

# The Electricity Authority invites your feedback on our funding for 2025/26

We're funded by the Government through a levy appropriation on industry participants. It's on-charged through your electricity bill – [about 0.4% of a typical household bill](#).

Each year we invite feedback on our funding and it is used to inform our request to the Government.



**82%**

increase in electricity demand by 2050

(Baseline 2023\_MBE)



**~70%**

of the Authority's operating funding pays for market operation service providers

## Funding options

We want your feedback on three options for our operating funding.

<b>Option 1</b> <b>No change</b>	<b>Option 2</b> <b>System operator uplift</b> <b>+\$5.7m</b>	<b>Option 3</b> <b>System operator and inflation uplift</b> <b>+\$7.8m</b> <div style="text-align: right; border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">                     OUR PREFERRED OPTION                 </div>
<p><b>COST TO YOU</b></p> <p><b>\$1.92</b> ↓ per average household per month (down \$0.02 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>\$11.42</b> ↑ per average commercial entity per month (up \$0.05 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON AUTHORITY</b></p> <p>We absorb the increased costs of contracted service providers that operate the electricity markets (\$5.7m for the system operator and \$0.8m for other service providers).</p> <p>We have to reduce our work programme and the service levels provided by the system operator, inhibiting Government priorities.</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON YOU</b></p> <p>We deliver regulatory work slower – inhibiting benefits for you.</p>	<p><b>COST TO YOU</b></p> <p><b>\$2.02</b> ↑ per average household per month (up \$0.09 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>\$11.95</b> ↑ per average commercial entity per month (up \$0.57 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON AUTHORITY</b></p> <p>This pays for the increased cost of the contracted system operator (\$5.7m) and we absorb the inflationary increases for other service providers (\$0.8m).</p> <p>System operator service levels and obligations are maintained. We focus core work across our functions – this boosts choice and competition and aligns with Government priorities.</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON YOU</b></p> <p>We prioritise work – enabling new products and services and better outcomes for you.</p>	<p><b>COST TO YOU</b></p> <p><b>\$2.06</b> ↑ per average household per month (up \$0.12 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>\$12.14</b> ↑ per average commercial entity per month (up \$0.77 from 2024/25)</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON AUTHORITY</b></p> <p>This pays for the increased costs of contracted service providers (\$5.7m for the system operator and \$0.8m for other service providers) and for the inflation increase to our operating funding (\$1.3m).</p> <p>System operator service levels and obligations are maintained. We expand our work across all our functions and this aligns with Government priorities.</p> <p><b>IMPACT ON YOU</b></p> <p>We deliver more work faster – leading to better products and services for you.</p>

## Have your say by 13 December 2024

- Do you support option 1, 2 or 3?
- Which of the Authority's activities are top priority for you?

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