



10 November 2016

Notice of issue of Options to acquire Ordinary Shares under Employee Equity Scheme

The following information is provided in accordance with NZSX Listing Rule 7.12.1:

Issuer	Contact Energy Limited
Class of securities issued	Options to acquire ordinary shares, including cash exercise options (Options), Performance Share Rights (PSRs) and Deferred Share Rights (DSRs)
ISIN	NZCENE0001S6
Number of securities issued	1,157,407 Options; 285,054 PSRs; 345,720 DSRs
Issue price	No consideration is payable for the issue of the Options, PSRs or DSRs The Options have a set exercise price of \$4.9792 The PSRs and DSRs have a set exercise price of \$0
Payment in cash	Not Applicable
Any amount paid up (if not in full)	Not Applicable
Percentage of total class of securities issued	If Options, PSRs and DSRs exercised and converted into Ordinary Shares, 0.25% of Contact Energy Limited Ordinary Shares
Reasons for the issue	Issue of Options, PSRs and DSRs pursuant to the Contact Energy Limited Employee Equity Scheme
Specific authority for the issue	Resolution of Directors
Terms or details of the issue	Issue of Options, PSRs and DSRs pursuant to the Contact Energy Limited Employee Equity Scheme. Options, PSRs and DSRs can be exercised subject to the attainment of exercise hurdles and, other than in exceptional circumstances, continued employment of the participating employee at the relevant test date(s).
Total number of securities of the class in existence after the issue	12,136,285 Options; 576,886 PSRs; 650,546 DSRs
Date of issue	10 November 2016

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