Disclosure of movement of 1% or more in substantial holding or change in nature of relevant interest, or both

Sections 277 and 278, Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013

To: New Zealand Stock Exchange

and

To: Contact Energy Limited

Relevant event being disclosed: Movement of 1% or more in substantial holding

Date of relevant event: 21 December 2020

Date this disclosure made: 23 December 2020

Date last disclosure made: 4 December 2020

Substantial product holder(s) giving disclosure

Full name(s): BlackRock, Inc. and related bodies corporate

Summary of substantial holding

Class of quoted voting products: Ordinary Shares

Summary for: Product holders listed in Appendix A

For **this** disclosure,—

(a) total number held in class: 87,661,999

(b) total in class: 718,565,905

(c) total percentage held in class: 12.200%

For **last** disclosure,—

(a) total number held in class: 79,795,776

(b) total in class: 718,565,905

(c) total percentage held in class: 11.105%

Details of transactions and events giving rise to relevant event

Details of the transactions or other events requiring disclosure: Refer to Appendix B

Details after relevant event

Details for: Product holders listed in Appendix A

Nature of relevant interest(s): The power to control the acquisition or disposal of the quoted voting product and/or the exercise of a right to vote attached to the quoted voting product, arising only from the powers of investment contained in each case under investment management agreements appointing each entity as investment manager of funds or separate accounts (i.e. entity currently exercising investment discretion on behalf

of the relevant funds or separate accounts). No relevant agreement document needs to be attached under Regulation 139.

For that relevant interest,—

- (a) number held in class: Refer to Appendix A
- (b) percentage held in class: Refer to Appendix A
- (c) current registered holder(s): Refer to Appendix A
- (d) registered holder(s) once transfers are registered: Not Applicable

Additional information

Address(es) of substantial product holder(s): Refer to Appendix A

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Nature of connection between substantial product holders: Refer to Appendix A

Name of any other person believed to have given, or believed to be required to give, a disclosure under the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013 in relation to the financial products to which this disclosure relates: Not applicable.

Certification

I, Haley Harris, certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained in this disclosure is correct and that I am duly authorised to make this disclosure by all persons for whom it is made.

Appendix A

	Total Held in Class				Notine of		
Holder of Relevant Interests	Class	CCY	Number of Securities	%	Nature of Association	Address	
BlackRock (Netherlands) B.V.	ORD	NZD	97,535	0.014%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	Rembrandt Tower, 17th floor Amstelplein Amsterdam Netherlands	
BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	ORD	NZD	36,631,998	5.098%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	12 Throgmorton Avenue. London, EC2N 2DL, United Kingdom	
BlackRock Asset Management Canada Limited	ORD	NZD	209,194	0.029%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	161 Bay Street, Suite 2500 Toronto, Ontario M5J 2S1 Canada	
BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	ORD	NZD	3,522,330	0.490%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	Max-Joseph-Straße 6 D-80333 Munich, Germany	
BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Limited	ORD	NZD	1,056	0.000%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	15/F, 16/F, 17/F Champion Tower & 17/F ICBC Tower, Three Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong	
BLACKROCK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC.	ORD	NZD	41,985	0.006%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801, United	
BlackRock Fund Advisors	ORD	NZD	38,807,746	5.401%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	400 Howard Street San Francisco, CA, 94105 United States	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	ORD	NZD	5,487,955	0.764%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	1225 17th Street, Suite 300, Denver, CO 80202 (Colorado, USA)	
BlackRock Investment Management (Australia) Limited	ORD	NZD	6,116	0.001%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	Level 37 Chifley Tower, 2 Chifley Square Sydney NSW 2000 Australia	
BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	ORD	NZD	2,823,728	0.393%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	12 Throgmorton Avenue London EC2N 2DL United Kingdom	
BlackRock Investment Management, LLC	ORD	NZD	2,255	0.000%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	1209 Orange Street, Wilmington, New Castle County, Delaware 19801, United	
BlackRock Japan Co., Ltd.	ORD	NZD	30,101	0.004%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	Marunouchi Trust Tower Main, 1-8-3 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-8217 (Japan)	

