INDEPENDENT ELECTRICITY GENERATORS ASSOCIATION

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Who is the Independent Electricity Generators Association?

The IEGA represents the interests of developers and operators of distributed generating plant and associates that have the same interests. IEGA:

- advocates for fair and equitable access to the electricity market that enables distributed generation to supply electricity to consumers
- facilitates the free and unbiased exchange of information and idea and discuss issues of interest and for the benefit of members
- provides members with a unified and cohesive voice in addressing legislative, regulatory, operational and general matters

What has the IEGA achieved?

- Code still includes option for ACOT payments to existing DG
- Retained incremental costs for connection charges – worth \$20-40/MWh
- Created a public profile with officials and politicians
- Established relationships with industry stakeholders to share DG's perspectives
- Ongoing influencing of policy development on energy, climate change and water policy

Why become a member?

- Contribute your perspectives to a collective group with common interests
- Hunting in a pack is more effective in influencing change
- Good value for money

Annual Cost:

Membership fee \$250 Plus Levy on Generator members of \$750 to \$1,500

What are our current key issues and messages?

- Distributed generation is economic, efficient and competes with transmission and distribution to deliver electricity to consumers
- Investment in new technologies is happening. A level playing field for existing distributed generation is critical
- Any activity that reduces peak demand, such as distributed generation, is deferring or avoiding network investment and must be compensated
- ❖ Incremental connection costs are economically efficient. If there are any network charges these should reflect the lower service levels required by distributed generation

Look forward to receiving your request to be a member Email: contact@iega.org.nz