

Final decision

2026–27 Adjustment

Ausgrid Hunter-Central Coast
(non-contestable)
(1 July 2026 to 30 June 2031)

Made under the Electricity Infrastructure
Investment Act 2020 (NSW)

Appendix A
Quarterly service payments

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Note

This appendix forms part of the AER’s final decision on Ausgrid’s 2026–31 non-contestable determination for the Hunter-Central Coast (HCC) project. It should be read with all other parts of the final decision.

The final decision includes the following documents:

- **Final decision** (main document) (version 1.0 published December 2025)
- Appendix A – Quarterly service payments (this document, published May 2026 reflecting the 2026–27 adjustment decision)
- Appendix B – Adjustment mechanisms (published December 2025)
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A. Quarterly service payments

Table A.1 below details the quarterly schedule of payments as determined by the AER following its review of Ausgrid’s 2026–27 revenue adjustment proposal. The below schedule of payments is updated annually as per the approved cost pass-throughs and adjustment mechanisms in our Hunter-Central Coast REZ final decision.¹

Table A.1 AER determined schedule of payments and timing (\$ nominal)

Regulatory year	Quarter 1 (30 September)	Quarter 2 (31 December)	Quarter 3 (31 March)	Quarter 4 (30 June)	Total
2026–27	4,941,519	5,037,398	5,135,138	5,234,773	20,348,828
2027–28	8,207,005	8,341,836	8,478,882	8,618,180	33,645,903
2028–29	10,461,703	10,633,576	10,808,272	10,985,839	42,889,390
2029–30	12,159,627	12,359,395	12,562,444	12,768,830	49,850,295
2030–31	12,465,452	12,670,244	12,878,401	13,089,977	51,104,074

Source: AER analysis.

Note: Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

¹ AER, *Final Decision – Ausgrid – Hunter-Central Coast REZ non-contestable project 2026–31*, December 2025.