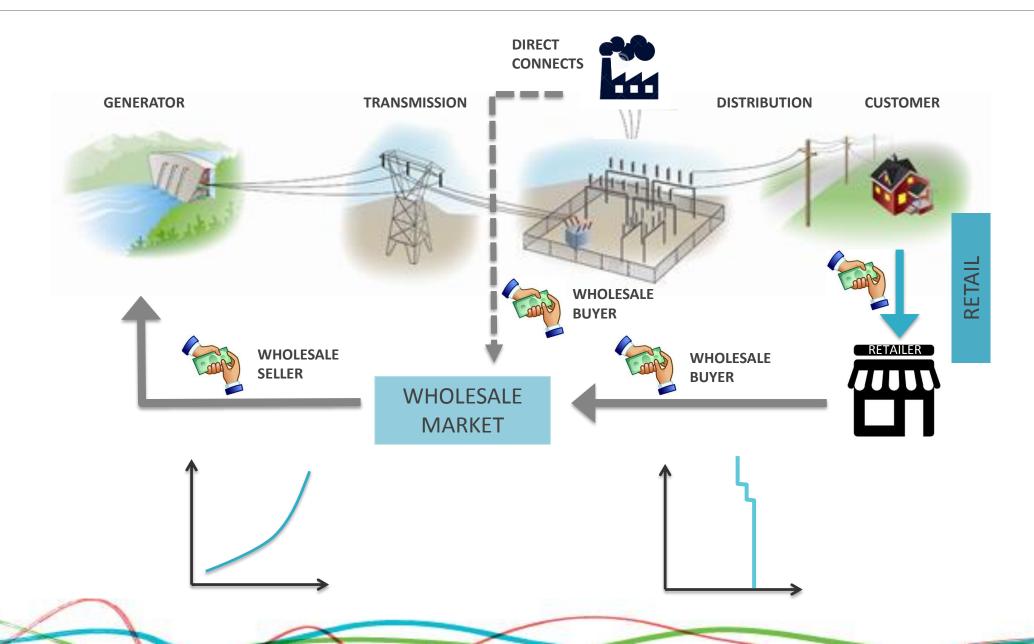
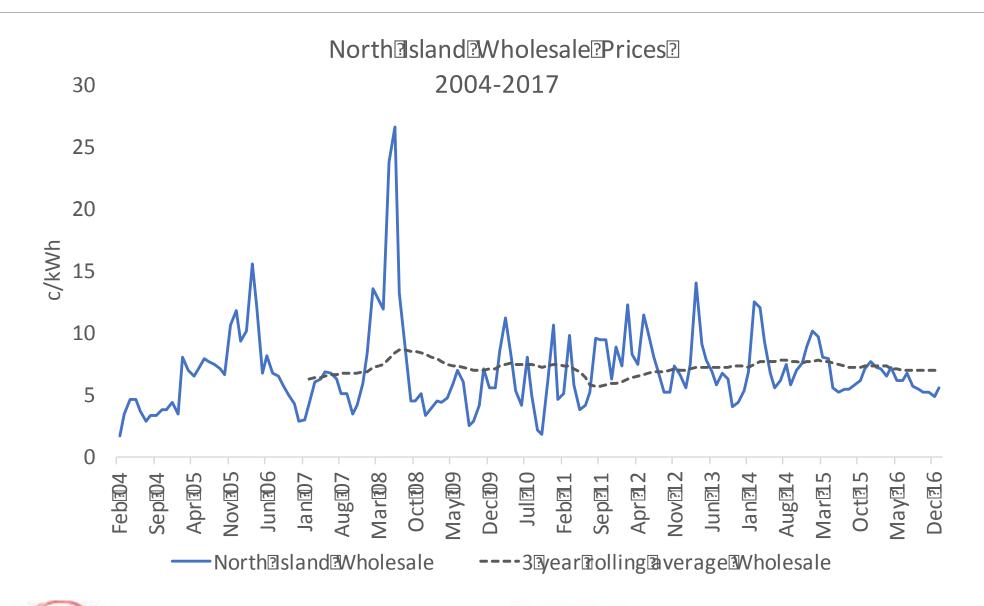
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# THE NZ ELECTRICITY MARKET: TEETERING ON THE EDGE OF TRANSFORMATION?

