Amy

The White Hills generation for the 2010 calendar year

The reconciliation manager wishes to advise Meridian Energy Limited, that the total generation recorded for the calendar year of 2010 for White Hills was 182,364,366 kWhs. The volume reported is net generation, i.e. injection quantities less any load at White Hills as supplied by Meridian Energy to the reconciliation manager.

If you have any questions regarding this letter please call me on 04 498 0044.

Yours sincerely

Zane Doran

For and on behalf of

The reconciliation manager



Appendix 3

The metering equipment is certified in accordance with the Electricity Governance Rules 2003.

The certificates for the White Hill meters follow.

TRANSFIELD SERVICES

Meter Test House



CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

(Component Only)

Certificate Number: TSL 101408M

Reference Number:

34013

Installation Name:

White Hills Wind Farm

Equipment Certified:

METER: Power Measurement / ION 7650

Serial Number(s):

PJ-0611A329-01

Calibration Report No.:

CMR12594

Conditions of Issue:

Nil

This certifies that the above metering equipment has been calibrated in accordance with the Electricity Governance Rules.

Issue Date: 20/05/2010

Signatory:

Expires:

20/05/2013

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Electronically Created by: Godfrey Dube on 01/07/2010





Meter Test House



CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Certificate Number: TSL 101409

Reference Number:

34013

Installation Name:

White Hills Wind Farm

Equipment Certified:

Metering Installation

Component Information:

Component:

Serial No.:

Certification No.

METER

PJ-0611A329-01

TSL 101408M

CT VT

0693106, 0693105, 0693104 0690324, 0690325, 0690326 34013C 34013V

Conditions of Issue:

Nil

Installation Category:

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This certifies that the above metering equipment has been calibrated in accordance with the Electricity Governance Rules.

Issue Date:

20/05/2010

Signatory:

Expires:

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