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Statutory & Constitutional Mandate:	Facilitated and submitted in accordance with Sections 33 (Just Administrative Action), 152 (Objectives of Local Government), and 195 (Basic Values and Principles Governing Public Administration) of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, read with Sections 3, 4, and 6 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), Act No. 3 of 2000, and the Electricity Regulation Amendment Act (ERAA), 2024.

1. Executive Summary

This report delivers a comprehensive, audited, and strictly non-partisan evaluation of the nationwide public participation process facilitated via the Dear South Africa (DearSouthAfrica.co.za) platform in response to the **Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, 2026**. Gazetted on 21 August 2026 by the Minister of Electricity and Energy, the Position Paper sets out the policy vision and structural blueprint to transition South Africa from a vertically integrated, single-buyer utility model to an unbundled, competitive wholesale market—the **South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM)**—alongside the legal separation of Eskom into distinct generation, transmission, and distribution businesses.

Over the course of the 65-day active campaign window (running through to 31 October 2026), **12,412 verified South African citizens, residential ratepayers, small and medium enterprise (SMME) owners, energy sector engineers, independent power producers (IPPs), municipal officials, and civil society stakeholders** lodged formal individual representations. Within this verified cohort, **6,261 participants (50.44%)** authored custom qualitative written justifications.

The empirical findings establish a statistically decisive public rejection of the Position Paper's proposed cost-recovery principles, consumer eligibility stratification, and transitional institutional design:

- **89.43% of participants (11,100 individuals)** explicitly rejected the Position Paper in its current form (**"No I do not"**), objecting primarily to the imposition of mandatory fixed network charges on grid-tied solar and low-consumption users under the "anti-free-riding" principle, the division of electricity users into corporate "Eligible Customers" and residential "Captive Customers", and the risk of wholesale price manipulation under continued Eskom Generation dominance.
- **9.10% of participants (1,130 individuals)** registered conditional support (**"I support with amendments"**), endorsing the end of Eskom's single-buyer monopoly and the introduction of competitive private power generation, subject to binding statutory caps on fixed network charges, ring-fenced protection for municipal cross-subsidies, and accelerated legal independence for the National Transmission Company of South Africa (NTCSA).
- **1.47% of participants (182 individuals)** expressed unconditional support (**"Yes I do"**), backing open wholesale competition, supplier choice, and fixed capacity contributions for standby grid access.

Combined, **98.53% of participating stakeholders (12,230 individuals) either reject the Position Paper outright or demand substantive statutory amendments** prior to the finalisation of the forthcoming Market Design Document, Market Code, and Retail Code.

2. Legislative Context & The Public Debate

2.1 Summary of the Proposed Policy Framework

The **Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper** consolidates policy initiatives aimed at addressing South Africa's "energy quadrilemma": balancing security of supply, social equity (affordability), environmental sustainability (decarbonisation), and socio-economic development within severe fiscal constraints. Operationalising the Electricity Regulation Amendment Act (ERAA) of 2024, its core structural pillars include:

- **Unbundling of Eskom Holdings:** Progressive restructuring of Eskom into legally separate companies for Generation, Transmission (via the NTCSA, mandated to become fully independent within five years), and Distribution.
- **Establishment of the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM):** A competitive wholesale market featuring a voluntary centralised electronic trading platform for Day-Ahead and Intra-Day trading, bilateral contracts, and a mandatory real-time balancing mechanism.
- **Consolidation within the NTCSA:** The NTCSA is tasked with acting concurrently as Transmission Network Service Provider (TNSP), System Operator (SO), Market Operator (MO), and Central Purchasing Agency (CPA).
- **Separation of Distribution "Wires" and "Retail":** Over the medium term, all distributors must unbundle their regulated physical network ("wires") operations from their separately licensed retail/trading operations.
- **Customer Stratification ("Eligible" vs. "Captive"):** Large power users (indicatively >1 MW) qualify as "Eligible Customers" permitted to purchase directly on SAWEM or from independent traders. Residential households and smaller commercial entities remain "Captive Customers" tied to their incumbent distributor's retail arm under regulated tariffs.
- **The "Anti-Free-Riding" Principle & Fixed Network Charges:** Section 1.2.2 establishes the guiding principle to *"Discourage free riding"*, stipulating that customers relying on the grid for partial backup power or exporting excess energy must pay regulated fixed network charges, regardless of volumetric consumption.

- **Balance Responsibility & Prudential Criteria:** All SAWEM participants carry financial liability for scheduling imbalances and must meet strict prudential creditworthiness criteria.
- **Phased Implementation:** Targeting a soft-launch of market operations in 2026, followed by a phased opening beyond Eskom starting in 2027.

2.2 Condensed Q&A / Key Facts for Laypersons

- **Q: How does this policy affect households and businesses that installed rooftop solar?** The Position Paper targets grid-tied solar users under its "anti-free-riding" principle (Section 1.2.2). Because solar households consume fewer kilowatt-hours (kWh) while remaining connected for backup, the policy mandates shifting tariff design away from volumetric consumption toward mandatory fixed monthly network and capacity charges. Only 100% off-grid properties are exempt.
- **Q: Can ordinary residential consumers choose their electricity provider under this new market?** No. The framework divides consumers. Only large industrial/commercial users (>1 MW) qualify as "Eligible Customers" who can switch to private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses remain "Captive Customers" locked into their local municipal or Eskom distributor.
- **Q: Will unbundling and wholesale competition make household electricity bills cheaper or more expensive?** While generator competition aims to lower wholesale costs long-term, residential households face two immediate upward cost pressures: (1) unbundled fixed network charges; and (2) potential municipal revenue losses if high-margin corporate clients leave municipal retail supply, pressuring municipalities to raise tariffs on captive residential users to fund local cross-subsidies.
- **Q: What prevents Eskom Generation or private cartels from manipulating wholesale market prices?** Eskom Generation supplies most of South Africa's baseload power and possesses substantial market power. The paper proposes mitigating market abuse (such as *economic* or *physical withholding*) through a Market Surveillance Unit (MSU), Competition Commission oversight, transitional vesting contracts, and NERSA bid regulation.

2.3 Perspectives: What is the Debate?

- **Wholesale Competition & Unbundling:** Proponents argue it ends Eskom's single-buyer monopoly, introduces transparent price signals, and attracts private capital. Opponents warn that wholesale spot markets create price volatility, and that Eskom Generation's baseload dominance prevents true competition.

- **Fixed Network Charges ("Anti-Free Riding"):** Supporters state that maintaining grid infrastructure carries high fixed costs, ensuring solar users pay fairly for standby access. Skeptics view this as a punitive "Sun Tax" and administrative bait-and-switch on citizens who invested private savings into solar to rescue the grid during load shedding.
- **Retail Unbundling ("Eligible" vs "Captive"):** Supporters believe separating "wires" from trading enforces regulatory accounting and stops municipalities from hiding inefficiencies. Opponents argue that allowing lucrative industrial users to bypass municipal retailers guts the local cross-subsidy model, risking municipal insolvency and leaving captive households with soaring bills.
- **NTCSA Governance:** Supporters argue that centralising grid expansion, system dispatch, and market clearing under the NTCSA provides coordinated technical oversight. Opponents counter that housing the wires owner (TNSP), market referee (SO/MO), and state buyer (CPA) inside one Eskom subsidiary creates acute conflicts of interest.

3. Context and Methodology (The DearSA Mechanism)

Under South African administrative law, government departments and parliamentary committees routinely bundle traditional online petitions containing thousands of signatures and log them as a single collective representation. Such petitions carry minimal legal weight in judicial review proceedings.

Dear South Africa (DearSouthAfrica.co.za) operates on an **individual statutory mandate model**:

- **Authenticated Individual Statutory Representations:** Every participant inputs verified personal details, specifies their geographic location and socio-economic standing, selects structured policy concern parameters, and lodges an independent qualitative submission.
- **Direct Statutory Delivery:** Each submission is formatted and routed individually to the designated administrative inbox (in this case, the Department of Electricity and Energy).
- **Enforceable Duty under PAJA and the Constitution:** In terms of Section 33 of the Constitution and Sections 3 and 4 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), the executive authority is legally obligated to log, evaluate, and substantively consider every distinct representation on the administrative record.

- **Court-Ready Evidentiary Paper Trail:** This compiled report and the accompanying timestamped CSV database establish an unassailable administrative record. If final market rules are promulgated in disregard of overwhelming, rational public evidence, this record provides the evidentiary basis for judicial review in the High Court under Section 6(2) of PAJA.

4. Definitive Quantitative Stance Analysis

Across the **12,412 verified submissions**, participants declared their primary statutory stance on the threshold question: *"Do you support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper as published by the Minister?"*

Primary Stance Declared	Total Verified Submissions	Percentage Share (%)	Summary of Administrative Position
No I do not (Object)	**11,100**	**89.43%**	Rejects the Position Paper in its current form, opposing mandatory fixed charges on solar users, the captive consumer class, and municipal revenue destabilisation.
I support with amendments	**1,130**	**9.10%**	Supports wholesale competition but demands binding statutory caps on fixed network fees, protection for captive ratepayers, and immediate NTCSA independence.

Primary Stance Declared	Total Verified Submissions	Percentage Share (%)	Summary of Administrative Position
Yes I do (Support)	**182**	**1.47%**	Endorses the proposed market transformation, open supplier competition, and fixed infrastructure cost-recovery mechanisms.
Total Authenticated Dataset	**12,412**	**100.00%**	**Combined Opposition & Conditional Amendment Mandate: 98.53%**

5. Granular Analysis of Systemic Concerns (Deep Dive)

5.1 The "All of the Above" Deep Dive

In Step 2 of the participation workflow, **6,998 participants (56.38%)** initially selected **"All of the above"**, demonstrating that a majority of citizens view the Position Paper's risks as an interconnected systemic matrix where fixed solar charges, captive consumer exposure, and Eskom market dominance reinforce one another.

To ensure administrative precision, the platform architecture enforced a conditional secondary prompt requiring every "All of the above" respondent to isolate their **single highest-priority concern** (top-concern). Within this 6,998-person cohort, priorities distributed as follows:

1. **Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties:** 4,489 submissions (64.15%)
2. **Market Power & Price Manipulation:** 1,056 submissions (15.09%)
3. **Captive Consumer Tariff Protection:** 1,004 submissions (14.35%)
4. **Municipal Financial Collapse:** 345 submissions (4.93%)
5. **NTCSA Conflicts of Interest:** 57 submissions (0.81%)
6. **Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays:** 47 submissions (0.67%)

5.2 Consolidated Civic Concern Index

Aggregating direct single-issue selections (N = 5,414) with the reallocated "All of the above" priority selections (N = 6,998) produces the **Consolidated Civic Concern Index** across all 12,412 verified submissions:

Rank	Consolidated Primary Concern Category	Direct Selections	Reallocated ("All of the Above")	Consolidated Total	Consolidated Share (%)
1	**Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties ("Sun Tax")**	4,062	4,489	**8,551**	**68.89%**
2	**Captive Consumer Tariff Protection**	603	1,004	**1,607**	**12.95%**
3	**Market Power & Price Manipulation**	462	1,056	**1,518**	**12.23%**
4	**Municipal Financial Collapse**	101	345	**446**	**3.59%**
5	**Other Specific Substantive Grounds**	135	0	**135**	**1.09%**
6	**NTCSA Conflicts of Interest**	19	57	**76**	**0.61%**

Rank	Consolidated Primary Concern Category	Direct Selections	Reallocated ("All of the Above")	Consolidated Total	Consolidated Share (%)
7	**Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays**	8	47	**55**	**0.44%**
8	**No Concern, I Support the Paper**	24	0	**24**	**0.19%**
—	**Total Authenticated Dataset**	**5,414**	**6,998**	**12,412**	**100.00%**

5.3 Qualitative Synthesis of Dominant Issues

1. **Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties (68.89%):** Over two-thirds of participants identified the Section 1.2.2 "anti-free-riding" principle as their primary objection. Respondents emphasised that households and SMMEs invested heavily in private solar arrays during load shedding, frequently driven by government tax incentives (Section 6C) and Eskom SSEG fee waivers. Shifting to high fixed monthly network charges is viewed as an administrative bait-and-switch that penalises energy conservation, extends solar payback periods, and disproportionately harms low-consumption households (such as pensioners).
2. **Captive Consumer Tariff Protection (12.95%) & Municipal Financial Collapse (3.59%) — Combined 16.54%:** The second major cluster targets the stratification of consumers into "Eligible" corporate users and "Captive" residential users. Allowing large industrial users to defect to private traders on SAWEM removes the surplus revenue that municipalities rely on to cross-subsidise Free Basic Electricity (FBE) and local service delivery. Captive households fear they will be forced to absorb these municipal budget deficits through escalated retail tariffs.

3. **Market Power & Price Manipulation (12.23%):** Participants expressed deep scepticism that genuine competition can occur while Eskom Generation controls the vast majority of dispatchable baseload capacity. Without strict statutory bidding caps, respondents fear dominant generators will engage in economic withholding to inflate wholesale prices.

6. Qualitative Evaluation & Verbatim Civic Testimony

The following verbatim extracts from the 6,261 custom written representations illustrate the substantive legal and economic arguments placed on the administrative record.

Theme 1: Economic Impact & The "Bait-and-Switch" on Private Capital

"1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure." — **Ratepayer (Object | Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties)**

"The proposal would be unfair to residents throughout the country and probably lead to more hardships already experienced by many residents in SA. Surely residents should be levied charges in line with usage which has been the norm for many years. Also it appears as though Eskom is planning an option 2 type of scenario to maintain profitability." — **Ratepayer (Object | Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties)**

Theme 2: Constitutional Overreach, Administrative Irrationality & The "Captive Ratepayer"

"I do not agree with a "tax" on a service I do not utilise. Next in line will be a hike in property rates and taxes. Allow private energy suppliers to compete in an open market." — **Ratepayer (Object | Municipal Financial Collapse)**

"I’m not a fan of there being a monopoly on energy supply. However… Private households who’ve been able to install solar panels shouldn’t be penalised for ‘making a plan’ to keep their lights on. Households who don’t have solar shouldn’t be penalised so that the municipalities can make money." — **Ratepayer (Object | Captive Consumer Tariff Protection)**

Theme 3: Practical Implementation & Eskom's Market Dominance

"The only reason people needed/wanted solar power, is because of the failure of Eskom...! Why must we pay again, because of Eskom's appalling failures over the years. Sick and tired of this sickening duplicity...!!!" — **Ratepayer (Object | Market Power & Price Manipulation)**

"Another ANC effort to loot the citizens. It's appalling that this continues when one considers that as a result of decades of unreliable power supply many citizen's 'made a plan' and are now being penalised. What a mess." — **Ratepayer (Object | Market Power & Price Manipulation)**

Theme 4: Constructive Reform Proposals (Support with Amendments)

"Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Why should solar users be penalised because Eskom can't provide the service they are paid for? Eskom also shouldn't be able to charge a connection fee, again for a service they cannot provide. We should all: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments." — **Ratepayer (I support with amendments | Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties)**

"Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Penalising the solar users with fixed fees because of a dilemma that Eskom created with loadshedding is unacceptable and Eskom mustn't underestimate the ability of solar users to go complete off grid if Eskom becomes antagonistic is its revenue policies trying to extract more value from their previous paying customers that they let down." — **Ratepayer (I support with amendments | Captive Consumer Tariff Protection)**

7. Participant Demographics & Stakeholder Profiles

7.1 Breakdown by Employment & Economic Status

Employment / Economic Status	Total Submissions	Share of Dataset (%)	No, I Do Not (%)	Support with Amendments (%)	Yes, I Do (%)
Retired / Pensioner	4,625	37.26%	4,170 (90.16%)	394 (8.52%)	61 (1.32%)
Employed Individual	2,773	22.34%	2,443 (88.10%)	284 (10.24%)	46 (1.66%)
Unspecified / Not Disclosed	2,231	17.97%	2,000 (89.65%)	199 (8.92%)	32 (1.43%)
Self-Employed Professional	1,449	11.67%	1,297 (89.51%)	135 (9.32%)	17 (1.17%)
Business Owner (SMME)	784	6.32%	681 (86.86%)	88 (11.22%)	15 (1.91%)
Unemployed Individual	506	4.08%	473 (93.48%)	25 (4.94%)	8 (1.58%)
Non-Profit Sector	26	0.21%	23 (88.46%)	3 (11.54%)	0 (0.00%)
Student	18	0.15%	13 (72.22%)	2 (11.11%)	3 (16.67%)
Total	**12,412**	**100.00%**	**11,100 (89.43%)**	**1,130 (9.10%)**	**182 (1.47%)**

Analytical Insight: Outright rejection peaked among Unemployed Individuals (93.48% "No") and Retired Citizens (90.16% "No"). For these economically vulnerable cohorts, replacing volumetric consumption charges (which they can control through frugal usage) with high mandatory fixed capacity fees strips them of their ability to manage their monthly living costs.

7.2 Geographic Distribution by Province

Province / Region	Total Submissions	Share of Dataset (%)	No, I Do Not (%)	Support with Amendments (%)	Yes, I Do (%)
Gauteng	5,124	41.28%	4,600 (89.77%)	451 (8.80%)	73 (1.42%)
Western Cape	3,937	31.72%	3,469 (88.11%)	405 (10.29%)	63 (1.60%)
KwaZulu-Natal	1,299	10.47%	1,165 (89.68%)	119 (9.16%)	15 (1.15%)
Eastern Cape	693	5.58%	622 (89.75%)	61 (8.80%)	10 (1.44%)
Mpumalanga	383	3.09%	350 (91.38%)	25 (6.53%)	8 (2.09%)
Free State	310	2.50%	289 (93.23%)	17 (5.48%)	4 (1.29%)
Limpopo	260	2.09%	237 (91.15%)	21 (8.08%)	2 (0.77%)
North West	257	2.07%	235 (91.44%)	18 (7.00%)	4 (1.56%)

Province / Region	Total Submissions	Share of Dataset (%)	No, I Do Not (%)	Support with Amendments (%)	Yes, I Do (%)
Northern Cape	119	0.96%	111 (93.28%)	7 (5.88%)	1 (0.84%)
Outside SA	30	0.24%	22 (73.33%)	6 (20.00%)	2 (6.67%)

Participation concentrated heavily in metropolitan and secondary municipalities facing acute municipal infrastructure failures and where private rooftop solar adoption is highest (e.g., Gauteng and the Western Cape).

8. Alignment with Media, Civil Society, & Experts

The empirical findings of this dataset strongly align with external policy analyses and civic discourse:

- **The Doctrine of Legitimate Expectation (Tax Rebates vs "Free-Riding"):** Civic participants repeatedly cited the contradiction documented in financial media. The state actively incentivised private solar adoption in 2023 via the Section 6C personal income tax rebate (up to R15,000) and Eskom SSEG fee waivers to reduce pressure on the grid. Proposing punitive fixed capacity charges immediately thereafter, labelling compliant households as "free riders", violates the administrative doctrine of legitimate expectation under PAJA.
- **Municipal Insolvency (SALGA):** The public's grave concern regarding the "Captive Ratepayer Trap" aligns with warnings from the South African Local Government Association (SALGA). Allowing lucrative >1 MW corporate users to exit municipal retail supply without reforming the fiscal model threatens to collapse the cross-subsidy system that funds Free Basic Electricity (FBE) and local service delivery.
- **Civil Society & Environmental Justice:** The 93.48% rejection rate among unemployed participants and the 90.16% rejection rate among pensioners reinforces civil society arguments that regressive fixed network charges disproportionately penalise low-income households.

9. Actionable Recommendations for Government

In terms of Section 33 of the Constitution and Sections 3, 4, and 6 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), the Department of Electricity and Energy is legally obligated to apply its mind to the evidentiary weight of these **12,412 individual statutory representations**, wherein **98.53% of participants object to or demand critical amendments to the Position Paper**.

Based entirely on the substantive representations placed on the administrative record, Dear South Africa submits the following directives for integration into the final policy and regulatory framework:

1. **Impose Statutory Caps on Fixed Network Fees and Remove Solar Penalties:** The Department must revise Section 1.2.2 to remove the classification of grid-tied solar prosumers and energy-conserving households as "free riders". The Market Design Document and NERSA tariff methodology must impose strict statutory caps on fixed monthly network and capacity charges. Furthermore, low-income and pensioner households must be protected through life-line inclining tariff structures, and residential SSEG owners must be compensated through standardised national feed-in credits permitted to offset network charges.
2. **Establish a Ring-Fenced Municipal Transition & Cross-Subsidy Fund:** Before "Eligible Customers" (commercial and industrial users >1 MW) are permitted to exit municipal retail supply to trade directly on SAWEM or via private traders, the Department, alongside National Treasury and SALGA, must establish a transparent, universally funded cross-subsidy and municipal transition mechanism. Captive residential customers must be statutorily shielded from bearing higher tariffs to compensate municipalities for lost industrial margins.
3. **Mandate a Binding Roadmap to Eliminate the "Captive Customer" Divide:** The forthcoming Market Design Document and secondary legislation on "eligibility" criteria must not permanently lock residential households into municipal retail monopolies. The Department must publish a phased timeline that progressively lowers the retail eligibility threshold, empowering ordinary citizens to eventually purchase electricity from competitive licensed retailers.

4. **Enforce Strict Bid Caps on Dominant Generators (Eskom Generation):** Given Eskom Generation's overwhelming dominance of dispatchable baseload capacity, NERSA must be mandated to enforce hard, audited, cost-reflective bidding caps on any generation entity controlling a dominant share of active capacity. This is required to prevent economic withholding and protect end-users from spot-market price manipulation.
5. **Accelerate Full Legal Separation of the NTCSA:** To eliminate structural conflicts of interest, the statutory window for converting the NTCSA into a fully independent entity outside Eskom Holdings must be fast-tracked and completed prior to opening SAWEM beyond Eskom in 2027. The Central Purchasing Agency (CPA) must be legally and operationally separated from the Market Operator (MO) and System Operator (SO).

