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# TOP ENERGY LIMITED

# INFORMATION FOR DISCLOSURE

PURSUANT TO SECTION 57T OF THE COMMERCE ACT 1986

# CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, PERFORMANCE MEASURES AND STATISTICS DISCLOSED BY LINE OWNERS OTHER THAN TRANSPOWER

We, Paul Byrnes and Michael Simm, directors of Top Energy Limited certify that, having made all reasonable enquiries, to the best of our knowledge:

- a. The attached audited financial statements of Top Energy Limited prepared for the purposes of requirement 6 of the Commerce Commission's Information Disclosure Requirements 2004 comply with those requirements; and
- b. The attached information, being the derivation table, financial performance measures, efficiency performance measures, energy delivery efficiency performance measures, statistics and reliability performance measures in relation to Top Energy Limited, and having been prepared for the purposes of requirements 14, 15, 20 and 21 of the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004, comply with those Requirements.

The valuations on which those financial performance measures are based are as at 31 March 2006.

P A Byrnes

Date: 31 October 2006

#### IMPORTANT NOTE

Information disclosed in this 2006 Information Disclosure package issued by Top Energy Limited has been prepared solely for the purposes of the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004.

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The Requirements determine that the information be disclosed in the manner it is presented.

The information should not be used for any other purpose than that intended under the requirements.

The information contained in this package may change at any time. Pricing and terms are as at the date of disclosure indicated and are not a quote or estimate of rates or terms that will apply in the future.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

		LINE BU	ISINESS
		\$	3
	Notes	2006	2005
Operating revenue	1	23,747,087	21,951,828
operating revenue	1	25,747,007	21,731,626
Less expenses, excluding finance costs	2	18,284,840	17,496,313
Operating surplus before interest and taxation		5,462,247	4,455,515
Less net finance costs	3	802,118	664,892
Net profit before taxation		4,660,129	3,790,623
Less taxation	4	1,693,518	1,889,642
Net profit after taxation		2,966,611	1,900,981

# STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

		LINE BU	SINESS
	Notes	\$	
		2006	2005
EQUITY AS AT 1 APRIL		88,155,432	91,754,451
Profit for the period		2,966,611	1,900,981
Total recognised revenue and expenses for the period		2,966,611	1,900,981
Dividends	5	5,500,000	5,500,000
EQUITY AS AT 31 MARCH		85,622,043	88,155,432
Represented by:			
RETAINED EARNINGS			
Opening balance		3,794,778	8,264,017
Profit for the period		2,966,611	1,900,981
Dividend paid	5	(5,500,000)	(5,500,000)
Transfer to capital contribution reserve		(1,358,922) (97,533)	(870,220) 3,794,778
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS RESERVE	Policy 2	(97,333)	3,194,110
Opening balance		3,856,657	2,986,437
Transferred from retained earnings		1,358,922	870,220
		5,215,579	3,856,657
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE	Policy 5		
Opening balance		57,286,017	57,286,017
		57,286,017	57,286,017
SHARE CAPITAL	6	23,217,980	23,217,980
		85,622,043	88,155,432

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2006

		LINE BU	JSINESS
	Notes		
		2006	2005
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		85,622,043	88,155,432
Represented by:			
NON CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Borrowings	8	7,285,714	7,684,932
Deferred tax	4	5,227,312	4,984,601
TOTAL NON CURRENT LIABILITIES		12,513,026	12,669,533
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Bank overdraft	11	_	3,878
Interbusiness current account	12	6,788,992	1,835,285
Payables and accruals	9	1,476,880	1,638,097
Short term borrowings	8	1,671,429	2,215,068
Provision for income tax		1,450,807	1,454,041
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		11,388,108	7,146,369
TOTAL EQUITY & LIABILITIES		109,523,177	107,971,334
FIXED ASSETS	10	107,000,933	105,852,010
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and bank balances	11	28,339	273
Accounts receivable	13	2,493,905	2,119,051
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		2,522,244	2,119,324
TOTAL ASSETS		109,523,177	107,971,334
		85,622,043	88,155,432

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	LINE BU	SINESS
	2006	2005
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Cash was provided from:		
Receipts from customers	23,372,233	21,474,458
	23,372,233	21,474,458
Cash was disbursed to:		
Payments to suppliers and employees	13,971,053	12,690,877
Interest paid	802,118	654,218
Taxation paid	1,454,041	1,946,000
	16,227,212	15,291,095
Net cash from operating activities	7,145,021	6,183,363
CASHFLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Cash was provided from:	i i	
Other businesses	4,953,707	3,484,058
Cash was applied to:		
Purchase and construction of fixed assets	5,623,927	5,625,162
Net cash (used in)/from investing activities	(670,220)	(2,141,104
CASHFLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash was provided from:	1	
Proceeds of Term Loan	-	1,500,000
Cash was applied to:		
Dividends paid	5,500,000	5,500,000
Repayment of loans	942,857	-
Net cash from financing activities	(6,442,857)	(4,000,000
NET INCREASE/(DECREASE) IN CASH HELD	31,944	42,259
OPENING CASH	(3,605)	(45,864
CLOSING CASH	28,339	(3,605

### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

	LINE BUSINESS		
	2006	2005	
CASH COMPRISES	\$	\$	
Cash on hand	286	273	
BNZ current account	28,053	(3,878)	
	28,339	(3,605)	

RECONCILIATION OF NET PROFIT AFTER		
TAXATION TO CASHFLOW FROM		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Reported Net Profit/(Loss) after Taxation	2,966,611	1,900,981
Add/(Less) items classified as investing		
or financing activities		
Net loss/(profit) on disposal of assets	-	43,408
Add/(Less) other non-cash items:		
Change in provisions	(144,493)	231,026
Depreciation	4,475,005	4,400,987
Provision for deferred tax	242,711	435,601
	4,573,222	5,067,614
Add/(Less) movement in other		
working capital items		
Increase/(decrease) in tax payable	(3,234)	(491,960
(Increase)/decrease in accounts receivable	(374,854)	(531,399
Increase/(decrease) in accounts payable	(16,723)	194,719
	(394,811)	(828,640)
NET CASHFLOWS FROM		
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	7,145,021	6,183,363

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

The financial statements are those of the Line business of Top Energy Limited. Top Energy Limited is owned 100% by the Top Energy Consumer Trust and these organisations are in a "Prescribed Business Relationship" as defined by Requirement 3(1)(a)(ii) of the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004.

