

Te Apiti Wind Farm 2011 Annual Emission Reduction Report

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1 Background

This report fulfils the reporting obligations set out in the 2003 Project Agreement between Meridian and the Crown.

2 The project

The 90 MW Te Apiti wind farm is located on Saddle Road north of the Manawatu Gorge. It is situated across 1,150 ha of farmland owned by four separate land owners including Meridian. The 55 turbines each have a capacity of 1.65 MW. The generation output is fed directly into the national grid. The electricity generated from the site is sufficient to generate electricity for approximately 45,000 average homes.



| Key dates during the development and construction of Te Apiti Wind Farm | | |
|---|------------------|--|
| Project announced and public consultation commenced | 8 May 2003 | |
| Resource consent applications lodged | 20 June 2003 | |
| Resource consents granted with no appeals | 4 September 2003 | |
| Karakia and construction commencement ceremonies | 7 November 2003 | |
| First turbine erected | 27 May 2004 | |
| First power | July 2004 | |
| Full power | November 2004 | |
| Official opening by Prime Minister | 9 December 2004 | |



3 Emissions generated – 2011 calendar year

The emissions generated have been assessed using the methodology of Schedule 2 – Methodology for Determining Emission Reductions, of the PRE 2 Project Agreements.

Emissions generated on-site at Te Apiti Wind Farm in 2011 comprise 14.6661 tCO₂e from diesel and petrol used in vehicles for site operation and maintenance.

| Emissions generated – 2011 calendar year (operational emissions) | | | |
|--|--------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Material | Quantity | Emission factor ¹ | Emissions generated |
| Diesel | 4,590 litres | 0.00271 tCO ₂ e/litre | 12.4389 tCO ₂ e |
| Petrol | 960 litres | 0.00232 tCO ₂ e/litre | 2.2272 tCO ₂ e |
| Iron and steel imported | 79 tonnes | 0 tCO₂e/tonne | 0 tCO ₂ e |
| Iron and steel produced in New Zealand | 0 tonnes | 2.01 tCO₂e/tonne | 0 tCO ₂ e |
| Aluminium imported | 0 tonnes | 0 tCO₂e/tonne | 0 tCO ₂ e |
| Aluminium produced in New Zealand | 0 tonnes | 1.62 tCO ₂ e/tonne | 0 tCO ₂ e |
| Cement | 0 tonnes | 0.46 tCO ₂ e/tonne | 0 tCO ₂ e |
| Total operational emissions generated 2011 | | | 14.6661 tCO ₂ e |

4 Electricity exported – 2011 calendar year

This table shows the total electricity exported by the Te Apiti wind farm in 2011 as recorded at the Grid Injection Point by NZX Limited.

| Revenue Meter | kWh |
|---|---------------|
| Total electricity exported 2011 (kWh) | 292,387,157 |
| Total eligible generation 2011 ² (kWh) | 292,387,157 |
| Total eligible generation 2010 ² (kWh) | 272,824,901 |
| Total eligible generation 2009 ² (kWh) | 317,892,555 |
| Total eligible generation 2008 ² (kWh) | 305,114,802 |
| Total eligible generation to date over the commitment period (kWh) ² | 1,188,219,415 |

¹ Emission factor as prescribed in Schedule 2

² As required in Section 7.1 b i of the Project Agreement.



Appendix 1 sets out the generation from each turbine and a combined generation total of 301,628,099 kWh. The total electricity output of the Project as measured by the Revenue Meter is 9,240,942 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, transmission losses, and local service supply at the Te Apiti substation. This is within expected limits.

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

Meridian expects to generate the full amount of Eligible Generation during the commitment period.

5 Emission reductions generated – 2011 calendar year

The table below sets out the emission reductions generated by the project for the 2011 calendar year.

| Element | Annual Production | Factor | t CO ₂ -e |
|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|
| Total electricity generation (GWh) | 292.387157 GWh | 440 tCO ₂ /GWh ³ | 128,650.35 |
| | | Less operational emissions | 14.6661 |
| Less other generation not part of the project, recorded by the meters (GWh) | 0 GWh | | 0 |
| | | Net emission reductions generated for the 2011 calendar year | 128,635.68 |

Appendix 2 shows the emission reductions that will be reported to the Dutch Government based on the emission reduction calculation methodologies of the ERUPT 3 Contract.

6 Emission Units claimed

Meridian claimed 120,000 ERUs for the 2010 calendar year in January 2011 as set out in clause 6.1 of the Project Agreement. These have been transferred to Meridian Energy via the New Zealand Emission Unit Register.

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³ Crown's risk weighted emission factor



How the generation is measured

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

Appendix 3 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".

Appendix 4 contains evidence that the metering and recording equipment has been certified as compliant by a reputable, independent quality assurance service provider.

7 Purchasers of Emission Reduction Units (ERUs)

As required in the Project Agreement⁴, a summary of all sales contracts for Kyoto Compliant Emission Units and the rights to any additional emissions abatements that Meridian has entered into since the Effective Date and up to the end of 2011 relating to the emissions abatement brought about by the Te Apiti wind farm during the commitment period follows.

| Summary of sales contracts | | | |
|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
| Vintage Year | Purchaser | Type and number of units | Delivery schedule |
| 2008 - 2012 | SenterNovem through ERUPT3 (delivery address TBA) | 530,000 ERUs | 5 equal tranches of 106,000 units from 2009 - 2013 |

⁴ Project Agreement Section 7.1 b vi



8 Statements

As at 31 December 2011, 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 in accordance with the Project Agreement dated 17 December 2003.
- Has been prepared using the methodology of Schedule 2 Measurement of Emission Reductions (except where detailed in this report) of the Projects to Reduce Emissions Project Agreements.

