

Network Capacity Costing

(applicable from 1 April 2026)

Publishing of revised network capacity costs, in line with Electricity Authority guidance, is a new requirement of regulation from 1 April 2027.

We intend development of network capacity costing for different tiers¹ of our network and costing zones² ahead of this regulatory deadline.

Until the revised network capacity cost rates are developed, we will continue to apply our existing historical rate of (\$14/kVa + \$1,000) to each connection up until 1 April 2027.

Network capacity costs exist so that new or upgraded electricity connections pay a fair share of the long-term network capacity they require — not just the immediate construction work. Capacity cost is the user's share of existing or future shared network capacity.

The network capacity costing values are a component of incremental cost within connection charge reconciliations.

Our [Connection Pricing Methodology](#) provides more information on our approach to connection charges.

¹ Tiers are usually representative of different voltage levels within a network

² Costing zones are usually representative of different build types and customer density within a network