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Transaction Date	Person whose relevant interest changed	Nature of c Considerati	_	Class and number of securities affected		Person's votes affected
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.78	ORD	162,261	162,261
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.83	ORD	63,379	63,379
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,232	39,232
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,848	58,848
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,848	58,848
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.93	ORD	90,424	90,424
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.93	ORD	45,212	45,212
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.91	ORD	79,121	79,12
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.91	ORD	11,303	11,303
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.91	ORD	90,424	90,424
03-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	53,966	53,966
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	26,983	26,983
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	56,515	56,518
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	22,606	22,600
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	135,636	135,636
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	33,909	33,909
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.98	ORD	101,727	101,727
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.99	ORD	101,727	101,727
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	861	86′
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	861	86 ⁻
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	33,909	33,909
04-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	836	836
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,232	39,232
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.03	ORD	22,606	22,606
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.87	ORD	113,030	113,030
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.87	ORD	45,212	45,212
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.87	ORD	33,909	33,909
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt sell	7.87	ORD	-25,190	-25,190
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt sell	7.87	ORD	-32,027	-32,027
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt sell	7.87	ORD	-15,698	-15,698
07-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,232	39,232
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,848	58,84
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,080	98,08
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.99	ORD	90,424	90,42
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.05	ORD	45,212	45,21
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.05	ORD	67,818	67,81
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	26,983	26,98
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	490,400	490,400
08-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	26,983	26,983
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	on mkt buy	8.10	ORD	15,850	15,850
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	117,696	117,696
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.08	ORD	33,912	33,91
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.10	ORD	11,304	11,30
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.10	ORD	67,824	67,82
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.10	ORD	101,736	101,730
09-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.10	ORD	1,722	1,72
10-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	45,220	45,220
10-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.04	ORD	52,576	52,570
10-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	56,525	56,52
11-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.93	ORD	33,912	33,91
11-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.96	ORD	58,346	58,34
11-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	7.93	ORD	28,413	28,41
14-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,803	58,80
14-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,20
	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.06	ORD	6,027	6,02
14-Dec-20		on mkt buy	8.29	ORD	9,510	9,51
	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	on mike buy				
14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20	AG			ORD	22.610	22.610
14-Dec-20		on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.29 8.29	ORD ORD	22,610 56,525	
14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20	AG BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.29 8.29		56,525	56,52
14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20	AG BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.29	ORD	56,525 45,220	56,525 45,220
14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20 14-Dec-20	AG BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.29 8.29 8.19	ORD ORD	56,525	22,610 56,525 45,220 30,135 -19,236

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14-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.19	ORD	9,478	9,478	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	3,980	3,980	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	796	796	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202	
15-Dec-20 15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD ORD	98,005 58,803	98,005 58,803	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie in specie	n/a n/a	ORD	176,409	176,409	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	117,606	117,606	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company,	on mkt buy	8.07	ORD	81,229	81,229	
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15-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.19	ORD	22,612	22,612	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	22,612	22,612	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	3,444	3,444	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.02	ORD	21,525	21,52	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt sell	8.02	ORD	-6,644	-6,644	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	372,419	372,419	
15-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	1,194	1,194	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt buy	8.27	ORD	18,772	18,772	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	78,404	78,404	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	196,010	196,010	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	117,606	117,606	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,803	58,803	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.22	ORD	56,520	56,520	
16-Dec-20 16-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.12	ORD ORD	113,040 861	113,040 86 ²	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.00 8.00	ORD	3,444	3,44	
16-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie		ORD	78,404	78,404	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,005	98,005	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,005	98,005	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	9,482	9,482	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.06	ORD	45,236	45,236	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.06	ORD	90,472	90,472	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.06	ORD	90,472	90,472	
17-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.06	ORD	2,583	2,583	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	137,207	137,207	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD ORD	39,202	39,202 98,005	
18-Dec-20 18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie in specie	n/a n/a	ORD	98,005 137,207	137,207	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,803	58,803	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.15	ORD	56,550	56,550	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.00	ORD	90,480	90,480	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.00	ORD	79,170	79,170	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.00	ORD	56,550	56,550	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.08	ORD	67,860	67,860	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.00	ORD	2,583	2,583	
18-Dec-20 18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland	on mkt buy on mkt buy	8.00 8.00	ORD ORD	2,162 39,395	2,162 39,395	
18-Dec-20	AG BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited	on mkt sell	8.00	ORD	-123,319	-123,319	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Investment Management (UK)	on mkt buy	8.00	ORD	279,769	279,769	
18-Dec-20	Limited BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202	
18-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	470,424	470,424	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,005	98,005	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	78,404	78,404	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	78,404	78,404	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	19,601	19,60	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	26,703	26,703	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	4,752	4,75	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	49,350	49,350	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.27	ORD	33,933	33,933	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.24	ORD	90,488	90,488	
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.30	ORD	56,555	56,555	
21-Dec-20 21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.30	ORD	113,110	113,110	
	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.30	ORD	33,933	33,933	

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21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.30	ORD	67,866	67,866
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	8.30	ORD	1,722	1,722
21-Dec-20	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	3,024	3,024

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