Signature:

Name:

Stuart Sutherland

Position:

Wholesale Services Manager

Date:

25 January 2012



9 Unit Transfer Details

| 1 | Project name: | Te Apiti Wind Farm |
|---|--|-------------------------|
| 2 | Name of the project developer: | Meridian Energy Limited |
| 3 | Project ID: | NZ - 1000001 |
| 4 | Calendar year for which units are being transferred: | 2011 |
| 5 | Participant's account identifier: | NZ-1024 |
| 6 | Quantity of units: | 120,000 |
| 7 | Type of units: | ERUs |



Generation for each turbine – 2011 (This data is generated by the Vestas Windman database)

| Park Unit | Actual Output (WTG counter) kWh | Park Unit | Actual Output (WTG counter) kWh |
|-----------|---------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
| TAP01 | 5,978,707 | TAP29 | 5,350,363 |
| TAP02 | 6,279,631 | TAP30 | 5,049,193 |
| TAP03 | 6,067,538 | TAP31 | 5,846,698 |
| TAP04 | 5,068,714 | TAP32 | 5,911,628 |
| TAP05 | 5,400,984 | TAP33 | 5,477,490 |
| TAP06 | 6,236,539 | TAP34 | 5,124,723 |
| TAP07 | 6,187,101 | TAP35 | 6,846,956 |
| TAP08 | 4,909,662 | TAP36 | 5,864,546 |
| TAP09 | 5,502,259 | TAP37 | 6,779,102 |
| TAP10 | 5,580,641 | TAP38 | 5,441,200 |
| TAP11 | 5,549,198 | TAP39 | 4,697,846 |
| TAP12 | 6,370,374 | TAP40 | 4,682,188 |
| TAP13 | 5,829,854 | TAP41 | 4,311,654 |
| TAP14 | 5,965,431 | TAP42 | 5,032,022 |
| TAP15 | 5,712,999 | TAP43 | 5,572,912 |
| TAP16 | 5,435,504 | TAP44 | 5,569,488 |
| TAP17 | 5,894,346 | TAP45 | 5,915,293 |
| TAP18 | 5,206,904 | TAP46 | 5,950,706 |
| TAP19 | 6,790,982 | TAP47 | 5,503,701 |
| TAP20 | 7,105,520 | TAP48 | 5,230,594 |
| TAP21 | 5,485,499 | TAP49 | 5,691,764 |
| TAP22 | 4,552,151 | TAP50 | 5,594,828 |
| TAP23 | 3,768,366 | TAP51 | 4,878,075 |
| TAP24 | 4,080,740 | TAP52 | 5,185,491 |
| TAP25 | 5,416,202 | TAP53 | 4,277,228 |
| TAP26 | 5,446,173 | TAP54 | 4,171,301 |
| TAP27 | 5,046,016 | TAP55 | 5,174,072 |
| TAP28 | 5,629,002 | Total | 301,628,099 |



Emission Reduction Calculations for ERUPT.

| Electricity and emission reduction units generated based on Electricity Emission Factor as per validated PDD 2011 calendar year | |
|--|------------------------------|
| Total electricity generation | 292.387157 GWh |
| 2011 Electricity Emission Factor as per the validated PDD | 591 tCO₂/GWh |
| Gross emission reductions generated | 172,800.810 tCO ₂ |
| Less total emissions | 14.6661 tCO ₂ |
| Total emission reductions generated | 172,786 tCO ₂ |
| Emission reduction units claimed from New Zealand Government for 2011 calendar year | 120,000 ERUs |



Report from NZX Limited confirming net generation from Te Apiti wind farm.





12 January 2012

Stuart Sutherland Meridian Energy Limited P O Box 2128 Christchurch

Dear Stuart

The Te Apiti generation for the 2011 calendar year

The reconciliation manager wishes to advise Meridian Energy Limited, that the total generation recorded for the calendar year of 2011 for Te Apiti was 292,387,157 kWhs. The volume reported is net generation, i.e. injection quantities less any load at Te Apiti 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



Metering equipment certification

TRANSFIELD

SERVICES

Meter Test House



CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

(Component Only)

Certificate Number: TSL 101434M

Reference Number:

14971

Installation Name:

Te Apiti Wind Farm

Meridian's Te Apiti Wind Farm

Palmerston North

Equipment Certified:

METER: Ion; 7600

Serial Number(s):

PL-0402A137-01

Calibration Report No.:

CMR12653

Conditions of Issue:

Nil

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

Issue Date: 21/07/2010

Signatory:

Expires: 21/07/2013

Malcolm Houre

for TSL E&T Meter Test House

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Electronically Created by: Godfrey Dube on

22/07/2010









CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

Certificate Number: TSL 101435

Reference Number:

14971

Installation Name:

Te Apiti Wind Farm

Meridian's Te Apiti Wind Farm

Palmerston North

Equipment Certified:

Metering Installation

Component Information:

Component:

Serial No .:

Certification No.

METER CT

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TSL 101434M 14971C

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14971V

Conditions of Issue:

Installation Category:

Nil

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

Issue Date:

21/07/2010

Expires:

21/07/2013

Signatory:

Malcolm Hoare

for TSL E&T Meter Test House

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22/07/2010