

Maximum prices for embedded networks and other exempt sellers

Submission received via Engage Victoria on our draft decision on maximum prices for embedded networks and other exempt sellers

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Do you have any comments on the commission's draft decision?

Here is a prime example of what is wrong with embedded networks pricing.

Just received a notice from Origin advising that from June 18 our retirement village prices will increase from 91.15 to 92.36 cents/day and 23.56 to 24.87 cents/kWhr. Origin stated that they have "made a decision to change our prices to align with the electricity prices for our other residential customers." Yet when I go to compare.energy website, I see Origin offering 13% discounts off supply and usage charges that equates to 80.35 cents/day and 25.46 cents/kWhr. On my last bill that would cost \$92.54 versus my actual bill of \$95.54. Yet new proposed price would cost me \$98.57 for 59 days.

And another supplier is offering 82.5 cents/day and 23.76 cents/kWhr that would cost me \$90.79.

So the lack of competition in embedded networks is unsatisfactory.