The period reported is 1 April 2005 to 31 March 2006.

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Regulations 6(2) and 6(3) of the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004. The financial statements have not been prepared for the purpose of the Financial Reporting Act 1993, or the Energy Companies Act 1992.

#### GENERAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of results and financial position under the historic cost method, as modified by revaluation of the distribution system, have been followed in the preparation of these financial statements.

#### Methodology of Separation of Business

Top Energy Limited has followed the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004 dated 7 May 2004, as issued by the Commerce Commission.

#### PARTICULAR ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following particular accounting policies, which significantly affect the measurement of financial performance and financial position, have been applied.

#### 1 Revenue

Revenue shown in the Statement of Financial Performance comprise the amounts received and receivable by the Company for electricity distribution services supplied to customers in the ordinary course of business. Revenues are stated exclusive of Goods and Services Tax collected from customers.

#### 2 Capital Contributions

Funds received from customers, as a contribution towards the cost of uneconomic supply facilities, are recognised in the statement of financial performance as soon as any obligations attaching to the contributions have been met.

Where a customer's circumstances change such that a part or all of the contribution is to be refunded, then a separately established reserve has been set up for this purpose. Contributions may be refunded within 10 years of the original date of payment.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 3 Taxation

The taxation charged against the profit for the year is both the current year's provision and the income tax effects of timing differences calculated using the liability method.

Tax effect accounting is applied on a comprehensive basis to all timing differences. Future taxation benefits attributable to timing differences or to losses carried forward are recognised in the financial statements only where there is virtual certainty that the benefit of the losses will be utilised by the Company.

#### 4 Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at estimated realisable value after providing against debts where collection is doubtful.

#### 5 Property, Plant & Equipment

Property, plant & equipment held by the former Bay of Islands Electric Power Board were vested in the Company, Top Energy Ltd, on 1 May 1993 under the Energy Companies Act 1992. Property, plant & equipment were vested at book value as at 1 May 1993, and represent "cost" to the Company.

The cost of property, plant & equipment purchased after 1 May 1993 is the value of the consideration given to acquire the assets and the value of other directly attributable costs which have been incurred in bringing the assets to the location and condition necessary for their intended service.

The cost of self - constructed assets includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project, costs of obtaining Resource Management Act consents and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads. Costs cease to be capitalised as soon as the asset is ready for productive use and do not include any inefficiency cost.

The Distribution system asset has been valued to depreciated replacement cost at 31 March 2004 based on a valuation conducted by Sinclair, Knight and Mertz Ltd, registered valuers. The Distribution system asset is valued on a 3 - 5 year cycle.

Capital work-in-progress includes materials, and a portion of direct labour and production overhead appropriate to the stage of completion attained.

Land and Buildings relating to substations are "owned" by the lines business. These have been valued to fair value at 31 March 2004 based on a valuation conducted by Telfer Young Ltd, registered valuers.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 6 Depreciation

Land and work-in-progress assets are not depreciated. Other property, plant & equipment assets are depreciated on a straight line (SL) or diminishing value (DV) basis that has regard to their historical cost, estimated useful life and expected residual value:

	Years
Straight line basis	
Distribution system	
Lines, Transformers & Substations	45 - 60
Switchgear	35
SCADA Communications equipment	15
Buildings	50
Office equipment, Plant and Furniture	10
Information systems assets	5 - 10
Chainsaws	3
Computer Software	3
	Rate
Diminishing value basis	
Motor Vehicles	20%

#### 7 Statement of Cash Flows

The following is the definition of terms used in the Statement of Cash Flows:

"Cash" means coins and notes, demand deposits and other highly liquid investments in which the Company has invested as part of its day-to-day cash management. Cash includes liabilities which are the negative form of the above, such as the bank overdraft. Cash does not include accounts receivable or payable, or any borrowing subject to a term facility.

"Investing activities" are those activities relating to the acquisition, holding and disposal of fixed assets and of investments. Investments can include securities not falling within the definition of cash.

"Financing activities" are those activities which result in changes in the size and capital structure of the Company. This includes both equity and debt not falling within the definition of cash. Dividends paid in relation to the capital structure are included in financing activities.

"Operating activities" include all transactions and other events that are not investing or financing activities and includes interest and dividends received in relation to investments.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 8 Financial Instruments

Top Energy Ltd has entered into various financial instruments with risk for the primary purpose of reducing its exposure of interest. While these financial instruments are subject to risk that market rates may change subsequent to acquisition, such changes would generally by offset by opposite effects on the items being hedged.

#### Recognised

Financial instruments carried on the statement of financial position include cash, bank, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and term debt. The particular recognition methods adopted are disclosed in the individual policy statements associated with each item.

#### Unrecognised

Financial instruments, including derivatives, that are designated as hedges of specific items are recognised on the same basis as the underlying hedged items. Derivatives that do not constitute hedges are stated at market value and any resultant gain or loss is recognised in the statement of financial performance.

The net differential paid or received in interest rate swaps is recognised as a component of interest expense over the period of the swap agreement.

#### 9 Employee entitlements

Employee entitlements to salaries and wages, annual leave and other benefits are recognized when they accrue to employees.

#### **Changes in Accounting Policies**

There were no material changes in accounting policy during the year.