	Submitted	support	concern	top-concern	demographic	message	first-name	status
support:	Count (All):							
▼ I support with amendments	1130							
	2026-09-03 14:42:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must be the only country in the world that introduce penalties against private entrepreneurship. Government dismally failed to deliver power to municipalities and the only reason it has not happened again, is all the private solar and wind turbine installation by individuals and corporates. Energy usage on the Eskom grid is now lower than a decade ago due to these private initiatives, and not because they now manage the State entity better.	Helga	retired
	2026-10-07 20:56:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		gert	self-employed
	2026-09-13 21:09:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-25 15:45:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC is once again attempting to create a pool of money which they can plunder at will.	Ockert	retired
	2026-08-25 21:20:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham	self-employed
	2026-08-25 23:48:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Consider independent transmission providers to also compete with Eskom. Eskom will monopolise the grid infrastructure and charge exorbitantly. This will become their new revenue stream . Households and SMME's will be worst affected because that carry the burden of illegal connections with no or little effort from Eskom or the municipality to reduce/stop illegal connections	Vincent	business owner
	2026-08-26 08:32:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been sabotaged by Eskom, forced into getting solar to protect our livelihoods and now getting penalised for their disaster. Absolutely no way should any one have ot cover the costs of self made disaster.	Natalie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 09:48:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clinton	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:13:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	
	2026-08-26 15:49:17	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For a number of years we were asked by ESKOM to cut usage and make use of other means. Now they do not have a business. Brilliant! They are taking a chance around grid costs. We have all been paying a monthly infrastructure fee for electricity, so now they want to increase this because they are not making enough money from electricity sales. This is just a new tax they are trying to sneak in.	Arthur	retired
	2026-08-26 15:49:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Pravine	
	2026-08-26 15:59:01	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	retired
	2026-08-26 16:10:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Comment I support the principles of the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper—particularly greater market competition, the unbundling of Eskom, and open wholesale electricity trading. These reforms are essential to attract private capital, improve efficiency, and ultimately resolve South Africa's energy crisis. However, I strongly object to measures such as mandatory fixed solar charges, increased costs for captive consumers, and mechanisms that shift revenue losses onto municipalities. These measures risk penalising households and small businesses that have invested in alternative energy solutions, while placing further pressure on already constrained consumers. We need genuine market reform—not simply new ways to redistribute the cost of Eskom's inefficiencies onto consumers.	CJ	
	2026-08-26 16:11:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	End bulk surcharge for solar use. We installed at high cost due to Eskom's inability to provide electricity.	Gerrit	
	2026-08-26 16:20:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	retired
	2026-08-26 16:20:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Homeowners who could afford rooftop solar with battery installations invested to firstly ensure that their homes had electrical power when Eskom failed due to load shedding and/or unplanned power outages. Secondly, we invested to reduce the load on the grid to ensure that those who could not afford alternative electrical power could remain connected and thirdly reduced residential demand on Eskom made electrical power available to industrial users to minimize their downtime due to power outages or load shedding. Now Eskom and municipal providers have realized that they've lost income so they want to make residential homes with backup power pay for the privilege of compensating for their incompetence? If this is implemented they can remove their electrical supply connections and we'll go off-grid. Then the small income that they do earn from homes with alternative electrical supply will be lost and they'll be crying for higher charges to those who remain connected - mostly the poor who already cannot afford their exorbitant prices.	John	retired
	2026-08-26 16:25:48	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:33:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is fleecing businesses that are already struggling. Power is a necessity to run a business and if Eskom can't provide it we need to turn to alternatives. Why punish us further for keeping the economy going?	Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:40:08	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		C	
	2026-08-26 16:41:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:45:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarel	retired
	2026-08-26 17:11:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	High fixed charges are great for balancing the Eskom or municipal books, but work against the principle of minimizing energy use. We don't do this for vehicles and fuel or most other consumables.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:19:59	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clare	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:28:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our country would still have loadshedding if consumers did not buy solar systems for various applications. Solar installations were done to solve an Eskom problem created by corrupt government officials and Guptas As electricity users it would be easy to expose the shortfall electricity on the generation side if solar users draw from the grid during peak hours in stead of using their solar generation and battery storage Eskom created the "self generation solar user" problem. Government and municipalities can't put fixed fees to "tax" residents that generates solar power. In any other country the residents get subsidies from government to do this. Fixed fees for residential user will also tax residents that generates "green" electricity that is "saving the planet". Will government tax residents for "saving the planet"? Let residents generate the electricity that government can't do and don't tax them to death - IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO	Hennie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:29:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:40:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I had no choice to invest considerable amount in Solar power as I am working from home and could not perform my min duties due to a failing grid and severe outages in a period just after covid. The state in the form of Eskom failed to supply a steady and reliable recourse. On top of this the failure of the effective policing . Our area came under attack of vandals and thieves that on a regular bases damages the network further making earning a living very difficult. Setting up solar was not a choice. I tried a generator but this is unreliable and very expensive. Now I still pay a inflated electricity bill as well as paying off the investment in the solar power. Many around us put houses up for sale as they could not afford the costs of living here. Now the state wants to penalize us for taking this step. The only way I see forward if prizes keep increasing and if we are to pay a huge fee to stay connected is to go a little further to completely go off the grid. Then Eskom will not make anything from us. Our right to receive services at fair rates are trampled on and Eskom is not seeking ways to secure cheaper electricity like solar farms and wind/water generation to really help reducing the cost of the supply. Even poor communities are forced to look at solar as they cannot afford the continuous higher prices of electricity supply. Deregulation with free marked competition with 2 - 3 suppliers is the way to go . then these suppliers will compete to supply the best and cheapest electricity. I say NO for even higher prices. YES, for competition and Yes, for alternative supply options.	Nico	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:43:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should subsidise and support move to solar by the residents, and not making it more expensive.	Anastasiya	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:55:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is an unfair burden placed on individuals who helped the government to overcome the energy crisis at huge personal costs.	Harry	retired
	2026-08-26 18:19:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom tries to impose fixed charges it will just drive consumers to upscale their solar installations and cut off using Eskom/municipal electricity all together.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-26 18:33:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-26 18:42:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Fred	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:00:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marc	employed individual

	2026-08-26 19:02:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar useres are helping to reduce the load and demand on eskom (at their own expense) and should not be penalized. Solar producers should be able to feed their excess back into the system, and in this manner support cost of infrastructure. Also, privatize the infrastructure side of eskom.	Nicole	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:05:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-08-26 19:09:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government cannot punish citizens who install solar systems to prevent total collapse of Eskom by bringing more power to the grid. Eskom major problem is nonpayment by many consumers from Soweto, Tembisa and informal settlements.	Vhangani	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:11:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Invested in solar to create options for future use of electricity. And to be free of Eskom and the problems we experience without electricity. Also to avoid growing electricity bills in RSA.	J C	retired
	2026-08-26 19:30:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom mismanagement led to load shedding, and though things seem to have improved the risks are still there.. Asking the public to reduce consumption by managing their usage during the worst of the loadshedding period, led to many investing in solar (which did reduce usage significantly and eased pressure on eskom. It is a grave injustice and exploitative to seek to introduce a fixed charge to 'tax' solar energy users!!. It will be farcical to encourage alternative energy and then still want to punish those who develop/use this alternative energy!!!!	Riyaz	retired
	2026-08-26 19:34:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Craig	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:38:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm responding as a rate payer, however I'm a trained Electric&Electronic Engineer. While I get that the cost of using the grid as a backup can create a situation of infrastructure being exposed to freeloading, this doesn't need to be directly transferred to those using the backup simply because they use the backup. Transmission of electricity should still be seen as a transport mechanism of goods procured through a free market. If those goods come at a high price, whether it is because the generation involved costly energy sources or the cost of transmission infrastructure went up, so be it. When those costs come down, also so be it. This is how a free market works! I believe the Swedish socialist economy got it right: you can buy electricity on a month by month rate (very expensive), or you can subscribe to a price per Watt purchase at a completely free market, while you have direct access to that market price - savvy users can purchase power at times when the cost of electricity is lower, which almost invariably causes the market to assist with driving down the cost of generation. This frees up a lot of state capital to spend on transmission and maintenance. In my opinion, by rewarding consumers for participating in the solution, the problems themselves become fewer - something that very rarely gets solved by taxes.	Adriaan	
	2026-08-26 20:00:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is said in the paper that high fixed connection are necessary to be paid to cover the cost of the electrical network. However, every Eskom, Tshwane , City Power and many other customers already paid bulk charges when applying for a connection originally, so the cost of the network to them is supposed to be paid already. It would be criminal to charge them on a monthly basis for that again... So the principle as stated is totally wrong. That said, a network needs to be maintained to keep it up to standard and operative. In the past that was done by having a 2-5% maintenance operating budget compared to the replacement value of the network. However, when the current governing party came to power those budgets were reduced to pay for the salaries for the comrades in the new management positions, with the result that the maintenance went haywire causing all the problems in the networks we have now. Cost of living has increased to unbearable levels for the middle man inter alia caused by the high cost of electricity, so many of them had to make a plan to reduce their monthly expenditure. If electricity had been cheaper and more reliable this would not have happened. The only result of "addressing" the "free-riding" of connected solar systems by high fixed rates will be that more and more households will be forced to go off-grid irrespective of the inconvenience thereof. It simply is a step in the wrong direction which will turn the electricity sector as being abandoned by everybody except those on the subsidised rates, in effect killing the sector. Bring back reliable and affordable electricity to SA, only then the electricity sector may have a future. And don't double charge with bulk charges and high fixed monthly rates for the same thing.	Harm	self-employed
	2026-08-26 20:05:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	retired
	2026-08-26 20:06:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Flat rates for grid maintenance is sound in principal, however we residents will bear the brunt of other costs not relevant to us. I support a baseline fixed charge for grid access, but this should be linked to property zoning or maximum foreseeable usage. So the charge does not reflect the the claw-back of lost funds elsewhere, but a fair representation of how much grid I actually use. Thus, businesses and major electricity users should have fixed charges proportionable to their electrical footprint. Solar however, is not a reason to bill me more. As my footprint and usage is lower and thus beneficial for the stability of the whole grid. Usage bills per kWh as a separate line item.	Chad	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:09:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nuta	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:26:07	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities make money by buying electricity in bulk and selling it at a premium. This pays for the infrastructure getting the power to individual consumers. If the installation of solar panels and batteries reduces the consumption of electricity the fixed costs remain. The proposed changes are completely logical	Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 20:41:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	retired
	2026-08-26 20:42:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:45:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair that ratepayers (especially poorer or retired ratepayers) have to pay the price for a network and services that have been in existence for decades, but have been messed up in recent years by corruption, waste and unprofessionalism and have consequently forced ratepayers to fund alternative means of generating their own standby electricity, failing which they would suffer without electricity for days on end after the systems were effective for decades prior to the mismanagement thereof. As a matter of fact, the enforcing of such a system may be unconstitutional and might therefore have to be tested in the highest courts as ratepayers are expected to pay for the failures of others. That is unacceptable and unfair. The relevant proposals are therefore opposed and rejected.	Adriaan	retired
	2026-08-26 21:16:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Household's have deemed Eskom to be unreliable. Why make people pay more and discourage more people from installing a solar systems. I only stopped because of the regulations because I knew they would be unreasonable.	Emil	
	2026-08-26 21:29:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronald	retired
	2026-08-26 21:46:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-08-26 21:56:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power users must not be penalised as part of a new pricing structure. Most solar power users were forced by the state to invest in alternative solutions to escape the consequences of a failing electricity system. Most of these persons are victims of poor management at Escom and had to take on harsh financial loans in order to fund alternative sources of electricity. Most of these loans need to be paid back over lengthy periods, and it would be unfair to expect such victims to now also start paying effectively for not using electricity as part of a new unfair tariff dispensation. The proliferation of residential solar power systems is one of the main contributors to lower national electricity demand, facilitating a more stable electricity grid that bypasses the need for further load shedding. The remaining users on the grid are thus also benefiting from individuals and companies loaning money to install solar power. Individuals that installed solar power had to calculate return on investment when they decided to install solar panels. In most cases the loans do not make sense if one considers that the solar infrastructure has a very limited life time. The only reason why individuals still went ahead with the installation is mainly because of financial losses suffered as a result of load shedding and unplanned electricity interruptions. The changing of electricity tariffs to penalise low electricity users will thus be extremely unfair and will discriminate against those daring individuals that pursued a change that is benefiting everyone in the country. It will also plunge those individuals in debt that took on a risk to avoid financial losses due to an overburdened electricity system. The decision of government in the above regard will show whether it is people centred, or corruption and extortion centred. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Andre	retired
	2026-08-26 22:23:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adri	retired
	2026-08-26 22:40:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't believe we should be penalised for having installed solar power. The past ineffeciencies were Eskom's fault, why should we a private residences have to subsidise their past failures.	Ed	self-employed
	2026-08-26 22:40:35	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't believe we should be penalised for having installed solar power. The past ineffeciencies were Eskom's fault, why should we a private residences have to subsidise their past failures.	Ed	self-employed
	2026-08-27 00:52:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 03:48:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Businesses and residential properties who are independent of the national electricity grid/100% off grid must be exempt from all and any mandatory Eskom, municipality or other electricity supplier's statutory charges. No govt or body which does not supply a product/service to a consumer should be entitled to any revenue from such a consumer. Period.	Shaun	retired
	2026-08-27 04:43:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am concerned that captive ratepayers will be taxed for helping to relieve Eskom of their inadequate generative capacity in the past (and possibly even in the future). Ratepayers must be adequately protected from being unreasonably charged for having solar systems.	Graeme	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:17:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Privatise!	Hugh	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 05:40:09	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		rob	retired
	2026-08-27 05:49:58	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Tarn	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:55:45	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. Cape Town buys back excess energy, why can't all municipalities follw this example? The state is supposed to supply an electricity grid all over the world (like a road and rail infrastructure). Our income tax pays for this (after footing the bill for corruption and fruitless spending of course). Taxing rooftop solar is exactly like the failed toll-road between Pretoria and Johannesburg.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 05:59:08	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it concerning because ordinary ratepayers already havae to maintain their own solar above what eskom is planning to charge.	Jana	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:02:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samantha	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:19:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sitizen should not be penalased for years of corruption and missadministration of the state funds. Should be opposite - needs to be implemented tax rebate for people and businesses invested in solar for keeping the enviroment clean!!	Rado	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 06:35:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am outraged that we spent close to a million on solar to secure our electricity and we already pay, every month, a line fee plus VAT that is more than double our electricity usage, because the state failed in its duty to provide electricity. We had elderly parents living on the property and I run a small business from home that employs people but now I must pay more? The ANC, who i have loyally supported, is now punishing the tiny reliable tax base it has left rather than addressing the criminals in its midst. If necessary, I will simply find the money to go completely off-grir rather than pay another cent to a looting state and I'm willing to give upmy business and have self-imposed outages if that's the consequence. This is a profoundly unjust new tax.	Donna	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:49:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annette	
	2026-08-27 07:37:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	retired

	2026-08-27 07:49:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rajendra	
	2026-08-27 08:03:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As pensioners we used our savings to install solar to assist in keeping the lights on when there was no guarantee from Escom only to now be penalized for taking the initial step	Magda	retired
	2026-08-27 08:13:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Trevor	retired
	2026-08-27 08:14:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Any fixed fees should always be accompanied by an easy option for the consumer to officially disconnect from the grid completely. This can easily be done by removing their connection at the nearest distribution point. Any citizen that unties from the grid should be exempt from any and all taxes or fees or whatever financial responsibility related to the grid, be it local, municipal or national.	Johan Antowan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:16:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Florian	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:25:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:28:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-08-27 08:28:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chiz	retired
	2026-08-27 08:32:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Address the true problem of revenue collection from all users and municipalities. Reward the private citizens who put less load on the strained grid.	Marilize	
	2026-08-27 08:41:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its current form, particularly the principle that households and small businesses using rooftop solar should be regarded as “free riders” and subjected to increasing unavoidable fixed charges. I am moving to solar because the public electricity supply has not been sufficiently reliable to meet my needs. Citizens who invest their own capital in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency reduce pressure on the grid, contribute additional generating capacity and support South Africa’s energy-security and decarbonisation objectives. They should not be financially penalised for doing so. Any network charge must be transparent, independently verified and proportionate to the connection capacity actually reserved by the customer. Consumers must be able to select and pay for a lower grid capacity where appropriate. Such charges must not be used to recover municipal revenue shortfalls, inefficient expenditure, electricity theft, excessive network losses, cross-subsidies or stranded legacy costs—particularly when large industrial customers are being permitted to access the competitive electricity market while households remain captive. Before this principle is implemented, government and NERSA must conduct and publish a proper socioeconomic impact assessment; cap fixed charges; protect low-income and low-consumption households; provide fair compensation for electricity exported to the grid; and establish a binding roadmap allowing households and small businesses eventually to choose their electricity suppliers. Energy efficiency and private renewable investment should be encouraged and rewarded, not treated as a convenient new source of revenue.	Jennifer	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:55:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Justin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:03:45	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately the Overberg - Hermanus have Already Introduced the HIGHER Fixed BASIC and DEMAND CHARGES	Ronnie	retired
	2026-08-27 09:08:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are retired and installed solar as a saving mechanism. How cab we now be penalised for this? Eskom has proved expensive and unreliable in the past years so they cannot punish people like us for installing alternative power.	Kathy	retired
	2026-08-27 09:14:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired
	2026-08-27 09:16:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gigi	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:19:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is immoral to tax individuals' and corporations' self-installed solar power generation capacity because: 1) Both individuals and corporations used already taxed money to pay for equipment to obviate the problem of load shedding, which was caused by poor management and corruption on the part of ESCOM, and is no fault of the individuals or corporations concerned; 2) This amounts to a second and permanent tax on equipment owned by the individual/corporation to avoid the inconveniences and losses incurred by load shedding, purely the fault of ESCOM. Why should the ratepayer pay for ESCOM's shortcomings and lack of foresight? 3) ESCOM is in no position to reduce its carbon footprint without major taxpayer support. Tax-paying individuals and corporations have given ESCOM a major opportunity to claim a reduction in carbon emissions by self-installing solar/wind generation equipment at their own risk and cost, without any assistance from ESCOM. 4) In the case of the individual ratepayer, installing a solar generation system with battery storage costs the equivalent of a small new car. The individual has paid VAT and other taxes on the equipment, and VAT for its installation. The savings in electricity costs will never amortise the cost of the equipment, the cost of its maintenance, or its depreciation over time. ESCOM has made no effort to subsidise the installation of such equipment, except the installation of solar geysers, which involved a long, tortuous path to obtaining the subsidy. SAWEM would be beneficial to the South African economy only if it were a true free marketplace for the purchase of electricity; it should bypass the onerous extra charges levied by municipalities for local distribution, and for possession of solar generation equipment; ESCOM should make a concerted effort to stop illegal connections; ESCOM should be unbundled and replaced by a free electricity/energy market.	Matthew	retired
	2026-08-27 09:20:52	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 09:24:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Daryl	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:33:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Martin	
	2026-08-27 09:34:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-27 09:51:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with the fixed monthly charges to have access to electricity if and when needed. Spread over ALL the connections countrywide, it makes it affordable and feasable. The infrastructure must be maintained. But I do not agree with some of the charges some Munic's/Eskom is charging already. It must be properly calculated and enforced across the board. With the clear option, without punitive charges, to disconnect from the grid.	Jaco	
	2026-08-27 09:58:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I do support transformation in the energy sector to make it more competitive, I do not support being billed more should I install solar to protect my home from Escom power outages. I would not even consider solar if the supply from Escom was uninterrupted and the annual pricing increases were in line with inflation rather than an attempt to pay for Escom's inefficiencies. However, if I install solar to help Escom keep it's power grid more stable I do not think it is reasonable to be penalized by higher baseline taxes. If this intention is removed from Escom's proposed restructuring I would be far more likely to support it.	Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:02:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support an open and competitive electricity market, Eskom unbundling, private-sector participation and greater consumer choice. However, I strongly object to the proposed mandatory fixed charges on households that have invested in rooftop solar and substantially reduced their reliance on the grid. Consumers should pay for the electricity and network services they actually use. I do not support a system in which households are required to pay an unavoidable fixed charge simply because they remain connected to a grid, they may use very little. If a consumer generates their own electricity, they should not be financially penalised for reducing their consumption of electricity supplied by the state. The “anti-free-riding” argument also ignores the reason many South Africans invested heavily in solar and battery systems in the first place. Years of load-shedding, unreliable supply, inadequate infrastructure, maladministration, corruption and poor financial management have forced ordinary households and businesses to find their own solutions. People have spent their own money to achieve energy security and reduce their dependence on a failing public system. It is fundamentally unfair for government or municipalities to then introduce fixed charges that undermine those investments simply because consumers are buying less electricity from them. I am particularly concerned about allowing government-controlled entities to determine and continually recover “fixed” network costs from captive consumers. South Africa's history of corruption, financial mismanagement and failing public infrastructure does not provide sufficient confidence that such charges will remain proportionate, efficiently managed or genuinely connected to the cost of providing a service. A fixed charge can easily become a mechanism for protecting lost municipal or utility revenue rather than fairly charging consumers for services actually provided. If the goal is genuinely an open and competitive electricity market, the policy should encourage private generation, innovation and consumer choice—not create financial disincentives for consumers who invest in alternative generation. Legitimate network costs should be addressed through transparent, competitive and independently accountable mechanisms, while electricity consumed should be charged according to actual usage. Consumers who generate their own electricity should not be treated as a problem to be financially penalised. I therefore support the proposed market transformation in principle, but only with amendments that protect consumers, prevent disproportionate fixed charges on solar users, preserve genuine consumer choice and ensure that the transition to an open electricity market does not simply replace Eskom's monopoly with protected revenue streams for other state-controlled entities.	Warren	
	2026-08-27 10:05:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donavin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:22:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "network and maintenance charges" should be incorporated in the tariff for "electricity used" so if you invested your hard-earned money in solar and draw less from the grid you are not penalized unfairly.	Cornelius	retired
	2026-08-27 10:31:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Is South Africa really going to be the only country in the world to PENALISE & tax consumers for going green!!! This proposal will remove any incentive to go solar to help save our planet.! UNBELIEVABLE!!!!!!!!	Jon	self-employed

