

Company Name	<u>Westpower Limited</u>
For Year Ended	<u>31 March 2013</u>

Schedule 14 Mandatory Explanatory Notes

(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012)

1. This Schedule requires EDBs to provide explanatory notes to information provided in accordance with clauses 2.3.1, 2.4.21, 2.4.22, and 2.5.2.
2. This Schedule is mandatory—EDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.7.1. Information provided in boxes 1 to 12 of this schedule is part of the audited disclosure information, and so is subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.
3. Schedule 15 (Voluntary Explanatory Notes to Schedules) provides for EDBs to give additional explanation of disclosed information should they elect to do so.

Return on Investment (Schedule 2)

4. In the box below, comment on return on investment as disclosed in Schedule 2. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 1: Explanatory comment on return on investment

No reclassifications have occurred.

Westpower is not required to complete monthly ROI information under clause 2.3.3.

The decrease in ROI compared to 2012 is due to the reduction in the revaluation movement for 2013.

Regulatory Profit (Schedule 3)

5. In the box below, comment on regulatory profit for the disclosure year as disclosed in Schedule 3. This comment must include-
 - 5.1 a description of material items included in 'other regulatory line income' other than gains and losses on asset sales, as disclosed in 3(i) of Schedule 3
 - 5.2 information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 2: Explanatory comment on regulatory profit

Other income includes rental and lease income from network assets.

No reclassifications have occurred.

As an exempt EDB, Westpower is not required to completed sections 3(ii) and 3(iii).

Merger and acquisition expenses (3(iv) of Schedule 3)

6. If the EDB incurred merger and acquisitions expenditure during the disclosure year, provide the following information in the box below-

6.1 information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2)

6.2 any other commentary on the benefits of the merger and acquisition expenditure to the EDB.

Box 3: Explanatory comment on merger and acquisition expenditure

No merger or acquisition expenditure has been incurred.

Value of the Regulatory Asset Base (Schedule 4)

7. In the box below, comment on the value of the regulatory asset base (rolled forward) in Schedule 4. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 4: Explanatory comment on the value of the regulatory asset based (rolled forward)

No reclassification of items has occurred.

There have been no changes in depreciation profiles.

Regulatory tax allowance: disclosure of permanent differences (5a(i) of Schedule 5a)

8. In the box below, provide descriptions and workings of the following items, as recorded in the asterisked categories in 5a(i) of Schedule 5a-

8.1 income not included in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but taxable;

8.2 expenditure or loss in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but not deductible;

8.3 income included in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax but not taxable;

8.4 expenditure or loss deductible but not in regulatory profit / (loss) before tax.

Box 5: Regulatory tax allowance: permanent differences

No permanent differences are disclosed.

Other temporary differences relate to network asset disposals which are not claimed for income tax purposes.

Temporary differences are also recognised in relation to accrued employee entitlements and provision for doubtful debts.

Regulatory tax allowance: disclosure of temporary differences (5a(vi) of Schedule 5a)

9. In the box below, provide descriptions and workings of items recorded in the asterisked category 'Tax effect of other temporary differences' in 5a(vi) of Schedule 5a.

Box 6: Temporary differences / Tax effect of other temporary differences (current disclosure year)

Other temporary differences relate to network asset disposals which are not claimed for income tax purposes.

Temporary differences are also recognised in relation to accrued employee entitlements and provision for doubtful debts.

Related party transactions: disclosure of related party transactions (Schedule 5b)

10. In the box below, provide descriptions of related party transactions beyond those disclosed on schedule 5b including identification and descriptions as to the nature of directly attributable costs disclosed under clause 2.3.6(1)(b).

Box 7: Related party transactions

Operating Expenditure

Electrical contracting services are charged on a time and materials basis and include direct labour costs, materials, subcontractor costs and vehicle usage plus mark up.

Asset management and business support services include direct labour costs plus mark up.

Capital Expenditure

Electrical contracting services are charged on a time and materials basis and include direct labour costs, materials, subcontractor costs and vehicle usage excluding mark up.

Other Related Party Transactions

Capital contributions received are calculated in line with Westpower's Capital Contribution Policy

Cost allocation (Schedule 5d)

11. In the box below, comment on cost allocation as disclosed in Schedule 5d. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 8: Cost allocation

No cost allocation is required as all costs are directly attributable to the electricity distribution business. No changes have occurred in the company's cost allocation.

Transitional provision 2.12.5(3) has been applied with all allocation disclosed under system operation and network support.

Asset allocation (Schedule 5e)

12. In the box below, comment on asset allocation as disclosed in Schedule 5e. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 9: Commentary on asset allocation

No asset allocation is required as all assets are directly attributable to the electricity distribution business. No change has occurred in the company's asset allocation.

Capital Expenditure for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 6a)

13. In the box below, comment on capital expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 6a. This comment must include-

- 13.1 a description of the materiality threshold applied to identify material projects and programmes described in Schedule 6a;
- 13.2 information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2),

Box 10: Explanation of capital expenditure for the disclosure year

Under the transitional requirements no disclosure of material projects is required for 2013.

No reclassification of items has occurred.

Operational Expenditure for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 6b)

14. In the box below, comment on operational expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 6b. This comment must include-

- 14.1 commentary on assets replaced or renewed with asset replacement and renewal operating expenditure, as reported in 6b(i) of Schedule 6b;
- 14.2 information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2);
- 14.3 commentary on any material atypical expenditure included in operational expenditure disclosed in Schedule 6b, a including the value of the expenditure the purpose of the expenditure, and the operational expenditure categories the expenditure relates to.

