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Region

Manawatu-Whanganui

Category

Individuals, Researchers and Academics

Do you accept these terms & conditions?

Yes

A1. Establish a consumer advisory council

Yea please alot of people need advise from someone other than the power company workers themselves.

A2. Ensure regulators listen to consumers

Yes because most aren't.

B1. Establish a cross-sector energy hardship group

B2. Define energy hardship

Someone who has to pay twice the bill for power usage. Most peoples lines bills are more then the power bill an that definitely takes a chunk of the wage or salary of someone an puts them into power hardship which most people in the king country an surrounding areas are facing

B3. Establish a network of community-level support services to help consumers in energy hardship

That would be good

B4. Set up a fund to help households in energy hardship become more energy efficient

We dont need a fund set up we need our bills as 1 instead of paying 2 bills for power

B5. Offer extra financial support for households in energy hardship

Offer cheaper lines bills would help

B6. Set mandatory minimum standards to protect vulnerable and medically dependent consumers

Yes definitely

B7. Prohibit prompt payment discounts but allow reasonable late payment fees

Keep discounts because as little as they are every dollar counts. Take late payment fees away

B8. Seek bulk deals for social housing and/or Work and Income clients

For all housing would be great. Its not just beneficiary's suffering.

C1. Make it easier for consumers to shop around

Its easy to do from the whatsmynumber.org

C2. Include information on power bills to help consumers switch retailer or resolve billing disputes

Resolve billing disputes yes

C3. Make it easier to access electricity usage data

Yes

C4. Make distributors offer retailers standard terms for network access

Yes

C5. Prohibit win-backs

Not sure what that is

C6. Help non-switching consumers find better deals

Yes

C7. Introduce retail price caps

Yes

D1. Toughen rules on disclosing wholesale market information

Yes

D2. Introduce mandatory market-making obligations

Yes

D3. Make generator-retailers release information about the profitability of their retailing activities

Not sure what that means

D4. Monitor contract prices and generation costs more closely

Yes

D5. Prohibit vertically integrated companies

Not sure what that means

E1. Issue a government policy statement on transmission pricing

Yes

E2. Issue a government policy statement on distribution pricing

Yes

E3. Regulate distribution cost allocation principles

Yes

E4. Limit price shocks from distribution price increases

Not sure what that means

E5. Phase out low fixed charge tariff regulations

Not sure what that means

E6. Ensure access to smart meter data on reasonable terms

Yes

E7. Strengthen the Commerce Commission's powers to regulate distributors' performance

Yes

E8. Require smaller distributors to amalgamate

If that's what they want to do

E9. Lower Transpower and distributors' asset values and rates of return

Yes

F1. Give the Electricity Authority clearer, more flexible powers to regulate network access for distributed energy services

Yes

F2. Transfer the Electricity Authority's transmission and distribution-related regulatory functions to the Commerce Commission

Yes

F3. Give regulators environmental and fairness goals

Yes

F4. Allow Electricity Authority decisions to be appealed on their merits

Yes

F5. Update the Electricity Authority's compliance framework and strengthen its information-gathering powers

Yes

F6. Establish an electricity and gas regulator

Yes

G1. Set up a fund to encourage more innovation

Yes

G2. Examine security and resilience of electricity supply

Yes

G3. Encourage more co-ordination among agencies

Yes

G4. Improve the energy efficiency of new and existing buildings

Yes