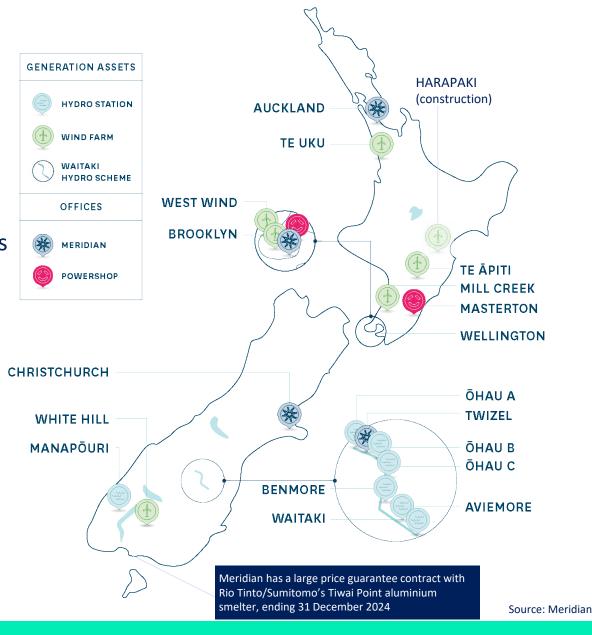


About Meridian

- NZ\$13b company, one of NZ's largest listed companies,
 51% Government owned
- Largest of five listed NZ retailer generators
- New Zealand's largest generator, all production from renewable sources
- Seven big hydro stations flexible plant with the country's largest storage
- With low operating costs and capital needs
- Five wind farms and proven success operating in a high wind environment
- Backed with more than a decade of construction and operational experience
- First battery and solar farm development announced
- 360,000 customers through Meridian + Powershop





Governance

Mark Cairns

- Chair of Safety & Sustainability Committee
- Freightways Chair (1 April)
- Sanford Director



Jan Dawson

- Chair of People & Remuneration Committee
- Audit & Risk Committee member
- Ports of Auckland Chair (unlisted)



- Chair of Audit & Risk Committee
- A2 Milk Deputy Chair
- Auckland International Airport Director
- Port of Tauranga Director





Mark Verbiest

- Chair of the Board
- Freightways Chair (31 March)
- Summerset Chair
- ANZ New Zealand Director



Michelle Henderson

- Safety & Sustainability Committee member
- Audit & Risk Committee member
- Fulton Hogan Director (unlisted)



Nagaja Sanatkumar

- People & Remuneration Committee member
- MediaWorks, Ultrafast
 Fibre, Cawthron Institute
 Director (unlisted)



Tania Simpson

- Auckland International Airport Director
- Tainui Group Holdings Director (unlisted)
- Waitangi Tribunal Member



Strategy

Strategic initiatives

5-year targets

Clean energy for a fairer and healthier world

Champion

Competitive markets
Sustainability
Climate action

Grow a clear sustainability leadership position

Use our 5,000 GWh renewable opportunity to fast-track NZ's decarbonisation

Optimise

Trading & asset management Re-consenting Financing

Grow Retail

Generation Flux

NZ's highest customer satisfaction

NZ's largest and fastest growing retailer

3 buildable options by 2024

3 million ICP's on Flux

A resilient wellbeing and safety culture



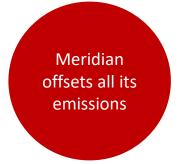


Sustainability

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Our Material Topics			
<u>Environmental</u>	<u>Social</u>	Governance	
Action on climate change	Electricity pricing	Sustainability leadership	
Pipeline of generation options	Support for vulnerable customers	Good governance, ethical behaviour and reporting	
Impact on water	Local community and sponsorship	Contribution to public policy	
Impact on biodiversity	lwi relationships	Financial impacts of climate change	
	Distributed energy resources	Cyber security	



Source: Meridian





Social focus

Local communities

- Long term relationships, community relationship managers
- \$9M of local project support over 14 years