			USINESS
			\$
١.		2006	2005
1		24 727 000	20 201 000
	Electricity Line revenue	21,535,008	20,391,889
	AC loss rental rebate	737,272	482,697
	Capital contributions	1,474,807	1,077,242
	TOTAL REVENUE	23,747,087	21,951,828
2	NET PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION		
	The net profit before tax is stated after charging:		
	(Loss)/Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	43,408
	Depreciation	4,475,005	4,400,987
	Buildings	656	- 1
}	Distribution System	4,085,617	4,009,459
İ	Centralised Load control equipment	21,750	21,750
	Office equipment & furniture	11,288	14,093
	Information system & billing assets	331,913	329,039
	Vehicles	23,781	26,646
	Auditors - audit services	47,969	35,333
	- regulatory/ODV reporting & price control submission	34,000	30,530
	Directors' fees	161,000	149,589
	Bad debts	-	
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		LINE BUS	SINESS
		2006	2005
3 NET FINANCE COSTS			
Comprise:			
Interest - term debt		627,522	658,476
Interest - other		174,595	6,416
Net finance costs		802,118	664,892
4 TAXATION			
	been calculated as follows:		
Profit for the period		4,660,129	3,790,623
Taxation for the period at 3	33%	1,537,842	1,250,906
Plus/(Less) tax effect of:			
Non taxable income		(486,686)	(355,490)
Non deductible items		642,362	994,226
		1,693,518	1,889,642
The taxation charge is repr	resented by:		
	pect of the current period	1,450,807	1,454,041
Deferred tax		242,711	435,601
		1,693,518	1,889,642
DEFERRED TAX LIABII		\$	\$
Balance at beginning of ye		4,984,601	4,549,000
Transfer to Statement of fire	nancial performance	242,711	435,601
Balance at end of year		5,227,312	4,984,601
5 DIVIDENDS			
Ordinary dividend paid (.2	2 cents per share)	5,500,000	5,500,000
Total dividends paid		5,500,000	5,500,000

	LINE BUS	SINESS
	2006	2005
6 SHARE CAPITAL		
23,042,500 ordinary shares issued to the trustees of the Top Energy Consumer		
Trust for a consideration of	23,217,980	23,217,980
Net assets vested in the Company 1 May 1993	23,217,980	23,217,980
7 IMPUTATION CREDIT ACCOUNT		
Opening balance	(2,024,537)	(1,261,582)
Plus income tax paid Imputation credits attached to dividends paid	1,889,642 (2,708,955)	1,946,000 (2,708,955)
Closing Balance	(2,843,850)	(2,024,537)
Closing Datanee	(2,043,030)	(2,024,337)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

				LINE BU	ISINESS
				\$	
	Interest			2006	2005
8 BORROWINGS	Rate %	Repayable	Fair Value		
BNZ Loans **					
Borrowings 20.03.06	7.53**	20.04.06	1,333,567	1,200,000	
Borrowings 27.03.06	7.54**	20.04.06	333,381	300,000	
Borrowings 30.03.06	7.542**	20.04.06	95,252	85,714	
Borrowings 31.03.06	7.55**	20.04.06	95,265	85,714	
Borrowing 18.12.03	6.85*	09.08.10	2,412,196	2,142,857	
Borrowing 18.12.03	6.35*	21.03.14	1,422,058	1,285,714	
Borrowing 18.12.03	6.80*	04.02.15	1,951,722	1,714,286	
Borrowings 30.09.05	6.81*	07.08.12	2,424,952	2,142,857	
BNZ loans					9,900,000
				8,957,143	9,900,000
Less current portion			1,671,429	2,215,068	
BORROWINGS			7,285,714	7,684,932	
Repayable as follows:					
Due after 1 but before 2					
Due after 2 but before 5	years				
Due after 5 but before 10	) years			7,285,714	7,684,932
				7,285,714	7,684,932

<sup>\*</sup> Effective interest rate under interest rate swap agreements

BNZ loans are secured by deed of guarantee from group companies.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Under a Facility Agreement dated 17 December 2003.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

9 PAYABLES	LINE BUSINESS \$
	2006 2005
Accounts payable and accruals	1,274,041 1,290,764
Payroll & other provisions	202,839 347,333
	1,476,880 1,638,097

10 FIXED ASSETS	Cost or V	aluation	Acc. Depreci	ation	Net Book Value				
	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005			
Land & Buildings at valuation	1,522,342	1,522,342	(49,117)	(48,461)	1,473,224	1,473,881			
Distribution system	111,420,078	106,718,505	(8,138,484)	(4,052,867)	103,281,594	102,665,638			
- At Cost	9,160,402	4,661,184	(185,246)	(40,425)	8,975,156	4,620,759			
- At Valuation	102,259,676	102,057,321	(7,953,238)	(4,012,442)	94,306,438	98,044,879			
Centralised load control equipment	183,879	183,879	(43,500)	(21,750)	140,379	162,129			
Office equipment & furniture	167,997	154,521	(115,914)	(103,100)	52,083	51,421			
Information system & billing assets	2,155,331	1,907,758	(1,608,315)	(1,352,524)	547,015	555,234			
Vehicles	163,444	163,444	(70,975)	(35,965)	92,468	127,479			
Capital work in progress	1,414,169	816,228			1,414,169	816,228			
Total fixed assets	117,027,239	111,466,677	(10,026,306)	(5,614,667)	107,000,933	105,852,010			

i) Land & buildings were revalued at 31 March 2004 by Telfer Young Ltd, registered valuers.

The Distribution system was revalued by independent engineering consultants, Sinclair, Knight & Mertz.

The valuation was carried out at 31 March 2004 and the report is dated 21 May 2004. Subsequent additions are at cost.

The valuation is based on depreciated replacement cost (DRC) of the distribution system asset. The Directors consider this valuation to be fair.

	LINE BU	SINESS
	\$	
	2006	2005
11 CASH AND BANK BALANCES		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Comprise:		
Cash on hand	286	273
BNZ current account	28,053	- 272
	28,339	273
CURRENT LIABILITY	1 1	
Bank overdraft	_	(3,878)
Net Cash & Bank position	28,339	(3,605)
	20,55	(2,002)
12 INTERBUSINESS CURRENT ACCOUNT		
Represents notional net funds advanced to the Lines		
business from 'Other businesses',	(6,788,992)	(1,835,285)
business from outer businesses,	(6,788,992)	(1,835,285)
	(0,700,772)	(1,000,000)
13 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE		
Comprise: Trade debtors	2,067,121	1,932,491
Accruals and prepayments	426,784	186,560
recruus und propayments	1 420,764	180,500
	2,493,905	2,119,051

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 14 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There have been no material related party transactions requiring disclosure in accordance with SSAP 22 "Related Party Disclosures", apart from the following:

#### i. Top Energy Consumer Trust:

Top Energy Ltd is wholly owned by Top Energy Consumer Trust. For the period ended 31 March 2006, Top Energy Ltd paid \$5.5m (31 March 2005: \$5.5m) in the form of a dividend to the above Trust. This payment is reflected in the Statement of movements in Equity of Top Energy Ltd.

