

## RA PUBLIC COMMENT BRIEF

TITLE	RETAIL TARIFF DESIGN RESTRUCTURING REPORT
PURPOSE	The evolving electricity sector has prompted the RA to consider whether there are better ways to represent a customer's total electricity cost for:  • access to the grid • their energy usage, which are both represented on their electricity bill
	The RA is therefore undergoing the process to increase fairness in how electricity bills are calculated. The RA is also considering alternate ways to calculate electricity bills, including flat monthly bills, and rates for vulnerable customers.
AUDIENCE	This Public Comment is in the interest on all consumers of electricity and stakeholders.
EXPLANATION	The Retail Tariff Design is the framework the RA uses to set the approach to bill calculation for the reliable provision of electricity.
IMPORTANCE	Given the topic's complexity, this Public Comment Document will be the first in a discussion series regarding what the RA can do to improve fairness in billing. The shift toward fairer and more cost reflective billing also has advantageous and consequential considerations detailed in the document.
	The document covers options for:  Changes to billing calculations to reflect fairness across customer groups Improving cost allocation based on who imposes them on the system Recovering Costs from Customers with Distributed Generation Advantages and disadvantages of Time Varying Pricing Protecting Eligible Customers Budget Billing Billing Transparency
CLOSING	The deadline for responses is 11:59pm on November 21, 2022.