The Treasury

Mixed Ownership Model for Crown Commercial Entities: Treasury Advice Information Release

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Consultation work plan

We have divided consultation into five work-streams, broadly running sequentially.

- **Analysis and planning:** We have commissioned the MOM companies and selected departments to provide analysis of likely issues and risks that will arise from the consultation. Removing the MOM companies from section 9 of the SOE Act is shaping up as the trickiest issue. We will synthesise departmental and company views with our own analysis next week. This may inform your approach to the consultation process, timeline and material.

- **Consultation material:** We will draft a short consultation document which we propose releasing in the week prior to consultation. Note, we have assumed that shareholding ministers will sign off the consultation material without the need to take it to Cabinet.

- **Hui logistics:** We have ‘subcontracted’ TPK to take care of logistical arrangements for the hui – such as venues, invitations and distribution of consultation material – through their regional networks. A detailed plan for this is in development, and we are holding off any engagement on logistics outside the public sector until you have considered the broader timing issues.

- **Consultation:** Consultation is proposed to begin with an informal meeting between the PM, Minister of Finance and four senior iwi leaders on 19 January. The public portion of the consultation will kick-off at the iwi leaders group on 5 February and run over eight hui over the next two weeks. Wira Gardiner also plans to meet with the NZMC/FOMA ahead of 5 February. Written feedback will be sought by 22 February.

- **Analysis of feedback:** We have allowed two weeks for officials and ministers to consider the feedback from the hui (one and a half weeks from the final deadline for
Ministers will need to consider the feedback as they make decisions on the final shape of the legislation. We also anticipate that consultation will raise issues around opportunities to invest and will consider these views as we advise on allocation policy as the IPO draws closer.

Legislative work plan

The legislative work plan provides for a first draft prior to consultation with Māori and a revised draft subsequently. It also provides for BORA consultation and political consultation with support parties in parallel with consultation with Māori. You should note that the timetable assumes the legislation is referred straight to Cabinet for approval rather than being considered by LEG.
Reporting schedule

As detailed in the timeline, we are planning to report to you on major issues/decisions on the following schedule. Other interim reports will no doubt also be necessary.

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