

ENABLING NEW ELECTRICITY SERVICES

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WHAT THE NEW RULE DOES

Increased competition – any registered parties can provide metering services

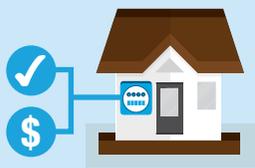


Enhanced consumer protections to keep access to meters and data secure



We are opening up metering services to competition

Minimum services that new or replacement meters must be able to provide



Households and small businesses can continue to deal with their retailer but reap the benefits of competition



If you want to keep your current working meter, you can. And if you do get a new meter, you don't have to take up any new services or pricing. It's up to each consumer to choose what works best for them.

Most Australians (except Victorians) have basic 1950s style meters that prevent us managing our electricity better.



THE POWER OF CHOICE

We are giving consumers more opportunities to access a wider range of energy services with new ways to monitor, manage and adjust their electricity consumption



SERVICES MADE POSSIBLE BY ADVANCED METERS



See what you use in real time



Compare retailers easily and switch faster



Better management of energy use



Time of use pricing for new ways to save



Easy access to detailed usage data

FUTURE SAVINGS



Consumers benefit from more efficient network investment decisions; lower cost automated meter reading; remote connections/disconnections; and faster response to outages.

THIS RULE IS PART OF A REFORM PROGRAM TO SUPPORT CHOICES TO MANAGE ELECTRICITY DEMAND



NETWORKS

New rules improve demand management incentives so network services are managed in the most efficient way. Rules now also incentivise networks to consider innovative alternatives to building more infrastructure.

HOUSEHOLDS

New rules will make prices reflect how much it costs to use electricity at different times to inform decisions on electricity use.

BUSINESSES

Some energy users want to generate their own power from new sources like renewables. New rules make it easier to connect to networks to sell excess electricity to the grid.