

Question on Notice
No. 988
Asked on Thursday, 2 September 2021

MR P WEIR ASKED MINISTER FOR ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND HYDROGEN AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND PROCUREMENT (HON M DE BRENNI)

Will the Minister advise (a) how many business entities were removed from obsolete tariffs as of 1 July 2021, (b) what tariffs these businesses were transferred to and (c) what is the average increase in the cost of electricity to these entities?

ANSWER

Energy Queensland Limited advises that:

- a) approximately 19,500 National Meter Identifiers (NMI) representing approximately 13,000 unique entities in regional Queensland moved off obsolete regulated retail electricity tariffs at the end of June 2021;
- b) these NMIs were transferred to regulated retail electricity tariffs 11, 20, 22B, 43, 44, 45, 46, 50, 50A, 51 (A, B, C and D), 52 (A, B and C), 53, 62A, 65A and 66A; and
- c) the average change in electricity bills across all these NMIs is estimated to be a decrease of \$196 per annum.

NMIs that face electricity bill increases of >5 per cent and \$500 per annum are eligible to access individually-tailored transition rebates for up to nine years under the Queensland Government's Electricity Tariff Adjustment Scheme, where they meet the eligibility requirements set out in the Extraordinary Queensland Government Gazette Vol. 387 No. 67 published on 21 July 2021.