# In a sleepy corner of the South Pacific

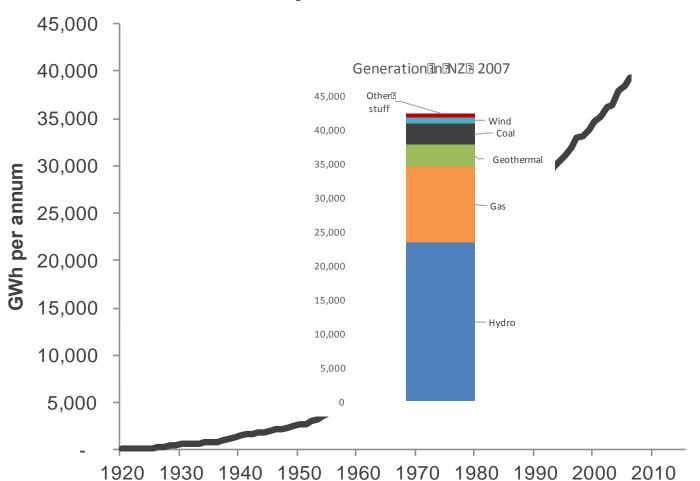


# Impact on price



# Reliable growth....

### **NZ Electricity Demand**



#### **Growth since 2006:**

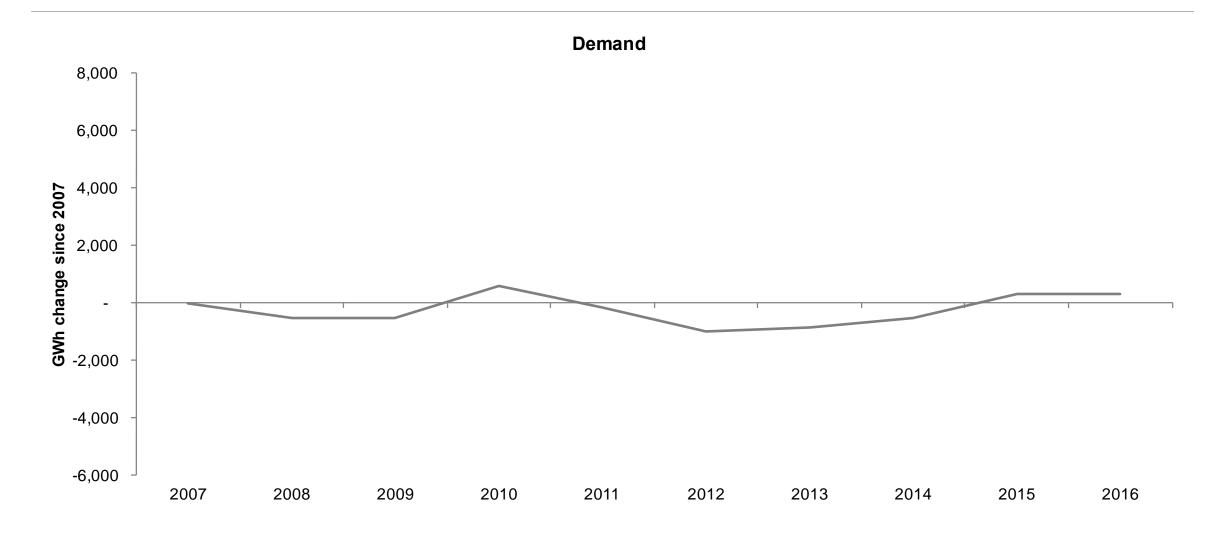
• Agriculture: +1,103 GWh

