

Monthly Operating Report

October 2019

October overview

For the month of October 2019

- » The Customer business recorded:
 - Mass market electricity and gas sales of 379 GWh (October 2018: 360 GWh)
 - Mass market electricity and gas netback of \$87.32/MWh (October 2018: \$90.48/MWh)
- » The Wholesale business recorded:

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- Contracted Wholesale electricity sales, including that sold to the Customer business, totalled 644 GWh (October 2018: 710 GWh)
- Electricity and steam net revenue of \$73.02/MWh (October 2018: \$77.91/MWh)
- Electricity generated (or acquired) of 703 GWh (October 2018: 835 GWh)
- The unit generation cost, which includes acquired generation was \$38.05/MWh (October 2018: \$36.47/MWh)
 - Own generation cost in the month of \$34.77/MWh (October 2018: \$33.30/MWh)

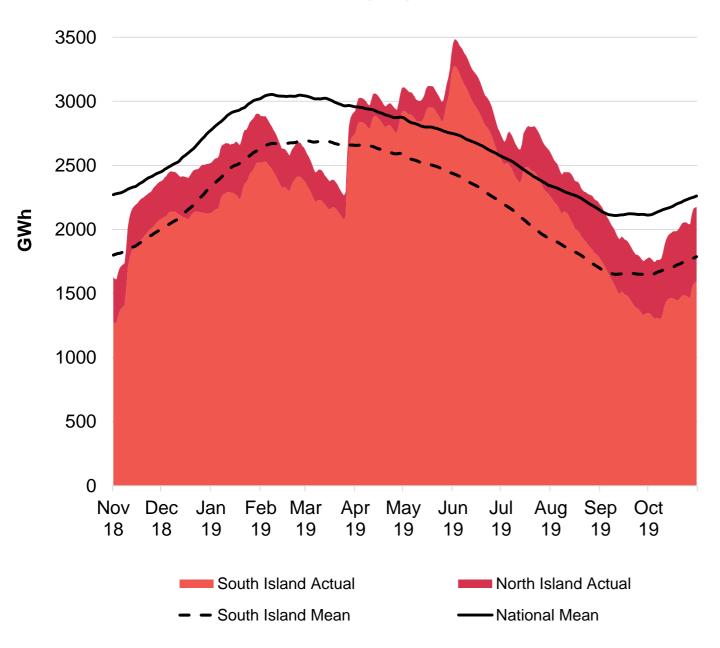
- » Otahuhu futures settlement wholesale price for the 1st quarter of 2020 (ASX):
 - As at 8 November 2019: \$146/MWh
 - As at 31 October 2019: \$142/MWh
 - As at 30 September 2019: \$158/MWh
- » As at 11 November 2019, South Island controlled storage was 105% of mean (31 October 2019: 89%) and North Island controlled storage was 122% of mean (31 October 2019: 123%)
 - As at 11 October 2019, total Clutha scheme storage (including uncontrolled storage) was 80% of mean
 - Inflows into Contact's Clutha catchment for October 2019 were 92% of mean (September 2019: 52%, August 2019: 74%, July 2019: 145%)



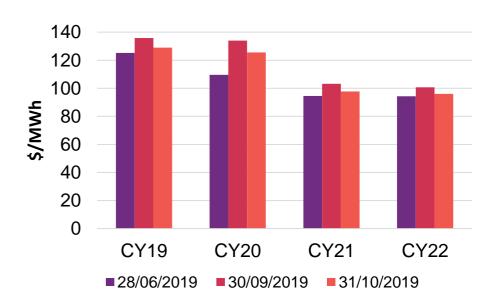
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Hydro storage and forward prices

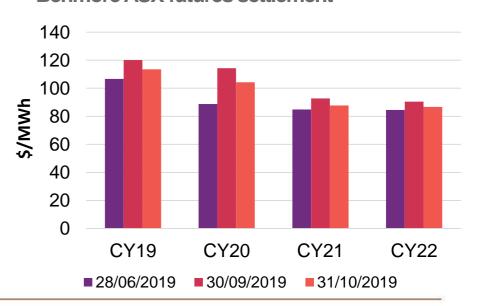
New Zealand controlled hydro storage against mean



