

2023/2024 Waipā Networks Discount Allocation Methodology

Waipā Networks Limited is 100% owned by the Waipā Networks Trust. Waipā Networks pays a discount to customers in the Waipā Network area based on the price plan that they are on and the charges for the year for that ICP. The discount forms part of the prices and the discounted prices are detailed on the pricing schedules which are available on the company website [Lines Charges - Waipā Networks](#).

Waipā Networks is forecasting a \$5.0m + GST discount for the 2023/2024 year.

Definitions

Active connection	A livened metered connection to the network that is not vacant.
ICP	Installation Control Point – a unique metered point of connection for every site connected to Waipā's network and does not have an individual Line Function Service Agreement. e.g. a home or business.

Allocation of the Discount

Customers with an active connection to Waipā Networks and registered with an electricity retailer qualify for a discount. The discount is being allocated to all qualifying consumers based on their variable kwh usage multiplied by the discount price/kwh for the period as shown on Waipā Networks pricing schedules.

The discount is paid out in two amounts during the year and is based on the customers price plan and their usage between:

- 1 April 2023 and 31 August 2023 – paid in September 2023 (*September discount*)
- 1 September and 31 March 2024 – paid in April 2024 (*March discount*).

Calculation date

Discounts will be calculated based on the customers who are connected on the calculation dates as below:

- September discount – calculation date 14 September 2023
- March discount – calculation date 18 April 2024.

The line charges attributed to the ICP are irrespective of whether the current account holder had been associated with the ICP over the full calculation period. Customers who are the account holder for more than one ICP will receive a discount for each ICP. The payment will be made to the customer that is connected on the calculation date. The charges will include actual and estimated readings for the calculation period based on data received from retailers.

Waipā Networks completes the final allocation process and advises retailers on the discount for each ICP. Retailers then credit customer accounts. The timing of the credit depends on the billing cycle the customer is on with their retailer. The September discount should appear as a credit on each power bill of the electricity account holder during September or October for the September discount and April or May for the March discount.

This disclosure is to set out the allocation methodology used by Waipā Networks Limited for its March 2023 discount to customers. This disclosure is compliant with the requirements of sections 2.4.23 and 2.4.24 of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 – (consolidated in 2018) although Waipā Networks believes it is not required to make any compulsory disclosure as the discount is not as a result of a customer's direct or indirect ownership interest.