• Industrial: -600 GWh

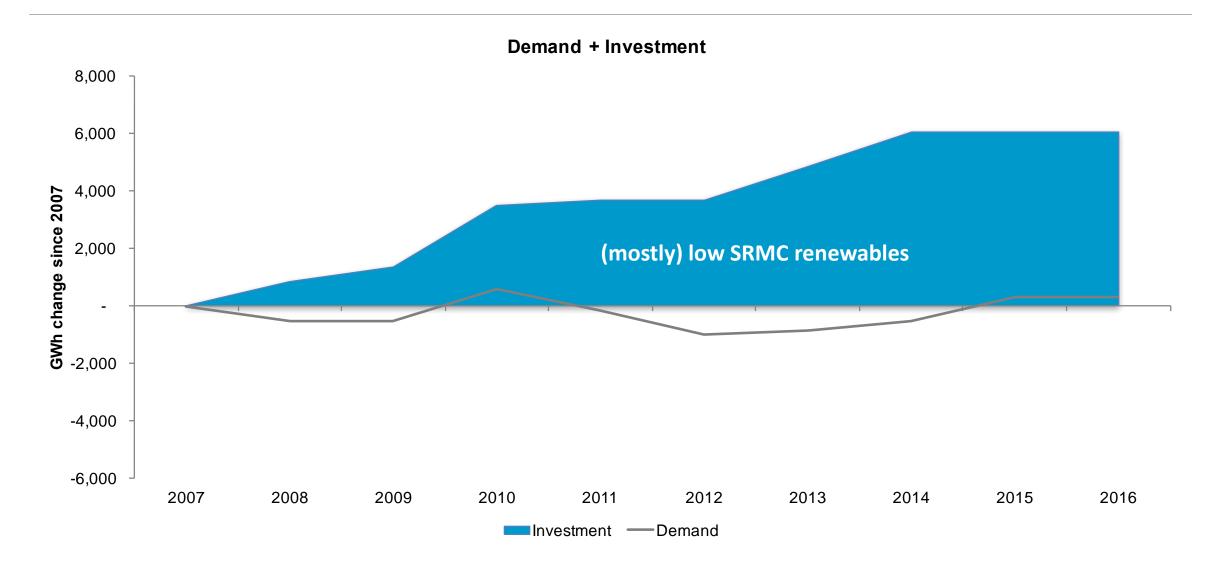
• Commercial: +690 GWh

Residential: -116 GWh

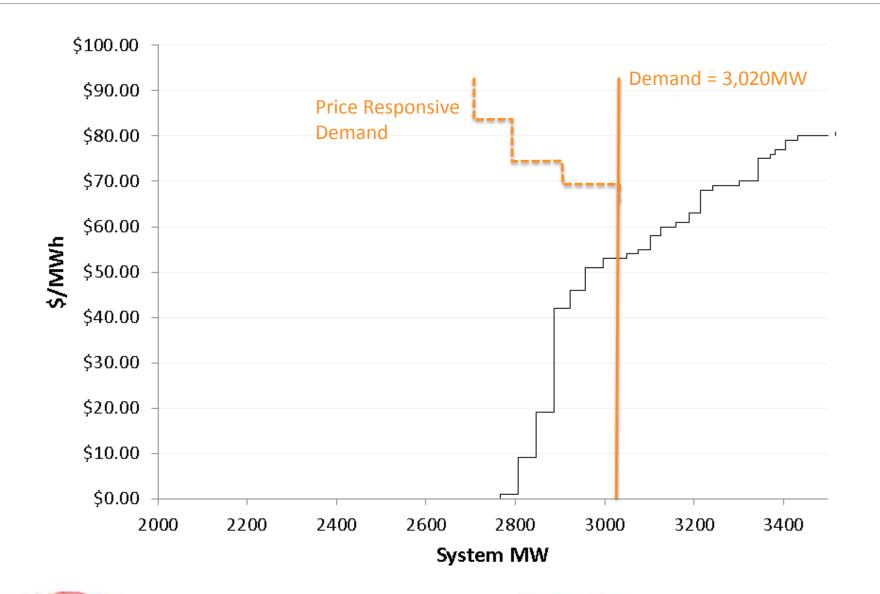
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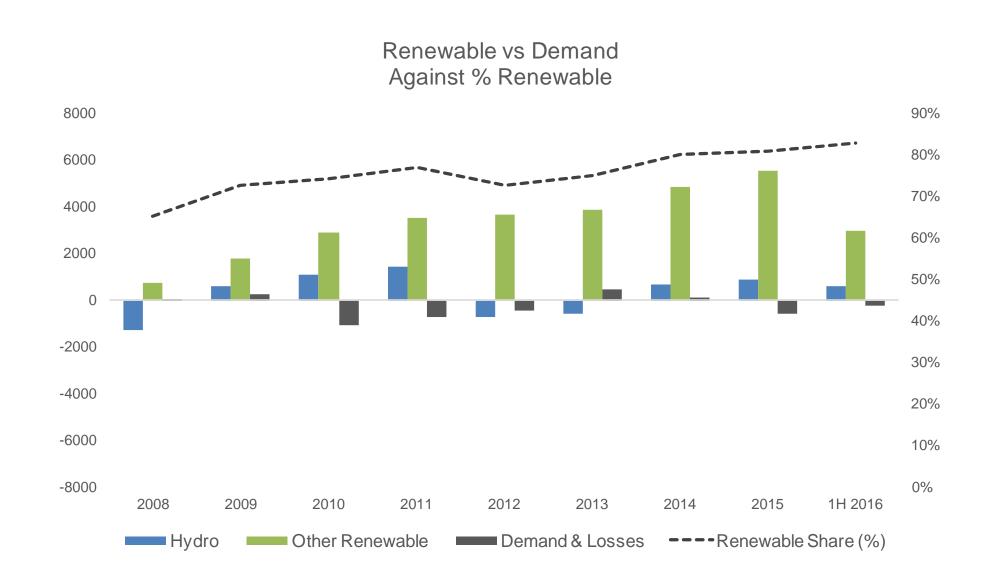
# And we built...



