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Mr Tyson Self
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Dear Mr Self,

Issues Paper on Western Power's Proposed Revisions to the Access Arrangement for the Western Power Network

We write in relation to the aforementioned Issues Paper and the proposed contained therein to amend the Distribution Low Voltage Connection Scheme (DLVCS).

NECA supports the proposals of Western Power as we believe that these will provide greater transparency and openness to how upgrades are priced.

Firstly, the proposed scheme ought to remove the disparity in pricing for customers who request the same scope of works yet get charged dramatically different prices. Our members will appreciate this change, as it is often they who get the blame for this inequity.

Secondly, the \$/kVa method of charging will be a fairer system for all as it will give customers more predictability for pricing and will reduce the incidence of 'tyre kickers' who only cause blockages in the process

We note that Western Power has gone to some effort to consult with our organisation in relation to this proposals and this has resulted in a number of iterations which we believe have improved the proposal. Western Power is to be congratulated for its positive and cooperative attitude towards its stakeholders.

Kind regards,



Kyle Kutasi
General Manager