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Low Voltage Storage Network Tariff Trial for 2026-27

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Overview

TasNetworks is installing eight community batteries across Tasmania as part of a trial to assess their network-supportive capabilities. These batteries, which are grant funded through ARENA and DCCEEW, will store excess solar energy generated from rooftop solar panels across a neighbourhood to charge the battery during the day.

Figure 1: Glebe Hill Community Battery



Stored energy can be returned to the network when the demand for electricity is high (such as mornings and evenings). This reduces the demand for electricity during these peak times which can:

- Help stabilise the power supply in local areas.
- Reduce or delay works that would be required to increase local capacity to service customers during times of high demand.
- Use locally generated green power instead of needing to transmit over long distances.

TasNetworks' community battery trial

TasNetworks' trial seeks to understand how to better involve communities to benefit further from these systems in the future.

At least one of the Stage 2 batteries will trial the provision of backup power supply in islanded mode to the local community centre during power outages.

Figure 2: Trial summary

	Stage 1	Stage 2
Grant funding	$1.0m from DCCEEW	$3.3m from ARENA
Number of batteries	2	6
Size/capacity	120kW / 258 kWh each	~200kW / 400kWh each
Locations	Burnie, Howrah	To be confirmed
Delivery date	Q2 2025 (completed)	Q2 2026 (estimated)

To support these batteries in the community, TasNetworks has developed a trial network tariff to store energy ("**Storage Tariff**"). This network tariff introduces two-way network charging in Tasmania for the first time.

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Low voltage storage network tariff

A trial network tariff for storage installations connected to our low voltage network has been developed to complement the community batteries trial. The charging components are:

- **Service charge** is a daily charge that all customers pay. This charge provides customers with access to the distribution network (c/day).
- **Consumption charge** is a volume charge in which retail customers are charged for the energy that is consumed (c/kWh).
- **Export rewards / charges** this relates to the penalty and or bonus that a community battery would receive when exporting energy back into the network. This is directly related to the time of use and peak demand periods (c/kWh).
- **Basic Export Limit** is applied where the first kWh per hour is free during the five hours of peak export. This equates to 1,825kWh per annum

This network tariff is to apply to each community battery installation. The 2026-27 charges are below.

Network tariff	Charging parameters		Time of use periods		Unit rate
TAS99	**Daily service charge**	Service charge		c/day	157.69
	Charges applying during energy consumption (imports) energy	Peak energy	7am - 10am 5pm - 9pm	c/kWh	24.99
		Shoulder energy	3pm - 5pm	c/kWh	14.72
		Off-peak energy	9pm - midnight Midnight - 7am	c/kWh	3.61
		Midday solar soak	10am - 3pm	c/kWh	-
TASX7I	**Charges/rewards apply during times of generating (export) energy**	Peak export reward	7am - 10am 5pm - 9pm	c/kWh	-3.88
		Peak export charge	10am - 3pm	c/kWh	1.22[1]
		Off-peak export charge	all other export times not specified above	c/kWh	-

[1] The Basic Export Limit (**BEL**) applies