

Electricity plan due this month

A “new integrated resource plan” for electricity generation is to be published by the Department of Energy later this month, according to a written reply given in parliament today. Energy Minister Dipuo Peters told Hendrik Schmidt of the Democratic Alliance that the plan for power generation would aim to meet the forecast demand over a 20-year period. “This pal seeks to diversify the primary energy sources used for electricity generation, such as renewable energy, coal and nuclear, and to pronounce on the demand side management interventions and energy efficiency,” the Minister said. The plan would primarily be used to guide the activities of the energy regulator for the granting of licences for new power generation and the determination of tariffs to ensure a sustainable supply.

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