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Dear Marion, thank you for your email seeking information on solar generation in the Tasman region.

Photovoltaics, battery storage and electric vehicles are all technologies that our customers may adopt in the future. I think it is important to note that we are an electricity distributor and not a retailer or generator of electricity. As a distributor, we welcome all new loads including photovoltaics, electric vehicles or battery storage solutions and believe that our customers should have choice on who they engage to provide those services. There are a number of private sector companies that currently market and install PV systems for residential and business premises and we believe that this market is best served by these private sector operators rather than the owner of the monopoly network.

I can assure you that as the owner of the distribution network, we plan for the future growth of the region and we continue to re-invest significant amounts of capital into the reliability and capacity of the network. We have a robust balance sheet and significant financial capacity to meet the forecast growth in demand as the economy looks to decarbonise.

Should any of your members want further information, a copy of our asset management strategy for the next 10 years is located on our web-site:

<https://www.networktasman.co.nz/asset-management-plan>

I trust the above answers the questions your members may have. Please feel free to contact me should you require any further information.

Kind regards

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