

**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 Mercury NZ Limited **until 1 April 2027** as follows:

- 1) In respect of the following in the **Alpine Energy Limited** network area:
  - a. Homes on 3-phase supply and with greater than 15kVa supply.
  
- 2) In respect of the following in the **Electricity Ashburton Limited** network area:
  - a. Homes on 3-phase supply
  - b. Homes with greater-than 15kVa supply
  - c. Homes on 3-phase supply and with greater than 15kVa supply.
  
- 3) In respect of the **Marlborough Lines Limited** network area:
  - a. Homes served by a single line that serves few homes and no other significant electricity consumers
  - b. In the following remote areas (represented by the attached maps):
    - i. Kaiuma Bay
    - ii. Pelorus and Queen Charlotte Sounds
    - iii. Curious Cove, Port Underwood and Arapawa Island
    - iv. French Pass and D'Urville Island
    - v. Upper Waihopai Valley
    - vi. Upper Wairau Valley
    - vii. Cape Campbell
    - viii. Southern East Coast

ix. Upper Awaterere Valley

c. Unit 1 April 2027.

4) In respect of the following in the **Marlborough Lines Limited** network area:

- a. Homes on 3-phase supply
- b. Homes with greater-than 15kVa supply
- c. Homes on 3-phase supply with greater than 15kVa supply.

5) In respect of the following **Network Waitaki Limited** network area:

- a. Homes on 3-phase supply
- b. Homes with greater-than 15kVa supply
- c. Homes on 3-phase supply with greater than 15kVa supply.



Hon Simon Watts  
**Minister for Energy**

Dated: 30 April 2025