<u>lwi</u>

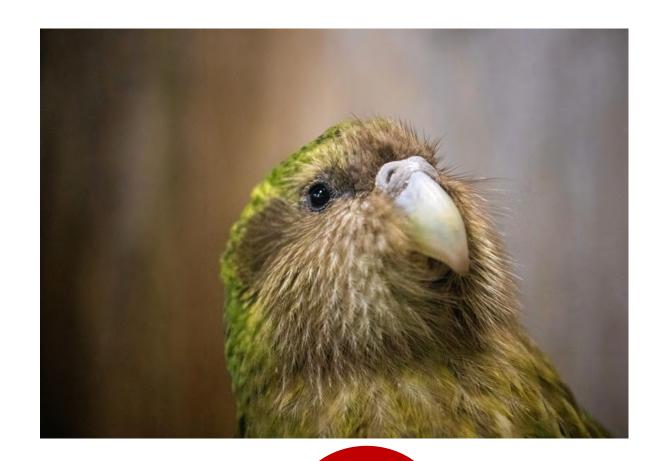
- Recognise the mana whenua of Ngāi Tahu
- Close association with local rūnaka
- Focus on strengthening our iwi partnerships

KidsCan

 \$1M annual contribution towards supporting under-privileged children

Kākāpō Recovery Programme

 Cornerstone partnership with the Department of Conservation

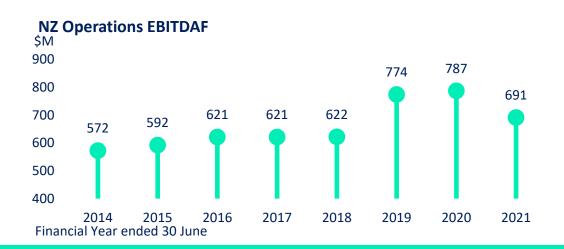


There are only 202 kākāpō alive today



Financial performance

- Double digit shareholder returns every year since listing
- Sustained earnings through that period
- High free cash flow, high payout ratio, stable ordinary dividend
- Balance sheet headroom to fund potentially significant future decarbonisation growth

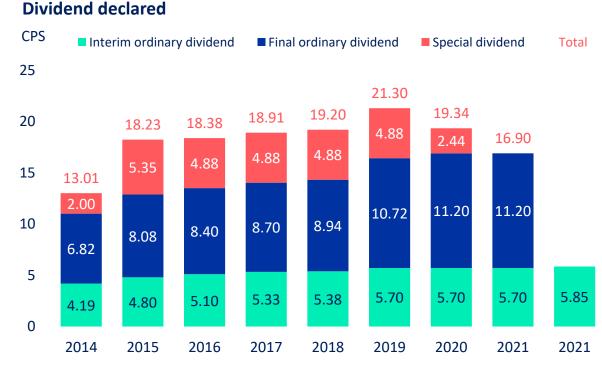






Dividends and capital structure

- Ordinary dividends generally imputed to around 85%
- Active dividend reinvestment plan
- Recent changes to Dividend Policy:
 - payout range increasing to 80%-100% of free cash flow (previously 75%-90%)
 - Stay in business capex decreasing to \$50M
 with MEA sale (previously \$65M)
- Board is committed to maintaining current BBB+ credit rating
- Meridian advancing future investment opportunities, including new generation development following receipt of Australian sale proceeds
- Net debt to EBITDAF at 2.4 times



Financial year ended 30 June



Source: Meridian

Retail initiatives

Certified Renewable Energy

- 60 customers now with Meridian's Certified Renewable Energy product
- Net proceeds of the product will be reinvested back into decarbonisation projects

Energy hardship

- Developing a new and more comprehensive energy hardship solution
- To be trialled this year, scaled up in 2023

EV charging network

- 148 chargers contracted
- Includes 80 DC and AC chargers across the Wellington and Hutt Valley region



Ika Rere, the first electric passenger ferry in the Southern Hemisphere is now operating on the Wellington harbour