Otahuhu ASX futures settlement



Benmore ASX futures settlement

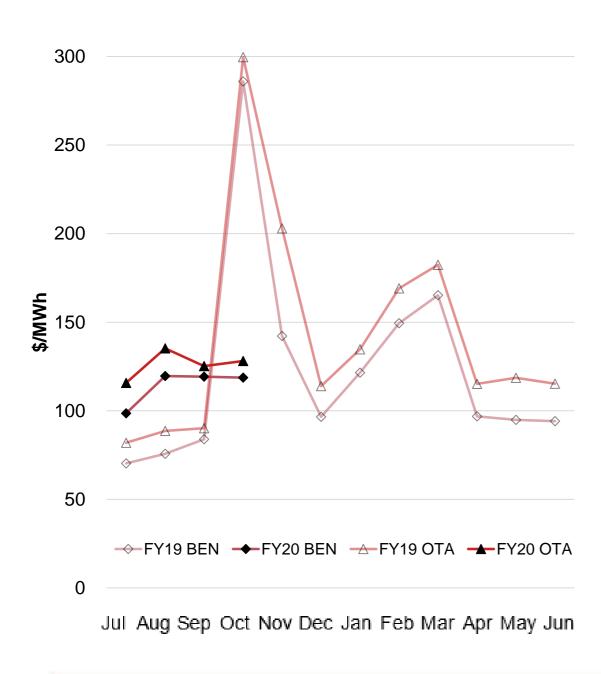




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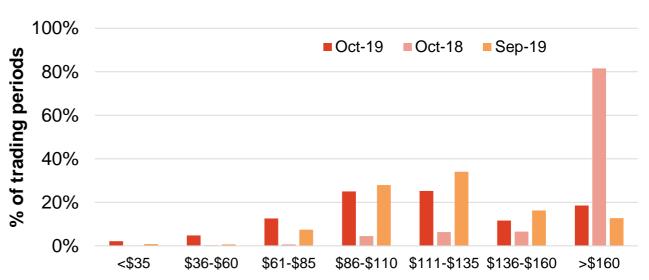
Wholesale market

Wholesale electricity pricing

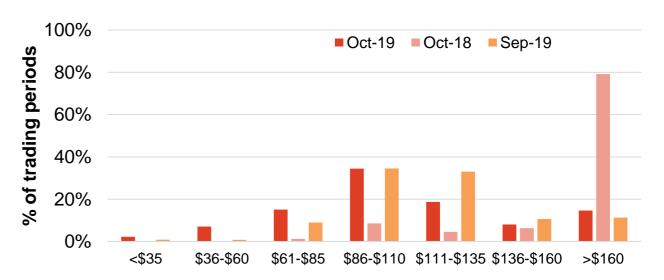


Distribution of wholesale market price by trading periods

Otahuhu node



Benmore node

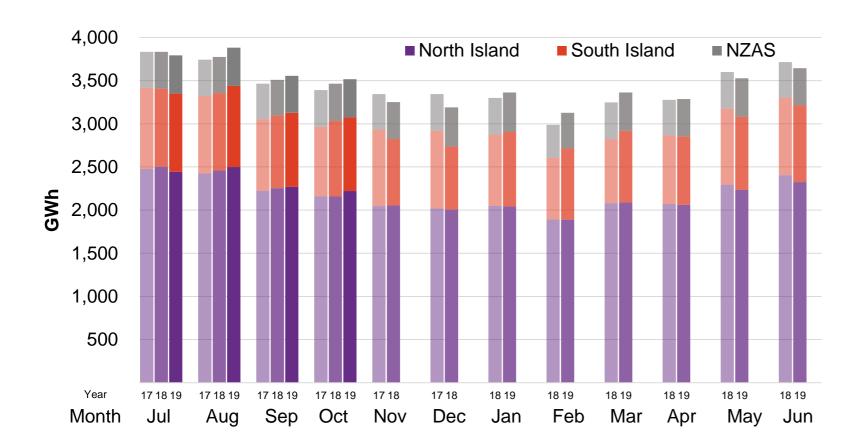




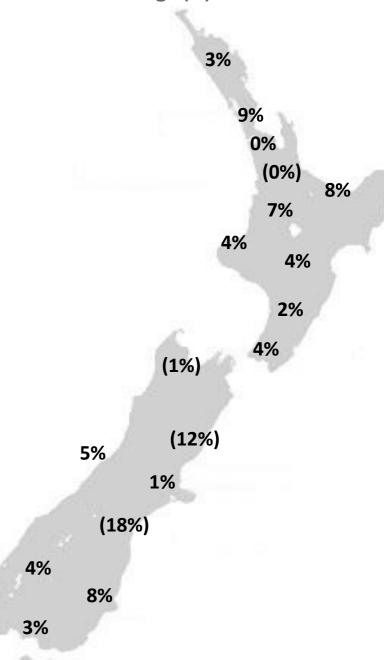
Electricity demand

- » New Zealand electricity demand was up 1.5% on October 2018 (up 3.7% on October 2017):
 - Cumulative 12 months demand for November 2018 to October 2019 of 41,503 GWh is up by 0.2% on the prior comparative period.

