

Our agreements explained

Advance Works Agreement

Prior to signing a Works Agreement, you may enter into one or more Advance Works Agreements with us. An Advance Works Agreement sets out the terms on which we agree to undertake, and you agree to pay for, any 'advance work' to be undertaken prior to a Works Agreement being signed. Examples of 'advance work' that require an Advance Works Agreement include:

- Concept design review
- Ordering long lead items (e.g. transformers)
- Carrying out your detailed design of the works
- Obtaining investigations or reports (e.g. geotechnical) that may be necessary in respect of the work
- Preparation of resource consent applications for the works.

Works Agreement

Before we start network development, we'll agree the scope of work and your capital contribution to our costs and this will be recorded in a Works Agreement. Once the Works Agreement is signed, Powerco will engage a Powerco approved contractor to design and carry out the works.

Land Purchase Agreement

In certain circumstances we may need to purchase land from you, for example if your project requires a substation to be built on your land. We use the template Auckland District Law Society (ADLS) Agreement for Sale and Purchase, which sets out details about the land being sold and all the of the terms and conditions of the sale.

Connection Agreement

Sometimes we enter into a Connection Agreement directly with our large customers. These agreements detail the terms and conditions on which we allow you to connect to and receive lines services from our network. If we have a Connection Agreement with you, you will be billed directly for our lines charges rather than having them appear on your power bill from your retailer. You'll have a separate agreement with your retailer to pay for the electricity you use.

Easement Agreement

Sometimes to connect you to our network, electrical equipment needs to go on your land. Examples of equipment that may need to be installed are overhead poles and lines, underground cables, transformers and switchgear. An Easement Agreement gives us the right to put our equipment on your land. The equipment remains our property and we're responsible for maintaining it. An Easement Agreement also gives us the right to access your property when we need to inspect or maintain the equipment. An easement is registered on the land title, so it stays in place even if the land is sold.