	2026-08-27 10:46:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unjust for the state to penalise private homeowners who invested in solar infrastructure as a result of the State-owned Electricty provider being unable to supply adequate electricity. Private investment was also encouraged with SARS tax benefits for solar panels. For the State to turn around and penalise the people for the very infrastructure investments it encouraged them to do is deceitful and unjust. Regardless of past events, however, it is also unjust to charge users of the national grid disproportionately to the electricity they consume. This may also incentivise more people to exit the grid and place further pressure on trying to fund it.	William	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:52:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Incompetence theft and mismanagement has brought us to this point. So the paying public once again have to face increased taxation.	Allen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:55:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am against being penalised now in arrears for installing my own roofing grid..Its like me being given a boatride....the boat sinks.....i battle to get to shore without help from the boatowner....he now sends me a bill to pay for the boatride No man! Not kosher!	hugh	retired
	2026-08-27 10:58:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As far as I recall when prepaid electricity was introduced in the past, a portion of the tariff was deemed to be for maintenance to the network. So much so that prepaid tariffs were more expensive than other tariffs. Prepaid tariffs saved Eskom and Municipality as they no longer had monthly meter reader expenses and the creation of accounts for every customer etc.	Milton	
	2026-08-27 11:03:15	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should those who have invested their own hard earned money into solar be penalised for not using grid power. If Eskom needs to increase its income because of declining sales, it should first and foremost reduce its costs, many of which are the result of massive corruption in the past. Even now, it would appear that Eskom salaries are above what would be regarded as the norm. Should this planned change be implemented, the result will be an even greater reduction in the off-take of Eskom electricity as more current users invest in going totally off grid. Eskom will then be left with supplying LESS electricity to a LARGER percentage of customers unable to pay for the inevitable higher charges. Another secondary aspect: With the current state of infrastructure (due largely through corruption), why should we pay more without guarantees that electricity will be available 100% of the time? In other words, higher fixed costs that are not linked to actual supply.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-27 11:46:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges must be controlled, so as not to become a municipal cash cow. They do make sense as use of network for free is not a fair costing structure, but need to be kept within reasonable limits	Dennis	retired
	2026-08-27 11:58:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Alternate sources for electricity and water should become a requirement not a penalty. How does Eskom and the government guarantee that they will continuously provide the quality and efficiency of electricity without blackouts and water shortages? Not to mention the impact on the climate caused by electricity creation methods and the sustainability.	Natasha	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:31:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Base load charge needs to be reasonable for the backup use of the grid. In other words, it needs to encourage solar installation and not the opposite.	Doug	retired
	2026-08-27 12:31:58	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government caused the problem through their wholesale theft and deployment of criminals into Eskom and other various state entities. The public had to contend with years of power failures due to this. The problem was only "resolved" when people left the grid (and companies closed down). This is yet another attempt from the government to extract more money from those who have already been burdened with these extra costs. This money will just get stolen anyway. I agree to kill the monopoly of Eskom.	Karl	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:36:08	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicolette	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:40:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having experienced continual outages due to load shedding - a direct result of corruption and mismanagement by Eskom - and failing municipal infrastructure, which I had/have been paying to support for the 42,5 years that I have owned my own home, also due to corruption and crass mismanagement, I reluctantly spent over R100000 of my own money to provide essentially for the security of having "lights on" at my house overnight. Security was my primary driver, with convenience being a secondary benefit. I was forced into this situation not by my own making and it is grossly unjust and unfair that I (or anyone else who was in the same situation as I found myself in) should now find myself penalised for taking this step. As with e-Tolls (which I incidentally paid faithfully), I believe that a "tax revolt" will become necessary if there is an attempt to implement this. I am already paying a monthly fee to the municipality as part of my pre-paid charges and do not accept that any greater charge is warranted.	Nigel	retired
	2026-08-27 12:42:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-08-27 12:46:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	
	2026-08-27 12:58:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wendy	retired
	2026-08-27 12:59:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair and unethical to punish residents who had to get alternatives because of failures on Eskom's part to be penalised for Eskom's failures, which is essentially what this is. Eskom finding ways to bully in a way only a monopoly can.	Kagiso	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:05:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the proposed move towards a more competitive and sustainable electricity market, including greater private investment in electricity generation. However, I have concerns about the increasing reliance on fixed network charges for residential customers who have invested their own money in solar generation and battery storage. Many households made these investments in response to years of unreliable electricity supply and load shedding. These private investments reduce the amount of electricity that households need to purchase from the grid and can therefore contribute to reducing pressure on the electricity system. I accept that a household which remains connected to the grid should make a fair contribution towards the genuine cost of maintaining that connection and the network infrastructure on which it relies. However, fixed charges should be transparent, proportionate and demonstrably related to the actual cost of providing these network services. They should not become a mechanism for recovering lost electricity-sales revenue from households that have reduced their consumption through private investment. South Africa should be encouraging, rather than inadvertently discouraging, investment in rooftop solar, battery storage and other forms of distributed generation. I therefore support the Position Paper subject to appropriate safeguards ensuring that future tariff structures do not disproportionately disadvantage residential customers who have invested in reducing their dependence on the grid.	Carol	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:20:45	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	
	2026-08-27 13:29:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I can’t understand why solar use is discouraged and why excess power generated cannot be integrated into the grid as happens in so many other countries. Why, when South Africa has abundant sunshine, is this being discouraged. Surely we should be at the forefront instead of playing catch up and penalising those who are proactive	Jane	retired
	2026-08-27 13:29:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The grid charges for rooftop solar punishes citizens for taking steps to ensure reliable power	Anthony	retired
	2026-08-27 13:35:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a GEPF pensioner who received a 3,5% pension increase for the current tax year I went to considerable expense and sacrifice to have a small scale grid tied rooftop solar system installed. On an annual average this results in my drawing +- 2 kW/h (units) of electricity from the City of Capetown grid per 24 hour period. However, the City of Capetown municipality have already seen fit to impose a fixed charge of +- R368-96c per month, dressed up as Elec HU service & wires charge. Now it would appear that the Min of Electricity has bowed to Eskom demands, ignoring his previous frequently made promises of "cheaper electricity for the domestic consumer", to impose an as yet unknown additional fixed penalty charge on those citizens who installed grid tied solar systems to combat Eskom erratic load shedding. It would appear that Eskom with its overblown/overpaid workforce is now calling the shots for a government who say they are well aware of the disastrous cumulative effects of Eskom's continuous above inflation electricity price increases. It will be interesting to see if the CoCT municipality will be in a position to do anything to alleviate these proposed Eskom fixed charge for their long suffering utility bill paying ratepayers. Longer term end result will almost certainly lead to a considerable increase in electricity theft due to unaffordability, and the more "affluent" going completely off grid.	Ian	retired
	2026-08-27 13:37:52	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential electricity users should be rewarded for generating electricity through household solar power and NOT penalized for having solar systems that reduce dependence on fossil fuel electricity and thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions.	Nicky	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:51:08	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I fully support the unbundling of Eskom and allowing private entities to compete at each level. I also agree that the current pricing structure doesn't match the reality that eskom has fixed transmission costs regardless of how much people consume and that it makes sense to charge people a fixed transmission fee and separate consumption fee. However, it should take care that a high fixed transmission cost will prevent low income households from being able to connect at all. Secondly, by specifically penalising solar users for having solar the govermently will be disincentivising the shift towards environmentally sustainable energy production. It would be a far better approach to incentivise solar/battery owners to pull energy when it is cheap and to push power back to the grid when it is under strain - i.e. levelising the demand and supply. This would allow a substantial reduction in energy production costs. I would suggest that with a reasonable fixed transmission fee, Eskom pay solar/battery owners full energy consumption rates when they push during peak hours (say R3.00/kw) and charge a fraction, say half, if they pull during low demand periods.	Matthew	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:55:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the electricty supply is being opened to private enterprises, they would subsidise the network by their lease arrangements. To expect the average residential consumer to subsidise the inefficiency of their local Muncipality is a hard pill to swallow, and is no solution.	Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:56:32	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:58:48	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After suffering for years of load shedding, with Eskom unable to meet demand, many consumers, individual households and businesses, installed solar installations to reduce demand on the grid, and protect themselves from load shedding. This has resulted in a reduction in demand so that Eskom is able to meet the demands made on it. Having come to the rescue of Eskom, and of government, and lessen the detrimental impact of load shedding on the economy, it is wrong to penalise those individuals who installed solar panels. Far from free riding, they are the reason that there is no load shedding (at the moment). It is positive that Eskom should be unbundled (provided there is protection against corruption by ANC officials), but the provisions in the bill to penalise Eskom's saviours need to be removed.	Andy	retired
	2026-08-27 14:05:15	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-27 14:31:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and Municipalities are very inefficient regarding allocation of collected funds - concentration is on remuneration of workers - additional income will be wasted as before!	charles	retired
	2026-08-27 14:39:59	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Increase the availability charge fractionally to compensate for reduced consumption. But do it honestly and most people will accept the increase. Don't do it so that corrupt municipalities can cover shortfalls in cash flows.	Eugene	retired
	2026-08-27 15:21:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support free-market competition and cost-reflective tariffs	Gavin	retired
	2026-08-27 15:30:35	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are solar users being penalized for having solar power installed because Eskom is unable to generate sufficient power for the country (due to ongoing corruption and ineptitude)? In fact, by installing solar power, we enabled Eskom to address energy demands/constraints and a potential energy collapse of their own making. Whilst I understand/agree that I will be using a small portion of the fixed grid, the cost to me should be proportional to the amount of electricity I use. These charges for the fixed infrastructure shouldn't become vindictive or another "cash cow" for the imploding Eskom. Despite continuous threats regarding non-compliance, it is disconcerting that Eskom fails to provide clear guidelines for its registration requirements. Tabling retaliatory energy legislation against solar users will only further harm our country's fragile economy and constrain already struggling households. Introducing new energy-related constraints will surely not solve South Africa's looming energy collapse.	Jan	retired
	2026-08-27 15:32:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Lance	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:32:37	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While solar was installed in order to ease the burden of load-shedding on my household, I do understand that the existence of a grid and my linking to it would attract a cost. I don’t have a specific issue with that, except to say that the reasonable base charge should apply equally to all, and then a payment based on what power is used. Much like the model used by the old landlines. If only solar installations are “taxed”, then more people would go off-grid, resulting in a bigger burden for people who can’t afford an alternative.	Dieter	

	2026-08-27 15:37:17	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	retired
	2026-08-27 15:48:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The installation of solar power saves not only utility generation capacity, but also decreases the demand on the grid. Why should solar powered customers then carry the full cost of maintaining and strengthening the grid when they in fact lessen the demand on it ?	Henri	retired
	2026-08-27 15:56:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is incongruous that a government that supported a d encouraged the take up of solar, to the extent of giving tax breaks on solar panels, now wants to charge unsubstantiated amounts to keep a dying business model alive. Nowhere in the documents have they itemized the advantages of solar uptake and are myopically trying to keep any sort of competition to a bloated state owned enterprise away.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:06:03	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to a “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. There shouldn't be any fixed monthly network charges. The only charge should be for the consumption of electricity, i.e. consumption-based billing ONLY !	ERIC	retired
	2026-08-27 16:06:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it distressing that we keep being penalized for the incompetencies and corruption of our government departments, whose job is to serve and provide for us. It is not my responsibility as a citizen to fix the messes they have made because they don't have the ability to run things correctly.	Paula	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:22:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households who have invested in rooftop solar to alleviate pressure on the power network should be rewarded and not penalised.	Joe-Lin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:24:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers, who have already paid for the infrastructure and have been penalised by the state's widespread failures, are being penalised again and further for fixing governments massive failures. The State's track record virtually insures that this amendment will be corrupt, punish the wrong people, and be fundamentally unfair and unproductive.	Norbert	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:30:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think that stopping the rule of Eskom is s great thing. There should be more than one electricity provider. I am against charging for solar Remember who paid for the solar. It wasn't the electricity provider. And most of us are not really getting returns yet from the installation. So now you want us to pay for the solar plus electricity. That would be unfair to those who had to invest in solar due to the load shedding.	jonda	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:49:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private citizens who installed rooftop solar during loadshedding were incentivized by both SARS (rebates) and Eskom's pleas to use less electricity. Eskom actually advertised for consumers to use less electricity. These private citizens invested a considerable amount of capital and the fiscus gained a considerable amount of VAT in the process. Whilst this shielded such citizens from loadshedding, it also significantly benefitted fellow citizens and businesses by removing demand from the grid, thereby lowering the applicable Stages and duration of loadshedding. I support the premise that any grid-tied citizen or entity should pay their fair share of network charges, but to disproportionately penalize citizens who installed rooftop solar, in any manner whatsoever, would be grossly unfair and unjust.	David	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:50:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I battle to understand why Eskom and Government encouraged citizens to go solar when they were in trouble. Now they want to penalise us for assisting them. Over and above that, how and who gives the right to anybody to tax in any form free natural light. Solar not only supports Eskom but but is a step in the right direction to a cleaner environment and stable EARTH. The citizens of South Africa are taxed to destruction, soon we will have no economy at all and all the foreign investment will be gone. We need to think clearly of our parth forward. It is no use making a slum out of the whole country to try and save Eskom. Re-invent it instead.	Bryan	retired
	2026-08-27 16:52:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:59:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spend R 300,000.00 for my solar, because I need reliable electricity that the government could not supply. You can not now charge more to cover up your inaptitude. You punishing the innocent and rewarding the guilty.	Jurgen	retired
	2026-08-27 17:08:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:04:58	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1. Had Eskom continued to operate efficiently as it did in 1990's, without the rabid inset of corruption and incompetence in the 2000's, the cost of electricity would have remained affordable. 2. As corruption and ineptitude permeated Eskom, it became an unreliable and expensive power producer and introduced load shedding as a consequence. 3. Business's, to continue trading had little option other to reluctantly invest in their own electricity generation assets, instead of using such funding growing their business and create more jobs. 4. This was a FORCED INVESTMENT. 5. Had Eskom provided affordable electricity increasing in price at normal inflation rate and maintained reliability (no load shedding) the majority of businesses would NOT have invested in solar and battery systems. These too have finance and ongoing maintenance cost that we pay for each month. 6. So. this is NO FREE LUNCH! 7. For Eskom to now penalise their own customers for sourcing alternative supply of their product, that they could not supply reliably and increasing in price far higher than normal inflation is disgraceful. 8. Eskom created the current situation themselves and need to cut their own operating costs using electricity costs in China as a benchmark, instead of forcing the businesses and citizens to bail them out again. 9. The SA taxpayer has already bailed out Eskom to the tune of R250 000 000 000. We have already been penalised. 10. I'll give Eskom some FREE advice. Get the Chinese to manage and run the power stations.	Albert	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:00:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A fixed monthly prepaid meter levy is already charged, regardless of usage. The proposal is flawed. Basically Eskom now intends to penalize those who have installed solar because of their own incompetence.	Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-27 20:22:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In September 2020,After years of Loadshedding, I was forced to invest in an inverter to provide continuous lighting, heating and a reliable Internet for communication in case of a medical emergency. I live in an area which has very poor cell phone reception so I needed a reliable means of contacting services in case of emergencies. The municipality subsequently published a list of permissible inverters and mine wasn’t on the list requiring me to replace it at considerable extra cost. I cannot afford to pay any additional fixed charges imposed by the municipality when I am very careful with the amount of electricity and water I use.	Caroline	retired
	2026-08-27 20:24:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absurd to think that there are penalties on solar IF SUNLIGHT IS FREE ENERGY! Something Eskom will NEVER be able to supply. Unbundle Eskom. If a household produces more energy and pumps surplus back to the grid incentivize them by removing transmission fees. The current Eskom model is failing.. Why can’t Eskom make and sell their own solar systems which the public can purchase, installed by Eskom, pushing surplus energy back onto the local grid. Eskom makes money on sales and installs and stabilizes the whole grid.	Hendrik	
	2026-08-27 21:44:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a ratepayer in Johannesburg with solar panels because city power can't keep the lights on, I am paying about R1300 per month just to be connected to the grid, we hardly use any electricity from the grid. I understand that a fee is required for maintenance, but the charges are crippling for the average household. There must be some benefit with reduced fixed costs for low consumption households	Brigette	
	2026-08-27 23:42:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-08-28 00:38:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jürg	retired
	2026-08-28 01:23:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Although it is the right thing to have market competition in the distribution of electricity, it defeats the purpose of fixed charges are in place to fund the distribution of energy. This is patently wrong - it will enhance uncompetitive behaviour.	Alan	retired
	2026-08-28 02:38:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Austin	retired
	2026-08-28 02:53:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Regardt	employed individual
	2026-08-28 04:13:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fumani	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:47:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While i can accept some element of a retainer for connected availability it has to be in relation to actual costs of usage vs structural cost and not be a “tax”. There also has to be an option to opt out from being connected at all	John	
	2026-08-28 06:47:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Haroon	
	2026-08-28 06:52:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	
	2026-08-28 07:19:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I run a small chiropractic business from home and was forced to install solar power during the loadshedding years in order to provide a reliable service to my patients and now it seems that I must be punished for doing so notwithstanding the presidents plea to the public at that time to install solar power to reduce the burden on Eskom. I absolutely reject the notion that municipalities should be protected because that will encourage a continuance of their poor performance with respect to the use of public funds. Incompetence and corruption is what has brought them to their deplorable state and should not be rewarded by protective legislation	Douglas	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:28:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-08-28 07:50:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jadon	
	2026-08-28 07:57:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It should promote private solar panels, not penalise them.	Leire	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:03:59	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally unfair to charge private households for installing solar systems which was done to alleviate Eskoms failings. In fact households with solar installed should be rewarded with a lower electrity charge not charged more. In addition those of us whom have installed solar systems are inthe majority the few who already pay the bulk of taxes on South Africa.	Michael	
	2026-08-28 08:35:15	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why can we not just have a free market like everything else? They are so scared that they will lose revenue, that in fact they are losing revenue because nobody trusts their motives, on top of that their services are unreliable. This will just force people to move off-grid completely. Surely the competition commission must have a problem with this proposed policy?	Rolf	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:40:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital. BUT wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Danie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:43:37	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geoffrey	retired
	2026-08-28 08:45:07	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		jan	
	2026-08-28 08:54:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state allowed the power plants to fail through years of poor management and neglect. Now ordinary people and businesses are expected to pay for backup power just to keep the lights on. And on top of that, they want to make money from the very problem they helped create. How is that fair to the people who are already paying for electricity?	Deon	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:01:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired

	2026-08-28 09:06:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed dismally over many years - even decades. It continues to fail. The Free Market has reacted accordingly and has moved on ... away from Eskom. That is a fundamental right of the consumer in a Free Market Democracy. Eskom failed to foresee the problem years / decades ago. Clearly, it failed to react timeously to the possible loss of custom and then to the actual loss of custom. That IS ESKOM'S PROBLEM ..... not the consumer's problem. The consumer saw the light, so to speak. Eskom did not. In a Free Market Democracy, businesses go out of business when they make such a mistake, when they fail to read the market. Eskom failed to read the market and adjust accordingly. That consumers "made a plan" and moved on can never be something for which they are to be held ransom. That would be an effort to reward failure ..... in a Free Market Democracy ?? Cannot possibly be serious. Its "nuts". Think this one through again - this proposal is "nuts".	clem	retired
	2026-08-28 09:06:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	retired
	2026-08-28 09:13:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Punishing individuals because they made a plan to navigate their own electricity usage while Eskom was unable to supply the power required is short sighted. Having individuals be independent from the grid is in the interest of a market where competition is supported and service delivery continually pursued.	Anna Maria Magdalena	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:17:01	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marco	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:03:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded	Josef	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:29:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Shere	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:33:37	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Statutory caps must be in place for fixed charges. NERSA MUST place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. A tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs should be implemented, rather than imposing flat availability taxes. An independent socio-economic impact assessment must be undertaken on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:59:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the Hessequa municipality fixed charges for electricity and water already apply and in any given month these. charges are way above my actual usage. This is typical of the "captive" situation and should not be tolerated. If a municipality is allowed to charge these fees, it should be uniform across all users.	Frans	
	2026-08-28 11:01:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There should only be a fixed charge if a minimum usage is not achieved (each month/ year). Can't have a fixed charge AND a usage charge. There must be strict controls over the size and increases to the fixed charge to prevent abuse. Regulator must take input from residential users and respond to their specific concerns each time an increase is considered	David	retired
	2026-08-28 11:07:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers cannot pay for government inefficiency. Use of infrastructure payment is fare but keep it similar to old landline telephone rental which is not more than 10% of the overall bill.	Gerhard Kriel-PVT	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:10:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential properties who have installed and use solar should not be penalized but should pay toward streetlights and the infrastructure which they have in place to use municipal electricity. These costs have been calculated into normal electricity tariffs so it should not be difficult to get to the amount which other paying customers are contributing on average usage estimates. At the same time consumers cannot pay for continuously vandalized and stolen infrastructure which municipalities and police do little to stop.	Shane	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:18:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	High municipal rates and fixed charges are already negatively impacting the livelihood of ordinary citizens. People should be encouraged to lower their living costs.	Wynand	retired
	2026-08-28 11:44:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the state, through municipality, fails to provide and private individuals seek alternative forms of power such a solar, these individuals should not be penalised. I understand that staying connected to the grid does mean (a) some consumption of electricity - which we do buy (b) dangers of solar power feedi9ng back into the Eskom lines when maintenance is being performed. I want to see: - a fair and balanced tariff for buying electricity when needed - a set basic charge for being primarily on solar of R200 a month When the state, through municipality, fails in collecting household rubbish and an individual chooses to dispose of rubbish in an alternative and ethical manner, does the stat have the right top charge additional fees for failing to use municipal services? There is no logic in this argument. It clearly shows that state failure leads to punitive measures placed on private initiative	Glen	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:49:03	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a failed entity, the consumer that was able adapted and paid for their own electrical supply when Eskom was unable to provide. Now they want to tax us for that - absolute nonsense! I refuse to pay and will either change my system or disconnect and run a generator than paying tax to a failed system!	GP	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:07:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I consider it unfair to be penalised for a standby capacity, just because I have solar. 1. The principle of use only when needed was always there for any private household. Energy usage during any 24-hour period always fluctuated according to demand. The problem is not the fluctuation, but ESCOM's failure to build enough capacity to manage this. Why must I now be penalised? 2. If my local supermarket and garage can keep extra capacity in consumer goods, at their own cost, why is it different for ESCOM?	Sydney	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:10:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-08-28 12:12:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have solar, but using electricity sparingly to avoid high cost of electricity. A fix tariff will penalize me without a having the benefit of alternative electricity supply.	Johan	
	2026-08-28 12:34:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I understand that there are electricity infrastructure costs that everyone needs to contribute to, I don't believe these should be fixed costs that are the same for everyone. The failures of Eskom and municipalities that forced consumers to secure their own electricity through solar, should not be passed right back to them. There are other avenues that need to be fixed first in terms of revenue collection before something like this is implemented. A charge that is related to the amount of electricity drawn from the Eskom is grid would be fair, but not a fixed amount that is the same for everyone, regardless of consumption. Those that save seem to always get penalised, while those that use big amounts get away with being disproportionate consumers.	Louisa	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 12:58:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is unfair. Many private households have invested capital into their own rooftop solar systems on recommendation of government during the energy crisis to assist the government. There must therefore be strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to protect private households. Having penalty charges for renewable energy solutions will have a negative socio economic impact on low cost and renewable energy households, adding more strain onto already stretched disposable incomes.	Dorette	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:53:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I work from home and I had to make a loan to get a solar system so that I can keep working, all due to eskom failures of supplying electricity. I am already paying more just to have kept my job. If they charge additional fees for this, they can come and collect the system and pay the loan to the bank. This is just another indication of failures that have to be carried by the normal citizens.	Aylean	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:16:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will support no bill that does not REWARD rooftop solar. Australia rewarded rooftop solar in 2000 and in 20 years DECONMISSIONED half its coal power plants. At NO COST to the government. AND SAVED homeowners money by requiring that the providing electrical compony (their Eskom) buy excess solar, so that homeowners do not have to buy batteries, which are BY FAR the most expensive of the tools. They get a credit in the day for excess solar, which they use at night. Peak demand switches from noon to midnight, half (or less) of the old noon demand. Here in South Africa our government is so corrupt that it PUNISHES rooftop solar, in order that Eskom remain the only power producer, even when it cannot cope. President Jacob Zuma banned IPPs in 2013. That's asinine, regressive, and we got load-shedding from it. Yes, we all understand that syndicates make money from this fiasco. Why it's allowed to go on, is an indictment of the government. This isn't rocket science. Copy Australia or I'll not support reform. In the USA I once had a SMART METER. I paid most for electricity in the day, when factories have high demand, and least at night, weekends and holidays, when factories are closed. I installed a timer on that, and used NO electricity during the day. I cut my electric bill by 2/3. And helped the (publicly owned) power company by reducing their daily demand. Eskom instead proposes a STUPID METER. Punishes rooftop solar by making daily electricity cheap, and nightly electricity most expensive, so that excess solar is worthless. Forcing Rooftop solar owners to buy batteries. Which are hellishly expensive and die after a few years. Couple that with the rubbish I've read from the government about why Natural Gas, found offshore, is rejected for producing power, because it violates BEE. I'm slapping my head. Gas has no political opinion. And it burns clean in Coal Fired Power Plants. And if it's good for the consumer and it's good for the environment and i's good economics and it's good engineering then it's good for ALL. I would've long ago installed rooftop solar, but I refuse until our government stops with the corruption and stupidity. Intelligent engineering and smart economics are as prevalent in our Black communities as our White. I repeat, rooftop solar doesn't cost the government a penny. Reward rooftop solar owners. Signed, a proud and intelligent South African.	Barry	retired
	2026-08-28 15:17:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another tax to hide the inefficiency of government to supply but equally important recover costs from ALL consumers not only those they track easily i.e. those that actually pay the bills	Karel	retired
	2026-08-28 15:29:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support restructuring the power sector to allow for increased participation by parties other than government, who have proven themselves unable to manage power supply without private market assistance. Individual households, homeowners who have incurred great expense to provide their own power and reduce demand on the national grid, were originally incentivised to do so with a tax rebate made available. To now impose punitive tariffs on households is completely unethical, unfair and will ultimately just lead to homeowners with the means to do so, going entirely off-grid from Eskom's supply. Eskom will ultimately be left selling their power only to municipalities and low volume users. Bad business model, in my opinion.	Amanda	retired
	2026-08-28 15:38:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded	Gerhardt	self-employed
	2026-08-28 15:42:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges should be pro rata	Johan	retired
	2026-08-28 15:43:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am concerned about the risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation could spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails. We already pay rates, we already pay taxes. If these funds were not looted and stolen, Eskom would not need to get more money from us. Capture those that have stolen from government, provincial and municipalities and force them to return the billions that we have already paid. Why must we be punished by helping to lighten the electric load that Eskom cannot provide?	Catherine	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:45:09	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not support the new legislation. Individual households invested in solar to to unreliable electricity supply from government and should not be worse off on charges that what was paid before as a pay as you go customer. Pay as you go customer was the only option available when power was connected to my house in 2002.	Roelof	retired
	2026-08-28 15:56:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garry	retired
	2026-08-28 16:25:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the rest of the world, people who install their own water and solar systems are given rebates. in South Africa they are punished. This government needs to recognise that solar households are saving the country from up to 4 stages of load shedding through their own generation capacity. Houses with batteries that do not require the grid at night, still get treated as though they are getting a free ride... ridiculous.	Stuart	
	2026-08-28 16:32:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom and municipalities should only charge for what the consumer uses. Anything else is extortion, theft and corruption. The meters are to be installed and remotely read to avoid corruption and human interaction.	Ashley	business owner
	2026-08-28 16:50:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government don't own the sun! Why should the consumer pay for the big guys and why should we pay for something the government pushed us to do with tax rebates on solar panels a few years ago. And why should we give them more money when there was no real governance on spending all these years!!!clean up your house first then come back to the small guy for his hard earned cash.	Michele	employed individual
	2026-08-28 17:52:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Michelle	business owner
	2026-08-28 17:53:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. However wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Michael	retired