## Wholesale Market effects



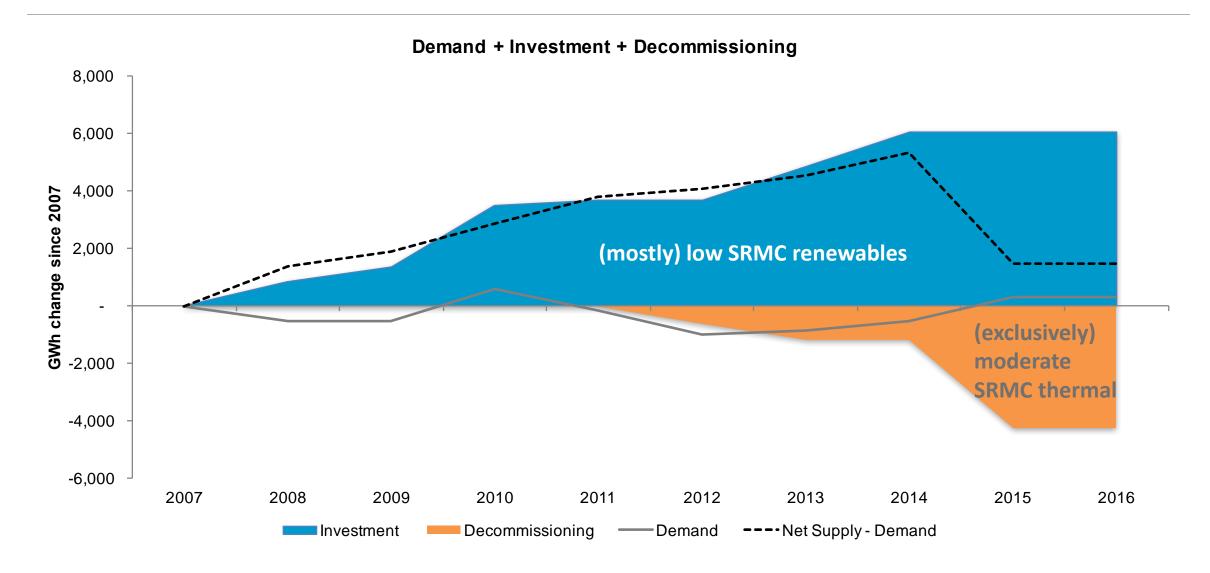
### Wholesale market



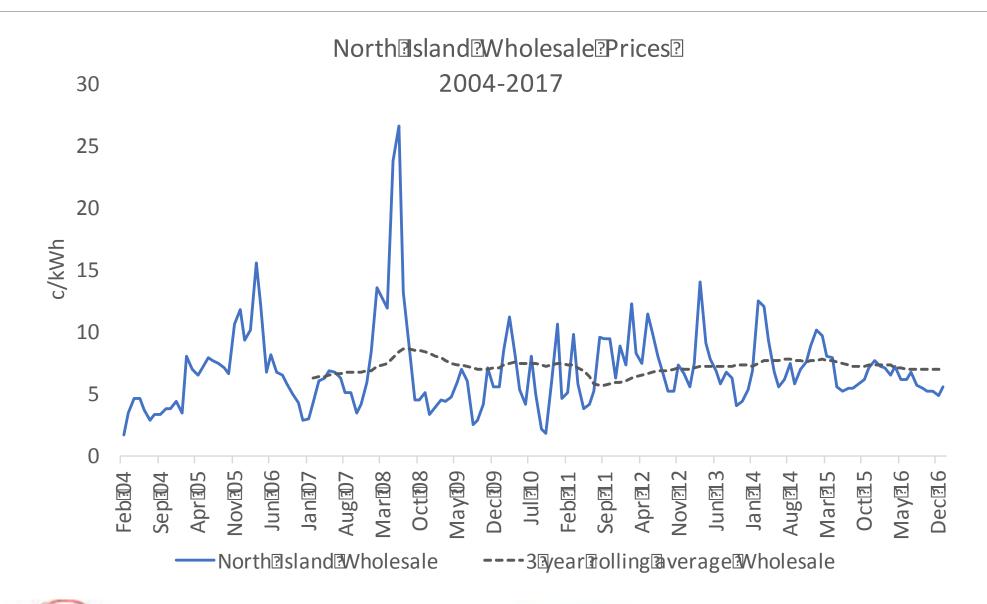
# Thermal vs Renewable vs Demand Against % Renewable



