## **Appendix E Format for Feedback**

Exploring network visibility: costs, benefits and value

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| **Submitter** |  |
| What is your interest in network visibility? |  |

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| Questions | Comments |
| Q1. Are you aware of the extent of the information currently being provided by distributors (including through disclosures)? | Yes / No  |
| Q2. How do current distributor disclosures support your understanding of available capacity, constraints and opportunities on:1. high-voltage networks?
2. low-voltage networks?
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| Q3. How are you making use of existing disclosures to support more efficient outcomes? |  |
| Q4. Would changes to the type of data, format, regularity or granularity of distributor disclosures better support decision-making? Please provide detail. |  |
| Q5. What other disclosures of network information would further inform your choices and decisions?  |  |
| Q6. What are distributors’ perspectives on the value of collating and publishing network capacity information for their own businesses? |  |
| Q7. What are distributors’ perspectives on how well interested parties are using the data they already publish? |  |
| Q8. What are your perspectives on recent developments on access to smart meter data? |  |
| Q9. Is the pace of distributor progress on developing the capability needed to support work on improving network visibility appropriate? If not, what are your expectations regarding timeframes? |  |
| Q10. What are the barriers and costs to distributors in developing the capability needed to support work on improving network visibility faster? |  |
| Q11. Do you agree that distributors having a better understanding of network capacity/constraints and publishing this information in an easily accessible way is in the long-term interest of consumers? |  |
| Q12. Do you consider that there is a case for further regulatory intervention to further improve progress and the quality (e.g. timeliness, granularity, format standardisation) of disclosures that improve network visibility? |  |
| Q13. Do you consider that measures are needed to improve awareness of and encourage use of network visibility disclosures by interested parties? |  |
| Q14. If further work is required to support the development and use of network visibility, which approach do you prefer:1. developing industry guidance or standards.
2. introducing a regulatory backstop that would codify the industry guidance or standards.
3. developing regulatory standards and timeframes for improving network visibility.
4. something else.
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| Q15. Do you support an approach that focuses on high-voltage networks first, or do you have another preference? |  |
| Q16. What other aspects of international developments relating to network visibility should we be looking at for lessons that could be considered in the New Zealand context? |  |
| Q17. Do you consider that metering equipment providers should be required to publish schedules of available data and prices to improve transparency and reduce transaction costs? |  |
| Q18. Do you consider that elements of [Part 12A of the Code](https://www.ea.govt.nz/code-and-compliance/the-code-electricity-industry-participation-code-2010/part-12a-distributor-agreements-arrangements-and-other-provisions/) relating to default distributor agreements should be reinforced or extended to ensure consistent access to both consumption data and other types of data e.g. power quality from smart meters or other devices (such as inverters)? |  |