Box 11: Explanation of operational expenditure for the disclosure year

Asset replacement and renewal expenditure includes:

- replacement of lightning arrestors, fuses, earths and cross arms at pole mounted transformer sites.
- reconditioning of air break switches
- replacement and refurbishment of zone substation transformers.
- replacement of pillar boxes.

No material atypical expenditure or reclassification of items has occurred.

Variance between forecast and actual expenditure (Schedule 7)

15. In the box below, comment on variance in actual to forecast expenditure for the disclosure year, as reported in Schedule 7. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2).

Box 12: Explanatory comment on variance in actual to forecast expenditure

Capital Expenditure

System Growth

- A major reconductoring project was completed during the period and was budgeted as a reliability, safety and environment project (see below). A portion of the cost of this project related to the upgrade of the line for an embedded generator (i.e. growth) and was funded by way of capital contribution.
- To offset this new transformer purchases were less than expected due reduced customer and load demand.

Asset Replacement and Renewal

- 7 projects were not commenced or deferred due to resource constraint or external issues. 4 projects were completed under budget following review of scope or condition assessment of the existing assets. Another project was not completed during the financial period with the expenditure carried over to the next financial year.

Reliability, Safety and Environment

- A major reconductoring project was completed under budget. A portion of the cost as been coded to system growth (see above).

The remaining capital expenditure variances are due to the removal of related party mark up from actual capital expenditure.

Operational Expenditure

Asset Replacement and Renewal

- Actual expenditure on transformer site refurbishment was less than budgeted due to delays in inspection program.

No reclassification of items has occurred.

Information relating to revenue and quantities for the disclosure year

16. In the box below provide-

- 16.1 a comparison of the target revenue disclosed before the start of the disclosure year, in accordance with clauses 2.4.1 and 2.4.3(3) to total billed line charge revenue for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 8; and
- 16.2 explanatory comment on reasons for any material differences between target revenue and total billed line charge revenue.

Box 13: Explanatory comment relating to revenue for the disclosure year

See Schedule 7. There was no material difference between target and actual line charge revenue.

Network Reliability for the Disclosure Year (Schedule 10)

17. In the box below, comment on network reliability for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 10.

Box 14: Commentary on network reliability for the disclosure year

Network reliability measures are primarily affected by weather and environmental factors including vegetation.

Insurance cover

- 18. In the box below provide details of any insurance cover for the assets used to provide electricity distribution services, including-
 - 18.1 the EDB's approaches and practices in regard to the insurance of assets used to provide electricity distribution services, including the level of insurance;
 - 18.2 in respect of any self insurance, the level of reserves, details of how reserves are managed and invested, and details of any reinsurance.

Box 15: Explanation of insurance cover

The cost of insuring all network assets is considered prohibitive. Replacement cover is held for all substation assets.

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Schedule 14a Mandatory Explanatory Notes on Forecast Information

(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012)

1. This Schedule provides for EDBs to provide explanatory notes to reports prepared in accordance with clause 2.6.5.
2. This Schedule is mandatory—EDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.7.2. This information is not part of the audited disclosure information, and so is not subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.

Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11a)

3. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 11a.

Box 1: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price capital expenditure forecasts
The difference between nominal and constant expenditure values relates to the elimination of cost escalations for general price increase in future periods.

Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts (Schedule 11b)

4. In the box below, comment on the difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure for the disclosure year, as disclosed in Schedule 11b.

Box 2: Commentary on difference between nominal and constant price operational expenditure forecasts
The difference between nominal and constant expenditure values relates to the elimination of cost escalations for general price increase in future periods.

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Schedule 14b Mandatory Explanatory Notes on Transitional Financial Information

(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012)

1. This Schedule provides for EDBs to provide explanatory notes to the transitional financial information disclosed in accordance with clause 2.12.1.
2. This Schedule is mandatory—EDBs must provide the explanatory comment specified below, in accordance with clause 2.12.1. This information is part of the audited disclosure information, and so is subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.
3. In the box below provide explanatory comment on the tax effect of other temporary differences for the years ending 31 March 2010, 31 March 2011 and 31 March 2012 (as reported in Schedule 5h(vii)).

Box 1: Commentary on tax effect of other temporary differences (years ended 31 March 2010, 31 March 2011, and 31 March 2012)

Other temporary differences relate to network asset disposals which are not claimed for income tax purposes. Temporary differences are also recognised in relation to accrued employee entitlements and provision for doubtful debts.

4. To the extent that any change in regulatory profit and ROI reported for 2013 (compared to that reported for 2012) is attributable to the change in treatment of related party transactions, provide an explanation of the change in the box below.

Box 2: Change in regulatory profit and ROI due to change in treatment of related party transactions

The change in the treatment of related party transactions has not had a material effect on Westpower's ROI.

5. In the box below, comment on asset allocation as disclosed in Schedule 5e. This comment must include information on reclassified items in accordance with clause 2.7.1(2) for disclosure years 2011 and 2012.

Box 3: Commentary on asset allocation

No reclassification of items has occurred for disclosure year 2011 and 2012.

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Schedule 15 Voluntary Explanatory Notes

(In this Schedule, clause references are to the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012)

1. This Schedule enable EDBs to provide, should they wish to-
 - 1.1 additional explanatory comment to reports prepared in accordance with clauses 2.3.1, 2.4.21, 2.4.22, 2.5.1, 2.5.2, and 2.6.5;
 - 1.2 information on any substantial changes to information disclosed in relation to a prior disclosure year, as a result of final wash-ups.
2. Information in this Schedule is not part of the audited disclosure information, and so is not subject to the assurance requirements specified in section 2.8.
3. Provide additional explanatory comment in the box below.

Box 1: Voluntary explanatory comment on disclosed information

Corrections have been made to the schedules 11 to 13 disclosed in our AMP. The changes do not materially alter the financial forecasts made in our AMP.