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Babu Bahirathan
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Dear Babu

Thank you for your application dated 24 July 2015 seeking exemptions from compliance with the Electricity (Low Fixed Charge Tariff Option for Domestic Consumers) Regulations 2004 (the Regulations).

I advise that in accordance with regulation 31 of the Regulations, the following exemptions are granted to Nova Energy Limited for the Marlborough Lines network area:

- Until 1 October 2024, homes served by a single line that serves few homes and no other significant electricity consumers in the following remote areas (as provided more specifically on the two attached maps):
 - Kaiuma Bay
 - Pelorus and Queen Charlotte Sounds
 - Curious Cove, Port Underwood and Arapawa Island
 - French Pass and D'Urville Island
 - Upper Waihopai Valley
 - Upper Wairau Valley
 - Cape Campbell
 - Southern East Coast
 - Upper Awatere Valley.
- Homes on 3-phase supply and/or with greater-than 15kVA supply.

Nova Energy is required by regulation 34 of the Regulations to publish the attached Notice of Exemption, including the maps of the applicable areas, on its website at all reasonable times.

Yours sincerely

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Hon Simon Bridges
Minister of Energy and Resources

Notice of Exemption

issued under


Regulation 31

of the

Electricity (Low Fixed Charge Tariff Option for Domestic Consumers) Regulations 2004

Under regulation 31 of the Electricity (Low Fixed Charge Tariff Option for Domestic Consumers) Regulations 2004, having regard to and being satisfied that the criteria in regulation 31 are met, exemptions are granted to Nova Energy Limited as follows:

1. In respect of the following in the Marlborough Lines network area:
 - Homes served by a single line that serves few homes and no other significant electricity consumers
 - In the following remote areas (represented in the two attached maps):
 - Kaiuma Bay
 - Pelorus and Queen Charlotte Sounds
 - Curious Cove, Port Underwood and Arapawa Island
 - French Pass and D'Urville Island
 - Upper Waihopai Valley
 - Upper Wairau Valley
 - Cape Campbell
 - Southern East Coast
 - Upper Awatere Valley
 - until 1 October 2024.
2. In respect of the following in the Marlborough Lines network area:
 - Homes on 3-phase supply
 - Homes with greater-than 15kVA supply, and
 - Homes on 3-phase supply with greater-than 15kVA supply.

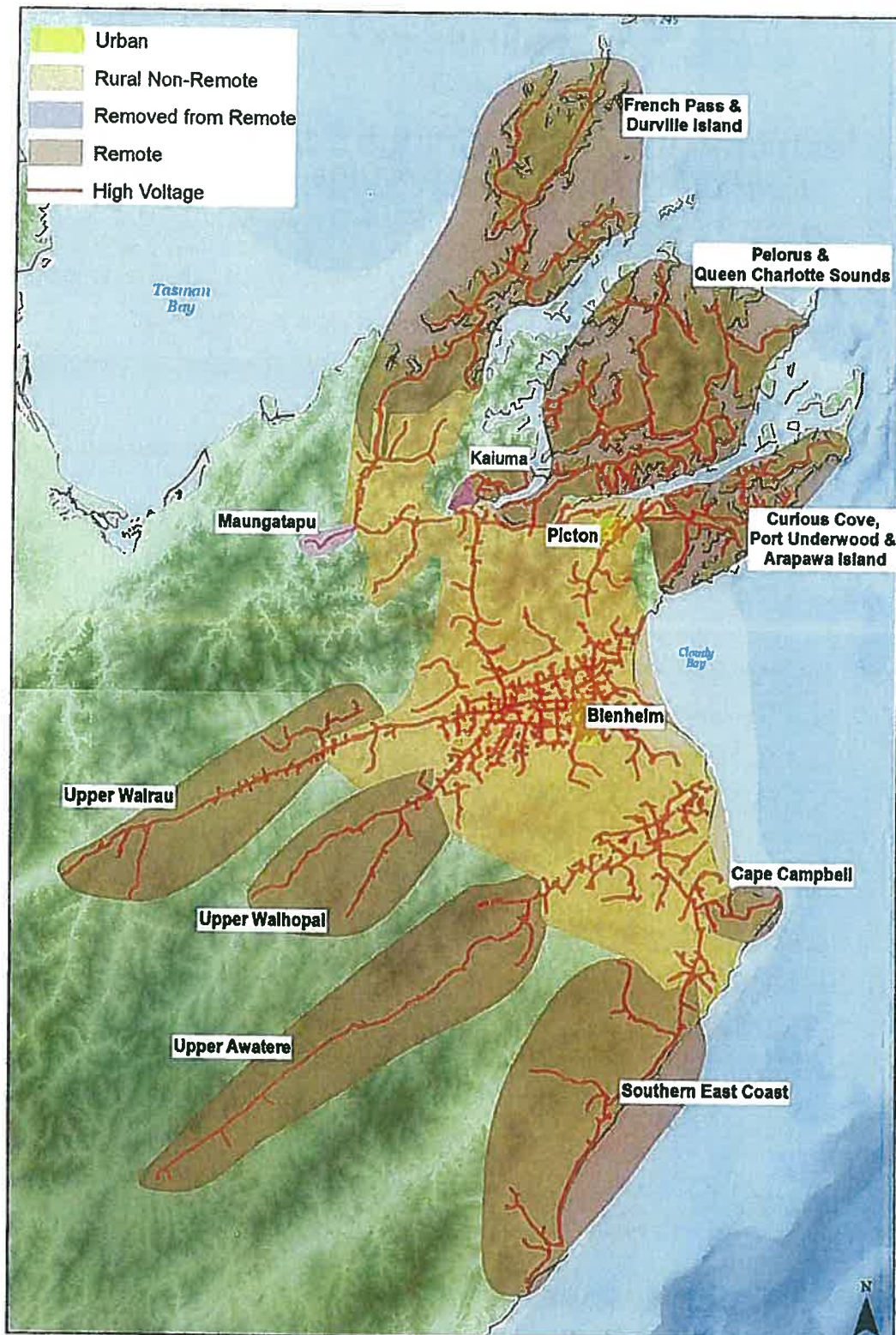


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Dated 14 August

2015

Map one: Remote areas covered by exemption



Map two: Detail of 'Kaiuma' and 'Pelorus and Queen Charlotte Sounds' areas

