

Ausgrid Retailer Newsletter

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Retailer forum

Thank you to all the retailers that attended our 20th June forum, we trust you found it useful.

The forum touched on our 1 July price change, our current thinking on tariffs from 1 July 2024, and our approach to climate resilience.

Sharing this information is all part of our no-surprise approach ahead of publishing our Draft Plan on the 31st of August 2022.

If you would like further information or to provide any feedback please let us know, we'd be happy to have individual meetings with interested retailers.

1st July tariff change

On 16 May 2022, the AER approved our annual pricing proposal for 2022/23. This price change is for the fourth year of the current regulatory period. Our prices to apply from 1 July 2022 will result in:

- The typical residential network bill being **2.7% lower** (or \$15 pa) across 920,000 customers.
- The typical small business network bill being **1.6% lower** (or \$21 pa) across 70,000 customers.

We also note that the average price change across:

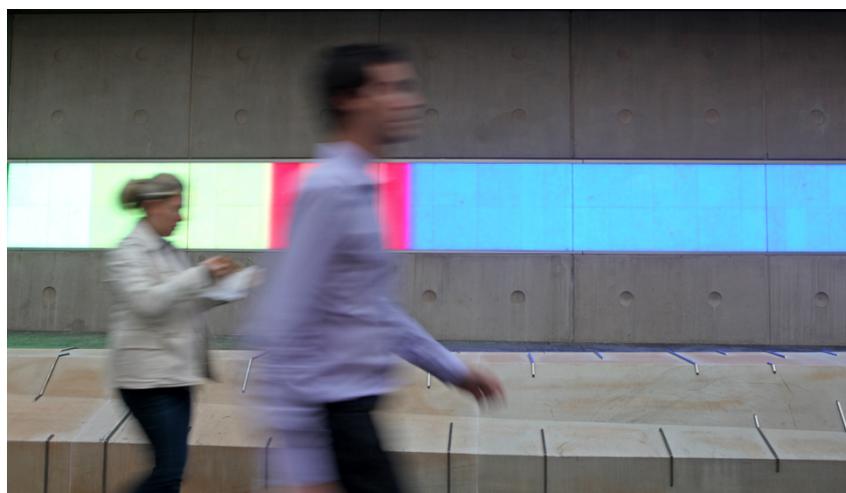
- The main medium business customer tariffs is **-0.4%** (a decrease).

- The HV and sub-transmission connected large business customers is **-2.7%** (a decrease).

Please note that not all customers receive price decreases, and that the total network bill impacts for individual customers will depend on usage profile and assigned tariff.

We have notified major businesses on site-specific tariffs of their price change details.

For further information please contact pricing@ausgrid.com.au





Controlled load availability

We have received approval from the AER to alter the times of controlled load availability.

Description in current TSS:

EA030 (CL1):

Supply is usually available for 6 hours duration between 10 pm and 7 am.

EA040 (CL2):

Supply is usually available for 16 hours a day including more than 6 hours between 8 pm and 7 am and more than 4 hours between 7 am and 5 pm.

AER-permitted change:

EA030 (CL1):

Supply is usually available for at least 6 hours duration within any 24 hour period – midnight to midnight.

EA040 (CL2):

Supply is usually available for at least 16 hours duration within any 24 hour period – midnight to midnight, with more than 4 hours between 7 am and 5 pm.

Our intention is to move those customers with smart meters on EA030 to daytime controlled load hours in regions with high solar penetration. Recent trials have shown that this can help manage network voltages while reducing wholesale energy costs. This is the first step in a broader strategy to develop better-value tariffs for flexible loads.

This is proposed as an opt-in change within FY23 and FY24 for those retailers who wish to participate prior to our next regulatory period.

We welcome feedback and further discussion on this change and the broader strategy.

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