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: 12 January 2021

Date this disclosure made: 14 January 2021

Date last disclosure made: 08 January 2021

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: 103,104,020

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

(c) total percentage held in class: 14.349%

For **last** disclosure,—

(a) total number held in class: 95,891,129

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

(c) total percentage held in class: 13.345%

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

Contact details: Bradley Taylor, Tel +1-302-797-2361, Email bradley.taylor@blackrock.com

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, Bradley Taylor, 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						
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	42,277,244	5.884%	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	3,761,594	0.523%	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	48,497,377	6.749%	subsidiary of BlackRock Inc.	400 Howard Street San Francisco, CA, 94105 United States	
BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	ORD	NZD	5,355,835	0.745%	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 Considerat	_	Class and number of securities affected		Person's votes affected
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.32	ORD	169,860	169,860
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	235,212	235,212
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	156,808	156,808
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,005	98,005
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	196,010	196,010
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	17,545	17,545
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	509,626	509,626
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,803	58,803
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	117,606	117,606
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	10,527	10,527
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	7,018	7,018
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.38	ORD	22,648	22,648
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.60	ORD	11,324	11,324
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.60	ORD	45,296	45,296
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.67	ORD	396,340	396,340
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.6	ORD	2,583	2,583
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.6	ORD	861	861
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.6	ORD	79,268	79,268
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	196,010	196,010
07-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	490,025	490,025
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt sell	10.93	ORD	-50,012	-50,012
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	137,207	137,207
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	392,020	392,020
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	98,005	98,005
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	137,207	137,207
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	392,020	392,020
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	137,207	137,207
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	11.02	ORD	22,652	22,652
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	on mkt buy	10.75	ORD	6,408	6,408
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.75	ORD	79,282	79,282
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.75	ORD	79,282	79,282
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.75	ORD	56,630	56,630
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.83	ORD	101,934	101,934
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.82	ORD	396,410	396,410
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.68	ORD	67,956	67,956
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.75	ORD	237,846	237,846
08-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	58,803	58,803
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	78,404	78,404
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	-26,732	-26,732
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	7,032	7,032
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.05	ORD	226,560	226,560
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.05	ORD	67,968	67,968
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.05	ORD	56,640	56,640
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	10.04	ORD	237,888	237,888
11-Jan-21	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	on mkt sell	10.04	ORD	-9,783	-9,783
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland AG	on mkt buy	9.99	ORD	25,616	25,616
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	35,190	35,190
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	19,601	19,601
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	137,207	137,207
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	156,808	156,808
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	39,202	39,202
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	-1,986	-1,986
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	9.99	ORD	33,987	33,987
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited	on mkt buy	9.99	ORD	67,974	67,974
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	7,038	7,038
12-Jan-21	BlackRock Fund Advisors	in specie	n/a	ORD	803,641	803,641
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