



11 July 2008

Contact Energy 2008 Annual Meeting

Contact Energy Limited confirmed today that its annual profit result would be released to the New Zealand Exchange on 26 August 2008. Contact also advised that it would hold its next annual meeting of shareholders in Auckland on 23 October 2008.

Shareholders are advised that, subject to Contact's Board of Directors' approval, the record date for payment of the final dividend for the year will be 9 September 2008.

The annual meeting will be held at The Hyatt Hotel, corner of Waterloo Quadrant and Princes Street, Auckland, on Thursday 23 October 2008. The annual meeting will also be broadcast live via Contact's website www.contactenergy.co.nz.

Contact advises that nominations for election of Directors of Contact Energy at the annual meeting close at 9.00am, 25 August 2008. Nominations must be made by a security holder entitled to attend and vote at the annual meeting, and should be directed to "Director Nominations", c/- General Counsel, Contact Energy Limited, PO Box 10742, Wellington.

Contact shareholders who wish to participate in the Company's share top up plan and have their dividends used to purchase on-market shares (and who have not already registered) need to have registered their intention to participate by 26 August 2008. Similarly, shareholders who wish to withdraw from participation in the share top up plan need to register their intention to do so by 26 August 2008.

Shareholders wishing to register for, or withdraw participation from, the share top up plan should contact the Company's share registrar:

Computershare Investor Services Limited
Private Bag 92119, Auckland 1142
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