FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR ELECTRICITY

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OTAHUHU B POWER STATION



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SOUTHDOWN POWER STATION



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HUNTLY POWER STATION (STEAM TURBINES)



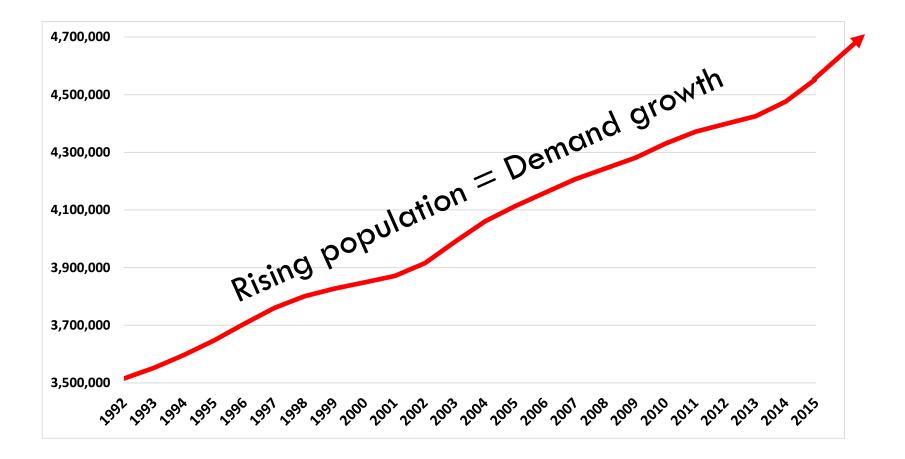


1,030 MW OF CAPACITY GONE

BY 2019

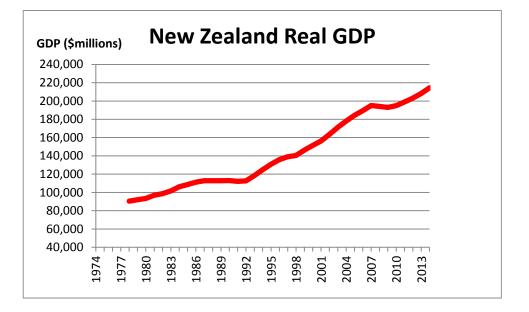


MEANWHILE ON THE DEMAND SIDE...





IMPROVING ECONOMY



After a pause post-GFC, world GDP is also rising



TIWAI ALUMINIUM SMELTER



572 MW under contract, potential for 625 MW

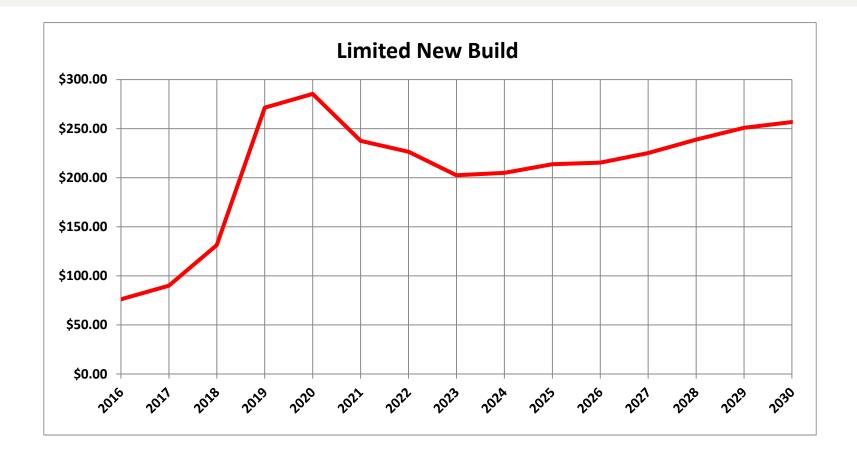


MEANWHILE, THE NEW POWER STATIONS...





LEADING TO...



July 2015 new build schedule assumed only Southdown was gone



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Shortages from winter 2019





RESULTING IN...



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BUT HOW COULD THIS HAPPEN?



No one prepared to risk investment in new plant that may not be needed for years



HOW BAD IS THE CLOSURE OF TIWAI?

- Dramatic fall in spot prices
 - Years for prices to recover

- Intense competition for contracts to replace Tiwai
- Further plant closures

Will it close? Many views.





WILL HUNTLY CLOSE?

- Mixed signals
- Maybe not closed if it could be contracted
- But it is now 30 years old and won't last forever





WILL GOVERNMENT RESCUE THE MARKET?

- Will act if under pressure
 - Track record is variable
- There are other precedents, some of which are palatable
- Market solution would be better



BASE CASE BUILD SCHEDULE

Year	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
MW Installed	0	120	380	590	650

An opportunity not seen for years



OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS

Capacity constraint – meeting the peaks	Opportunity	
Energy constraint – dry years	Opportunity	
Customer compensation payments	Risk	
Scarcity pricing	Risk/Opportunity	
Tiwai helps capacity constraint, but not the energy constraint	Opportunity	
Expansion of demand response	Opportunity	



OPPORTUNITIES AND RISKS

Who captures the premium for keeping the lights on in the face of uncertainty around Tiwai?





WHO ARE THE NATURAL PLANT BUILDERS?

Those with low variable costs – renewables

Those with the most flexible access to gas



STRATEGIES

- Smaller investments may be preferred to larger
- We don't need to over-build
- Contracts how big can the premium in hedges and retail be?
- Risk averse consumers highly sought after
- Act soon to pre-empt Government involvement



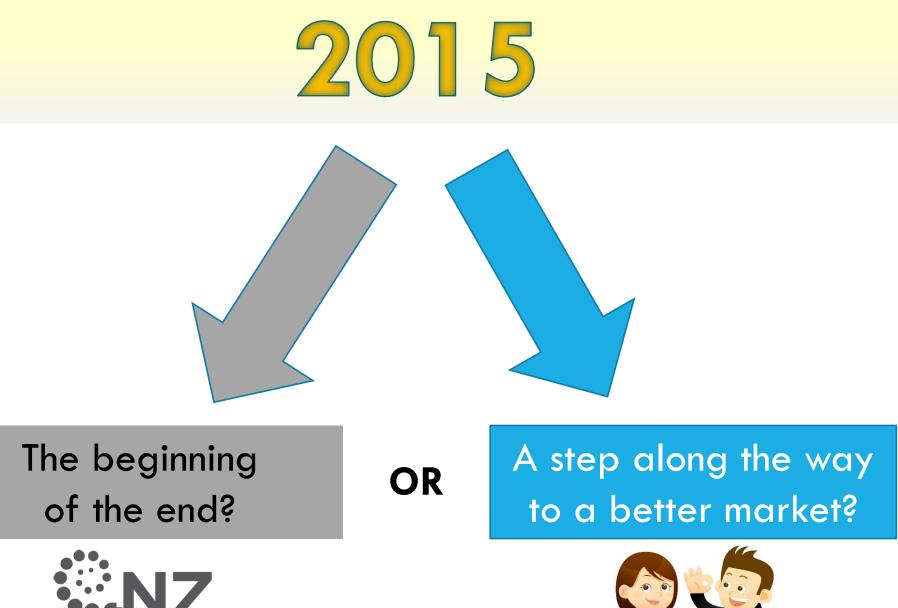
THE WINDS OF CHANGE...

Energy constraint - wind has less seasonal variation than hydro

Mix with hydro, demand response on a larger scale, and gas peaking

Lends itself to installation in stages









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