	2026-08-28 17:54:03	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 20:19:56	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my hard earned an pension investment to prevent being out of electricity at crucial times. I therefore disagree to be penalized and pay for something that failed me at crucial times. Rather stop paying those extortion salaries and bonuses to co called CEO"S and others.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-29 05:16:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Most Residential Electricity Consumers / Ratepayers fall within the category of Severely Disadvantaged Community (SDAC) and they will not be able to afford the Fixed Charges and Solar Penalties. High scores of disadvantaged communities (DAC) are already burdened with a mix of poverty, unemployment, lack of water supply and high rates of health issues. Until such time that the government has addressed these challenges, including inequality and stagnant economic growth, SAWEM is a recipe for disaster.	VHAHANGWEL E SOLOMON	retired
	2026-08-29 07:04:48	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:21:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:54:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	business owner
	2026-08-29 08:23:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-29 08:27:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private households and small business should not be penalized for investing in solar and battery systems due to the inability of ESKOM and Municipal councils to deliver electricity reliably. ESKOM's implementation of load shedding and the continued inability of ESKOM and Municipal councils to restore power quickly and efficiently are the major factors that forced private property and small business at great expense to invest in their own power sources (generation and backup) to be able to be safe and operate normally during prolonged power outages. Now Government want to penalize these persons and small business due to ESKOM and Municipal council failures. Additionally cost of electricity continue to escalate at a much higher rate than inflation with no measures to curb the spending by ESKOM or any measures to get their cost under control, while the real grid availability experienced by consumers continue to deteriorate. ESKOM must be split up, and competitors must be introduced for all electricity consumers for all services with no monopolies in the ecosystem. The current ESKOM monopoly on generation and distribution are allowing ESKOM to run inefficiently and promoting corrupt practices as there is no incentive to run an efficient and comparative company. Currently ESKOM is overpaying for products and services from preferential service providers rather than the best and lowest costs service and products from so called BBBEE vendors. For private household the requirements for obtaining an occupational certificate should be modified to allow a property owner to sell a property with the requirement for an electrical certificate that requires a connection to an ESKOM or Municipal grid connection. Allowing private households to completely go off grid and avoid all electrical charges from ESKOM and Municipalities.	Kobus	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:00:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruaan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:20:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand the need to pay some sort of fees in order to still benefit from grid connection as this needs to be maintained, why make it potentially punitive? This will force households with higher income to take the off grid option and stop dependency on the municipality. That would also mean the municipality will loose any usage data that could help them with future investments or profiling of their client base.	Frederic	self-employed
	2026-08-29 09:28:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	
	2026-08-29 09:41:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar panels not as a choice but a necessity. Constant load shedding and outages damaged my appliances and comprised my home security leaving me with no option but to install solar. At the same time the price of electricity increased dramatically and I had to turn off under floor heating which had been installed when I built my house as a clean energy source to polluting the air with fossil burning materials.	Wayne	retired
	2026-08-29 09:50:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the fixed monthly network rate. Low income households can't afford such charges with increasing inflation and living cost. If certain income levels or household are excluded why should others carry the burden of the additional cost to make up for the deficit. Current billing of kw/h is sufficient for access to electricity by all citizens.	Leonard	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:53:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential electricity consumer, I already pay ahead of time, plus a charge for the 'privilege' of doing this. I then pay for what I use, and this is what it should be. If I am supporting the government service by easing their burden, then I should not have to pay for this also by paying yet another charge!	Ann	retired
	2026-08-29 09:54:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yousef	retired
	2026-08-29 10:06:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have used grid tied solar power since 2018. I have 20 kw of battery backup, in a bad weather month I may use a maximum of 60kw from the grid. However most months I have a average solar surplus of 690 kw that I can feed back into the grid. Instead of penalising residents who have invested in their homes, and the country, by installing solar power government should make it mandatory for municipalities to buy this surplus power from residents at wholesale renewable rates. Wholesale renewable rates are far cheaper than Eskom, thus reducing the cost of supply to the municipality. Obviously if a property is grid tied, then there must be a connection charge to cover the infrastructure costs, but connection charges should be based on actual costs of supply infrastructure and not an inflated connection tax. Connection charges should apply equally to all electricity consumers, with indigent consumers receiving connection credits on an individual means tested basis. Residential complexes and industrial/commercial parks must be liberated from the municipal monopoly supply and allowed to purchase bulk power from independent suppliers for resale to their residents and tenants. In line with the objective of separating connection costs and usage charges, municipalities must show separately on their bills the connection charge and the amount of surplus power bought by the municipality from the householder. These should be actual financial transactions and not accounting offsets. If these proposed regulations are enforced any homeowner or business that has installed PV panels will just install extra battery power and go completely off grid. In my case that would mean that the municipality would be deprived of 690kw/month cheap electricity and my current monthly connection fee. The country as a whole would lose the benefit of thousands of MW of already installed PV Solar power. PV that was installed at no cost to government. The bloated and inefficient monopoly that is Eskom has caused trillions of Rands of damage to our economy, and is a major contributor to the unemployment rate. The supply of electricity at the cheapest possible rates to both industry and residents is imperative to turn our economy around. The state monopoly on the price control of electricity must end. Eskom should not only be split up into generation, supply and marketing, it must compete on a commercial basis with independent producers and suppliers. The bumbling and totally incompetent NERSA must be abolished to allow a competitive electricity market Householders and businesses that have invested millions of Rands to install Solar PV should be applauded for their investment in the country and the economy, and not labelled and punished as freeloaders.	Wendy	retired
	2026-08-29 10:13:45	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we pay tax to have solar when we had to use our hard earned money to buy stable electricity when the government couldn't provide it. Now you want to penalise us for your mistakes. The government gets no repercussions for their mistakes. It always falls on the people.	Jason	business owner
	2026-08-29 10:47:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:10:09	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renier	
	2026-08-29 11:14:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		C	
	2026-08-29 11:52:32	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ludwig	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 12:02:56	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susana	business owner
	2026-08-29 12:14:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marion	retired
	2026-08-29 12:52:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Tamsin	self-employed
	2026-08-29 13:47:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income And energy consurvation conscious households	Bruce	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:51:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All domestic household customers should be treated the same, the aarguement that residences with solar are free riding makes no sense	Graham	retired
	2026-08-29 13:51:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derrick	retired
	2026-08-29 14:42:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Farook	retired
	2026-08-29 14:46:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Alternatively, ratepayers should be able to select their own electricity provider, the Municipalities will not act in the best interest of the ratepayers.	Nicholas	employed individual
	2026-08-29 14:53:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl	retired
	2026-08-29 17:33:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hentus	business owner
	2026-08-29 17:53:15	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to additional charges on households with private solar. We invested substantial amounts in solar because years of load shedding and repeated prolonged Eskom outages made reliable electricity impossible. We still pay substantial Eskom accounts and remain dependent on an unreliable grid. It is fundamentally unfair to penalise consumers for using their own money to provide the energy security Eskom failed to provide. Any grid charge should reflect the actual cost of our grid connection—not compensate Eskom for revenue lost because we now buy less electricity.	Daynia	retired
	2026-08-29 19:29:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency.	Rick	

	2026-08-29 19:56:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. We insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. We require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Steve	employed individual
	2026-08-30 12:04:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As pensioners and taxpayers, we have used our hard-earned savings, which has been taxed for our entire working years, to overcome Eskom's inability, in the past, to supply a constant service. We are now in the position where we are strapped for cash and face the prospect of being penalized for being proactive and essentially assisting Eskom. I would welcome a flat rate, as is applied for the pre-paid, rather than an unknown fee which as pensioners would be impossible. Also, as pensioners it would be helpful if there was a subsidized rate. It seems unfair that 7 years down the line we are faced with the issue, having spent the funds at a time when there were no rules, of this new legislation.	Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-30 14:00:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-30 14:11:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthinus	employed individual
	2026-08-30 14:54:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason I opted to spend a lot of MY money on solar on my premises is to get away as much as possible from any involvement with Eskom. I don't want to subsidize Eskom in any way - they have created the mess they're in and it is not my responsibility to get them out of it. I don't want to be levied.	Helen	retired
	2026-08-30 15:34:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-08-30 17:45:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maggie	employed individual
	2026-08-31 02:46:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed Monthly costs hurt people who had to get solar systems to have reliable power. I am in favor of a time of use tariff, that way you incentivize end users to help the grid, fixed charges will only lead to disconnection which will hurt the grid in the long run.	Shane	business owner
	2026-08-31 07:19:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JBM	retired
	2026-08-31 08:15:59	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:46:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do believe that households and businesses that installed solar electricity should pay for infrastructure upkeep. Even if a premises has gone completely 'off grid', it will still rely on grid power if the solar system fails for any reason. That said these premises should not be punished with high tariffs as they have invested capital to reduce the load on the Eskom grid. The question needs to be asked what will the tariff be and who regulates and makes sure that there are no excessive increases to cover for revenue issues.	Gavin	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:08:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not mind partially supporting the fixed infrastructure, but within reason. To be fair when I installed my solar and batteries (my own fixed infrastructure) no one subsidised me.	Caroline	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:24:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the objective of creating a more competitive and financially sustainable electricity market but strongly oppose any framework that shifts increasing network and system costs onto captive residential consumers without transparent and demonstrable cost justification. Consumers who have invested substantial private capital in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency have reduced their dependence on the grid and, in many cases, reduced peak demand. They should not subsequently be penalised through escalating fixed or capacity charges simply because the network remains available to them. If network charges are necessary, Government must demonstrate the actual cost being recovered, ensure that inefficient expenditure, electricity losses, non-payment and existing cross-subsidies are not simply transferred to compliant consumers, and provide a genuine mechanism for consumers who become substantially or completely self-sufficient to reduce or terminate their network obligations. Reform must reduce total consumer costs—not merely reduce the advertised kWh price while increasing unavoidable charges.	David	
	2026-08-31 09:25:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-08-31 09:34:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To avoid the inevitable death spiral, to increase "grid connection" will be counterintuitive. By increasing the fixed charges Escom will permantly loose customers, because a ultra silent generator will be employed by the public to permanently be disconnected. Thus like any proper business, bear the burden of your bad desisions the last 20 years , any attempt to place the burden on the consumer will just backfire, you will deal with another E - tollgate situation.	Jaco	business owner
	2026-08-31 09:46:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I, along with millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. This is totally unacceptable. In S.A. government is squeezing money out of it's citizens in EVERY way. Additional "Fixed monthly network costs" will hurt the people who spent PLENTY of their own money to provide electricity for their families at a time when the government (Eskom) was unable to do so. The growth in home solar systems is one or the reasons that Eskom is no longer loadshedding and damaging the growth of the country. I do not support mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens.	Mark	retired
	2026-08-31 10:42:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think there is a lot of space for comments on all aspect of this roadmap, but I will focus on what is nearest to my concerns: punishing solar power users for having the audacity to make a positive choice for ourselves, our environment and the future of all our children. The math clearly shows private investment in PV power (and battery storage) has, in a VERY large part, contributed to Eskom's ability to curb load shedding. Now it seems those in power want to impose punitive taxes. Add to that, every watt bought from Eskom is dirty, and is contributing to the escalating climate catastrophe. Eskom, meanwhile, is doing their level best to avoid moving to cleaner alternatives. This is not fair, sane or acceptable. On the other side, I accept that infrastructure (that benefits all) does not fall out of the sky for free. Somebody has to pay. Ok - I am willing to contribute (ON TOP OF THE HEAVY TAX BURDEN I ALREADY CARRY). But it has to be strictly regulated, fair, and capped amount for the privilege of having a grid connection and solar. If it mushrooms to crazy amounts, I WILL go offgrid. I am sure others feel the same.	Hendrik	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:21:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1.) Mathematics: If the so-called "back riders" withdraw all solar supply to their own homes, can Eskom supply the necessary electricity to full fil the need. 2.)Can the muncipalities uphold the requirement of electricity. So many substations and transformers are so neglected that they will blow up if you withdraw solar supply to homes. Many solar home owners have invested in timers to help control demand, sothat you don't have a peak demand, which WILL cause outages. 3.)Few years ago they were willing to subsidise investers in solar installations, now they want to tax you. Make up your mind. 4.) Can they gaurantee a 365 day no power outage, this includes Eskom and the muncipality. Many pople work from home, and if I don't have electricity, what then. 5.) Democracy, then I must have the choice to link up with the grid or go independant. If I go on my own, I don't get TAXED for electricity. 6.) With a network charge, they get money for nothing, even if my electricity supply is down for a week. I want a rebate in a case like that, network charge means delivering the service. 7.) Cable theft and subotage is not an excuse for no service, they must gaurantee it as I am now being taxed and have a right to the service, and in any case, it is the states duty to gaurantee my safety, and being left in the dark, is a great risk. 8.) With an ailing infrastructure, over payed employees, Eskom and the muncipalities are once agaain trying to recover their "losses" from the tax payer, who has made plans to help the "FALLING" South Africa to stay a float. Look back and rectify your mistakes. 9.) Eskom has not solved load shedding, it has just received a new name, and they woke up a little, noticing that load shedding the people who actually do pay for their electricity, bites them in the behind, so now non-payers and illegal connections still get "load shedding" , and the honest citizens who pay, have to be taxed in a different and receive nothing for it. With electricity inflation the past 7 years at 900%, if I have it correct, the person who has installed a solar sysytem, still pays more than enough. With a gross income of R50/m/family: SARS tax deduction, Food costs, Paying your mortage, kids schools, paying your current muncipal bill, nothing is left, but SORRY, its a sosialistic/comunistic government that wants its people poor, uneducated, living in poverty while the fat cats feed from them. Not 1 politician has ever had loadshedding , as the tax payer feeds that bill in some or other way, by means of generators, or they don't get loadshedding, they don't even know what an electricity bill looks like. YOU created the mess, WE help survive the country, the mess is not cleared up, but now you still want to burden us further for YOUR corruption and unableness to govern properly. Show me a state entity which is not in shambles. WELL DONE. They want a revolution.	Nico	retired
	2026-08-31 12:33:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again these changes are made to suite the Day. When Eskom had Load Shedding we were asked to save Electricity and now that the Problem appears to be fixed you turn around and Penalize to very people that helped you and Eskom. Why don't the people that are stealing the Electricity get stopped and Millions of Rand's could be saved. But NO lets take MORE MONEY from our Loyal Customers that Pay, every Month that's the easier way. The Solutions that are being introduced appear to be formulated to discourage or reduce the number of Loyal Customers while the "Illegal Customers"not paying a CENT for Electricity are not affected in any way because you can not find a solution or its too much trouble. What is being done to reduce the STOLEN ELECTRICITY ? That is where you should START Eskom's first solution to Load Shedding was to build More Power Stations at one hell of a cost and did they help No. Nobody knows how that problem went away with very little cost. Non of this makes any sense !	Nigel	retired
	2026-08-31 12:44:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Municipal Official / Councillor	We need to unbundle Eskom to ensure competition in the generation market, but there should not be a penalty on individuals who have the means to generate their own electricity. Municipalities rely heavily on the income from electricity sales and if this falls away, many more Municipalities will suffer fimnancially.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-31 12:48:17	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For SA to become energy sustainable, consumption must be billed according to the quantity used.	Rudi	self-employed
	2026-08-31 13:32:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential ratepayers should not be penalized for circumstances beyond their control, particularly when they have had to invest in alternative energy solutions due to the ongoing instability of the national electricity supply. The widespread adoption of residential solar and other backup energy systems has largely been a response to the inability of Eskom and the broader energy sector to consistently provide a stable and reliable power supply. Households have made significant financial investments to maintain basic living standards, protect their assets, and ensure continuity of daily activities during periods of supply disruption. It is important to acknowledge that Eskom's operational and management challenges are only part of the issue. Municipal governance, infrastructure maintenance, and energy distribution management have also played a significant role in the deterioration of service reliability in many areas. These combined shortcomings have contributed directly to the growing dependence on privately funded renewable energy solutions by residential consumers. Consequently, policy and tariff decisions should recognize the substantial investments already made by households to compensate for systemic failures, rather than imposing additional financial burdens on those who have proactively addressed the risks associated with an unreliable electricity supply.	Charl	
	2026-08-31 14:36:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a renewable energy professional, SAWEM is a great idea. Much of the developed world already operate on this principle. However, as a residential consumer, I have some concerns about the "solar tax". While I understand (and even agree) that it is necessary to recover fixed charges from consumers, the framework setting pricing for this needs to be detailed and carefully controlled. If not, those with the means will simply start defecting from the grid entirely, leaving the rest to pick up the (even higher) bill.	Jacques	
	2026-08-31 15:07:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Caron	retired
	2026-08-31 15:51:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay R625 per month for electricity that we don't use. Pre-paid meter customers pay more that post-paid customers which makes no sense at all because pre-paid customers buy the meter and the risk and administration of pre-paid is less than consumption or post paid customers. It is already becoming viable to go completely off grid and to get the connection removed. Essentially the current payment is an "insurance" payment. Increasing this will definitely make going completely off-grid viable. The hassle, damage, cost and risk of registration as a connected customer also makes going completely off-grid attractive. When connected you still get spikes from the grid if the circuit breaker is not off. Selling back to the municipality is unattractive as you lose the control of your own system. the rates are unattractive anyway.	Jeff	retired
	2026-08-31 16:17:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There needs to be amendments	sam	retired
	2026-09-01 08:29:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		René	retired
	2026-09-01 09:36:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private households that invested hard-earned savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so are now being penalised for using sun power that is FREE! Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. This is a shame! Again, the everyday consumer and taxpayer must carry the burden because government fails in its service delivery.	Nicola	retired
	2026-09-01 10:06:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iain	employed individual
	2026-09-01 10:06:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Through your poor management of f our power generation facilities over years, you now need to tax innocent parties to make up for your cash shortfall as a result of your own mismanagement and poor efficiencies. Take ownership, run an efficient power industry and stop penalising others for things only you have control over.	Hugh	
	2026-09-01 10:07:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of taxing the poor consumer, why doesn't the government set up surplus solar power buy back legislation. Buy the power at a reduced tariff to cover the grid maintenance costs and the excess power can be sold to neighbouring countries to bring in much needed capital for the national coffers.	Robert	employed individual