During the period Top Energy processed transactions on an agency basis on behalf of the Trust in order to settle routine business dealings. As at 31 March 2006, a balance of \$1,644 (31 March 2005: \$93,277) owing by the Trust to the Company Trust has been included in the Accounts Payable in the Statement of Financial Position. All transactions with the Trust are made on normal business terms.

#### ii. Transfer Payments between Line & 'Other' business:

The following related party transactions occurred in the year between the Line & Other businesses.

	Note	2006 (Income)/cost	2005 (Income)/cost
Transfer Payment Cost to Line: Asset maintenance services	a	3,702,582	3,629,789
Avoided transmission charges	b	659,159	610,885
Property rental	c	77,872	77,872
Payment for meter data		Nil	Nil
Consumer based load control		Nil	Nil
Disconnection/reconnection services		Nil	Nil
Asset construction	d		
Sub transmission assets		Nil	Nil
Zone substations		196,902	34,200
Distribution lines & cable		2,333,096	2,360,412
Medium voltage switchgear		Nil	Nil
Distribution transformers		2,452,825	1,635,801
Distribution substations	1	Nil	Nil
Low voltage lines & cables		1,286,716	1,261,173
Other system fixed assets		Nil	Nil

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 14 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

- a. Asset maintenance services are provided by the Contracting Division in respect of the System fixed asset. Services are provided as contracted by the Line business and are charged at market rates on an arms length basis. Services were provided throughout the year. The outstanding balance at 31 March 2006 was \$263,172 (2005: \$279,000).
- b. Avoided Transmission charges are paid in respect of embedded generation provided by Ngawha Generation Limited. Charges are based on the Transpower market rate. The service was provided for the full year. The outstanding balance at 31 March 2006 was \$51,515 (2005: \$50,900).
- c. Property facilities are provided to the Line business by the Property Division. Rentals are at market rates for the specific sites. Services were provided throughout the year. The property rental includes cost recovery in respect of rates of \$6,494 (2005: \$14,617).
- d. Asset construction services are provided by the Contracting Division in respect of the System fixed asset. Services are provided as contracted by the Line business and are charged on a full cost recovery basis. Services were provided throughout the year. The outstanding balance at 31 March 2006 was \$301,651 (2005: \$301,800).

#### 15 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### a. Currency and Interest Rate Risk

Nature of activities and management policies with respect to financial instruments:

i. Currency

The Group has undertaken foreign currency transactions from time to time in connection with its activities. To manage the foreign currency risk the Group has used forward exchange contracts. There are no contracts in place at 31 March 2006 relating to the Line business.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 15 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

#### ii. Interest Rate

The Company has a \$65m Facility Agreement with BNZ. An amount of \$35m is a facility in relation to the possible expansion of the Ngawha geothermal project (which relates to the other business). No advance has been made at balance date. The Core business facility of \$30m allows borrowings to be made over variable periods. At balance date \$8.9m was advanced to the Line business and these advances will be renewed to coincide with funding requirements. The expected repayment dates are disclosed in Note 8.

The principal or contract amounts of interest rate contracts outstanding at 31 March 2006 for the Line business are \$7.29m (2005: \$7.68m). The effective interest rates are disclosed in Note 8.

The Company has not entered into forward agreements or futures transactions.

#### b. Concentration of Credit Risk

In the normal course of its business, the Company incurs credit risk from trade debtors and transactions with financial institutions.

Contact Energy Ltd comprise 90% of the debtors total as of balance date but subsequent to balance date this amount has been cleared. As part of this policy, limits on exposures with counterparties have been set and approved by the Board of Directors and are monitored on a regular basis.

The Company does not have any significant concentrations of credit risk. The Company does not require any collateral or security to support financial instruments as it only deposits with, or lends to, banks and other financial institutions of recognised quality. The Company does not expect the non-performance of any material obligations at balance date.

#### c. Fair Values

The following methods were used to estimate the fair values of these classes of financial instruments:

 Cash and liquid deposits, debtors and other accounts receivable including sundry debtors, creditors and other accounts payable including sundry creditors, loans payable within twelve months.

The carrying value of these items is equivalent to their fair value.

ii. Borrowings - see Note 8.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 16 SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Lines business operates primarily in one industry, the electricity conveyance industry, and in one geographic location: Northland, New Zealand.

#### 17 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE COMMITMENTS

Top Energy Ltd has commitments for capital expenditure of \$139,436 at 31 March 2006 (31 March 2005: Nil).

#### 18 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

The Company and it's subsidiaries provide bank guarantees, as it did in 2005.

#### 19 EVENTS OCCURRING AFTER BALANCE DATE

There are no events which have arisen after the balance sheet date that require disclosure.

#### 20 INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS

#### New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards

In December 2002 the New Zealand Accounting Standards Review Board (ASRB) announced that New Zealand entities required to comply with NZ GAAP under Financial Reporting Act 1993 would be required to apply International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) for financial periods commencing on or after 1 January 2007 with earlier adoption permitted from 1 January 2005. The new standards that have been approved by the ASRB for application in New Zealand are referred to as New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (NZ IFRS) as certain adaptations have been made to reflect New Zealand circumstances.

Top Energy Limited has commenced reviewing its accounting policies and financial reporting to comply with NZ IFRS. The Company has allocated internal resources and is carrying out impact assessments to isolate key areas that will be impacted by the transition to NZ IFRS and to facilitate adoption of NZ IFRS. The Company will transition to NZ IFRS and publish its first set of annual financial statements prepared under NZ IFRS for the year ending 31 March 2008.

The Company has yet to finalise its accounting policies under NZ IFRS and as a consequence is yet to quantify with any degree of certainty the adjustments that will be required in the statement of financial position on adoption of NZ IFRS and the impact on financial performance thereafter.