Meridian has grown customer sales by 40% in the last 4 years



NZAS contract termination











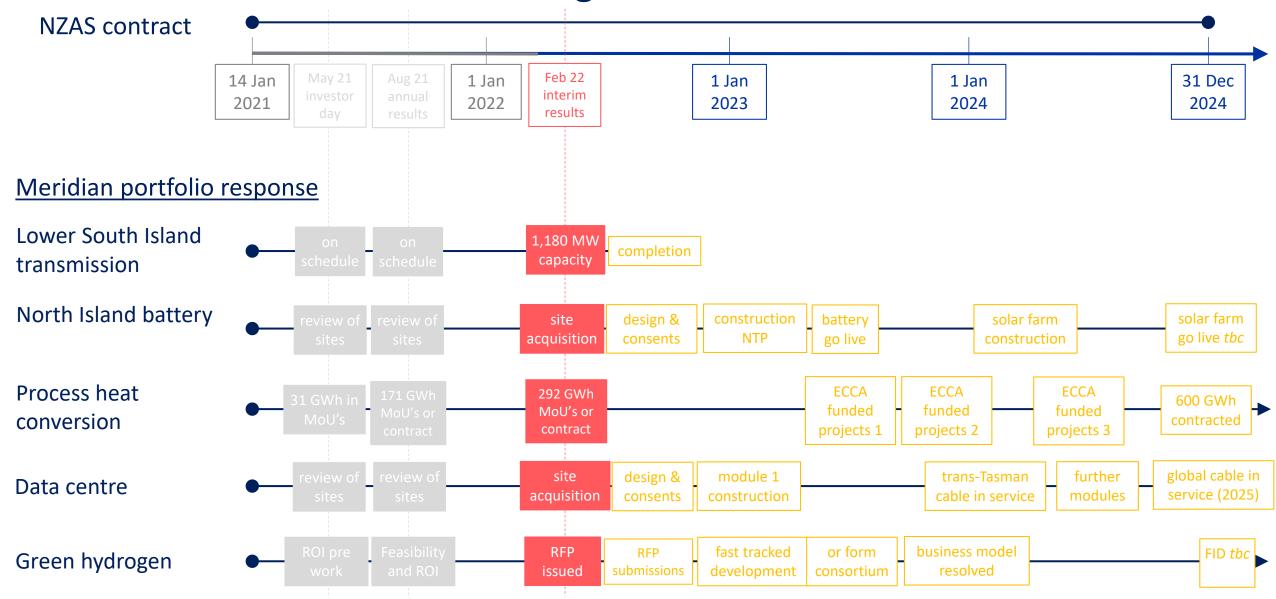


- Current contract terminates 31 December 2024
- NZAS makes the purest aluminium in the world
- NZAS has one of the lowest carbon footprints of an aluminium smelter in the world
- Compared to a coal-fired smelter, NZAS emits 15 tonnes (90%) less CO₂ per tonne of aluminium produced



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NZAS contract termination - mitigation





Future generation

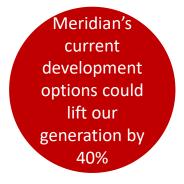
- Electricity demand in New Zealand could grow by up to 150% by 2050
- \$40b or more of investment in new generation could be needed
- Existing, aging thermal generation will need to be replaced
- The market will need to build the equivalent of one Harapaki every year at a minimum
- Meridian is aiming to build the equivalent of one Harapaki every 3 years at a minimum
- Flexible generation will be critical to managing impact of new intermittent renewables and solving NZ's dry year risk
- Consumer demand response solutions and some gas capacity will feature

