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I hate it when everyday Australians are gouged for more and more by privatisation of the electricity. The government constantly supports these massive tax dodging corporations and facilitates their desire to gouge everyday Australians. These tax dodging corporations who constantly price gouge are the real cause of inflation. For example Australian Banks who are the most profitable banks in the world who constantly look for ways to drive up their fees and charges. Insurance companies making record profits by increasing our premiums stupid amounts every year, oil and gas companies constantly causing electricity and gas prices to go up. Price of houses. You're all just out to get us and the government both liberal and labor facilitate it because

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you mongrels out and vote more independents in who aren't the slave's of the richest most powerful people in Australia.

How is it that we live in the 6 biggest country in the world and managed to make Australians pay for the 2nd most expensive houses in the world after Hong Kong, a small island? It's because you have zero interest in addressing the housing

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their own profits. You don't give a stuff about Australians. You just look after the rich and powerful and help them gouge us for more and more everyday and cause inflation to continue to rise.

How is it that Australia is the 1st or 2nd largest exporter of LNG in the world and we have to pay such ridiculous amounts for the cost of energy and get next to no taxes or royalties for resources that belong to Australia? It's because

you rich and powerful overlords in the minerals, coal, oil and gas industry dictate terms to you and you are their plebs and force Everyday Australians to cop their endless price gouging.

How is it that in a country like Qatar their citizens pay no tax, have free health and education funded by Petro revenue royalties and taxes, but here in a Australia the government forces it's citizens to slave like dogs for the basics of life like a home, electricity, university education? It's because

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Specifically I wish to express my concern about Recommendation 5, based on the following points:

1) The probability that an increase in fixed network charges will negatively impact

- people on low incomes or benefits
- people trying to reduce their power bills by using less electricity
- people who have invested in home rooftop solar and batteries

2) The likelihood that increased fixed network charges will financially benefit

those who need it least - namely people with high incomes who would see savings on their energy bill, even when they are high electricity users.

I am also concerned that higher fixed charges would mean longer solar and battery payback periods and weaken the incentive for future investment in consumer energy resources. This could lead to slower uptake at a time when we need it faster than ever.

Moreover the proposal is at odds with other government policies that rightly encourage households to help deliver a cheaper, cleaner energy system.

Surely pricing should encourage households to save energy, shift demand, and if they can, invest in solutions that lower system costs – not punish them with higher unavoidable charges.

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Australia has been a world leader when it comes to installing rooftop solar. Now, with the recent rebate, we are building our energy storage reserves, household by household. This is what we need Australian households to do for the energy transition and the climate crisis.

We should be celebrating this achievement of Australian households and good government policy. Instead, we are punishing households that have done the right thing.

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Increasing fixed network charges would impose disproportionate and unjustified costs on solar and battery owners, energy-efficient households, and consumers who have taken deliberate steps to reduce their electricity use. Households that use the least electricity – including single-person households, apartment residents, retirees, and low-income consumers – would face higher bills despite placing the lowest demand on the grid. Higher fixed charges also materially reduce consumer agency by weakening the relationship between household decisions and electricity costs. When a greater share of the bill becomes unavoidable, consumers lose the ability to manage their expenses through energy efficiency, demand shifting, or investment in solar, batteries, and efficient appliances. This approach penalises those with limited capacity to alter their usage patterns, while effectively rewarding high-consumption households with lower per-unit costs. Such an outcome is incompatible with the stated objective of a genuinely consumer-driven energy system.

At the same time, network businesses and high-consumption households stand to benefit significantly. These households could save hundreds of dollars annually despite placing the greatest load on the system. This represents a clear transfer of costs from high-use to low-use consumers, with no corresponding improvement in fairness or efficiency.

Furthermore, increasing fixed charges would extend payback periods for solar and battery systems and weaken incentives for future investment in consumer energy resources. This would slow DER uptake at a time when Australia requires accelerated participation from households to support a reliable, affordable, and decarbonised energy system.

This proposal is also inconsistent with broader state and federal policy directions. Programs such as Rewiring the Nation, the National Energy Transformation Partnership, state-based solar and battery incentives, and AEMO's Integrated System Plan all emphasise the critical role of distributed energy resources, demand flexibility, and consumer participation in reducing system costs and avoiding unnecessary network expenditure. Increasing fixed charges directly undermines these objectives by weakening price signals, discouraging DER investment, and reducing the capacity of households to contribute to system-wide efficiency.

