

## Network Tariff Reform

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### What is network tariff reform?

Recognising the technological changes occurring across the energy sector – which are driven by increased adoption of solar PV, battery storage, and electric vehicles – TasNetworks is reforming its network tariffs to reflect the costs to deliver electricity and ensure fair and efficient pricing structures that reflect the cost to deliver electricity.

Reforming our network tariffs is a multi-regulatory period process (Figure 1) which commenced in 2017. This process seeks to introduce new network tariffs and to understand changes in customer behaviour.

Our tariff reform process includes introducing time of use network tariffs, which vary the price

of electricity depending on the time-of-day energy is being consumed.

In future regulatory control periods, and through our consultation processes, TasNetworks may seek to introduce new network tariffs, or develop different pricing mechanisms that are designed to keep pace for the evolving energy market.

By encouraging those customers who can change their use of the network, the need for additional investment network may be reduced. This helps to keep prices affordable and provides sustainable and consistent network pricing for all customers.

Figure 1: TasNetworks' network tariff reform strategy



### 2024-2029 pricing reform

TasNetworks' network tariff reform priorities for the 2024-2029 regulatory control period are:

- Amending our network tariff classes to produce a more streamlined structure.
- Altering our assignment rules to make the flat rate network tariff obsolete for both residential and small business customers connecting to the network or upgrading their meter.
- Retaining the current time of use consumption-based network tariffs as the default network tariff option for both residential and small business customers.
- Providing pricing options for our more engaged customers with consumer energy resources, e.g., solar PV, batteries, electric vehicles.
- Revising time of use peak windows for small business customers.
- Introducing new network tariff design for embedded networks.

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- Designing network tariff trials to understand the relationship between new technologies, pricing and network impacts.
- Continue minimise cross subsidies within network tariffs to ensure fair and equitable pricing.

### Network tariff trials

In the 2025-26 financial year, TasNetworks will commence two network tariff trials. Our submission to the Australian Energy Regulatory can be found on their website:

[TasNetworks - Tariff trial notification - 2025-26.pdf](#)

### Low voltage storage network tariff

This network tariff was established to:

- Enable the connection of storage technologies (e.g., community batteries) directly to the network.
- Structure a network tariff that allows the technologies to operate in a manner to reduce network demand and network constraints.
- Understand the impact that network tariffs have on the operation of these technologies in the wholesale energy market

The network tariff includes both import and export components (2-way network tariff), introducing a 'solar soak' period for when solar output is high (10am-3pm). This component will charge a lower rate for the consumption to incentivise storage operators to charge during this period. This was paired with an export charge to disincentives discharge.

During peak periods (7am-10am and 5pm-9pm), a rebate will incentivise discharging and this will

be paired with an import price to disincentivise storage charging.

For more information on this trial, please see: [Community batteries | Talk With TasNetworks](#)

### Farmshare

The objectives of the trial are to:

- test the application of aggregated net metering to retail customers with multiple connections to the distribution network and embedded generation; and
- incentivise participants to align their consumption and generation, increasing self-consumption while lowering peak demand on the network and better balancing local supply and demand.

The tariff is designed to be applied at a property/customer level, rather than to a connection or National Meter Identifier (NMI). Elements of the tariff will send signals to participants that reward coincident exports and consumption of energy at participating connections on a property.

The proposed tariff structure is a two-way tariff, including time of use components.

For further information about the trial see [FarmShare Tariff Trial | Talk With TasNetworks](#)

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