

I had issues with the submission form, so I am emailing you my submission instead.

In regards to the Accelerating smart meter deployment rule change:

I DO NOT CONSENT, AGREE OR GIVE PERMISSION for customers being made to give their explicit informed consent for any changes to retail tariffs, for three years after a smart meter deployment. Further I DO NOT CONSENT, AGREE OR GIVE PERMISSION FOR SMART METERS TO BE DEPLOYED AT ALL.

Why?

Customers are NOT meant to SERVE THE GRID FOR THE GRID'S BENEFIT BECAUSE ELECTRICITY IS A SERVICE TO CUSTOMERS.

Therefore, ALL AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMERS SHOULD AUTOMATICALLY BE GIVEN A FLAT TARIFF RATE THAT NEVER CHANGES REGARDLESS OF HOW THE GRID IS DOING.

AEMC, I feel this is nothing more than a dodgy scam to fleece Australians and force them against their will to be unethically and irresponsibly charged way more than they should be (as it already happening), just as I feel AEMO, AER, and NEM are a financial scam. Why? Australians are not being told the truth because Jim Chalmers is refusing to publicly reveal the corruption findings that were discovered under his predecessor, Josh Frydenberg (<https://theklaxon.com.au/chalmers-gives-frydenberg-free-pass-over-asic-report-stitch-up/>). Prime Minister, Anthony Albanese, who promised transparency in his government is not doing anything about these ASIC (Australian Securities and Investment Commissioner) corruption findings.

(<https://www.sydneynews.com/news/274402407/albanese-government-covers-for-coalition-in-asic-corruption-probe>)

<https://podcasts.musixmatch.com/podcast/ben-fordham-live-on-2gb-breakfast-01hrxx3csmf1sz48j67gyataf6/episode/saturday-bureaucrats-using-dodgy-accounting-to-help->

"Taxpayers are entitled to know they are getting value for money from the billions of dollars being spent on projects to enable a transition to lower-emissions energy. Those responsible must not be allowed to write their own rules or forgo the widest possible consultation with those who represent the electricity users and taxpayers who ultimately must pay the bill. This is why FOI documents that detail the extent to which energy planners will go to shape how projects are scrutinised make sobering reading. The Australian Energy Market Operator has sought permission to break the rules and modify outside scrutiny for two crucial transmission line assets, the HumeLink and VNI West projects." Weekend Australian Editorial, More scrutiny, not less on power 31 January 2024

<https://www.theaustralian.com.au/commentary/editorials/more-scrutiny-not-less-on-power/news-story/7d0da9122f82e29aae9f7487b1ec670c>

I have also included other articles and studies as to why I feel the AEMC, AEMO, AER, NER are extremely dodgy and why "rules" like this are what Americans would call a PONZI SCHEME.

<https://www.skynews.com.au/business/media/labors-new-disinformation-campaign-backfires-after-people-submit-their-own-ads-for-factchecking-via-online-form/news-story/a9024371d5e2e3399d70ac4a0307b4c4>

<https://www.wind-watch.org/news/2024/08/29/hidden-wind-turbine-decommissioning-costs-a-risk-for-farmers/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/opinion/bowens-strategy-to-reduce-bills-hides-360-billion-in-costs-by-2050/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/opinion/energy-ministers-nuclear-arguments-riddled-with-errors/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/video/more-misinformation-from-csiro-on-nuclear/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/publication/submission-to-draft-2024-integrated-system-plan/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/publication/how-to-build-low-cost-nuclear-lessons-from-the-world/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/podcast/how-to-build-low-cost-nuclear-lessons-from-the-world-2/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/publication/submission-to-draft-2023-24-gencost/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/publication/submission-to-humelink-mcc-assessment/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/publication/submission-to-humelink-contingent-project-application-stage-2/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/opinion/the-smart-energy-council-makes-two-basic-mistakes/>

<https://www.cis.org.au/commentary/video/australia-quietly-snuck-in-a-shadow-carbon-price/>

https://www.advanceaustralia.org.au/woke_act_labor_greens_government_fights_against_renewables?sfnsn=mo

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I also respectfully ask the Ministers, Senators, Independent members and others who are CC'd in this email to please help hold AEMC to account and not allow this rule change that would hurt AEMC's real stakeholders who are Australian consumers that are already very unfairly paying too much for electricity. These so called rules that AEMC are trying to push through would only serve to punitively hike electricity prices up more, which is extremely disrespectful and insulting to all Australian consumers who are already doing it tough. Thank you so much too for those of you who have been fighting hard for all of your constituents in Parliament to encourage the government to do right by Australians. I greatly appreciate it!

Kind regards,

Carol-Ann Fletcher

REZ Resistance member