	2026-09-01 10:31:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual the consumer is paying for government corruption and inefficiency. Solar users should not be penalised for having solar sytems but everyone connect to the grid should bear the cost of maintaining the grid. I support separating the grid maintenance cost from the cost of electricity and capping the rid maintenance cost because it is being done by incompetent and inefficient ESKOM or whoever takes over the physical grid. Separating the generation and distribution is a good idea for transparancy of costs.	Mark	
	2026-09-01 12:11:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose the imposition of fixed charges to consumers that have rooftop solar. This is regressive and should not be done. Private solar installations can profitably be used by Eskom to buffer high demand periods by applying a flexible 15min interval price. Then Eskom can draw electricty from consumers' batteries in high stress situations. The tariff paid to consumers for these kWh is lower than it's own production cost. Therefore, Eskom should welcome private rooftop solar, not try to discourage it!	Fabian	self-employed
	2026-09-01 12:33:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-01 12:51:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jan	business owner
	2026-09-01 16:18:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-01 16:48:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There should be no tariffs targeted against solar users. All tariffs should be fair and have a smsll grid maintenance charge, with the majority of costs covered by a larger per KWH usage charge. There should also be checks and balancesto protect captive ratepayers from being unfairly taxed by any government or municipal authorities.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-01 17:11:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The investment in solar which was necessary owing to state incompetence can only be recovered over an extended period of time if those that invested in solar are left on the same tariffs or ordinary consumers	Bruce	
	2026-09-01 17:21:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Penalising the solar users with fixed fees because of a dilemma that Eskom created with loadshedding is unacceptable and Eskom mustn't underestimate the ability of solar users to go complete off grid if Eskom becomes antagonistic is its revenue policies trying to extract more value from their previous paying customers that they let down.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-01 20:15:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Morel	retired
	2026-09-01 21:04:01	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Avishkar	
	2026-09-01 22:08:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I totally agree with unbundling Eskom and allowing the private sector to play a much bigger role in carrying South Africa’s electricity load. Competition and private investment are exactly what we need. That said, I vehemently disagree with the idea of penalizing people who have invested their own hard-earned money into solar. For years, Eskom couldn’t reliably provide the electricity we needed, so ordinary South Africans did what they were encouraged to do, we invested hundreds of thousands of rands of our own money into solar to become less dependent on the grid. Now, because we’ve reduced our reliance on Eskom, we’re potentially expected to pay an additional fee to support the very infrastructure we hardly use? That makes absolutely no sense. It reminds me of SANRAL and e-tolls. I paid my e-tolls for years while many others didn’t. When the system ultimately collapsed because of its fundamental flaws, I didn’t get that money back. There seems to be a recurring pattern in South Africa where the people who comply, pay and try to do the right thing end up carrying the cost for a system that doesn’t work. We cannot keep punishing people for solving problems that government and state-owned entities failed to solve. If there is a legitimate cost for maintaining the grid and solar users still rely on it, then charge a fair, transparent connection or infrastructure fee based on actual costs. But don’t disguise it as a punitive measure simply because someone has invested in becoming more energy independent. It’s time for government to stop treating productive, responsible citizens as a source of endless revenue. We need honest people who genuinely want to serve this country, not systems that continually penalize the people who are trying to make it better. South Africa is an extraordinary country with incredible potential. But we need to wake up before we drive even more of our talented, productive people out of it. Catch a wake-up... PLEASE!!!	Benjamin	employed individual
	2026-09-02 09:52:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jack	employed individual
	2026-09-02 10:05:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nic	employed individual
	2026-09-02 10:10:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskoms unreliability nearly crippled SMMEs who had to spend massively on unbudgeted for solar power to keep the business going and take pressure off the grid. Now SMMEs that barely managed to survive loadshedding are going to be targeted with penalising high fixed tariffs. Disgraceful!	Duncan	business owner
	2026-09-02 11:33:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Once again the ordinary ratepayer is discriminated against.	Sarah	self-employed
	2026-09-02 12:52:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the goverment is trying to get the soft middle class to bail them out of trouble. Taxing the nation into poverty.	Chris	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:17:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This comes across as another way that households will be penalized for addressing the lack of consistent electricity supply we as a country faced. That investment into solar was not subsidized but now they want to enforce fixed fees despite low usage. Eskom failed the country, municipalities are mismanaged and at the end of the day the consumer needs to pay the price for that on every front.	Liz	
	2026-09-02 14:36:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Leigh-Anne	self-employed
	2026-09-02 14:43:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-02 17:17:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The solar users should not now be subjected to penalties for having gone the solar route. They were able to make other arrangements when Eskom was unable to provide electricity. Private people, not Eskom, financed this so there is no way that Eskom should benefit from a problem they caused and haven't financed. Stop calling them "free-loaders", it cost them megabucks to go the solar route, so that is not a valid choice of words in this case. Eskom is meant to supply cheap electricity so that the Republic can grow and make jobs. Start running it properly and not waste billions R on diesel given as a pre-payment. If the company doesn't have the where-with-all to provide the service , then rather deal with someone else.	john	retired
	2026-09-02 19:34:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	
	2026-09-03 09:06:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the privatisation and competition elements of this reform, but I strongly oppose fixed charges that effectively penalise solar users. South Africans invested private capital to solve a problem the state could not. Rewarding dependence while penalising self-reliance is neither fair nor good policy. The government should encourage, not discourage, private investment in energy security. Rather than treating these citizens as partners in solving South Africa's energy crisis, this proposal risks turning them into disgruntled opponents of future reforms. If government punishes those who take initiative and invest in solutions, it will undermine public trust, discourage future private investment, and reduce buy-in for the very reforms needed to secure our energy future.	Mandie	
	2026-09-03 09:18:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charis	employed individual
	2026-09-03 14:04:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reinhard	retired
	2026-09-03 16:28:48	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-03 22:05:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it interesting how the Government looks for ways to milk more money out of the already burdened tax payer,. All the while no effort (forming committes to investigate corruption is not effort) is made to curb the rampant scooping of state treasury coffers all in the name of BBBEE. Then to accuse those households who have invested in clean energy, paying VAT for systems the ease the burden on a decepid ESKOM, of free-loading is ludicrous. Connection fees are still paid, providing more than sufficient funding for almost non-existant power grid infrastructure maintenance. The Mininster of Energy and Electricity was praised just last week for improving the electric power generation from 46% to 80%. That is still 20% short of the country's needs. Solar energy is filling that gap, assisting ESKOM in keeping its head above water. To tax solar energy is a double tax and could push that economic sector backwards, loosing jobs and placing aan even larger burden on the electricity supply grid. I do not agree with and will resist any form of punitive measures planned to milk the solar sector.	Rory	employed individual
	2026-09-04 13:13:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The councils will rip you off without a cap on the fixed charges. The law should provude for the reduction in electricity cost and aim to protect the consumer insteal of the councils golden goose.	Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-09-04 14:56:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	retired
	2026-09-04 16:51:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government had an incentive scheme to install rooftop solar. Feeding into the grid would make a connecting fee obsolete, a transparent electricity payback rate would be the better answer and an incentive for private solar installations.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-05 07:51:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	*Comment: Fixed Charges Penalise Solar Investment* Higher fixed monthly fees will unfairly penalise households and small businesses that invested private capital in rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency during load shedding. Instead of being rewarded for reducing pressure on the grid, they will now pay more through higher baseline charges. This extends solar payback periods, increases bills for low-volume users, and discourages future renewable investment. We ask that NERSA: 1. *Cap fixed charges* to prevent penalising private solar investments. 2. *Provide fair credit* for daytime energy that rooftop solar feeds into the grid, instead of charging a flat fee. 3. *Assess the impact* on low-income and energy-conserving households before approving. This tariff should support, not punish, private efforts to solve the energy crisis and to support the South African energy transition goals.	Jana	self-employed
	2026-09-05 07:53:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronelle	
	2026-09-06 11:24:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom (and Municipalities) require reform to address inefficiencies, but not to the determent of households. Individual households invested in solar when the state could not keep the lights on. Now, municipal infrastructure failures, due to years of neglect while funds were looted, leaves us yet again literally in the dark. To expect households to foot the bill once more for state/municipal failures are unacceptable.	Riana	employed individual

	2026-09-06 16:29:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Let me help you, I will ask one question, do you own the sun? if no, then why should solar users pay a penalty? They went to solar because your a disgrace to this country because you cannot provide electricity. now a lot of people went solar and businesses closed down and also went solar, now you have to much power and not enough money. I want eskom to collapse so that the government can stop stealing money and charge more for electricity every year.	Henrico	employed individual
	2026-09-06 17:50:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	E	
	2026-09-06 20:17:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		De Bruyn	
	2026-09-07 04:36:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simeon	
	2026-09-07 06:42:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	employed individual
	2026-09-07 12:24:17	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is in a downward consumption spiral and implementing these additional connectivity fees will see me leaving Eskom 100%. I have been paying for electricity and contributing to infrastructure for over 30 years, thus I have no intention to keep forking out additional money to keep the lights on. In most countries citizens are encouraged to be self sufficient, being subsidized to do so. In ZA, we are taxed, draconian rules thumb sucked to cost more money, charged to be able to sell solar back at less than 30% of consumer pricing - what planet are these rule makers living on? Do they seriously think people will just continue to pay and pay and pay? This is the last straw, a line too far. I am considerate to my fellow citizens and accept that if someone doesn't pay to maintain infrastructure, it will be damned, but I will not take full accountability whilst other areas get electricity for free, without safe and proper connections. So if this changes, I will be the first to notify CoCT to disconnect me.	Laurence	
	2026-09-07 15:28:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Solar power equipment installed/used reduces ESCOM's and Private Electrical supplier's development costs. Accordingly, an initiative previously rewarded and encouraged, is now proposed to be taxed. Surely this is unacceptable!	Nick	business owner
	2026-09-07 16:28:55	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	employed individual
	2026-09-07 16:46:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilna	retired
	2026-09-07 18:10:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Karen	
	2026-09-07 21:20:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should no longer have the monopoly. This could bring cost of electricity down .We paid a fortune to have solar electricity. Our minimal use of electricity at night should be rewarded not punished. Low volume users should pay less.	Audrey	retired
	2026-09-08 08:25:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devon	employed individual
	2026-09-08 11:36:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s helpful to open the market but it is unfair to penalise rate payers with fixed charges for solar. The reason we got solar is because eskom could not supply electricity and now the intention is to penalise us. We have invested hugely in getting our own infrastructure because there was not appropriate infrastructure to provide electricity due to state capture at eskom. It is unfair to make residents pay penalities for having solar. We would never have invested in solar if there was a decent supply of state electricity	kate	business owner
	2026-09-08 14:00:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S J	retired
	2026-09-08 21:53:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the proposed transformation of South Africa’s electricity market and the move toward a more competitive, transparent and diversified electricity sector. The current electricity market structure requires reform, and I support measures that encourage private generation, increased competition, improved transmission investment, independent market operation and reduced reliance on a single dominant supplier. However, I believe several aspects of the proposed framework require stronger safeguards to ensure that ordinary residential consumers and small businesses also benefit from the reform. Firstly, I support the principle that grid-connected customers should contribute fairly toward the cost of maintaining transmission and distribution infrastructure. However, fixed network charges must remain reasonable, transparent, cost-reflective and independently regulated. They should not become a mechanism to recover lost electricity sales revenue from customers who have invested in rooftop solar, batteries or energy efficiency. Consumers who reduce their dependence on the grid should continue to receive a meaningful financial benefit for doing so. The regulatory framework should therefore prevent excessive fixed charges from becoming an indirect penalty on private generation or energy efficiency. Secondly, residential consumers and small businesses should not remain captive customers indefinitely while only large electricity users benefit from retail competition. I support a phased introduction of competition, but Government should publish a clear and binding roadmap showing when progressively smaller customers, including households, will be able to choose their electricity supplier. The transition should ultimately result in genuine retail competition for all consumers who wish to participate. Thirdly, customers who export excess rooftop solar electricity to the grid should receive fair and transparent compensation. Export tariffs should be based on clearly defined principles and should not be structured in a way that discourages investment in distributed generation. I also support the separation of electricity generation costs from transmission, distribution and retail costs. Electricity bills should clearly show these components so that consumers can understand what they are paying for and how tariffs are determined. Municipalities and electricity distributors should be entitled to recover reasonable network costs, but electricity tariffs should not be used as an opaque mechanism to subsidise unrelated municipal expenditure. Network charges and electricity infrastructure revenue should be transparent and appropriately regulated. I am also concerned about the continuing market dominance of Eskom Generation during the transition. Strong market surveillance, transparent bidding rules, anti-manipulation measures and effective regulatory enforcement will be essential to ensure that the new market is genuinely competitive. Similarly, the National Transmission Company of South Africa must operate with sufficient independence from Eskom and other market participants. The System Operator and Market Operator must act impartially and should not be placed in a position where conflicts of interest could undermine confidence in the electricity market. I strongly support increased private investment in transmission infrastructure, provided that access to transmission capacity is transparent, fairly regulated and non-discriminatory. Finally, the transition must protect low-income and vulnerable households. Necessary social support mechanisms should be clearly identified and funded transparently rather than being hidden inside increasingly complex electricity tariffs. In summary, I support the proposed electricity market transformation, but request that the final framework include stronger protections for residential consumers, transparent and reasonable network charges, fair treatment of rooftop solar customers, a defined pathway toward household retail competition, effective regulation of dominant market participants and genuine operational independence of the market and system operator. My position is therefore: Support with amendments.	Juan	employed individual
	2026-09-09 07:00:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	employed individual
	2026-09-09 08:41:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Robert	self-employed
	2026-09-09 10:09:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ONKE	employed individual
	2026-09-11 13:11:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mick	retired
	2026-09-11 13:44:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Guy	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:26:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am sick of being taxed and tariffed to death by this government. Government broke the world's most efficient power utility, forced years of load shedding onto us, pleaded for people to help by telling us to install solar, and now that we have, we have to pay yet more to fix what they broke and is essentially now unfixable? Forget it. As a grid-tied solar user I am 100% against any new solar tax or solar tariff or whatever Eskom and government wants to call this to combat "free-riders" on the grid. Eskom and government deserve the "free-riders" on the grid for what they've done to electricity in this country.	Mik	
	2026-09-11 17:02:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:23:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The uncertain levels of fixed charges and tariff penalties on alternative power generation is patently unfair on those who invested to protect against Eskom failures of maintenance that created load shedding. Solar power isn an insurance against Eskom future failures and shouldnot be penalised.	Patrick	retired
	2026-09-11 17:29:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jannie	retired
	2026-09-11 18:47:01	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People like myself installed solar because Eskom cannot guarantee me electricity 24/7, not to save myself money. The solar came at huge expense to me. It is their incompetence which forced my decision. Now they want to penalise us for looking after our own requirements where they were unable to do so. It’s nothing but pure spite.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-11 18:59:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendri	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:25:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:42:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elfrieda	
	2026-09-11 19:57:35	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need a system where the municipality i only one option to buy electricity on a free electricity provider market. Every provider has to pay the grid owner (Eskom) a flat fee for the connection, Basically a kind of fee which we pay already besides the units/kwh we buy. In Germany you can choose between hundreds of electricity providers…The Unit price is between 6-8 Rand. The monthly basic fee for the grid is between 150 and 300 Rand. You can lock for the next 12 or 24 month a price or can cancel every month, but carry the risk that the electricity market price on the Electricity Exchange changes every month to the worse. Where the basic price is on the higher end, the Units are cheaper than the units at the provider with a low basic fee. If you use less units (Gridtied solar) people choose a provider with a low basic fee…If you use a lot units, its better to choose a provider with a higher basic fee, but score on a lower unit price. If you have solar in Germany, everybody can sell units into the network without paying for a bidirectional meters or paying high monthly fees to anybody. That way people get motivated to install solar or wind, which in turn speeds up the extremely important closing of fossil fuel (dirty and global warming) or nuclear (dangerous and to expensive) electricity generation. Eskom should focus on the grid and exchange their coal plants for renewables and sell/offer their electricity to the market/customer like the other independent producers…	Kilian	retired
	2026-09-11 20:19:58	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No to fixed charges punishing users that use little or no electricity	Emile	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:20:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Dimitri	

	2026-09-11 21:15:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to having to pay to install solar due to failing infrastructure to run a household and then further being punished for failing providers to do their job- a double penalty - if it all just worked and was well run we wouldn't be in this position in the first place! People Install solar to have a solution for outages and crazy electricity costs!	Jackie	business owner
	2026-09-11 21:26:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	I object to having to pay to install solar due to failing infrastructure to run a household and then further being punished for failing providers to do their job- a double penalty - if it all just worked and was well run we wouldn't be in this position in the first place! People If a high fixed fee for connection is stipulated then it is essential that consumers have the option to go off grid WITHOUT having a connection fee. Forcing payers to cover costs of freeloaders will just turn payers into non payers.	David	retired
	2026-09-11 21:45:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paddy	
	2026-09-12 06:49:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners should not be penalised for installing solar. While still connected to the grid, the units purchased should include a fee for all users that is linked to usage, similar to the petrol levy. Having a separate levy irrespective of usage penalises the user for trying to cut back on costs by installing solar.	Mr J	retired
	2026-09-12 07:12:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support electricity-market reform, but not reform that simply shifts the cost onto ordinary consumers. Competition and an open market are welcome, but fixed charges and charges affecting solar users must be fair, transparent and affordable. Captive consumers, tenants and small businesses need protection. Fix the system — don't make households pay unfairly for the fixing of it.	Sophia	retired
	2026-09-12 07:31:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do understand the need to finance the maintenance of the grid and distribution network . This should however be done in a fair and equitable manner that is transparent, rather than a punishing underhanded manner	Jan	
	2026-09-12 08:04:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:25:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-12 08:34:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Walter	
	2026-09-12 09:26:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 09:49:07	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hein	retired
	2026-09-12 10:20:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I would like to know who the persons are who wrote this paper. Every State Owned business has collapsed over the past 35 years mainly due to incompetence and greed. What qualifications (practical and theoretical) do these persons have that would ensure they actually know how to implement the actions they have proposed.	Glynn	retired
	2026-09-12 10:42:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:43:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	magda	
	2026-09-12 10:54:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses have invested private savings (or gone into debt) for rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the Eskom failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises the energy-conscious citizens, further extends solar payback periods, and completely discourages private decarbonisation.	Graham	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:55:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Forcing people who installed solar to overcome the government's inability to reliably provide electricity to its population due to years of mismanagement is ridiculous. You cannot punish people for solving a problem that was of the government's own creation.	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:03:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is a disgrace that homeowners who invested hundreds of thousands of Rand to install solar and hence saved Escom from more serious load shedding are now being penalized.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 14:10:43	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:26:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Giles	
	2026-09-12 14:38:32	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Their is serious reform required in this sector, but homeowners should not have to foot the bill for government inefficiencies. The recent spike in solar installations helped to keep the country's lights on. There should be a free-market system for the purchase of electricity.	Antoinette	retired
	2026-09-12 14:44:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dane	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 15:37:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should rather focus and prioritise the prevention of illegal connections which pose a dual risk, i.e. significant risk to infra-structure and significant financial losses resulting from loss of sales as well as costs to remove illegal connections and repair to damaged infrastructure. Focus should also be applied to non paying residents / municipalities. These will yield far more efficient money saving/ income for Eskom than trying to burden households with increased costs due to loss of sales	Riaan	
	2026-09-12 16:09:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with the three points made at the end of this message, and I think this issue deserves considerably more attention than it is getting. We have solar ourselves, so I have a direct interest in this. But my concern is not simply about protecting my own investment. It is about whether South Africa chooses an electricity policy that encourages investment, competition and economic growth — or one that ultimately penalises people and businesses for becoming more energy-efficient and self-reliant. There is an important distinction here. The electricity grid costs money to maintain whether I buy 1,000 kWh a month or very little electricity. It is therefore reasonable that consumers who remain connected to the grid should contribute fairly to the cost of maintaining that network. I would not object to a transparent, reasonable network charge based on the actual cost of providing the connection. What concerns me is the possibility of turning that legitimate principle into a punitive "sun tax" which makes investing in solar unattractive. That would be completely the wrong economic signal. The rest of the world is moving in the opposite direction. Solar PV is expanding at extraordinary speed, with distributed solar — on homes, businesses and industrial premises — expected to account for a very large proportion of new solar capacity globally. Battery storage and more flexible electricity markets are developing alongside it. ?cite?turn0search0?turn0search2? South Africa should be taking advantage of this trend, not trying to protect an outdated electricity business model. At the same time, I don't think we should pretend that there is no problem with people leaving the grid. The IEA itself points out that distribution companies still have to recover the cost of maintaining networks, and that poorly designed tariffs can unfairly shift those costs onto consumers who do not have solar. ?cite?turn0search8? So the answer is not "solar owners should pay nothing". The answer is to design a fair, transparent tariff structure which charges everyone appropriately for the network services they actually use. What I believe South Africa must avoid are three particularly dangerous pathways: 1. **Penalising private investment in electricity generation.** We desperately need billions of rands of private capital invested in generation, storage and the grid. If people are encouraged to invest their own money in solar and batteries and then discover that government can subsequently make those investments uneconomic through punitive charges, we will discourage exactly the investment South Africa needs. 2. **Protecting inefficient institutions by making consumers pay more.** Municipalities and electricity distributors have legitimate infrastructure costs, but those costs cannot simply be transferred indefinitely to a shrinking group of captive consumers while efficiency and financial discipline are avoided. The solution must be better management, cost-reflective tariffs, competition and properly maintained infrastructure. 3. **Creating a two-tier electricity economy.** We must not end up with large companies and wealthy households having access to cheap, reliable electricity while ordinary households are effectively trapped on increasingly expensive networks. That would deepen inequality and damage South Africa's competitiveness. There is another danger which concerns me even more: **using electricity policy to preserve the past instead of preparing for the future.** South Africa needs abundant, reliable and increasingly affordable electricity if we are going to grow the economy, create jobs and attract investment. We should therefore welcome competition between Eskom, independent power producers, municipalities, businesses and households — provided that the rules are fair and the grid remains financially sustainable. The government's own stated objective for the proposed market reforms is to reduce reliance on a single electricity supplier, attract investment, improve reliability and ultimately reduce costs. ?cite?turn1search1? I support those objectives. But achieving them requires getting the incentives right. **Don't punish people for generating electricity. Don't protect inefficient systems from competition. Don't make people who cannot afford solar carry an ever-increasing burden. And don't allow the cost of past failures to become an excuse for preventing the investment and innovation needed for the future.** South Africa has enormous advantages in solar energy and private investment. We should be turning those advantages into economic growth rather than treating them as a threat to the existing system. For that reason, I support the three basic principles in this message: **1. Stop punitive "sun taxes" and ensure that network charges are fair and genuinely cost-reflective.** **2. Protect consumers who cannot afford solar from becoming the default source of compensation for declining municipal electricity revenues.** **3. Make the wholesale-market reforms transparent and ensure that ordinary households are not left carrying disproportionate infrastructure costs.** I also believe we should insist on something broader: **South Africa's electricity policy must be judged by whether it produces more reliable electricity at lower real cost, encourages investment and competition, and contributes to economic growth.** That is the standard by which these reforms should ultimately be judged — not whether they protect Eskom, municipalities or any other existing institution.	Rick	retired
	2026-09-12 16:50:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	
	2026-09-12 18:26:02	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is no easy solution. The proposal needs to be hands of a group of engineers and financial people who have no vested interests	Ian	
	2026-09-12 22:28:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose the introduction of the "Anti-Free-Riding" Clause and Grid Defection Charges. Consumers who invest in solar and battery solutions should not be unfairly penalised for reducing their reliance on the grid. Any charges should be transparent, fair and genuinely reflective of the costs of providing the network.	Kenneth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 03:42:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mattheus	retired

