

**UNDERGROUND CABLE ROUTE DESIGNATIONS – EXISTING UTILITIES
CONDITIONS
[TO BE INSERTED INTO COMMON CONDITIONS]**

Existing Utilities

- A. Transpower shall liaise with all relevant utility operators during the detailed design and subsequent construction processes prior to undertaking any work pursuant to this designation and shall ensure that:
- (a) it is aware of the location of all utility services existing at the time of construction in or adjacent to the designation; if necessary, exploratory excavation shall be undertaken;
 - (b) To the greatest extent practicable, all utility services existing at 28 May 2007 (being the date the NOR was lodged) located in or adjacent to the designation are protected from any activity associated with the North Island Grid Upgrade Project which may interfere with the proper functioning of the services;
 - (c) Subject to condition **[B below]**, if it is not practicable to avoid a reduction in the level of service in accordance with (b) above, or if services are otherwise damaged, all utility services existing at 28 May 2007 located in or adjacent to the designation are repaired or relocated at Transpower's expense, to the reasonable satisfaction of the affected utility operator; and
 - (d) Reasonable access to existing utility services located in or adjacent to the designation are able to be accessed during construction.
- B. Transpower shall not be liable for indirect costs, such as for delays and inconvenience caused; and the owner of the utility services should not unduly benefit from mitigation works such that they would be in a better position than if the North Island Grid Upgrade Project had not been proposed or installed.