

Why have prices changed?

Powerco is regulated under the Commerce Act 1986 and is generally permitted to change its allowed revenue by the movement in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) each year. The new allowed revenue is then applied to the tariff groups on our distribution network in accordance with our [pricing methodology](#).

In the pricing year effective 1 October 2012, we have continued to move toward more cost reflective tariffs and continued to slowly align the pricing for tariff groups across the regions. For instance, fixed charges for commercial customers in the Taranaki region are significantly higher while the variable charges are lower than other regions and we are gradually modifying these prices in order to achieve greater consistency across regions.

The pricing schedule attached shows the prices for each tariff group effective from 1 October 2012. For more information on the method applied to apply our allowed revenue to tariff groups, please visit our [pricing methodology](#) for the current year.

This schedule provides gas distribution charges for Hawke's Bay, Manawatu & Horowhenua, Wellington, Hutt Valley & Porirua and Taranaki. Prices are effective from 1 October 2012.

DISCLOSURE OF POWERCO'S NEW GAS DISTRIBUTION CHARGES EFFECTIVE 1 OCTOBER 2012

Powerco is required under clause 2.4.19 of the Gas Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 to disclose the charges that make up the distribution part of your gas invoice.

Other gas network charges or conditions may also apply and this schedule should be read in conjunction with the full Powerco pricing schedule available on our website. All charges exclude GST (Goods and Services Tax). Powerco is not required to publicly disclose distribution charges if the number of estimated consumers by whom the charge is to be paid is less than five.

SCHEDULE OF END-CONSUMER LOAD GROUP CHARGES (excluding GST)

End-Consumer load groups are specified below:

- G06 End-consumers with a load size of less than or equal to 10 scm/hr and an annual gas usage of less than 15GJ *
- G11 End-consumers with a load size of less than or equal to 10 scm/hr and an annual gas usage equal to 15GJ or greater *
- G12 End-consumers with a load size of greater than 10 scm/hr and less than or equal to 25 scm/hr
- G14 End-consumers with a load size of greater than 25 scm/hr and less than or equal to 60 scm/hr
- G16 End-consumers with a load size of greater than 60 scm/hr and less than or equal to 140 scm/hr
- G18 End-consumers with a load size of greater than 140 scm/hr and less than or equal to 200 scm/hr

* An End-Consumer who meets the criteria for the End-Consumer load group G06 or G11 can choose which of these End-Consumer group it wants to belong to

Hawke's Bay					
Distribution Charges Effective 1 October 2012			Estimated number of consumers	Previous Charges	
Load Group	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	-	\$15.0627	1,238	-	\$14.8547
G11	\$0.5001	\$4.4177	3,383	\$0.4987	\$4.2443
G12	\$0.9518	\$3.8188	134	\$0.8646	\$3.7721
G14	\$2.8002	\$3.1678	95	\$2.5919	\$2.8747
G16	\$3.3122	\$3.1121	77	\$3.0104	\$2.8242
G18	\$5.9088	\$3.0175	6	\$5.3710	\$2.7381

Manawatu & Horowhenua					
Distribution Charges Effective 1 October 2012			Estimated number of consumers	Previous Charges	
Load Group	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	-	\$15.3419	5,623	-	\$15.3325
G11	\$0.5001	\$4.5873	15,275	\$0.4987	\$4.5779
G12	\$1.0556	\$3.8528	296	\$1.0542	\$3.8434
G14	\$3.1998	\$3.7411	114	\$3.1984	\$3.7317
G16	\$4.1753	\$3.6477	85	\$4.1739	\$3.6383
G18	\$7.6102	\$3.2291	14	\$8.0090	\$3.2197

Wellington					
Distribution Charges Effective 1 October 2012			Estimated number of consumers	Previous Charges	
Load Group	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	-	\$16.4619	7,788	-	\$16.4525
G11	\$0.5001	\$5.9540	21,037	\$0.4987	\$5.9446
G12	\$0.7765	\$5.8231	353	\$0.7751	\$5.8137
G14	\$5.5315	\$5.6012	142	\$5.8209	\$5.5918
G16	\$7.9882	\$4.9961	85	\$7.9868	\$5.2199
G18	\$11.4142	\$4.8267	11	\$10.3759	\$5.0425

Hutt Valley & Porirua					
Distribution Charges Effective 1 October 2012			Estimated number of consumers	Previous Charges	
Load Group	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	-	\$16.0170	5,180	-	\$15.5425
G11	\$0.5001	\$5.5083	23,224	\$0.4987	\$5.0945
G12	\$0.6888	\$5.2471	640	\$0.6312	\$4.8526
G14	\$4.4926	\$5.1433	152	\$4.0835	\$4.7132
G16	\$7.9882	\$4.1772	42	\$7.9868	\$3.7924
G18	\$12.4219	\$4.0050	19	\$12.4205	\$3.6689

Taranaki					
Distribution Charges Effective 1 October 2012			Estimated number of consumers	Previous Charges	
Load Group	Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)		Fixed (\$/day)	Variable (\$/GJ)
G06	-	\$14.7836	5,101	-	\$14.2075
G11	0.5001	\$3.6071	12,521	\$0.4987	\$3.1882
G12	1.6251	\$3.1351	181	\$2.3170	\$2.5282
G14	3.8838	\$1.4833	135	\$4.6764	\$1.1868
G16	5.5169	\$1.4366	29	\$7.3520	\$1.1494
G18	9.0161	\$1.3956	17	\$10.9922	\$1.1166

Powerco is New Zealand's second largest electricity and gas distribution utility with around 420,000 consumers connected to its networks. Powerco's gas distribution networks are in Hawke's Bay, Manawatu and Horowhenua, Wellington, Hutt Valley and Porirua, and Taranaki. Its electricity networks are in the Western Bay of Plenty, Thames, Coromandel, Eastern and Southern Waikato Taranaki, Wanganui, Rangitikei, Manawatu and the Wairarapa.