	2026-09-13 03:51:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Loedolff	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:25:51	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You screwed it up, now we must pay for it. I agree that there must be reforms but not in a way that screws over those who spent a fortune compensating for Eskom's failures.	Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:56:21	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	retired
	2026-09-13 07:14:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the ANC in the form of Eskom continuing to tax the citizens into oblivion while they are corrupt and incompetent.	Leigh	
	2026-09-13 08:14:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willy	retired
	2026-09-13 08:17:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When a business loses its revenue due to its own management failures and it's drawing too much income from its business, it can only blame itself and must be prepared to scale back its own remuneration and cut costs in its own business. It cannot and will not recover by charging customers for services it no longer supplies and which it's customers no longer want to or can afford to buy.	Michael	
	2026-09-13 08:22:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding forced us to buy solar and rebates were paid for the panels. Those who could afford solar enabled a decrease on the grid which benefited the country. Eskom cannot now penalize roof top solar and the country should continue to encourage it for small users. A single ongoing sensibly priced connection fee for the required trickle feed is acceptable, but I am totally against any other 'solar penalty'. This connection fee funding should assist grid maintenance. Funding for the required grid / transmission expansion should not be drawn from domestic users. An alternative plan must be made. Municipalities must be held accountable to pay all due moneys to the power providers. Municipalities should enable smart meters. Many other countries do this. A competitive power market is essential. Domestic and other users should be able to select power sources. Large users should be expanded and an internationally competitive funding model must encourage expansion of industries. Many smelters are closed because electricity was initially not available and now it is too expensive. This must be addressed, and is partially being done. We must encourage large industries to establish and expand assist so that our unemployment situation may be addressed. More people employed means more income for households and thus more money to pay domestic power bills. This more money for grid maintenance. Win- win. Don't be greedy South Africa. Provide power. Collect due monies. Maintain the grid. Expand transmission lines, encourage the growth of the mixed energy supply.	Nikki	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:53:50	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	retired
	2026-09-13 09:11:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	retired
	2026-09-13 09:26:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-13 10:01:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed network electricity tariffs should be capped to prevent abuse by municipalities in order to boost income.	Bernard	retired
	2026-09-13 11:21:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A reasonable fixed charge for grid connection and a reasonable consumption rate is acceptable. Penalties for having roof-top solar are definitely NOT acceptable. Pay as you go (prepaid), which covers a grid connection fee and consumption, is the only acceptable way to pay for electricity.	David	retired
	2026-09-13 11:58:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom supported fair feed-in tariffs for small and large scale renewable energy suppliers, then they could offset some of the spiralling costs of more and more people and businesses naturally moving towards solar. Eskom also has a duty to honour South Africa's global climate commitments which include reducing energy produced from fossil fuels. I don't see why the state and citizens can't collaborate productively on both of the above concerns.	Kyla	self-employed
	2026-09-13 12:25:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Amendments to the final policy have to include : 1. a guarantee that network charges for consumers are strictly limited to the demonstrable, audited cost of the grid services they actually use; 2. prohibit fixed charges designed to recover lost sales volume from self-generating customers; 3. set export credits from own-generated solar systems under net billing at a rate that reflects the genuine value of that electricity to the system.	Alan	retired
	2026-09-13 12:25:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynette	retired
	2026-09-13 20:01:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russell	
	2026-09-14 06:17:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Evi	
	2026-09-14 06:41:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Further to the above, households should be allowed to supply electricity back into the grid at a rate per KW added. This would surely solve a large portion of the country's dependency on coal and diesel, and bring the rate of electricity down. Do not penalise those who have invested heavily in solar to assist reduce the load on the grid, but rather reward them with such rebates.	Lizette	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:06:30	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not feel the loss of grid customers should be totally passed onto the grid customers, who's bill also covers those only using the minimum free portion. That free portion users should be discontinued or that sector should be charged access costs ., to ensure ALL WHO USE THE GRID PAY FOR USAGE OF THE GRID.	Christine	
	2026-09-14 07:09:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	
	2026-09-14 08:25:08	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is crazy to make people who are trying to solve the energy crisis by buying at their own expense solar and generating electricity, reducing the overall load on the grid and then they have to pay for this. This defeats the entire purpose of solar energy. If you want to make the country energy secure, you need to allow people to find alternative means of procuring electricity. If the municipality has set budgets on getting income from electricity and then this drops, that should be ammended and they should restructure their budget to account for this.	Ric	
	2026-09-14 08:27:37	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential customers had to move to rooftop solar due to: 1) The inability of Eskom to generate reliable electricity supply 2) The unsustainable price increases requested and approved for electricity It is a severe indictment on Eskom that Residential customers can generate electricity through rooftop solar at a lower price than Eskom, despite huge bail outs by government. Eskom should be ashamed and fix their cost issues, rather than go after Residential customers that HAD to move to rooftop solar. This also goes for Municipalities that does selective credit recoveries on Residential customers, but owes huge amounts to Eskom. You should be ashamed and fix your finances and not go after Residential customers had to move to rooftop solar. Eskom and municipalities should incentivise Residential customers to move to rooftop solar and not tax the sun. If all rooftop solar and battery systems are switched off during peak hours, the grid will collapse. The sad thing is that Eskom needs the rooftop solar electricity that is generated. If they tax this capability, it can be mobilised and used against them.	Hennie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:37:42	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darryl	
	2026-09-14 08:45:34	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cindy	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:13:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's unbundling has produced tariff restructuring that separates energy from network costs, introducing a proposed Generation Capacity Charge of R5.99 per point of delivery per day and lifting the base fixed connection fee 183%, from R196 to R554/month, rising to R670/month on the popular Homepower 4 tariff by April 2027. Municipal distributors have followed the same logic: in Johannesburg, registering rooftop solar with City Power forces a migration from prepaid (roughly R241.50/month in fixed charges) to postpaid, where fixed charges alone run to R1,070–R1,483/month regardless of consumption — a four-to-six-times increase triggered simply by having solar, not by any change in actual demand. This restructuring is presented as cost-reflective "anti-free-riding" reform, but it rests on shaky premises. First, the historical funding record undercuts the argument that today's low-usage or self-generating customer is dodging their share of infrastructure cost. South Africa's distribution networks were built up over nearly a century, funded mainly through Eskom's internal cross-subsidy from industrial and mining tariffs, national electrification grants, and municipal borrowing serviced by decades of ratepayer revenue — not by any individual household repaying "its" stretch of line. Most legacy infrastructure in established suburbs has long been depreciated and paid off collectively. What these new fixed charges actually recover is a mix of ongoing maintenance and refurbishment backlogs (legitimate) and declining sales revenue as customers self-generate (not a cost-causation argument at all — Eskom's own results presentation admits the intent is to "retain revenue" as customers reduce grid purchases). Second, and more fundamentally, the cost driver of distribution infrastructure is peak demand (kVA), not energy volume (kWh) or the mere presence of solar panels. A transformer and feeder line must be sized for the worst-case coincident peak on that line, not average throughput. A household that has reduced both its daytime and evening peak draw, as many solar + battery systems do, genuinely imposes less cost on the network than a high-consumption household on the same flat tariff, yet under both Eskom's and City Power's proposals it can end up paying the same or more in fixed charges purely because it has solar. Apportioning fixed cost by connection capacity or measured maximum demand, rather than by tariff category or a blanket flat fee, would far more accurately reflect actual cost causation, and would let genuinely low-peak households, solar-equipped or not, pay proportionally less, as they should. There is a legitimate residual argument for utilities: even a low-usage, self-generating customer retains the option to draw full capacity at any moment, and the network must be maintained to serve that possibility. A modest standing charge tied to actual connection size or demand history is defensible on that basis. What is not defensible is (a) charging a fixed fee sized to replace lost energy revenue rather than to recover the actual capacity reserved, (b) using solar registration itself, rather than measured demand, as the trigger for a punitive tariff category change (as City Power does), and (c) doing so against a backdrop where the underlying registration data Eskom relies on is, by its own admission, incomplete and unreliable for the majority of residential systems. Accordingly, this objection calls for: fixed/network charges to be apportioned by measured or contracted capacity (kVA/amp rating) rather than flat per-connection or tariff-category fees; a clear, ring-fenced accounting distinction between maintenance-related recovery and revenue-replacement, with only the former justified as cost-reflective; and removal of solar registration as an automatic trigger for tariff reclassification, in favour of assessment based on actual demand profile.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:27:49	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	AS we try to rebuild the country let us remember it was a political leader who called on the public to help by installing solar. At our expense we saw ourselves helping . Now they want to penalise us. So firstly drop the salaries of Eskom leaders and no bonuses for the bad job they are doing. 2ndly drop the salaries of political leaders to reflect the third world country we are. 3rdly protect the general consumer, the households. If people cant even survive at home how will they become a usable efficient and effective workforce for the country. 4thly. Stop political parties from lying about the truth, they do this just to get into power. (if we drop their salaries they won't want to go into a job where they actually have to work.) 5thly no paid political figure heads in essential roles. 6thly, No by-laws that hurt the consumer. Over policing or over management is creating a control that is become dictatorial. 7thly Start applying the laws we already have, that if applied fix most situations. 8thly stop wasting money on political name changing and BEE. Free market so we can have competitive prices. 9th convict the political leaders who have transgressed and kick them out of the political role. All this will start cleaning up our financial ministries and associated arena's. For The electricity problem does not exist in in a vacuum. It is related to our the whole country's slide into chaos since the ANC took over. The propaganda used to keep themselves in power has kept dark brown and light brown people apart and forced them A-part-ness. A multi faceted approach is needed across the board. and then to top it off. and as an extra Clean up the police.	Robin	Non-profit
	2026-09-14 11:55:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ask Eskom how they will compensate all the businesses that closed down and the people who lost their jobs because of loadshedding. Why has load-shedding quietly disappeared? What will happen if all the solar users go back to using the grid?	Johann	
	2026-09-14 11:57:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity consumer has been abused by Eskom inefficiencies and budget overruns long enough, so free market competition is welcomed. But this move by government cannot have a budget safety net by punishing consumers with high fixed grid and availability fees, or by penalizing those who have used after tax savings to invest in solar. The only fair way is for all homes to pay a reasonable grid availability fee and then be charged per Kwh via the Pay as you go meters which should be installed in al homes.	Nick	self-employed

	2026-09-14 13:05:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa-Louie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:12:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is blackmail to demand payment for not using a service that is utterly unreliable and expensive. Municipal rates and Eskom charges, etc. are simply unaffordable and breaking innocent, compliant, tax-paying individuals and small businesses. I support Eskom unbundling and private sector competition (and no corruption). I do not support a solar tax. Fire half of Eskom and drop salaries of the rest to pay for Eskom's unbundling and revenue loss, and get Soweto and illegals and squatter camps to pay for services they freely use	Z	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 14:38:15	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Poor management by Eskom led to the introduction of load shedding which caused electricity consumers to spend their own capital to procure PV and other systems to make up for Eskom's failure. Eskom & Municipalities must not now be allowed to charge exorbitant fixed charges, so called grid connection to compensate for lost customers and revenue. More importantly, for customer who move totally off grid with no connection to either Eskom or the municipality cannot be charged a grid fee, as susch users are using the free sun light. This is constitutionally not defendable. This is similar to charging citizens a fee for breathing air which is totally free. Consumers that are totally dependent on the grid must be protected from Eskom or Municipalites from charging them exorbitant electricity charges to make up for lost revenue due to industrial users and solar consumers moving off the grid. All market reforms, Eskom un-bundling, introduction of existing and new private power producers, etc must all lead to users (Industrial, commercial and residential) having to pay less for electricity. Electricity has far exceeded PPI and CPI over the last 20 years and cannot be allowed to continue.	Allan	retired
	2026-09-14 14:47:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-14 15:08:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I accept that grid-connected consumers should make a reasonable contribution towards maintaining the electricity network. However, fixed charges must be fair, transparent and related to the capacity made available to each consumer. I therefore propose that: Fixed network charges must be cost-reflective, transparent and regulated by NERSA, with appropriate limits to prevent excessive charges. The fixed charge should be based on the capacity of the consumer's main circuit breaker, similar to the current-breaker tariffs previously used by municipalities. A 20 A or 40 A connection should therefore attract a lower fixed charge than a 60 A or 80 A connection. Consumers who have installed solar and battery systems should be allowed to reduce their grid capacity and consequently pay a lower fixed charge. Electricity legally exported to the grid should receive fair compensation. Fixed charges should recover the reasonable cost of providing network capacity and must not be used to recover lost electricity sales or municipal profits from solar users. This provides a simple and equitable principle: the greater the grid capacity reserved for a consumer, the higher the fixed charge; the lower the required capacity, the lower the charge. This prevents genuine "free riding" without unfairly penalising consumers who have invested in solar power and energy efficiency.	Sarel	retired
	2026-09-14 16:52:53	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should be unbundled and private/commercial entities should be allowed to sell back into the system or sell their own generation. The fact that we have solar installations were due to Eskom's inefficiencies and general mismanagement , people were forced to make alternative arrangements. These should not be then penalised either by extra tariffs, registrations or any other mechanism for Eskom to generate money from something they have not paid for or contributed to themselves.	Kim	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:56:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years now, we have suffered from above inflation electricity increases. Additional taxes, in the form of these so called fixed charges and network charges have been added to our accounts. This has not occurred with a corresponding drop in the rates we are charged. You can use no electricity and still get charged R1000 per month. This is not affordable for most households, many of whom are experiencing cost of living expenses that are beyond salaries.	Brian	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 17:07:11	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the continued development of South Africa's electricity sector, but I strongly object to policies that would financially penalise households that have invested in solar and reduced their reliance on the electricity grid. I have made a significant private investment in solar in order to reduce my household's demand on the grid and take greater responsibility for my own electricity supply. Residential solar helps reduce pressure on the national grid and contributes to lower electricity demand during periods when the system is under strain. Consumers who have invested their own money in renewable energy should not be treated as a problem or subjected to disproportionate fixed charges simply because they purchase fewer units from the grid. I urge the Department to ensure that any changes to electricity tariffs and market structures are fair, transparent and do not discourage private investment in renewable energy.	Zolene	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:24:56	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to have a framework for unbundling, however it needs to be transparent and not tax users who had to migrate due Eskom's inefficiencies. Unbundling should mean that I can buy electricity from whomever I choose, this means it should remove electricity supply from municipal books and direct to private suppliers. Users should not be penalised for using less electricity.	Douglas	business owner
	2026-09-14 19:03:44	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moleko	employed individual
	2026-09-15 20:16:25	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the transition towards a competitive and open electricity market and recognise the need to reform Eskom and attract private investment. However, the transition must protect agricultural, household and small-business consumers who invest in renewable energy and remain dependent on the distribution grid. Fixed network charges should be transparent, cost-reflective and proportionate, with appropriate protections against excessive charges that could undermine private investment in solar and battery systems. Smaller agricultural users should also have fair access to competitive electricity markets, and municipal revenue losses should not simply be recovered through disproportionate fixed charges imposed on captive consumers. The regulatory framework should encourage, rather than discourage, distributed renewable generation, energy storage and greater energy resilience.	Ashleigh	
	2026-09-15 21:29:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronica	
	2026-09-16 07:15:19	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It seems to me that the Government pushed private households to go solar when the grid was understrain in load shedding. Private households (and businesses) spent their own money to assist Eskom to stabilize the grid, now that things are going better, they want to penalize us. They should be thanking us.	Mark	business owner
	2026-09-16 07:49:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	retired
	2026-09-16 12:27:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I fully support the shift toward a capitalist free market for our electricity, but it must be entirely free of government regulation and unnecessary bureaucracy. For competition to truly work, the power and responsibility must be handed back to local communities so they can make their own energy choices. Instead of trapping citizens with mandatory fees or government red tape, a real free market will let communities invest in and manage their own power independently.	Sanet Pienaar	business owner
	2026-09-17 10:38:14	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom is unable to provide stable power to its clients, it has no right to penalise those clients who are able to install a stable power supply for themselves. Instead Eskom and the municipalities should compensate their clients for lost business / goods and damaged equipment caused by the unstable power grid.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-17 15:26:35	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		glen	business owner
	2026-09-17 21:10:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hans	
	2026-09-17 21:34:24	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need a system that is fair .There needs to be movement on illegal power connections that result in unpaid electricity being used .Those who invested in rooftop solar from their own funds because the state could not provide reliable supply should not be penalised - a small grid connection fee would be acceptable. Captive users should not be exploited. - they are those who pay and business should carry their share of the costs as they use large amounts of power ,this is about providing necessary power to all at a reasonable rate so that households can function and that business can be conducted to improve the economy for all - not to extort from either	Sandra	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:56:32	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM has created the problem for itself through decades of non delivery of electricity. It is not reasonable that we are now being punished for ESKOMs incompetence. ESKOM needs to define a future for itself in a deregulated electricity supply industry that excludes abuse of it's monopolistic position to impose penalties on people that have spent hard earned money on solving electricity supply that the monopoly could not do for us.	Clive	retired
	2026-09-18 12:36:00	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Paul	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 14:12:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can't tax the use of sunlight. South Africans should be able to buy solar panels to mitigate monthly electricity prices without having to pay additional taxes for it--that's just ridiculous! On the other hand, the movement to end Eskom's monopoly is one I support (with heavy amendments).	Jessica	
	2026-09-18 16:50:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Over the last 10 months (December 2025 to September 2026) I have tracked my average prepaid electricity purchases. I have a solar installation in my home, which was installed during the height of load shedding, to allow for my child to continuing studying during the load shedding. Currently, it is important to note, that due to the suburb I reside in, I am supplied electricity directly from Eskom and not from City Power (City of Johannesburg). The total value of purchases over this period has been R17,500-00 with an average of 242 units a month. This equates to an average cost of R5-56 per unit, consisting of electricity cost, Connection fees, and VAT. The R5-56 over these three items are on average R3-03 for electricity, R2-07 for Connection fees and R0-46 for VAT per unit. Connection fees and VAT account for approximately 45% of the total spend. If I were supplied by City power, the approximate cost for these items would be R2-53 for electricity, R0-58 for Fees, and R0-47 for VAT per unit. The connection fees and VAT account for approximately 29% of the cost. These assumptions are based on the 2026/2027 City power published rates of 290-46 c/KWh, R70-00 monthly connection fee and R140-00 monthly capacity charge. The lowest rate for electricity has been assumed as the average purchases falls below the 350KWH usage rate. The total value spent with City Power would have been R11,248-91, a saving of R6,200-00 over the 10 months. It is also assumed that the usage would remain consistent across Eskom or City Power, as both would have been on the prepaid usage. Eskom is price gouging prepaid electricity customers, as their connection fees are significantly higher than that of City Power, regardless of the solar installation. The solar installation would have been in place under Eskom or City Power supply, as load shedding was in place for both. I propose that the Eskom connection fees and City Power connection fees be aligned, as I have no choice which entity currently supplies the suburb the live in.	Maurice	self-employed
	2026-09-19 06:28:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicole	employed individual
	2026-09-19 18:13:47	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity for ordinary householders is already expensive while Eskom and Municipalities are reckless in managing their financial affairs and corrupt officials who even participate in encouraging stealing of electricity by allowing illegal tokens to purchase electricity for pre-paid customers.	Vezi	retired
	2026-09-20 08:33:29	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-09-20 16:02:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edouard	employed individual
	2026-09-20 22:52:39	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	retired
	2026-09-23 14:43:18	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop blaming solar users as free loaders. They aren't. They switched because of your own inability to supply.. Far from being free, the switch cost them millions and cost you nothing. So you have no right to charge them anything for something that has always been there and is not costing you. You gained the generating capacity of another Kusile and Medupi without it costing you a cent. This extra capacity you now sell. That should be enough. Allowing large users to shop around elsewhere just means that Eskom is left supplying the small users i.e. us. We need costs kept down, not the nonsense we have had to endure over the last few decades. To really benefit South Africa, Eskom needs to change its approach. It should not generate large profits and give huge dividends to the govt. (for others to put in their bank accounts), but rather provide cheap electricity for 66M consumers so all benefit.	john	retired
	2026-09-23 19:53:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melusi	employed individual
	2026-09-23 20:00:20	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA should place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Precious	employed individual

