

Hi Imogen,

Please find a short comment regarding the AER's pricing guideline.

Currently the paper proposes that the pricing guideline only require the listing of fixed and consumption charges on retailer's bills.

This approach I believe will not provide consumers with the appropriate information to make informed energy choices with the imminent introduction of demand and capacity charges by some energy networks where smart meters are installed.

I believe the pricing guidelines should make provision for the requirement that demand and capacity charges (and potentially other types of charging methodologies) should be transparent on energy consumer's bills.

This inclusion would ensure that consumers are aware of the various components of the bill and as such how their energy use, consumption patterns and current and potential appliance purchases (such as PE, EV) will impact their final energy cost.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, please don't hesitate to contact me on 0439357129

Kind regards

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