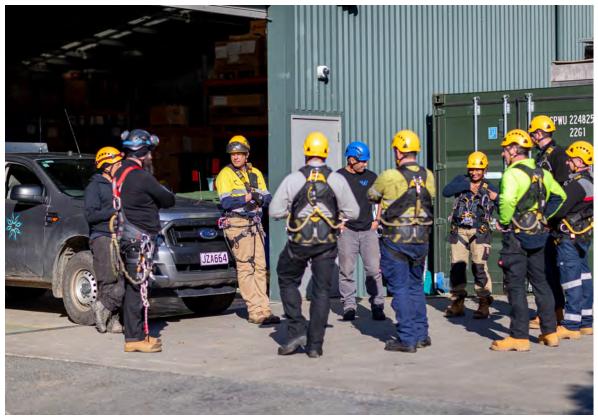


Meridian's Lake Pūkaki is around 2.5 times the size of Wellington harbour and has a 19.5 metre operating range

Renewable development pipeline

- Utility scale solar development announced to complement battery at Ruākākā Energy Park
- Assessments continuing on additional solar sites, land option acquired at Bunnythorpe
- 20 potential new wind and solar development options





Maintenance crew at Meridian's West Wind farm, near Wellington



Harapaki wind farm construction

- Site located 50km north of Napier on SH5
- Will be NZ's second largest and highest elevated wind farm, powering 70,000 households
- Site enabling and mobilisation works completed in September 2021
- A wet spring and early summer has impacted earthworks and slowed progress, mitigation initiatives undertaken, back on track
- Offshore procurement items are on schedule

Project metrics 41 turbines x 4.3 MW 176 MW 542 GWh p.a. (P50 yield) \$395m capital investment 36 months construction time *\$35m EBITDAF p.a. (assuming ~\$67/MWh received for generation)



Cable trenching at Meridian's Harapaki wind farm

Harapaki will power the equivalent of 70,000 homes

Closing comments

- Lower NZAS pricing has been absorbed
- Dividend growth with higher FY22 interim dividend
- Bulk of the MEA sale proceeds are earmarked for future NZ investment
- Competing hard for retail growth and lots more new generation options are our focus
- Sound progress on development of new South Island demand



Meridian's Mill Creek wind farm, near Wellington

Glossary

Hedging volumes buy-side electricity derivatives excluding the buy-side of virtual asset swaps

Average generation price the volume weighted average price received for Meridian's physical generation

Average retail contracted sales price volume weighted average electricity price received from retail customers, less distribution costs

Average wholesale contracted sales price volume weighted average electricity price received from wholesale customers (including NZAS) and financial contracts

Combined catchment inflows combined water inflows into Meridian's Waitaki and Waiau hydro storage lakes

Cost of hedges volume weighted average price Meridian pays for derivatives acquired

Cost to supply contracted sales volume weighted average price Meridian pays to supply contracted customer sales and financial contracts

Contracts for Difference (CFDs) an agreement between parties to pay the difference between the wholesale electricity price and an agreed fixed price for a specified volume of

electricity. CFDs do not result in the physical supply of electricity

Customer connections (NZ) number of installation control points, excluding vacants

FRMP financially responsible market participant

GWh gigawatt hour. Enough electricity for 125 average New Zealand households for one year

Historic average inflows the historic average combined water inflows into Meridian's Waitaki and Waiau hydro storage lakes over the last 84 years

Historic average storage the historic average level of storage in Meridian's Waitaki catchment since 1979

HVDC high voltage direct current link between the North and South Islands of New Zealand

ICP New Zealand installation control points, excluding vacants

ICP switching the number of installation control points changing retailer supplier in New Zealand, recorded in the month the switch was initiated

megawatt hour. Enough electricity for one average New Zealand household for 46 days

National demand Electricity Authority's reconciled grid demand www.emi.ea.govt.nz

NZAS New Zealand Aluminium Smelters Limited

Retail sales volumes contract sales volumes to retail customers, including both non half hourly and half hourly metered customers

Financial contract sales sell-side electricity derivatives excluding the sell-side of virtual asset swaps

TJ Terajoules

Virtual Asset Swaps (VAS)

CFDs Meridian has with Genesis Energy and Mercury New Zealand. They do not result in the physical supply of electricity



MWh

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