The key differences between current NZ GAAP and NZ IFRS identified to date as potentially having significant effect on the Company's financial statements as summarized overleaf.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

#### 20 INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS (continued)

#### Financial Instruments

All interest rate swap and forward exchange contracts will be recorded in the statement of financial position at fair value under NZ IFRS and be adjusted against opening equity. Any movements of the fair value of the instruments from year to year will have the potential to affect the statement of financial performance and the statement of financial position, the extent to which will depend on whether hedge accounting is adopted. The financial impact of the change cannot be reliably estimated at this stage and will be dependent on the extent to which hedge accounting is adopted and is effective.

#### **Deferred Taxation**

The IFRS basis of accounting for deferred tax is conceptually different to current GAAP. Under current GAAP deferred taxation is calculated using the income statement approach whereas under NZ IFRS deferred taxation will be based on a balance sheet approach. This method recognises deferred tax balances where there is a difference between the carrying value of an asset or liability and its tax base. The most significant impact for the Company is the potential recognition of a deferred tax liability in relation to the revaluation of distribution assets. Due to the uncertainty of recognition, the financial impact cannot be reliably estimated at this stage.

#### **Capital Contributions**

Top Energy Limited currently recognises capital contributions as revenue in the year earned. NZ IFRS may require the Company to capitalise capital contributions to deferred income and amortise the balance over the life of the asset to the income statement. The financial impact of this change cannot be reliably estimated at this stage.

This summary should not be taken as an exhaustive list of all the differences between NZ GAAP and NZ IFRS. Further, the Company has not yet quantified the effects of these differences. Accordingly there can be no assurances that the financial performance and financial position as disclosed in these financial statements would not be significantly different if determined in accordance with NZ IFRS.

# Statement of Financial Position Disclosure (Schedule 1, Part 2)

para			2006	Γ	2005
•			\$		\$
1		Current assets			
	(a)	Cash and bank balances:	28,339		273
	(b)	Short-term investments:	0		0
	(c)	Inventories:	0		0
	(d)	Accounts receivable:	2,493,905		2,119,051
	(e)	Other current assets not listed in (a) to (d):	0	L	0
	(f)	Total current assets	2,522,244		2,119,324
2		Fixed assets			
	(a)	System fixed assets:	104,895,197	ŀ	104,301,648
	(b)	Consumer billing and information system assets:	547,015		555,234
	(c)	Motor vehicles:	92,468	İ	127,479
	(d)	Office equipment:	52,083		51,421
	(e)	Land and buildings (Excluding Sub-Station Land & Buildings	0		0
		classified as Network System Fixed Assets)			
	(f)	Capital works under construction:	1,414,169		816,228
	(g)	Other fixed assets not listed in (a) to (f):	0		0
	(h)	Total fixed assets	107,000,933	-	105,852,010
3		Other tangible assets not listed above	0		0
4		Total tangible assets	109,523,177		107,971,334
5		Intangible assets			
	(a)	Goodwill:	О		О
	(b)	Other intangibles not listed in (a) above:	О		О
	(c)	Total intangible assets	0		0
6		Total assets	109,523,177		107,971,334
7		Current liabilities		ŀ	
	(a)	Bank overdraft:	o		3,878
	(b)	Short-term borrowings:	1,671,429		2,215,068
	(c)	Payables and accruals:	1,476,880		1,638,097
	(d)	Provision for dividends payable:	О		0
	(e)	Provision for income tax:	1,450,807		1,454,041
	(f)	Other current liabilities not listed in (a) to (e) above:	6,788,992		1,835,285
	(g)	Total current liabilities	11,388,108	ļ_	7,146,369
8		Non-current liabilities		ŀ	
Ū	(a)	Payables and accruals:	اه ا		o
	(b)	Borrowings:	7,285,714		7,684,932
	(c)	Deferred tax:	5,227,312	-	4,984,601
	(d)	Other non-current liabilities not listed in (a) to (c) above:	o	ŀ	0
	(e)	Total non-current liabilities	12,513,026		12,669,533
9		Equity			
	(a)	Shareholders' equity:			
	(i	Share capital:	23,217,980		23,217,980
	(i	Retained earnings:	-97,533		3,794,778
	(i	) Reserves:	62,501,596	L	61,142,674
	(i	) Total Shareholders' equity:	85,622,043	L	88,155,432
	(b)	Minority interests in subsidiaries:	0	L	0
	(c)	Total equity:	85,622,043	L	88,155,432
	(d)	Capital notes:	0	L	0
	(e)	Total capital funds:	85,622,043	-	88,155,432
10		Total equity and liabilities	109,523,177		107,971,334

2006

2005

# Top Energy Limited - Year ended 31 March 2006

# Operating Revenue (Schedule 1, Part 2)

	11 Operating revenue		
(a)	(a) Revenue from line/access charges:	21,535,008	20,391,889
(b)	(b) Revenue from "Other" business for services carried out by	0	0
	the line business (transfer payment):		
(c)	(c) Interest on cash, bank balances and short term investments:	0	0
(e)	(d) AC loss-rental rebates:	737,272	482,697
(f)	(e) Other revenue not listed in (a) to (d):	1,474,807	1,077,242
(g)	(f) Total operating revenue	23,747,087	21,951,828

		Expenditure (Schedule 1, Part 2)	2006	2005
	12	Operating expenditure		
(a)		Payment for transmission charges	4,980,110	5,148,446
(b)		Transfer payments to the "Other" business for:		
	(i)	Asset maintenance:	3,158,069	3,356,241
	(ii)	Consumer disconnection/reconnection services:	0	0
	(iii)	Meter data:	0	0
	(iv)	Consumer-based load control services:	0	0
	(v)	Royalty and patent expenses:	0	0
	(vi)	Avoided transmission charges on account of own generation	659,159	610,885
	(vii)	Other goods and services not listed in (i) to (vi) above	0	0
	(viii)	Total transfer payment to the "Other" business	3,817,228	3,967,126
(c)		Expense to entities that are not related parties for:		
	(i)	Asset maintenance:	544,513	535,113
	(ii)	Consumer disconnection/reconnection services	0	0
	(iii)	Meter data	0	0
	(iv)	Consumer-based load control services	0	0
	(v)	Royalty and patent expenses	0	0
	(vi)	Total of specified expenses to non-related parties (sum of (i) to (v))	544,513	535,113
(d)		Employee salaries, wages and redundancies	2,802,448	2,059,085
(e)		Consumer billing and information system expense	157,046	104,963
(f)		Depreciation on:	1	
	(i)	System fixed assets:	4,107,367	4,009,459
	(ii)	Other assets not listed in (i)	367,637	391,528
	(iii)	Total depreciation	4,475,005	4,400,987
(g)		Amortisation of:		
	(i)	Goodwill:	0	0
	(ii)	Other intangibles:	0	0
	(iii)	Total amortisation of intangibles	0	0