	2026-09-24 09:46:04	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We found the cost of rural electricity becoming unfordable . We pay the following in addition to energy charges : Service and Admin charges @ 24.50 per day Network Capacity charges @ R96.99 per day Network demand capacity @ .6166 per day Ancillary (????) service charge .0041 per day Generation capacity charge @5.37 per day Then we only have the Energy charges @ R 2.2493 per day. This is rediculously expensive - our last bill was R 14663.17 We cannot afford this as retirees !!!!!]	Carolann	retired
	2026-09-25 14:19:45	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-25 15:00:59	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar Users saved Eskom from total grid collapse. Now the greedy fingers want to penalise solar users, and pocket (steal?) the proffits. Stop taking, work with all electricity consumers to build a sustainable National Grid. Instead of the current reducing consumer demand due to a stagnant economy and unreliable Eskom, try and attract power hungry Data Centres into SA. Entails throwing out the concept of expensive solar use and bringing back to life the mothballed power stations. We have an abundance of coal so electricity could be much cheaper than it is if the power stations were resusciated. Is a win-win for everybody as Eskom would also gain a decent customer base - as long as it is not subidising heavy use industries. Trouble is Data Centres mainly originate from the USA and the ANC is at loggerheads with America over its racist policies, among other things.	Elizabeth	business owner
	2026-09-25 15:09:12	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Masingita	retired
	2026-09-26 13:25:57	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-26 13:26:09	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-27 02:57:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You have no right to tax us regardless of the amount of electricity we use or even if we don't use grid electricity. Are you claiming that you now own the sunlight?	Dimitrios	employed individual
	2026-09-27 06:19:05	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Green energy should be encouraged, not punished, because the Government can't control it's own finances.	Stacy	employed individual
	2026-09-27 08:50:26	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to treating the electricity we generate and use ourselves as a reason to impose an additional fee, or replacing so much of the usage-based bill with fixed charges that reducing our grid consumption brings little benefit. I ask that the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper expressly require the following principles to govern the new market and the tariff rules developed alongside it: 1. No household should be charged merely for owning or using solar equipment when it does not export electricity. 2. Any fixed grid charge must reflect the connection capacity and grid services the household receives. It must not be based on the size of its solar panels or inverter, or recover a cost already covered by another connection, network or standby charge. 3. Households must be able to reduce their contracted grid capacity, and the related fixed charge, through a practical and affordable process. 4. Residential tariffs must retain a meaningful financial benefit when a household uses less grid electricity through solar power or energy efficiency. 5. The costs of opening the market to large customers, legacy contracts, municipal debt and trading losses must not be shifted onto households that cannot yet choose a competing electricity supplier. Please make these protections express conditions of the market transition. Households that invested in supplying part of their own electricity should be able to remain connected to the grid on fair terms.	Bronwynn	employed individual
	2026-09-27 22:37:22	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My primary concerns are these two aspects: A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-28 07:38:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support a fixed rate as those using more are not using any more infostructure and are paying for what they use infact they should pay a lowere rate for being good customers.	Guy	retired
	2026-09-28 07:53:23	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terence	retired
	2026-09-28 21:06:31	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Steve	employed individual
	2026-09-30 08:25:36	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernon	employed individual
	2026-09-30 22:21:38	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Candie	employed individual
	2026-10-02 07:42:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	retired
	2026-10-05 13:14:13	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Market should be open but Eskom must amend fixed charges to be relevant to services provided for grid infrastructur- similar to water. All consumers should be able to buy from other Power Producers (not just commercial entities).	Maurice	business owner
	2026-10-06 16:25:06	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	escom are reaping the results of their inefficiencies. Don’t punish those who were forced to go the solar route due to family requireing oxygen 24 / 7 and were failed by Escom	Alison	retired
	2026-10-07 05:56:46	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to mandatory fixed solar charges - as households we forced to find alternate solutions to Eskom as the entity could not provide this. Now household that being punished by getting solar that we were forced to purchase (and now paying these loans) to provide an essential right. Also, the consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Winston	retired
	2026-10-07 09:04:54	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling - competition is healthy, and will encourage investment (as long as we can dump the defunct BBEE regulations!). Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes - The government has no right to charge for private solar installations - a consumers choice to install a solar system, at their expense, has NOTHING to do with Dpt of Energy!	Joan	employed individual
	2026-10-07 16:52:41	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Peter	business owner
	2026-10-08 09:08:27	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar must be removed as having solar panels relieves the pressure on the grid.	Nomaza	employed individual
	2026-10-09 10:58:16	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alessandro	self-employed
	2026-10-10 08:45:33	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Johan	
	2026-10-10 08:47:52	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johan	
	2026-10-15 12:26:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ricky	
	2026-10-16 16:25:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dean	employed individual
	2026-10-21 10:07:37	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We invested in solar power as a clean and affordable alternative to coal-generated electricity. Currently we are unable to shed additional solar energy back into the Eskom grid, which is what other 1st-world countries not only allow but also encourage. If we are going to be taxed for reducing our burden on the already overburdened electricity system, we will simply go off the grid completely, as I think thousands of other solar users will. This will further reduce the available buyers for Eskom. We should rather be supported fro making a contribution towards renewable and sutainable energy, and not be taxed to address government debt and funding of large SOE's which have been fincialiy ruiend by corruption and poor planning, lack of maintenenace and an overall fear of doing the right thing.	Cornel	self-employed
	2026-10-22 11:38:40	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am opposed to the fact that if someone puts a solar system at his home they need to pay reistration fee and other fees. Its like one is being firced to an electricity greed that is unreliable and very costly. Where do we get a break?	Peter	retired
	2026-10-24 02:07:28	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yuro	business owner
	2026-10-26 09:45:10	I support with amendments	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. NERSA should place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. This could be implemented through a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Lauren	employed individual
	2026-08-25 16:01:59	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liziwe	retired
	2026-08-26 16:23:01	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 08:27:51	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Kim	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:54:36	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthonie	

	2026-08-27 10:38:03	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sorin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:55:30	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the concerns described under the objections can be addressed satisfactorily one can support the proposal.	Johann	retired
	2026-08-28 07:30:36	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lilian	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:56:37	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die werklikheid is dat die wat elektrisiteit gebruik daarvoor moet betaal en dat dit geld kos om infrastruktuur in stand te hou. Die probleem in suid afrika is nie die wet of die struktuur van die elektrisiteitsverspreiding nie maar die oorhoofse politieke stelsel naamlik dat gemeenskappe wat vir hullleself kan sorg gedwing word om vir ander te sorg en nie daarvoor krediet kry nie maar nog harder gedruk word om vir ander gemeenskappe te sorg en beledig word vir hulle bydrae. Die verandering van die wet gaan nie die probleem oplos nie, maar sal die geleentheid vir verdere verbetering.	werner	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:24:29	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	Countries like the UK have sorted out these issues long ago. we need to learn from those countries. It's not about what ESKOM wants, it's about how RSA should structure its electricity future. Any proposed legislation that penalises solar generation and power wheeling and trading is counterproductive, and it will continue the use of dirty coal and global warming.	Nigel	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:35:57	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nonhle	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 17:50:05	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen Margrethe	retired
	2026-08-28 18:03:51	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Opening up the Market and Splitting services is the way forward, BUT: - South Africa got 11.5bn EURs in commitment to transform to solar from the Clean Trade and Investment Partnership (CTIP) - Open production Fully to all customers to allow competition in the energy market. That can bring prices down and investment in cheap Solar/Wind/water/tide generation - Eskom is already charging a Network Capacity Charge. That is ok. It should not be a penalty for own initiatives or cover up losses from sales. - Government should support private investment into Solar so that Coal Plants become less.	Kyle	
	2026-08-28 20:54:54	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-29 06:42:39	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom and citypower is busy killing us with very large bills witch are getting impossible to afford and causing businesses to collapse and thus causing unemployment	Bryan	business owner
	2026-08-29 10:44:59	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As unpalatable as my presupposition is, the household solar user cannot expect to have free back up electricity available for when the sun does not shine. That is totally unfair to all other consumers, who eventually will have to pay more. An option would be to go off the grid, in toto, with own battery back up. Or, have your panels and through a smart meter pay a higher unit rate for your grid offtake, rather than a flat, fixed rate. Rooftop solar owners cannot expect to have their cake and eat it. Having said that, Eskom should be recognised as an essential continuous producer, to ensure 24 h electricity for SA, for now. As such it cannot be operated optimally and the shortfall in efficiency should be paid by the state. It therefore needs to be an SoE, with a specific mandate to ensure 24 h availability and that is the price the country needs to pay. Eskom should have a declining role which can be phased out over a couple of decades while growing the private sector. We will never have proper growth prospects if we do not have energy autonomy.	Quent	retired
	2026-08-29 22:03:49	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While it is agreeable that users should contribute towards a system's maintenance, it must be clear what the maintenance costs are and that the rate per user is being fairly calculated to cover the maintenance costs without irregular expenditures. Perhaps a yearly "maintenance expense" report alongside a report on the number of people connected would keep this system transparent and users happy. One can also consider the potential contribution of households to the overall grid. While our system currently does not receive solar power from households, perhaps it could, as it does in many other countries? And if it could, does this not warrant some form of retribution towards the household contributing its power to the grid? Either in the form of credited units, or a reduction in the connection fee?	Josef Ruben	self-employed
	2026-09-04 12:58:30	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can I buy electricity with more money but units ? are so small that is definitely ? crucial robbery on poor people ?	Israel	employed individual
	2026-09-06 08:02:11	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All subsidies should be removed so that all providers supply electricity in free competition, subject to electrical engineering constraints. Electricity generating businesses must finance all connections to the grid and guarantee their constant and continuous stable supply to their customers within engineering norms. Solar generation that cannot be connected to the grid is of no concern to grid suppliers and operators so should not be financially regulated, but must be regulated for safety. Grid connections, whether used or not, need to be paid for at strictly controlled rates. There must be a publicly accessible database of all fires affecting storage devices such as batteries.	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-06 14:48:08	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-07 10:41:33	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	
	2026-09-08 07:49:19	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clearance	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 19:57:47	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Help by reversing current electricity legislation is not help at all. It is essential to define legislation clearly and place clear caps and boundaries within new legislation in order to truly benefit consumers, especially those who do not have the means to defend themselves against unscrupulous exploitation. Any politicians and/or political parties who exploit people who cannot defend themselves should be disbarred and eradicated from politics. Such people are evil . The current trend is to replace existing legislation with subtle new legislation that make the situation worse for people who dont understand the changes until they discover the hard way that they have been betrayed.	Mark	retired
	2026-09-12 06:42:23	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Robin	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:53:27	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as residential consumers need industry to subsidise us or Eskom must make a price we can afford . The municipalities collapse is a fault of government and we have to pay them for electricity and they don't pay Eskom , I as a pensioner cannot afford solar and definitely not higher tariffs. Take the electricity away from municipalities	Karen	retired
	2026-09-12 15:00:07	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Georgina	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:11:39	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-12 17:02:09	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We're really paying to much for what we don't use, is not fair	Tumelo	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:28:12	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-14 05:54:51	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		bev	retired
	2026-09-14 06:22:36	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-14 07:26:42	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. Once again we have to foot the bill for the incompetent who was appointed - you broke it, you fix it and pay for your own repairs, I don't want to pay for your errors. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. If you kept up with maintenance and expansion like you should have, we would not be in this situation, reclaim the lost millions from defrauding municipalities and use that to fill the gap that the large corporations leave.	J	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:48:56	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		P	
	2026-09-14 17:22:44	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-26 09:53:52	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kotie	retired
	2026-09-26 09:54:30	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kotie	retired
	2026-09-26 09:54:47	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kotie	retired
	2026-09-26 09:54:52	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kotie	retired
	2026-09-27 17:30:59	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whilst the cost to produce and transmit electricity should be reflected in the cost (ie the cost of the electricity should excess by a reasonable margin the cost to produce it) it should not be per person but rather as a whole, So those who it is cheaper to get electricity to (rich urban dwellers) should subsidize those who it is more expensive to get electricity to (poor rural dwellers). There should be some people who do not pay for electricity (ie there is a guaranteed minimum that if given for free if you stay below this). The rest should subsidize this - via electricity tariff or via taxes. There should be a plan in place proactively if the rich urban go off grid entirely.	Stephen	retired
	2026-09-28 07:50:10	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russel	self-employed
	2026-09-29 07:03:02	I support with amendments	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantel	self-employed
	2026-08-25 16:09:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity price hikes are killing us as shrinking consumer base. But gov does not care. Why punish rooftop solar? (Why not feed surplus into national grid with fair compensation) When it's gov fault for unreliable power supply. When gov was informed to build more power stations to supply power for future growth of SA they declined. And more dams are needed to supply water to power stations. Laws must be already in place for outside energy producers to produce electricity witout being punished. Competition is good for a country. If everyone can take hands and build SA, without all the red tape and corrupt gov officials then SA would flourish.	Faan	retired
	2026-08-26 15:51:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daphne	employed individual

	2026-08-26 15:55:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption and a Marxist government mindset got us into this mess. Getting rid of corruption and encouraging a genuine free market is the only way to clean it up. Government, get out of the way!	AJ	retired
	2026-08-26 16:24:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-08-26 17:11:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	
	2026-08-26 17:16:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• I demand that a binding transition roadmap be published, which progressively lowers the eligibility threshold. This is to ensure that retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. • I believe it should be a requirement that NERSA should implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. • I'm against any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Margie	retired
	2026-08-26 18:13:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While market competition aimed to end Eskom's generation monopoly and encourage private investment is a must for the future of South Africa, to allow Eskom to apply unreasonable and future unrelated charges and keep us tied to the company is defeating the objective, keeping corruption and stealing from the nation.	Marla	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 19:08:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. However, the mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Jenine	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:09:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am in favour of ending the Eskom monopoly and promoting private generators and an open market. I am opposed to fixed charges and solar penalties; the very people who ended loadshedding through private initiative and personal capital expenditure, are now penalized for their contribution. The infrastructure argument is weak: As an example, the priavte sector invested billions in fibre optic infrastructure for internet and data delivery, yet I get to choose which provider's service I pay for. Just because provider B also installed a fibre line to my home, does not entitle them to an infrastructure fee. I am deeply concerned about the two-tier market system that will come about when the largest consumers are allowed to negotiatie in the open market, leaving residential consumers hostage to fixed tarrifs, in a shrinking pool of payers.	Herman	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:59:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. ESCOM cannot go on like this. BEE producing UNFAIR appointments to people who does NOT have the capacity to be held accountable for a give responsible position. STOP BEE and let people do the job that can accelerate and perform in their work to bring electricity to ordinary citizens at a much cheaper price. 2. Government CANNOT SELL THE SUNLIGHT to its citizens!!! 3. Poor governance produced POOR ENERGY PRODUCTION, not the ordinary citizens! 4. How and what will be the fair allocation of the proposed monthly electricity billing roadmap to the ordinary citizens? We all SUFFER already from an over 300% increase in electricity charges. We cannot take it anymore!!! 5. How will the informal sector pay their fair share for their electricity used? This MUST NOT BE IGNORED! 6. Government MUST gladly welcome private household Solar innovation and rooftop solar. Ordinary citizens immediately started to install expensive back-up solar power systems the moment ESCOM failed to supply. Electricity price sky-rocketed and power supply became totally inadequate. Now, government wants to try to further unfairly burden ordinary citizens again for their INCOMPETENCE and POOR DISITION MAKING, NOW AGAIN AND AS IN THE PAST! ??? 7. Define "FREE RIDE" solar use? What a SICK way of thinking!! 8. Try the truth for a change in GONERMENT THINKING EFFORTS and stop your perception that ordinary citizens, pensioners, must pay for all your stupid ideas! 9. We all deserve fair treatment. 10. Stop BEE and open-up the economy in a fair way. It CANNOT GO ON LIKE THIS!!!	Ockert	
	2026-08-27 00:42:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	retired
	2026-08-27 04:24:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicky	
	2026-08-27 07:59:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ending of Eskom's monopoly on power provision is long-overdue. However, it seems that this proposed legislation is just a red herring, fancy words to make consumers believe that Eskom no longer has monopoly - when in fact, Eskom (albeit unbundled) will still be the only provider. Consumers who generate their own electricity will be penalised, and consumers who utilise Eskom power will also be penalised. And commercial consumers will get the best of the deal, in spite of being the biggest electricity consumers. Once again, the ANC thinks it has found a way to make the little guy pay for their mistakes and corruption!!	Lynthea	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:19:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-08-27 08:25:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-08-27 08:29:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are forced to use a monopoly supplier that has definitively proved a lack of competence or ethical behaviour, so the consumer needs to be strongly protected from unethical and criminal manipulation.	Bruce	retired
	2026-08-27 09:30:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		eugene	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:57:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marguerite	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:33:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Grid is basic infrastructure which must meet the needs of all users without favouring any group above the other	LC	retired
	2026-08-27 15:03:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As per my above choices.	ARNO ELS	retired
	2026-08-27 22:33:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reasonable zero budgeted network maintenance costs are acceptable. If it's truly free market then there should be competition at all tiers.	Carl	retired
	2026-08-28 04:19:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lindsay	retired
	2026-08-28 05:08:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Submission on the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper I support the objective of creating a more competitive, sustainable and reliable electricity market. However, I strongly object to a market structure in which ordinary residential consumers remain captive customers while increasingly carrying fixed network, capacity and legacy costs, regardless of how much electricity they actually purchase from the grid. This is particularly concerning for households that have invested substantial private capital in solar generation and battery storage. 1. Government encouraged households to reduce their reliance on the grid During the electricity crisis and periods of severe loadshedding, Government actively encouraged households to invest in rooftop solar. In the 2023 Budget, Government introduced a 25% personal income-tax rebate on qualifying rooftop solar PV panels, up to R15,000 per individual. The stated purpose was to encourage individuals to install rooftop solar, increase electricity generation and reduce pressure on the grid. (MDACC	Elizabeth	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:06:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am a business owner and rate payer. I think we need stronger competition to bring a market balance. At the moment we have to use a provider who can do as they please with no accountability. People have made a choice and installed solar and other power generation solutions, and now we are held captive by the legacy framework and face increased prices without any benefit. Happy with fixed charges, but then we must be allowed choice to select our own provider under free market conditions.	Andre	
	2026-08-28 08:37:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Christiane	retired
	2026-08-28 09:09:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a resident within the City of Cape Town we have seen the municipality squeeze the taxpayer for every lost cent of their traditional revenue. As the national electricity infrastructure was collapsing, home owners started to install costly backup measures to keep "the lights on at home". So on the one hand we are forced to make costly capital expenses for our own survival, while on the other hand the city introduces standard charges for the "privilege" of connecting to a grid, that has no relation to actual usage. I understand the need to transform this space and am very aware of the plans independent electricity providers have to solve our country's problems. But to make the ordinary household pay for lost municipal income despite having installed their own, costly, backup process, is completely unfair.	Ohna	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:50:31	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Strict caps should be placed on fixed grid charges - purely for network maintenance and NOT municipal profits. Free market principles should apply so that consumers may choose suppliers.	Klaus	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:56:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the transition towards a competitive and open electricity market and recognise the need to reform Eskom and attract private investment. However, the transition must protect agricultural, household and small-business consumers who invest in renewable energy and remain dependent on the distribution grid. Fixed network charges should be transparent, cost-reflective and proportionate, with appropriate protections against excessive charges that could undermine private investment in solar and battery systems. Smaller agricultural users should also have fair access to competitive electricity markets, and municipal revenue losses should not simply be recovered through disproportionate fixed charges imposed on captive consumers. The regulatory framework should encourage, rather than discourage, distributed renewable generation, energy storage and greater energy resilience.	Ashleigh	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:48:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mercia	
	2026-08-28 11:14:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is a stealth tax on us over burdened under serviced rate payers. If run efficiently Eskom should be able to supply a kw at a competitive price, which would increase demand and negate the need for additional tariffs. I suspect that this is one of the few remaining cash cows for the incumbents to ride into the dirt.	Tom	
	2026-08-28 15:03:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While there is good merit in portions of this proposal, there is multiple issues taxing people for use of the sun is absolutely ridiculous, while I can appreciate a connection rate to the grid to help pay for maintenance and up holding our grid it needs to be a reasonable rate, considering the steep prices we already pay for rates and taxes in general, and our corrupt muncipalities squander these funds in any case, South - Africans are sick and tired of footing the bill and not having a say anymore, dear minister reconsider this course of action very carefully. Find ways to reduce the pressure on households not increase it please.	Xander	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:55:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-08-29 07:43:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Nathan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:10:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-08-29 08:45:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	
	2026-08-29 11:17:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frano	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:42:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In Johannesburg and many other Municipalities there has been widespread fiscal mismanagement, infrastructure theft and corruption. I have no confidence that this proposed change will be handled in an honest, ethical and professional manner.	Christopher	retired

	2026-08-30 21:25:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All evidence indicate that the government is not capable of managing ,expanding or upgrading our electrical grid . I believe the best way to help all south African citizens is to open the electricity infrastructure and Production to the public with little to none government control and a external private run oversite body.	Jaco	employed individual
	2026-08-31 17:53:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Had to put myself into Debt to get electricity as Eskom just cut us off and then increased the tariffs sky high. Now i must pay them when my bond payments have to be serviced. No this is totally unfair. Will rather go Off Grid in that case !	Bodo	retired
	2026-09-01 21:54:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support Eskom no longer having a monopoly, but I think it'a unfair that only businesses can use an alternative to Esko.m - this will result in normal citizens paying even higher fees to cover the loss Eskom makes. We, too, deserve another choice and to not be held hostage by Eskom.	Vanessa	self-employed
	2026-09-06 23:27:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Megan	employed individual
	2026-09-07 09:57:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support market competition and options for all users. not just large corporate. Bill to be amended to not levy and fix or other rates or charges on people installing and making use of their own solar installations. Rates payers must be protected and also have options to purchase form other service providers.	E	employed individual
	2026-09-07 10:58:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The term I am most concerned about is this fairly 'new' term "legacy cross-subsidies". (I heard it first from Zille). This means that the affluent areas (read middle class) are 'helping' poorer areas? No! Why should that happen? Why can't the poorer areas pay a NOMINAL fee each month? The Math is pretty simple and blows the mind. If ALL ADULTS (aged 20yrs to 55yrs) living in an informal settlement - which we can safely assume these 'cross-subsidies' is aimed at - pay R30, maybe R40 per month, it would bring in MILLIONS, NO BILLIONS, EACH MONTH. But, there's a catch - of course - Government and local municipalities will have to provide clean, safe, tarred roads; clean, safe ablutions and/or RDP housing; managed open spaces with trees (watered); provide litter bins and with it education regarding keeping the township tidy; and the animals fed and happy. This is not impossible, but if the masses don't see how their daily actions impact in their long-term futures, then they will forever be given hand-outs and 'help' - never learning to be self-sufficient in any capacity.	Jean	
	2026-09-10 17:11:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Monica	
	2026-09-11 14:45:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way for the government to dig into our pockets instead of focusing on fiscal responsibility at state and municipal levels. Corruption must be stopped and offenders must be forced to return ill gotten gains to taxpayers. At what point will this government stop blatant waste of taxpayer money???	Rene	retired
	2026-09-11 16:36:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Minister is filing up the trough. It's been reported over and over again that ESKOM is flooded with so-called managerial positions. Which don't contribute much more than bloating the payroll. If the minister is serious about this part of her job she would start there rather than take more and more from the citizens she allegedly serves	Nicolette	retired
	2026-09-11 16:55:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BASIL	
	2026-09-11 17:34:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This traps the pensioners in a never ending spiral of escalating cost on a fixed pension that is being eroded by the inflation of the food prices due to fuel hikes and will affect the indigenous population most of all.	Robert	retired
	2026-09-11 18:23:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should explore making solar available to ordinary consumers at reasonable prices and stop punishing citizens for finding solutions that government should be providing.	Bulelwa	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:07:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thurston	
	2026-09-11 19:12:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eleanor	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:44:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashton	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:58:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:06:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	retired
	2026-09-11 21:14:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		M	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:43:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wikus	
	2026-09-11 22:46:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities should realise that they exist to help the ratepayers who pay their salaries. Their job should be to provide the best service at the lowest possible cost to ratepayers. Once the ANC is unseated from more and more municipalities, the better off our country will be.	Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-11 22:56:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karin	retired
	2026-09-12 06:14:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity costs are sky rocketing and the ordinary pensioner or house holder is being pushed out of the market with no alternative. It is time that we had a competitive market with independent vendors and suppliers so that Eskom looses its stranglehold.	Wendy	retired
	2026-09-12 07:35:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lindsaye	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:55:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:37:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Peta	
	2026-09-12 09:04:00	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	
	2026-09-12 09:27:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jedidja	
	2026-09-12 09:44:00	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reform is urgently needed, but there needs to be a clearer plan for the maintenance of municipal/Eskom distribution structures. The current plan of moving to charging fixed costs rather than per unit costs will result in those who can moving completely off-grid through self-generation or private providers. That will leave the "captive consumers" to carry the full financial burden of the past 35 years of infrastructure mismanagement. I can hardly believe your honesty in admitting they are essentially in "electricity jail"!	Willemien	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:04:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired
	2026-09-12 11:28:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		REG	retired
	2026-09-12 11:39:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Surely a free market model of allowing consumers to purchase eligibility from their preferred provider, will bring healthy competition and competitive pricing... Do not throw the loyal paying consumers under the bus, revise the model to share the costs fairly between individuals and corporate/government institutions	Riana	retired
	2026-09-12 12:05:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 12:16:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vis	retired
	2026-09-12 13:09:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-12 13:42:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Megan	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:27:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For the vast majority of ordinary people Eskom will remain the monopoly supplier, via municipal accounts. Forcing them to pay for all the shortfall caused by bad business decisions in the past and present, would be unsustainable. How can we force Eskom to be leaner end efficient if there is no competition and no incentive. Captive consumer will always foot the bill. Investing in solar was a grudge purchase caused by Eskom, now "we" have to pay for having done that?	Gerhardt	retired
	2026-09-12 15:14:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-12 16:16:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-12 19:15:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is eskom punishing it's clients? I'm asking because electricity prices are being raised every now and then. It's already unaffordable. None of us ratepayers are protected. To live, we must buy electricity, and they know that. We are in a strangle hold by gov. Escom's client base is shrinking by the day and if you try to produce your own energy you are bullied even more by escom. We must decide, pay minicipal bill or buy electricity. Which one do you choose?	Faan	retired
	2026-09-12 19:54:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need transformation to make energy sustainable but it needs to be from service to the people, not to find ways to make or retain money. Do the right things.	Joshua	employed individual
	2026-09-12 20:46:00	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:07:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Irene	retired