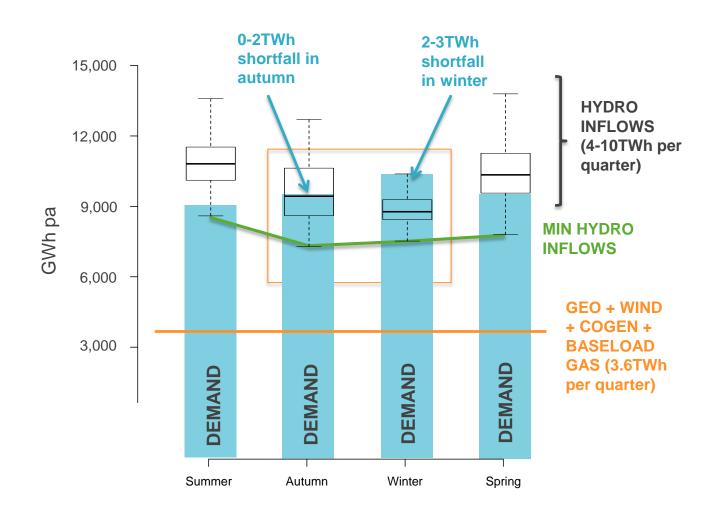
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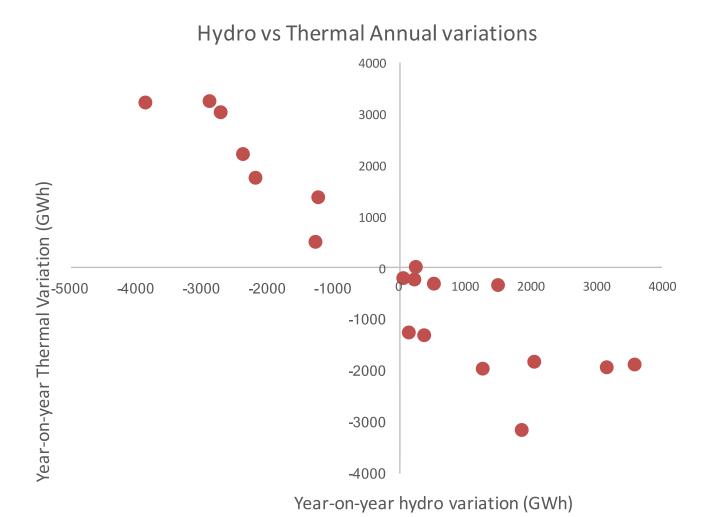
# Impact on price



