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APPROVAL OF REFERENCE TARIFFS AND CHARGES
FOR STANDARD NETWORK ACCESS SERVICES
1 JULY 2001 – 30 JUNE 2002

In accordance with clause 78(3) of the *Electricity Networks (Third Party Access) Code* ("the Code"), the Commission hereby approves the attached network tariffs and charges relating to the use of the Power and Water Authority's prescribed electricity networks for the financial year commencing 1 July 2001. In the Commission's opinion, these tariffs and charges comply with the relevant principles laid down in the Code.

The approved tariffs and charges are the maximum that the Authority can charge for standard network access services provided with respect to each electricity network.

The approved tariffs and charges may take effect either on 1 July 2001 or 30 days after the resultant pricing schedules are published by the Authority, whichever comes later. The published pricing schedules may be expressed in GST-inclusive terms and also incorporate any unregulated tariffs and charges.

Consistent with its revenue caps determination for 2001-02 which combines revenue from the Authority's Darwin and Katherine networks, the Commission has approved common tariffs and charges for the use of the Northern Grid (that is, the inter-connected Darwin and Katherine distribution networks).

Alan Tregilgas
Utilities Commissioner
(for the Utilities Commission)
23 May 2001

Schedule 1(a) - Northern Grid

EXCLUDING GST

A - For Customers as they become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity consumed through customer's metering for customers supplied and metered at any voltage in the Darwin and Katherine areas, but excluding charges associated with the Darwin Katherine Transmission Line.

	System Availability Charge	\$/kVA peak ¹	\$/kVA off peak	c/kWh peak ²	c/kWh off-peak ²
System Availability Charge					
Dollars per month	\$395.24				
Plus charges related to monthly demand					
First 50 kVA per month		\$7.411	\$1.729		
Next 100 kVA per month		\$6.423	\$1.532		
Next 300 kVA per month		\$5.336	\$1.334		
Next 500 kVA per month		\$4.051	\$1.136		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$3.063	\$0.939		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$2.767	\$0.840		
Any further kVA per month		\$2.767	\$0.840		
Plus charges related to energy metered					
First 10,000 kWh per month				3.458	3.162
Next 20,000 kWh per month				3.063	2.767
Next 50,000 kWh per month				2.569	2.273
Next 100,000 kWh per month				2.174	1.877
Next 200,000 kWh per month				1.779	1.383
Next 200,000 kWh per month				1.581	1.285
Any further energy per month				1.482	1.186

B - For Franchise customers and other customers which have not yet become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity for Customers supplied at low voltage², but excluding charges associated with the Darwin Katherine Transmission Line.

	System Availability Charge	c/kWh off-peak ²	c/kWh anytime ²
System Availability Charge			
Commercial: cents per day	31.619		
Domestic: cents per day	19.762		
Plus charges related to energy metered			
First 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			5.682
Energy used above 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			4.693
Street lighting		2.964	

¹ Peak and off-peak periods for demand and energy related charging rates will be as determined from time to time. The peak period rates currently apply to usage between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm on any day. Off-peak period rates apply at other times.

² These energy rates do not include the unregulated charge relating to the use of the Darwin-Katherine transmission line.

² Note: If a non-contestable customer is supplied at high voltage, a discount of 5% will apply to Energy rate charges but not to the SAC.

Schedule 1(b) - Alice Springs

EXCLUDING GST

A - For Customers as they become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity consumed through customer's metering for customers supplied and metered at any voltage.

	System Availability Charge	\$/kVA peak ³	\$/kVA off peak	c/kWh peak	c/kWh off-peak
System Availability Charge					
Dollars per month	\$414.80				
Plus charges related to monthly demand					
First 50 kVA per month		\$7.052	\$1.504		
Next 100 kVA per month		\$6.118	\$1.296		
Next 300 kVA per month		\$4.978	\$1.141		
Next 500 kVA per month		\$3.941	\$1.037		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$2.904	\$0.830		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$2.696	\$0.778		
Any further kVA per month		\$2.696	\$0.778		
Plus charges related to energy metered					
First 10,000 kWh per month				3.318	3.007
Next 20,000 kWh per month				2.904	2.593
Next 50,000 kWh per month				2.385	2.074
Next 100,000 kWh per month				1.970	1.659
Next 200,000 kWh per month				1.763	1.348
Next 200,000 kWh per month				1.556	1.244
Any further energy per month				1.556	1.244

B - For Franchise customers and other customers which have not yet become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity for Customers supplied at low voltage⁴.

	System Availability Charge	c/kWh off-peak	c/kWh anytime
System Availability Charge			
Commercial: cents per day	33.184		
Domestic: cents per day	20.740		
Plus charges related to energy metered			
First 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			5.444
Energy used above 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			4.407
Street lighting		3.318	

³ Peak and off-peak periods for demand and energy related charging rates will be as determined from time to time. The peak period rates currently apply to usage between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm on any day. Off-peak period rates apply at other times.

⁴ Note: If a non-contestable customer is supplied at high voltage, a discount of 5% will apply to Energy rate charges but not to the SAC.

Schedule 1(c) - Tennant Creek

EXCLUDING GST

A - For Customers as they become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity consumed through customer's metering for customers supplied and metered at any voltage.

	System Availability Charge	\$/kVA peak ⁵	\$/kVA off peak	c/kWh peak	c/kWh off-peak
System Availability Charge					
Dollars per month	\$404.80				
Plus charges related to monthly demand					
First 50 kVA per month		\$10.626	\$2.226		
Next 100 kVA per month		\$9.108	\$1.973		
Next 300 kVA per month		\$7.388	\$1.720		
Next 500 kVA per month		\$5.971	\$1.467		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$4.959	\$1.265		
Next 1,000 kVA per month		\$4.554	\$1.063		
Any further kVA per month		\$4.554	\$1.063		
Plus charges related to energy metered					
First 10,000 kWh per month				5.161	4.858
Next 20,000 kWh per month				4.756	4.453
Next 50,000 kWh per month				4.048	3.744
Next 100,000 kWh per month				3.441	3.137
Next 200,000 kWh per month				2.732	2.328
Next 200,000 kWh per month				2.429	2.125
Any further energy per month				2.328	2.024

B - For Franchise customers and other customers which have not yet become contestable

Service provided: Transmission and Distribution of Electricity for Customers supplied at low voltage⁶.

	System Availability Charge	c/kWh off-peak	c/kWh anytime
System Availability Charge			
Commercial: cents per day	32.384		
Domestic: cents per day	20.240		
Plus charges related to energy metered			
First 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			13.662
Energy used above 1,000 kWh per month (pro-rated per billing period)			12.650
Street lighting		10.120	

⁵ Peak and off-peak periods for demand and energy related charging rates will be as determined from time to time. The peak period rates currently apply to usage between 6.00 am and 6.00 pm on any day. Off-peak period rates apply at other times.

⁶ Note: If a non-contestable customer is supplied at high voltage, a discount of 5% will apply to Energy rate charges but not to the SAC.