# Top Energy Limited - Year ended 31 March 2006

# **Expenditure (Schedule 1, Part 2)**

		2006	2005
(h)	Corporate and administration:	452,637	441,122
(i)	Human resource expenses:	159,145	86,554
(j)	Marketing/advertising:	218,323	172,896
(k)	Merger and acquisition expenses:	0	0
(1)	Takeover defence expenses:	0	0
(m)	Research and development expenses:	o	0
(n)	Consultancy and legal expenses:	265,286	197,389
(o)	Donations:	0	0
(p)	Directors' fees:	161,000	155,967
(q)	Auditors' fees:		
(i	) Audit fees paid to principal auditors:	47,969	35,333
(i	i) Audit fees paid to other auditors:	0	0
(i	ii) Fees paid for other services provided by principal and other auditors:	34,000	30,530
(i	v) Total auditors' fees:	81,969	65,863
(r )	Costs of offering credit:		
(i	) Bad debts written off:	0	0
(i	i) Increase in estimated doubtful debts:	0	0
(i	ii) Total cost of offering credit:	0	0.
(s)	Local authority rates expense:	0	0
(t)	AC loss-rentals (distribution to retailers/customers) expense:	0	0
(u)	Rebates to consumers due to ownership interest:	0	0
(v)	Subvention payments:	0	0
(w)	Unusual expenses:	0	0
(x)	Other expenditure not listed in (a) to (w).	170,130	160,803
13	Total operating expenditure	18,284,840	17,496,313
14	Operating surplus before interest and income tax	5,462,247	4,455,515
15 Interest	expense		
(a)	Interest expense on borrowings	802,118	664,892
(b)	Financing charges related to finance leases	0	0
(c)	Other interest expense not listed in (a) or (b):	0	0
(d)	Total interest expense	802,118	664,892
16	Operating surplus before income tax	4,660,129	3,790,623
17	Income tax	1,693,518	1,889,642
18	Net surplus/(deficit) after tax	2,966,611	1,900,981



# Schedule 1 -part 8 of the Electricity Requirements 2004

### **Annual Valuation Reconciliation Report**

	\$'000
Year ending 31 March 2006	
System fixed assets at ODV – 31 March 2005	98,120
Add system fixed assets acquired during the year at ODV	6,689
Less system fixed assets disposed of during the year at ODV	0
Less depreciation on system fixed assets at ODV	(4,107)
Revaluations of systems fixed assets	0
Equals system fixed assets at ODV – 31 March 2006	100,702

SCHEDULE 1 - PART 7

FORM FOR TH	DERIVATION OF FINANC	SCHEDUL IAL PERFO			FINANCIAL STATEMENTS			
Derivation Table	Input and Calculations	Symbol in formula		ROF	ROE			ROI
Operating surplus before interest and income tax	,							
from financial statements Operating surplus before interest and income tax								
adjusted pursuant to regulation 18 (OSBIIT)	5,462,247							
Interest on cash, bank balances, and short-term investments (ISTI)								
OSBIIT minus ISTI	5,462,247	а		5,462,247		i		5,462,247
Net surplus after tax from financial statements Net surplus after tax adjusted pursuant to regulation	2,966,611							
18 (NSAT)	2,966,611	n			2,96	6,611		
Amortisation of goodwill and amortisation of other intangibles	0	_	add	0	add	o	add	0
Subvention payment	0	g s	add	0	add	ŏ	add	Ö
Depreciation of SFA at BV (x) Depreciation of SFA at ODV (y)	4,107,367 4,107,367							
ODV depreciation adjustment	4,107,307	d	add	0	add	0	add	C
Subvention payment tax adjustment Interest tax shield	0 264,699	s*t			deduct		deduct deduct	0 264,699
Revaluations	264,699	q r				Ι,	add	204,099
Income tax	1,693,518	р				1	deduct	1,693,518
Numerator				5,462,247	2,966		401	3,504,030
,			OSBII	T <sup>ADJ</sup> = a + g + s + d	NSAT <sup>ADJ</sup> ≃ n + g + s - s	t + d psi	BIIT = a	+ g - q + r + s + d - p - s*1
Fixed assets at end of previous financial year (FA <sub>0</sub> )								
Fixed assets at end of current financial year (FA <sub>1</sub> )	105,852,010							
Tixed assets at end of content intancial year (1 A1)	107,000,933							
Adjusted net working capital at end of previous	,555,550							
financial year (ANWC <sub>0</sub> )	476,803							
Adjusted net working capital at end of current financial year (ANWC <sub>1</sub> )	1,017,025					-		
Average total funds employed (ATFE)	107,173,385	С		107,173,385				107,173,385
	(or regulation 33 time- weighted average)							
Total equity at end of previous financial year (TE <sub>0</sub> )	weighted average)							
	88,155,432							
Total equity at end of current financial year (TE <sub>1</sub> )	85,622,043				20.00	. 707		
Average total equity	86,888,737 (or regulation 33 time-	k			86,88	3,737		
	weighted average)							
WUC at end of previous financial year (WUC <sub>0</sub> ) WUC at end of current financial year (WUC <sub>1</sub> )	816,228							
Average total works under construction	1,414,169 1,115,198		deduct	1,115,198	deduct 1,11	5,198 c	deduct	1,115,198
Average total works under constitution	(or regulation 33 time-		deduct	1,115,150	1,77	,,,,,,,	,00001	1,110,100
	weighted average)							
Revaluations	0	r						
Half of revaluations Intangible assets at end of previous financial year	0	r/2	:			٩	deduct	0
(IA <sub>0</sub> )		ı	i					
Intangible assets at end of current financial year		i						
(IA <sub>1</sub> ) Average total intangible asset	0		İ		add			
Average total intangible asset	(or regulation 33 time-	m			add	Ĭ		
6 h	weighted average)							
Subvention payment at end of previous financial year (S <sub>0</sub> )								
Subvention payment at end of current financial year	ľ							
(S <sub>1</sub> )	0							
Subvention payment tax adjustment at end of previous financial year	0							
Subvention payment tax adjustment at end of								
current financial year Average subvention payment & related tax adjustment	0							
Average subvertion payment a related tax adjustment	0	v			add	0		
System fixed assets at end of previous financial year								
at book value (SFA <sub>bv0</sub> )	104,301,648							
System fixed assets at end of current financial year	101,001,010							
at book value (SFA <sub>bv1</sub> )	104,895,197							
Average value of system fixed assets at book value	104,598,423	f	deduct	104,598,423	deduct 104,598	3,423 c	deduct	104,598,423
	(or regulation 33 time-							
System Fixed assets at year beginning at ODV value	weighted average)							
(SFA <sub>odv0</sub> )	98,120,000							
System Fixed assets at end of current financial year								
at ODV value (SFA <sub>odv1</sub> )  Average value of system fixed assets at ODV value	100,701,989 99,410,995		add	99,410,995	add 99,410	1 995	add	99,410,995
The raise of State in the dasers at ODY Value	(or regulation 33 time-	"	400	<i>55</i> ,4 €0,395	auu 55,411	,,,,,,,,	450	30,410,990
	weighted average)							
Denominator	<u> </u>			100,870,759	80,586	5,111		100,870,759
			ТА		Ave $TE^{ADJ} = k \cdot e \cdot m + v$		ATFE'	$^{ACJ} = c - e - \frac{1}{2}r - f + h$
Financial Performance Measure:								
			<u> </u>	5.4%		.7%	501 T	3.5%
	<u> </u>	l	HOF = OSE	SIIT <sup>ADJ</sup> /ATFE <sup>ADJ</sup> x 100	ROE = NSAT <sup>ADJ</sup> /ATE <sup>ADJ</sup>	x 100	HUI = US	BBIIT <sup>ADJ</sup> /ATFE <sup>ADJ</sup> x 100