# Hydro – managing security of supply

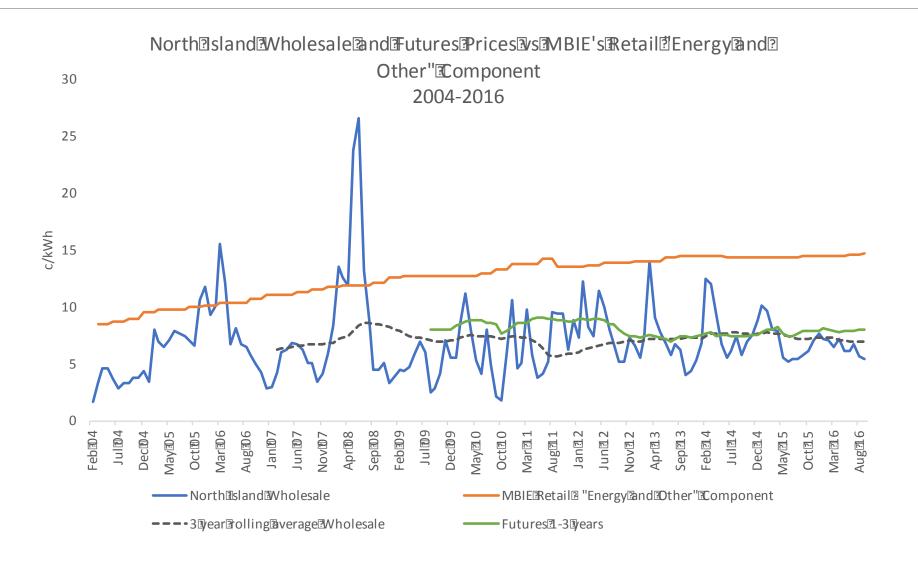


# Managing hydro security



# MEANWHILE, ON THE DEMAND SIDE...

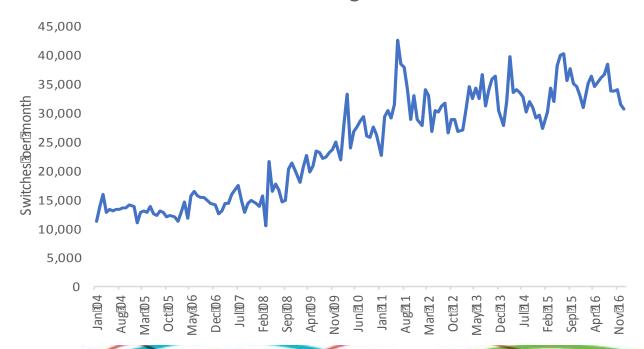
### New retail?



# Switching and new retailers

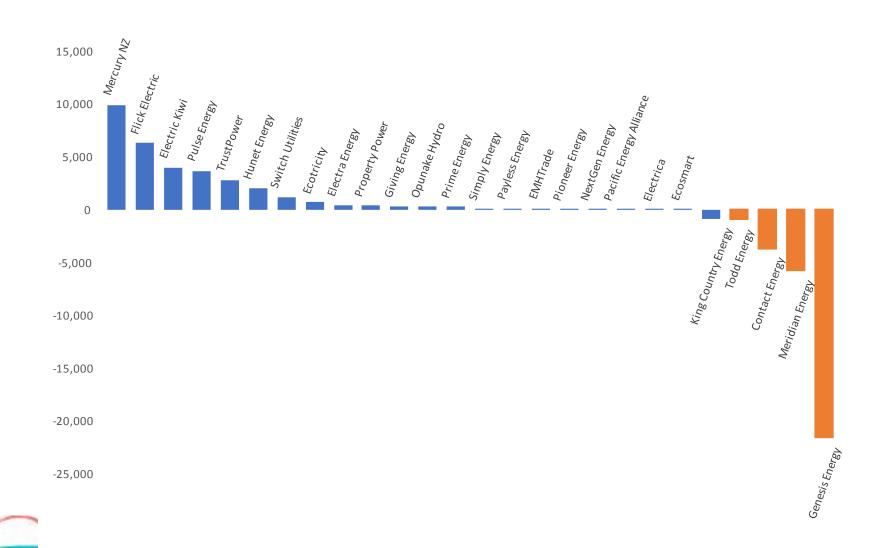


#### National Switching Statistics



# Switching, competition and disruption?





# Technology – Disruption?





















# Technology – the quiet disruptors?



# Or even just....





# So...run that by me again?

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Something has flattened demand...
   Combined with (attractive) investment in renewables...
       Softened prices, increased security levels and attracted new retailers...
           Triggering decommissioning of thermals...(what a market would do)
              Which tightened security of supply again...
                  But achieved higher renewable penetration....
But while the lakes stay full(ish)...
   Prices stay low...
       People are switching to [insert name of small retailer] ....
          And solar gets cheaper....
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And demand doesn't grow....

# WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT?

### Some critical uncertainties...

What happens when the lakes next go dry?

What will the next investment be?

- A big power station? Thermal or renewable?
- Lots of solar panels?
- EVs?
- LEDs?

What will happen to Tiwai? Households? Dairy? Irrigation? Tourism? Industry? If customer data and technology gets unleashed

- What's possible?
- Or don't people care?
- Or do we not care that they don't care?

### What about Paris?

- Opportunities for electrification: cars, space/water heating
- How high will we climb with renewables? As a market? Policy?

# **QUESTIONS?**