

## 28 July 2022 (Electricity Networks Association) - Transpower CUWLP options analysis

### Question:

ENA recently submitted to Transpower's consultation on the benefit-based investment (BBI) customer allocations for the [Clutha and Upper Waitaki Lines Project \(CUWLP\)](#).

In its submission, the ENA requested *"that Transpower provides ENA (retrospectively) an economic options' analysis of the CUWLP investment decision. This is a customer request. While this is not part of the requirements of calculating the BBCs, it provides us with a relevant context for assessing the economic reasonableness of the proposed BBCs."* (ENA submission on CUWLP starting BBI customer allocations p. 6).

This request has not been met. ENA would like to re-iterate the request above. This information is important to ensure that EDBs can properly understand the economic benefits of the investment, to them, for which they are expected to pay.

### Response:

The ENA has asked that Transpower provides (retrospectively) an economic options' analysis of the CUWLP investment decision.

Our response reiterates our reply to a similar question from Unison (online [here](#)): *The economic assessment we made at the time of the investment decision is reflected in the 2020 consultation paper and the communication announcing the decision.*

Useful links are:

- Transpower's [2020 CUWLP consultation paper](#)
- Transpower's [communication announcing the investment decision](#).

Please note we will publish your query and the above response to our webpage for the benefit of other submitters.