t = maximum statutory income tax rate applying to corporate entities by = book value ave = average odv = optimised deprival valuation subscript '0' = end of the previous financial year subscript '1' = end of the current financial year ROF = return on funds ROE = return on equity ROI = return on investment

#### TOP ENERGY LIMITED

#### **Performance Measures and Statistics** For the Year Ended 31 March 2006

Regulations 15 and 16
i. Financial Performance Measures

		2006	2005	2004*	2003
a.	Return on Funds	5.4%	4.5%	5.9%	8.60%
b.	Return on Equity	3.7%	2.3%	-2.4%	6.20%
c.	Return on Investment	3.5%	2.4%	24.6%	6.00%
	* 2004 - includes the effect of (1) revaluations and (2) providing for deferred tax for the first time.				
ii.	Efficiency Performance Measures	2005	2005	2004	2003
	·	\$	\$	\$	\$
a.	Direct Line Costs per kilometre	1,478	1,388	1,087	853
ь.	Indirect Line Costs per Electricity Customer	80	77	68	63
Opti	imised Deprival Valuation				
The	Optimised Deprival Valuation as at 31 March 2006 is \$102,702,000.				
Regi	ulation 21				
i.	Energy Delivery Efficiency Performance Measures				
		2005	2005	2004	2003
		%	%	%	%
a.	Load Factor	67.8	67.5	65.0	63.0
b.	Loss Ratio	7.3	7.7	6.8	7.2
c.	Capacity Utilisation	28.8	29.7	33.0	32.0

#### ii. Statistics

d. e. f. g.

See table below for the following statistics:

- System Length (kms) and breakdown by nominal line voltage.
- Underground circuit length (kms) and breakdown by nominal line voltage.
- Overhead circuit length (kms) and breakdown by nominal line voltage.

#### Kilometres

	(c)					(	(b)			(a)		
		Overhea	ad Circuit			Underground Circuit				Total System		
	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003
33kV	270	270	270	270	2	2	2	2	272	272	272	272
11kV	2,801	2,717	2,713	2,703	136	133	116	109	2,937	2,850	2,829	2,812
400V	196	307	310	310	582	441	417	400	778	748	727	710
	3,267	3,294	3,293	3,283	720	576	535	511	3,987	3,870	3,828	3,794
									2006	2005	2004	2003
Transfor	mer Capacii	ty (kVA)							205,000	198,815	181,420	187,228
Maximu	m Demand	(kW)							59,000	59,000	59,000	59,000
Total Ele	ectricity sup	plied by Sy	stem before	e losses					350,331,997	348,720,837	336,368,518	326,432,018
Total Ele	ec' conveyed	by System	for other p	ersons after l	osses				324,685,063	321,750,316	313,545,550	302,869,976
	Retailer 1								216,529,181	220,374,975	216,756,107	213,985,548
	Retailer 2								63,454,444	65,305,548	56,924,734	55,250,394
	Retailer 3								20,600,889	17,479,397	12,872,628	19,619,233
	Retailer 4								11,400,375	8,111,455	14,307,470	9,104,627
	Retailer 5								9,424,281	8,009,326	6,666,071	2,458,876
	Retailer 6								3,273,278	2,852,309	6,018,540	2,451,298
	Retailer 7											
Total Cu	stomers (av	erage for y	ear)						28,486	27,656	27,075	27,590

#### TOP ENERGY LIMITED

Performance Measures and Statistics For the Year Ended 31 March 2006

#### Regulation 22

#### Reliability Performance Measures

#### i. Total number of interruptions and breakdowns by interruption class

	Target Target				
Class Type of Interruption	5yr Ave. 2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
		No	No	No	No
A Planned - Transpower		1	0	0	0
B Planned - Top Energy	122 130	159	147	169	144
C Unplanned - Top Energy	178 190	368	220	219	249
D Unplanned - Transpower		0	2	1	0
E Unplanned - Embedded Generation		0	0	0	0
F Unplanned - Other Generation		0	0	0	0
G Unplanned - Another Line owner		0	0	0	0
H Planned - Another Line owner		0	0	0	0
I Any other interruption		0	0	0	0
Total - All interruptions		528	369	389	393
Class C Interruptions not restored:		%	%	%	%
a Within 3 hours		46%	46%	42%	30%
b Within 24 hours		2%	0%	1%	0%

