DISCOUNT ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY

We're proudly owned by the Waipā Networks Trust, and as a 100% community-owned entity, we pay discounts to our valued Waipā customers.

We understand the importance of affordability, so we're excited to share that we're forecasting a total of \$5.6 million + GST in discounts for the 1 April 2025 pricing year. But let's dive into the nitty-gritty of how this discount works.

It's all based on the price plan you're on and the charges for the year and the associated ICP. The discount forms part of our prices, and the discounted prices are detailed on our pricing schedules on our website:

website link to be added





Defining the basics

ICP (Installation Control Point)

A customer's unique metered connection point for every site connected to our network that does not have an individual Line Function Service Agreement. E.g. a home or business.

Active connection

It's not just any metered connection; it's a livened metered connection to the network that is not vacant.

Allocation of the discount

Let's break down how this discount will directly affect your power bill. Customers qualify for a discount if they have an active connection to our network and are registered with an electricity retailer. The discount is allocated based on your variable kWh usage, multiplied by the discount price per kWh, as detailed in our pricing schedules.

We pay discounts twice a year, and it's based on your price plan and usage between:

- 1 April 2025 to 30 September 2025

 paid in October 2025 (September discount)
- 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2026 – paid in April 2026 (March discount).

Calculation dates

To ensure fairness, we allocate discounts based on the ICPs that are connected on specific dates:

- 23 October 2025 for the September discount
- 23 April 2026 for the March discount

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 customers who are connected and registered with an electricity retailer on the qualifying date. The charges will include actual and estimated readings for the calculation period based on data received from retailers.

We complete the final allocation process and advise retailers on the discounts, and then it's time to credit your accounts. The timing of the credit aligns with your billing cycle, ensuring the savings reflect on your power bills between October and November for the September discount and April and May for the March discount.

This disclosure sets out the allocation methodology used by Waipā Networks Limited for its 2025/26 discounts to customers. This disclosure complies with the requirements of sections 2.4.23 and 2.4.24 of the Electricity Distribution Information Disclosure Determination 2012 – (consolidated in 2018).