In addition, Recommendation 5 is misaligned with Australia's obligations under the Paris Agreement. The Agreement requires accelerated renewable energy deployment, improved energy efficiency, and stronger consumer participation in emissions reduction. Increasing fixed charges would weaken incentives for rooftop solar, batteries, and efficient energy use, leading to higher consumption, slower DER uptake, and greater reliance on fossil-fuel generation during peak periods. This approach is incompatible with Australia's Paris-aligned national strategies and would make emissions-reduction targets more difficult and more expensive to achieve. Electricity pricing should strengthen – not erode – incentives for households to save energy, shift demand, and invest in technologies that lower system costs. Increasing unavoidable fixed charges would achieve the opposite and would move the market further away from a fair, efficient, and consumer-led energy future. I urge the AEMC not to proceed with increasing fixed network charges and instead to undertake a thorough assessment of alternative approaches that preserve strong price signals, support consumer energy resources, and deliver equitable outcomes for all households.

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I believe that increasing fixed network charges would negatively impact solar and battery owners, energy-efficient households, and people trying to do the right thing by reducing their electricity use. Currently I strive to reduce energy use and at this time of year I produce more energy than I consume, however if the pricing structure changes as recommended, I believe the incentive to be energy efficient will be greatly reduced.

As I understand the proposal, I believe that higher fixed charges would reduce the incentive for the purchase of solar panels and batteries. This would have the effect of increased dependence on the grid system and an increased use of electricity by households and businesses not investing in solar on their properties.

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I live in regional Victoria, and have had solar PV on my farm for many years.

Having solar has been really positive for our family, and I know that generating our own renewable electricity along with so many other households with solar has reduced emissions and assisted in transitioning our energy system.

Many families I know have installed solar to reduce energy costs, and play their part in reducing emissions. Increasing fixed charges is not fair for people who are desperately trying to balance household budgets, while also trying to reduce emissions.

Recommendation 5 is not equitable, and the opposite of what we need to be doing right now to ensure a fair and just transition in our energy sector. Energy consumers need to be prioritised in pricing decisions - Australian families want to be part of the clean energy transition - and the AEMC needs to support families implement energy efficiency, renewable energy and storage options, not penalise them financially.

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I am a home owner who is keen to see the energy transition benefit all consumers including those on low incomes. Along with millions of others we installed a

solar system. More recently I installed a battery. This has helped us store energy to use at peak times and overnight.

My main aim was to help the shift away from polluting and harmful fossil fuels through clean energy and electrification including using our solar to charge our EV.

Making these changes has been a five year project so far. It has helped us save money because I draw less from the grid. Home batteries also allow me to take pressure off the grid at peak times. The wider benefits of electrifying households and efficient electric appliances for the nation are clear and should not be undermined.

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Increasing fixed network charges would negatively impact people like me who have invested in solar and are trying to become a more energy-efficient household, especially as a recent retiree.

Even "non-solar" households like those of my mother, an old aged pensioner, would be negatively impacted. She makes every effort to use the least electricity possible to manage her bills and would struggle to pay higher fixed prices.

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I wish to make a submission to the AEMC Pricing Review. I am quite frankly disgusted by recommendation number 5 in the review. It's difficult to think of a more dangerous and unjust model.

I am a solar owner myself, and although the changes would negatively impact me, that's not what I'm furious about.

It's the injustice of it. It is hurting the people who can least afford it the most. It is encouraging more excessive energy use, not less. It is removing power from people and giving it to businesses. People need to be able to save by cutting back on energy use. Network charges ought to be reduced, not increased, and electricity prices should go up in incrementally - the greater amount of electricity you use, the greater the cost per kWh.

Increasing fixed network charges would negatively impact solar and battery owners, energy-efficient households, and people trying to do the right thing by reducing their electricity use. Increased charges may also drive more people off the grid altogether, meaning fewer customers to pay for it. People getting off the grid would be solar and battery households - so not only would there be fewer customers, but there'd be less power to go around and greater risk of blackouts at peak times.

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Hiking fixed network charges is basically a penalty for anyone who's tried to do the right thing. Solar owners, battery owners, energy-efficient households - congratulations, you've invested in the future, and now you get... higher unavoidable fees. Brilliant.

And it's not just them. Even households without solar or batteries get stung. The people who use the least electricity - single-person households, apartment

dwellers, retirees, low-income households – would all end up paying more. Apparently using less energy is now a luxury crime.

Meanwhile, the poles-and-wires companies and high-consumption households get to pop champagne. The biggest users of grid electricity could save hundreds of dollars a year. It's like rewarding someone for eating the whole cake while charging extra to the person who only wanted a slice.

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Thank you for considering my submission – and for hopefully choosing the option that doesn't punish people for being responsible.

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It is so important to have a future with less fossil fuels burnt and this proposal will only damage people's desire for solar energy and installation of batteries.

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This proposed rule change to increase fixed charges would negatively impact solar and battery owners, energy-efficient households, and people trying to do the right thing by reducing their electricity use. Why would you want to turn around an "punish" home and business owners, it's not a clever strategic move?

