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Meridian issues demand response exercise notice to NZAS

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Meridian Energy has today issued New Zealand's Aluminium Smelter (NZAS) with a demand response notice under the NZAS Demand Response Agreement dated 30 May 2024 (*DR Agreement*).

This demand response notice is further to the ongoing demand response call under the DR Agreement, disclosed on 26 June 2024.¹

As a result, contract quantity under the Core Agreement between Meridian and NZAS will, depending on the start time nominated by NZAS:

- continue with a reduction of 18.75 MWh per half hour until 22 July 2024;
- reduce further progressively between 23 July 2024 and 1 August 2024 in accordance with the DR Agreement; and
- reduce by 37.5 MWh per half hour from 2 August 2024 until 15 November 2024,

unless Meridian advises NZAS otherwise.

Meridian has issued the notice to help manage South Island hydro storage levels.

A copy of the demand response agreement is available on Meridian's website at [NZAS contract | Meridian Energy](#)

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¹ <https://www.nzx.com/announcements/433421>