#### ii. Number of faults per 100 circuit kms

Line Voltage				Undergr	ound		Overhead					
	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003
100kV												
66kV												
33kV	3.70	2.22	4.78	7.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.70	2.22	4.81	7.74
11kV	12.90	8.71	7.28	7.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	13.50	8.71	7.59	7.38
6.6kV												
3.3kV												
Total	12.10	8.07	7.06	7.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12.70	8.07	7.34	7.41
		Target	Target			Target	Target			Target	Target	
Target Faults:		5yr Ave.	2007			5yr Ave.	2007			5yr Ave.	2007	
33kV		2.0	2.1			0.3	0.0			2.0	2.1	
11kV		7.0	7.5			0.0	0.0			7.0	7.5	
Total		7.0	7.0			0.0	0.0			7.0	7.0	

#### iii. Breakdown of statistics by interruption class

Class Type of Interruption	SAIDI (Minutes)						CAIDI (Minutes)					
	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003	2006	2005	2004	2003
A Planned - Transpower	34.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	229.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
B Planned - Top Energy	22.3	39.4	39.5	37.0	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.3	154.0	154.0	113.0	136.0
C Unplanned - Top Energy	499.8	343.1	311.9	382.9	5.4	4.3	4.2	6.1	92.0	80.0	74.0	63.0
D Unplanned - Transpower	0.0	113.7	1.5	0.0	0.0	1.6	0.1	0.0	0.0	71.0	17.0	0.0
E Unplanned - Embedded Generation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
F Unplanned - Other Generation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
G Unplanned - Another Line owner	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
H Planned - Another Line owner	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
I Any other interruption	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total - All interruptions	556.1	496.2	352.9	419.9	5.6	6.2	4.6	6.4	96.0	81.0	77.0	66.0
		Target	Target			Target	Target			Target	Target	
Targets:		5yr Ave.	2007			5yr Ave.	2007			5yr Ave.	2007	
B Planned - Top Energy		40	40			0.3	0.3			133	133	
C Unplanned - Top Energy		260	280			4.9	4.9			53	57	



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# AUDITOR-GENERAL'S OPINION ON THE PERFORMANCE MEASURES OF TOP ENERGY LIMITED – LINES BUSINESS

We have examined the information being -

- (a) the derivation table in requirement 15;
- (b) the annual ODV reconciliation report in requirement 16;
- (c) the financial performance measures in clause 1 of Part 3 of Schedule 1; and
- (d) the financial components of the efficiency performance measures in clause 2 of Part 3 of Schedule 1, –

that were prepared by Top Energy Limited and dated 31 October 2006 for the purposes of the Commerce Commission's Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004.

In our opinion, having made all reasonable enquiry, and to the best of our knowledge, that information has been prepared in accordance with the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004.

Eraeme Pinfold

PricewaterhouseCoopers
On behalf of the Auditor-General
Auckland, New Zealand

3 November 2006



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#### REPORT OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL

# TO THE READERS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF TOP ENERGY LIMITED – LINES BUSINESS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2006

We have audited the financial statements of Top Energy Limited – Lines Business on pages 2 to 21. The financial statements provide information about the past financial performance of Top Energy Limited – Lines Business and its financial position as at 31 March 2006. This information is stated in accordance with the accounting policies set out on pages 7 to 10.

#### **Directors' Responsibilities**

The Commerce Commission's Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004 made under section 57T of the Commerce Act 1986 require the Directors to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the financial position of Top Energy Limited – Lines Business as at 31 March 2006, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date.

#### **Auditor's Responsibilities**

Section 15 of the Public Audit Act 2001 and Requirement 30 of the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004 require the Auditor-General to audit the financial statements. It is the responsibility of the Auditor-General to express an independent opinion on the financial statements and report that opinion to you.

The Auditor-General has appointed Graeme Pinfold of PricewaterhouseCoopers to undertake the audit.

#### **Basis of Opinion**

An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes assessing:

- the significant estimates and judgements made by the Directors in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to Top Energy Limited Lines Business's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We conducted the audit in accordance with the Auditing Standards published by the Auditor-General, which incorporate the Auditing Standards issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of New Zealand. We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

In addition to the audit we have carried out audit related assignments for the Company. This involved issuing audit opinions on the 31 March 2006 statutory financial statements of Top Energy Limited and subsidiaries, the audit of the threshold compliance statement prepared pursuant to the Commerce Act (Electricity Distribution Thresholds) Notice 2004, and other engagements of an assurance nature. Other than these assignments we have no relationship with or interests in the company.

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### Matters Relating to the Electronic Presentation of the Audited Financial Statements

This audit report relates to the financial statements of Top Energy Limited – Lines Business for the year ended 31 March 2006 included on Top Energy Limited's web-site. The Company's governing body is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of Top Energy Limited's web site. We have not been engaged to report on the integrity of Top Energy Limited's web site. We accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the web site. The audit report refers only to the financial statements named above. It does not provide an opinion on any other information which may have been hyperlinked to/from these financial statements. If readers of this report are concerned with the inherent risks arising from electronic data communication they should refer to the published hard copy of the 31 March 2006 disclosure accounts for Top Energy Limited – Lines Business to confirm the information included in the audited financial statements presented on this web site.

Legislation in New Zealand governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### **Unqualified Opinion**

We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required.

In our opinion -

- proper accounting records have been maintained by Top Energy Limited Lines Business as far as appears from our examination of those records; and
- the financial statements of Top Energy Limited Lines Business on pages 2 to 21:
  - (a) comply with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand; and
  - (b) give a true and fair view of Top Energy Limited Lines Business's financial position as at 31 March 2006 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
  - (c) comply with the Electricity Information Disclosure Requirements 2004.

Our audit was completed on 3 November 2006 and our unqualified opinion is expressed as at that date.

Graeme Pinfold

PricewaterhouseCoopers

On behalf of the Auditor-General

Auckland, New Zealand