It will also negatively impact households without solar, batteries and energy-efficient homes! People who use the least electricity - including single-person households, apartment residents, retirees, and low-income households - would be forced to pay more under this proposal. This is not a smart move with cost of living pressures today.

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I am very concerned that higher fixed charges would extend solar and battery payback periods and weaken incentives for future investment in consumer energy resources, rising slower uptake. This will have serious impact on reaching our national, state and local net zero targets? I cannot comprehend your motives? This proposal is completely against other government policies that encourage households to help deliver a cheaper, cleaner energy system - one that cuts emissions, brings down wholesale energy prices, and reduces the need for costly network upgrades.

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"... customers with rooftop solar and a battery contribute less to network costs

than customers with the same electricity consumption who only use grid power, despite both groups of customers depending on the network.”

Would the authors of this report recommend Sydney Water use the same logic to charge higher fixed charges and lower consumption charges for water?

We live in a house which is equipped with of solar modules, a inverter, a battery (started life at), a heat pump HWS, shortly, an tion cook-top. We drive an ch is charged mainly from the solar system. We were encouraged to install this equipment by both federal and state government policies which were in part aimed at reducing consumption from the grid and thus the need to upgrade the switch yards, transmission networks, substations and the poles and wires of the local distribution system. I assume we have also saved a considerable amount of money, though due to multiple changes of retailers, the extent is impossible to quantify. However the main aim was to minimise our environmental impact to help keep the planet liveable for our grandchildren.

We have also disconnected from the gas network, saving the cost of fixed connection charges, which brings me to the major effect of the subject recommendation - to raise fixed charges for electricity consumers regardless of the amount they consume from the grid. Increasing fixed network charges would negatively impact solar and battery owners, energy-efficient households, and consumers trying to do the right thing by reducing their electricity use, with the added benefit of minimising the cost of constructing and maintaining the electricity network.

Meanwhile, the electricity distributors and high-income households with high grid consumption stand to benefit the most from this proposal. These households could save hundreds of dollars every year on their energy bill, even though they are using the most electricity, thus increasing the cost of maintaining the electricity network.

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Electricity pricing should encourage households to save energy, and shift demand by making energy use during periods of high demand by methods like the "Network Demand Charge". In addition, if they can afford it, households should be encouraged to invest in solutions that lower cost of consumption from the grid, such as the battery subsidy, not punish them with higher unavoidable fixed charges.

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In short, this does NOT share costs more fairly - it disadvantages the poor and those who have paid for solar and batteries, and advantages those who are high users of electricity (mostly wealthy people).

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As a doctor, I am very aware that, any increase in daily cost of living impacts the health choices of our vulnerable citizens.

For example, during heat waves, the young and elderly will find it more difficult to endure the physiological stress, with decreasing cash flow to pay for cooling, hence increase likelihood of heat stroke.

Any recommendations that impede the progress for the Australian community to install environmentally friendly energy production should be reversed. Especially as solar (and wind) energy is cheaper than fossil fuel energy.

Therefore, with regard to Recommendation 5 of the Pricing Review, I ask fixed charges should not be significantly increased, if at all, that charges should be related to energy consumption primarily and that those who are most vulnerable be protected as far as possible by any changes to charging for energy.

I urge the Australian Energy Market Commission's proposed rule change to increase fixed charges to be withdrawn.

Regards

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This means that the excess power my system produces will NOT be fed into the grid, & therefore reduce the amount of clean energy fed into the grid. I have already discussed sending this excess power to my neighbour's house free-of-charge to help lower their bills as well. I'm not the only solar battery owner considering this move.

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Please consider these points carefully.

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Ifyou proposal goes ahead I wil be ata total loss and so will may good citizens of my type.

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As a consequence of our contribution, unavoidable network fees form a significant part of our electricity account. As age pensioners, any increase in network fees directly impacts our finances. No change we make to appliance efficiency or time of usage can reduce this cost.

Before we retired from paid work, we invested in solar panels as an ethical way of reducing our carbon footprint and future cost of living.

In the past twelve months, we exported approximately four times as much power as we imported from the grid.

We are not fairly paid for the green energy we export - and the retailer is able to sell that energy on [redacted] m to green p [redacted] mers. Price credited to us - [redacted] falling to [redacted] after the first 10kwhs exported, price charged to consumers of green energy - [redacted]. At approximately four hundred and fifty times the purchase price, credit to us, this is price gouging by any name.

This unearned profit should be taken into account when considering the retailers' capacity to pay the increased fee sought by the wholesalers in this review, rather than retail consumers bearing the cost.

I am extremely disappointed to see that electricity companies are determined to keep bleeding us for their profits, even though we (and many, many others) are succeeding in significantly reducing the load on Australian networks.

I believe this request for increased network fees is based on profiteering, not on need.

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I should also mention that I am a retiree with limited funds but an active volunteer in the RFS and a wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organization..

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