Total national demand (FY18, 19 and 20)



Regional demand change (%) on October 2018



Source: Contact and Electricity Authority grid demand (reconciled) http://www.emi.ea.govt.nz

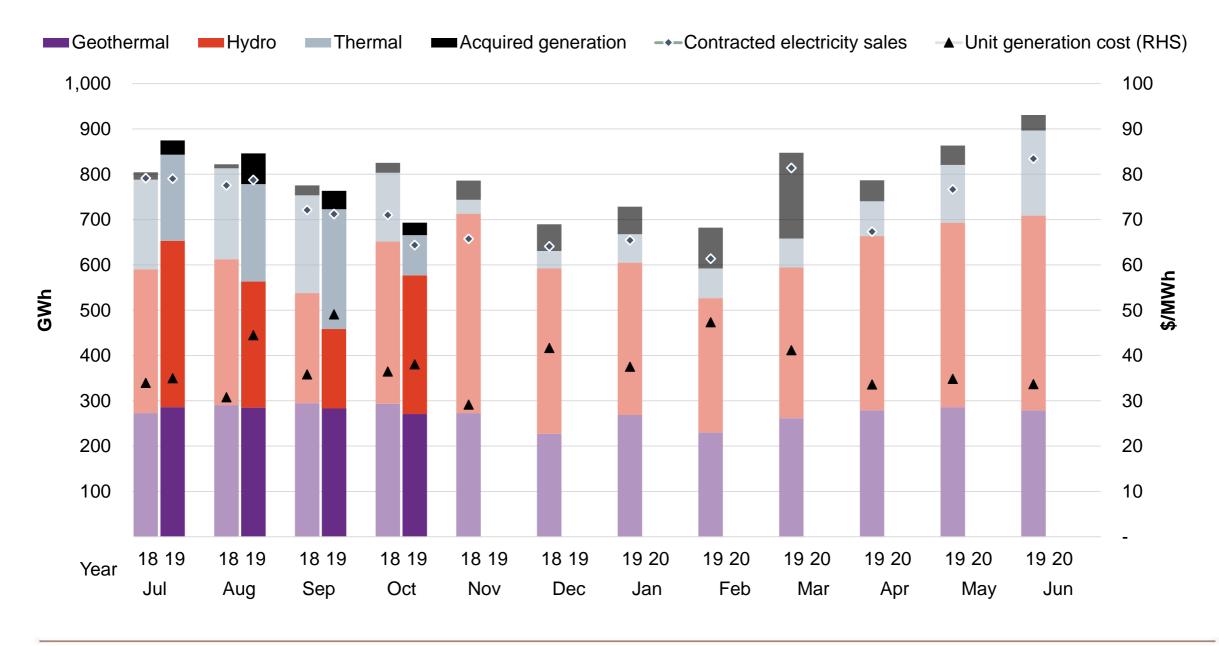
Regional demand is excluding NZAS



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Contact's Wholesale business performance

Generation mix, gross sales position and unit generation cost (FY19 and 20)

