

# ENABLING NEW ELECTRICITY SERVICES

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## WHY WE NEED THIS RULE

### BASIC METERS = LIMITED OPTIONS

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



Basic meters are manually read each quarter and only measure total energy used

Basic meters do not allow households and small businesses to:



- See what they use each day
- Know what they use during peak periods
- Manage their consumption and energy costs

## WHAT WE PROPOSE

This rule change will support greater access to new technology that helps consumers take control of their energy use.



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.

## BENEFITS

New ways to monitor, manage and adjust electricity consumption

### SERVICES MADE POSSIBLE BY ADVANCED METERS



Easy access to detailed usage data



Real-time consumption information



Better management of energy use and costs



Time of use pricing for new ways to save



More control over price-sensitive remote-controlled appliances



Compare retailers easily and switch offers faster

### FUTURE COST SAVINGS



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

**ELECTRICITY REFORMS DELIVERING SMARTER ENERGY SERVICES**