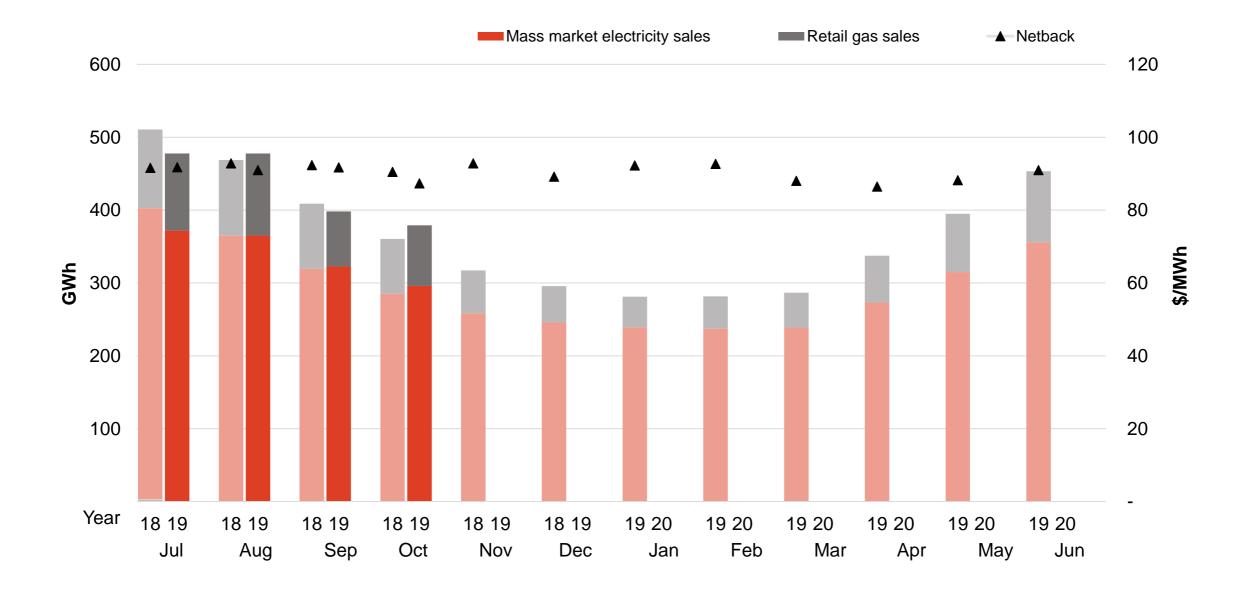




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Contact's Customer business performance

Retail sales volumes and netback (FY19 and 20)





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Contact's operational performance

		Measure	The month ended	The month ended	The month ended	Four months ended	Four months ended
			October 19	October 18	September 19	October 19	October 18
Customer	Mass market electricity sales	GWh	296	285	323	1,356	1,369
	Retail gas sales	GWh	83	75	76	378	376
	Mass market electricity and gas sales	GWh	379	360	398	1,733	1,746
	Average electricity sales price	\$/MWh	241.12	246.06	241.10	239.27	239.95
	Electricity direct pass thru costs	\$/MWh	(117.07)	(118.61)	(116.41)	(114.54)	(114.35)
	Cost to serve	\$/MWh	(19.04)	(19.27)	(18.07)	(16.23)	(15.31)
	Customer netback	\$/MWh	87.32	90.48	91.74	90.57	91.87
	Energy cost	\$/MWh	(70.15)	(65.64)	(77.64)	(82.04)	(75.71)
	Actual electricity line losses	%	5%	7%	7%	7%	7%
	Retail gas sales	PJ	0.3	0.3	0.3	1.4	1.3
	Electricity ICPs	#	410,500	406,500	411,000		
	Gas ICPs	#	66,000	65,500	66,000		
Wholesale	Electricity sales to Customer business	GWh	311	306	348	1,450	1,469
	Electricity sales to Commercial and Industrial	GWh	204	261	199	807	1,051
	Electricity CFD sales	GWh	128	143	165	677	477
	Contracted electricity sales	GWh	644	710	712	2,934	2,998
	Steam sales	GWh	61	69	66	213	229
	Total electricity and steam net revenue	\$/MWh	73.02	77.91	74.60	81.75	80.85
	C&I netback (at the ICP)	\$/MWh	84.12	86.06	79.25	86.98	88.12
	C&I line losses	%	5%	2%	5%	2%	4%
	Thermal generation	GWh	89	152	265	758	766
	Geothermal generation	GWh	271	293	283	1,125	1,152
	Hydro generation	GWh	306	358	175	1,127	1,240
	Spot electricity sales	GWh	666	803	723	3,010	3,158
	Electricity sales - Direct	GWh	10	10	9	31	32
	Acquired generation	GWh	28	22	40	168	69
	Electricity generated (or acquired)	GWh	703	835	773	3,208	3,259
	Unit generation cost (including acquired generation)	\$/MWh	(38.05)	(36.47)	(49.07)	(41.59)	(34.25)
	Spot electricity purchases	GWh	(506)	(557)	(537)	(2,226)	(2,488)
	CFD sale settlements	GWh	(128)	(143)	(165)	(677)	(477)
	Spot exposed purchases / CFD settlement	GWh	(634)	(700)	(703)	(2,903)	(2,966)
	Spot revenue and settlement on acquired generation (GWAP)	\$/MWh	124.22	283.35	120.30	118.06	134.08
	Spot purchases and settlement on CFDs sold (LWAP)	\$/MWh	(129.81)	(297.64)	(126.48)	(123.87)	(135.64)
	LWAP/GWAP	%	105%	` ,	105%	105%	101%
	Gas used in internal generation	PJ	1.0		2.3	6.9	7.0
	Gas storage net movement (extraction) / injection	PJ	0.0		(0.5)	(0.1)	(2.6)

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