	2026-09-12 22:03:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roger	retired
	2026-09-13 07:00:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary consumers cannot be forced to shoulder extra costs	Antoine	
	2026-09-13 07:04:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Janet	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:52:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the introduction of genuine competition, Eskom unbundling and an open electricity market, but I support this Position Paper only with substantial consumer-protection amendments. Residential households and small businesses should not remain captive customers while large commercial users obtain access to cheaper competitive supply. A binding roadmap should progressively extend retail choice to households and SMMEs. Fixed network charges must be transparent, independently verified, cost-reflective and capped so that they cannot become a mechanism for recovering municipal inefficiency, historical debt or stranded costs from captive consumers. Customers who invest their own money in solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be financially penalised for reducing demand, and exported electricity should receive fair compensation. Captive tariffs should be benchmarked against efficient wholesale generation plus reasonable network and retail costs. Consumers who have no choice of supplier must not be required to subsidise losses created when large customers leave municipal retail supply. The NTCSA's market, system, transmission and purchasing functions must also have strong operational independence and conflict-of-interest safeguards. Competition will benefit South Africa only if the market is genuinely competitive and ordinary consumers receive the same long-term benefits as large electricity users.	Petrus	Non-profit
	2026-09-13 08:49:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elfriede Helga	retired
	2026-09-13 09:00:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Susan	
	2026-09-13 09:03:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Maintenance seems inefficient as I have experienced outages if 3.5 days, 2 days snd most recently 10 hours followed next day with another 5 hours. Expensive electricity and compromised service is my experience ftom Eskom. If price goes up consumers use less- the price goes up even more- bad economics	Vina	retired
	2026-09-13 09:11:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	retired
	2026-09-13 09:33:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Protect captive user price hikes and ensure usage costs only passed down to consumer. Limit costs to solar electricity users and set off excess generated and passed back to Eskom against a limited mandatory fee . Penalising any sector of community for using solar is ridiculous - Eskom doesn't own the sun nor does it own the infrastructure used by solar consumers to electrify their homes. Eskom revenue generation should not be the main factor considered in pricing of kwh - affordability of individuals and their usage need to be accommodated. I understand tariff increases are needed but they need to be reasonable and affordable. They currently are not. Solar is here to stay so best to amend the paper now in a way that will make it relevant in the future and not be short sighted.	Vash	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:15:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While moving toward a competitive electricity market is a necessary step for South Africa, the current structural roadmap risks penalizing ordinary households and early adopters of private solar. I urge the Department to amend the framework in three critical ways: Cap Fixed Network Fees: Protect rooftop solar users from prohibitive, unavoidable monthly connection fees that undermine private investments in energy security. Protect Captive Ratepayers: Ensure that households and small businesses left on municipal grids do not shoulder the financial burden caused by large industrial users bypassing the system. Safeguard Municipal Revenue: Prevent punishing tariff hikes on vulnerable consumers by developing a fairer mechanism to cover legacy cross-subsidies. Reform must not come at the expense of everyday citizens trying to keep the lights on.	Susan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:31:16	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Breaking up monopoly, but only for some. We demand a binding, published transition roadmap that ensures retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. We require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. We oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover debt or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Competition is good. The roadmap to get there needs work.	Moya	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:03:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free market system calls for pay only for what you consume. Anything else is extortion n slavery.	George T.	
	2026-09-13 12:48:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronald	retired
	2026-09-13 13:47:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Basetsana	self-employed
	2026-09-13 18:41:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Henry	retired
	2026-09-14 00:16:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:38:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angus	
	2026-09-14 06:52:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private companies operate for profit, and they want the biggest profit. People (the poor, disproportionately)will pay for that profit, unless there are strong controls and regulations.	Susan	retired
	2026-09-14 07:56:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anet	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:57:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donna	
	2026-09-14 08:14:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are being punished for the corruption of other people, we are already struggling to survive, now they want to make it even harder, when is this going to end, when we the people say enough is enough and rise up against the people who are constantly pushing us down?	Herman	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:24:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm using the same amount of electricity today as I did 7 years ago but I'm paying trippel the amount. I can't afford electricity any more and I'm just running the bare essentials. Why is Eskom punishing it's customers? South Africans need to get out of this abusive relationship.	Koos	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:44:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whilst creating a competitive environment related to the generation of power is welcomed, the confusion between owning the infrastructure and also supplying the power to captive users who are unwilling or unable to use alternative power suppliers will lead to abuse. Firstly, the infrastructure should be owned by a SOE. Taxes collected shoud focus on improving the grid. Secondly, the supplier of power (for example Eskom) should compete with other suppliers of power- hence this part of Eskom should be privatised- taxes should not be used to fund Eskom. Those individuals who choose to generate their own electricity or use alternative power suppliers should be encouraged. This encourages employment and improves income and tax generation. It also ensures that the best, most reliable supplier gets supported by users- hence the users benefit and government benefits- the entire country will therefore have an economic benefit. Grid stability should be the first concern of government (not continuing support of a POE such as Eskom which is becoming more bloated and inefficient). Political Party ideologies should not be the first or only determinant of how Electricity demands are managed in the country. Politics will not feed hungry mouths or build a stronger future for all of us!	Ashley	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:31:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government needs to get its house in order and to stop fleecing the citizens of this country to cater for subsidize their corrupt tendencies and incompetence. In modern day society, Electricity is a basic Human Right!	Gerard	retired
	2026-09-14 11:45:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sybrand	retired
	2026-09-14 13:51:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer Lenore	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:52:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Legally grid connected consumers should never be penalised by higher electricity costs to compensate for mismanagement by Eskom	Frank	
	2026-09-14 14:57:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As usual, the ANC philosophy of having to control and punish the remaining handful of taxpayers comes through strongly, in spite of its abject failure in almost all aspects of society they keep trying it on. The ANC cant keep traffic lights working, what chance is there that they will screw up every sophisticated aspect of a modern society that they can, look at the crypto manual for another example, the idiocy knows no bounds.	Michael	business owner
	2026-09-14 17:10:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal will make middle class and the poor even more poor. The proposed changes are simply there to make up for poor management in Eskom. Those who could afford solar did it to bring financial relief, which now is being taken away.	Ryno	
	2026-09-14 19:47:44	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Etienne	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:51:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacob Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-15 09:34:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lazarus	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 10:24:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Using electricity as a major income source is an Apartheid legacy. it is not how all governments raise funds. That said, it's also important to remember that when cars were invented, blacksmiths had to reinvent themselves. Times change. Eskom clearly doesn't have the capacity to manage the current infrastructure, fiscally or practically, never mind shifts in technology. They operate defensively (at best, not proactively. if they did, they would have a) managed the current grid well (they haven't), and planned effectively for the fact that times move on. Such foresight would have included an appreciation for the need for decentralization and a down scaling of their top-heavy structures. And that's putting it politely. It's time to run Eskom properly. If they can't wake up then give the job to people who can.	Lana	self-employed

	2026-09-15 12:18:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marno	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:34:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janice	
	2026-09-15 13:43:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Sun tax, should be an incentive - not a punishment. Eskom just seem to be incompetent at arriving at creative forward thinking solutions.	Yvonne	business owner
	2026-09-15 21:18:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Make the big users pay their fair share. Out country needs people and organisations to believe in and support South African people and communities - not big private businesses that escape rates and taxes and end up dishing the bill to the little guy.	Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:50:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	travis	
	2026-09-16 23:48:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Sanette	employed individual
	2026-09-17 10:25:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers /Ratepayers should not be expected to foot the bill of a failed corrupt state/municipality and all the looting that goes along with it. Let those who choose to install solar panels be...btw who are actually helping Eskom and inadvertently assisting the Municipality in stabilising the power grid.. but this act should not punish captive consumers/ ratepayers unfairly who cannot afford to move across and install solar panels at this moment. The municipality must find other alternative ways of raising funding, but must not solely rely on ratepayers only. Ratepayers are already cash strapped as it is and now the failed municipality wants to burden the consumer even further. It cannot be...it can't be!!!	Zinzi	retired
	2026-09-17 11:59:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's monopoly should be ended, but not in ways that would place a bigger financial burden on households or penalising those who have installed solar power at huge personal cost.	Maryke	employed individual
	2026-09-17 20:34:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	retired
	2026-09-17 21:19:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am just so tired of being bled dry by these inadequate vampires ruling our country. The decisions they have made in the past 30 years is just mind boggling, and they just keep on and on lining their pockets and finding ways of robbing us blind . Once again it is the man on the street that is going to suffer most while big companies, mines etc get special rates. (most of them belonging to the new oligarchs who accumilated massive fortunes from corruption, while our country struggles to stay on its feet). I am sad beyond words.	Florence	employed individual
	2026-09-18 12:28:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop punishing residential consumers especially pensioners, we are struggling as it is. I am not against growth in business as it creates jobs and stimulates the economy but it cannot be at the expense of regular consumers.	Denise	retired
	2026-09-18 16:12:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Captive ratepayers are already suffering under massive tariffs. It would be criminal to weigh them down even further.	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-19 22:16:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diana	retired
	2026-09-23 16:41:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicholas	unemployed individual
	2026-10-17 18:46:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole thing is open to corruption but the current corruption of the illegal monopoly of Eskom needs to change. At least then we have a better chance to vote with our rands and maybe squeeze out as much corruption as we can.	Tshepo	
	2026-10-20 09:42:46	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Michele	self-employed
	2026-10-21 12:05:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	
	2026-10-22 10:38:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support modernising South Africa's electricity sector and introducing greater competition, but I strongly object to penalising households that have invested substantial private capital in solar energy. Countries such as Germany already compensate residential solar users for feeding surplus electricity into the grid. South Africa should be expanding this approach, allowing households to sell their excess electricity at fair rates and offset municipal electricity charges. Cape Town already has such a system, demonstrating that this is entirely achievable locally. Government previously encouraged private solar investment through tax incentives to relieve pressure on the national electricity supply. Introducing higher unavoidable charges that undermine those investments is contradictory and sends precisely the wrong message to people who have used their own money to help address the electricity crisis. I accept that maintaining the electricity grid involves legitimate costs, but those charges must be transparent, independently justified and proportionate. They should not become a means of subsidising municipal inefficiency, poor financial management, electricity losses or outdated administrative structures. Municipalities should instead be required to modernise their operations, reduce unnecessary expenditure, address electricity theft and distribution losses, and become more efficient and accountable. I propose a national framework that allows residential solar owners to sell surplus electricity back into the grid, receive meaningful credits against their electricity bills, including fixed charges, and participate in a more competitive electricity market. **The solution should be to make better use of privately funded electricity generation while reforming inefficient municipal systems, not penalise households for investing in an asset that benefits the wider electricity network.**	Miles	self-employed
	2026-08-25 16:09:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:34:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a step in the right direction. Ultimately we need to get to a point where residential consumers can buy energy from private energy companies, such as Octopus in the UK. Tariff unbundling should not be seen as a “solar penalty”. It is purely splitting out the grid cost, which solar users benefit from, from energy consumption…which they do not pay for when they are utilizing solar energy. The allocation of the tariff unbundling needs to be closely monitored as Eskom is incentivized to weight more of the cost towards fixed grid costs.	Catherine	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:31:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Loraine	retired
	2026-09-12 10:05:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	retired
	2026-09-13 07:48:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Khumo	employed individual
	2026-09-20 08:07:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shelly	self-employed
	2026-08-25 19:03:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public in South Africa need more freedom especially from places like eskom. But the monopoly must not be taken to the municipality. And persons who spent alot of money on solar must not be penalised for their investmsnt.	Marise	employed individual
	2026-08-26 10:09:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:10:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Why should solar users be penalised because Eskom can't provide the service they are paid for? Eskom also shouldn't be able to charge a connection fee, again for a service they cannot provide. We should all: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Fleur	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:17:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is utter nonsense. With no hwlp from the government we were forced to make a plan for electricity. We were even encouraged to do so with discounts etc. We did so. Simply because Eskom now cannot balance their books thanks to muni's not paying etc, they are coming after the soft target of a paying consumer. This makes me want to take my WHOLE house offgrid so that no Eskom line touches it.	Liz	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:17:44	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-08-26 16:20:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	RYAN	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:40:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	retired
	2026-08-26 16:55:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the unbundling and creation of a competitive market. Solar users/producers should have the option of buying or selling to/from the grid when there is an undersupply. I DO NOT support a fixed tariff structure which is unwarranted and disinsentivises the installation of solar.	Robin	employed individual

	2026-08-26 18:14:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who used their savings to install solar panels are among the main reasons we no longer suffer from load shedding. To penalise them with fixed charges when they helped us all is completely outrageous.	William Rohan	retired
	2026-08-26 18:22:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederic	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:44:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-08-26 18:55:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tiffney	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:26:44	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my savings to ensure power for my wife's oxygen concentrator during load shedding or maintenance outages, power failure etc. The amendments are GROSSLY biased against private households which are the least able to afford tariff hikes and are the easiest target. Disgusting unethical business practice.	John	retired
	2026-08-26 19:40:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To maintain power continuity in a municipality with failing infrastructure we installed solar panels and batteries. We pay an availability fee, but are often without power, with no warning. We should not be penalised by the municipality levying a substantial fixed penalty in the future because we've installed solar to reduce our dependance on an unreliable power supply. Rather than pay us a reduced rate for power we feed back, we should be allowed to send all excess solar generated power back into the grid, which will reduce the power the municipality has to buy from Eskom to feed industry during the day when the sun shines.	Alan	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:03:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:44:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. They should also use a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Lynette	
	2026-08-26 21:08:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rabie	retired
	2026-08-26 21:12:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jurgen	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:19:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Punitive fixed tariffs do not account for decades of contribution to the establishment and maintenance of the grid. There is no concept of free riding, consumers should be offered the option of a maximum current draw and allow them to manage their consumption within those limits. Increased fixed charges will drive more consumers to go entirely off-grid, further reducing any subsidisation of lower income consumers.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-08-26 23:01:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Supplementary solar power has become a household necessity due to grid instability and ongoing price hikes. Given the significant investment to install solar, householders with solar are reducing grid demand so should not be penalised. Eskom should recover municipal arrears, police electricity theft and action cutting off non paying direct customers instead of to individual customers who have already had to expend funds to provide secure power.	Melonie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:31:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar after nearly two weeks with no Eskom power in mid-winter. The cost of the panels was subsidised showing Eskom support for what we were doing. It is now totally incongruous that they should want to penalise us for what they supported.	Lincoln	retired
	2026-08-27 05:46:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wikus	
	2026-08-27 07:38:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying R400 per month just because we have prepaid, and we were forced to go to prepaid. Our solar system is also not that big that it takes us off grid. We are already spending R2000 per month (in addition to the R400, so total R2400 pm) for electricity. On that note, R2000 only gives us 599 kW. R2000 is not insignificant, and we aren't getting much for it as we are already subsidising other communities who get the electricity cheaper. My husband doesn't work for himself, so we cannot deduct things from tax. The government is killing the middle class. We are struggling to do maintenance on our house and electricity, water, petrol /diesel and rates just keep going up.	Andrea	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 08:18:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We helped Eskom by not relying 100 % on their supply of electricity when the crises can not be sorted out by them. Now we must pay for their faults. This is unacceptable.	Elfrieda	
	2026-08-27 08:19:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	retired
	2026-08-27 08:28:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the general household consumers who are already under severe inflation strain are being singled out as 'free loaders' when we have committed hard earned family income to install solar systems to literally 'keep the lights on' when eskom failed miserably to provide a realiable, stable and cost effective BASIC SERVICE. To be specifically singled out and labeled in this document is appalling and exposes the true mindset of those involved. We are law abiding and have registered our solar systems and jumped through all the hoops... Now we are victimised, this is truely disgusting.	Ashruff	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:31:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	retired
	2026-08-27 08:36:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shumani	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:42:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		ANTON	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:59:31	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wilful state and Eskom neglect is the cause of the current defunct infrastructure. Taxes are already paid but then mismanaged. Consumers are trying to find solutions and should not be punished for doing so.	Kenneth	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:00:46	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were subjected to 8 years of loadshedding, and for 2 years we had loadshedding up to 12 hrs a day. We had to make alternative arrangements to work from home during covid and load shedding and to keep the economy running. Now we are subjected to penalties, or in real terms being punished for the government's inability to provide electricity, and their ongoing greed and corruption. We who have installed solar, actually allowed the little power Eskom had to be stretched so that the poorer income communities suffered less loadshedding durations. 1. Leave residents alone who have solar 2. Allow residents to pump electricity back into the grid during peak consuming periods or 3. use smart meters to reduce the usage or demand on residents with solar and batteries during peak periods, thus allowing for a better distribution of load /demand during the day for Eskom without additional cost to Eskom.	Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:03:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am tired of paying for ineptitude and disguised burglary!	Louis	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:04:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antonie	
	2026-08-27 09:10:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is audacious that, when there was a crisis with loadshedding, homeowners were good enough to help alleviate the lack of Eskom power, and through tax cuts were even encouraged to spend enormous sums of money on becoming less grid reliant, only to now, as grid power has stabilised (thanks inter alia to a great amount of privately generated megawatts), be penalised for doing this. Rooftop solar users are at the mercy of ravenous municipalities who can manipulate the intended fixed charges to increase their revenue, and we all know what that means in the light of collapsing municipalities and metros through malfeasance, mismanagement, maladministration, incompetence, theft and corruption. I object to this contemplated system, that is open for abuse mainly by cadres deployed to Eskom and municipalities with the main objective to loot. It is time for the corrupt ANC dominated government to be replaced.	Theo	retired
	2026-08-27 09:24:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We helped to solve the loadshedding problem that the ANC Government couldn't do, now that they are off the hook, they want to tax us on our installations ????????????????	john	retired
	2026-08-27 09:25:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-08-27 09:30:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:00:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my own hard-earned after-tax money to relieve the load on Eskom during load shedding. I could accept a fixed charge to cover infrastructure, but it had better apply to all consumers and be strictly limited.	Vera	
	2026-08-27 10:09:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom failed to supply efficient electricity to paying customers we installed solar power at own cost. Municipalities now want to penalise us for doing what we supposedly pay for. Also they need paying customers to support all the users who get free electricity. If I pay all should pay. Eskom has proven year on year that management is failing & there are multiple reasons. No private sector business would survive with similar vrot management. As we do not trust the powers that be to not mis-manage & plunder the coffers how can we possibly support them getting their grubby paws on even more money & leaving us more out of pocket because of our efforts to keep the lights on?	Helena	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:10:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Any Strategy should incentive employed Capital, whether from the larger private sector or small business owners. Individuals and businesses that used own capital to create capacity should be rewarded not penalised. All in all, capital should be respected in all aspects from generation big and small and distribution. The playing field should be level and healthy competition should be facilitated to ensure the end user get the best deal. The goverment has proven itself and its failures are blatant. Why carry on with a model that has proven itself fraught with holes in it. It is time to change and let the private sector do the magic. Competition is self regulatory and by its very nature will spit out corruption if the playing field is level. Accountability should be part of the structure. For instance, those municipalities that mismanage should be held accountable. Not just with consequences for corruption but simply feeling the pain that the constituents vote for performance, by vitue of feeling pain. A focus on sustainability. Just look at our Captains of industry in the private sector and how things are done there where there is a sustainablity focus on the short, medium and long term. And if they dont perform, the investors go somewhere else. Beautiful self regulated sustainable basics.	Jan	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:15:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alvin	self-employed

						I support the restructuring and unbundling of South Africa's electricity market and the introduction of competition into electricity generation and supply. South Africa urgently needs additional generation capacity, greater private sector participation and an end to the historic dependence on a single dominant electricity supplier. However, the purpose of electricity market reform should not simply be to introduce new suppliers. It should ultimately reduce the cost of electricity, improve efficiency, increase security of supply and make South Africa more economically competitive. South Africa has experienced years of inadequate electricity supply and rapidly escalating electricity prices. This has constrained economic growth, discouraged investment, increased the cost of doing business and placed an increasingly heavy burden on ordinary households. I therefore strongly object to any tariff structure that effectively penalises households and businesses that have invested their own capital in rooftop solar, battery storage and other forms of distributed generation. These consumers have responded directly to South Africa's electricity crisis. They have reduced demand on an already constrained generation system, invested private capital in additional generating capacity and, where appropriate infrastructure exists, have the potential to supply surplus electricity back into the national system. They should be encouraged, not penalised. I recognise that maintaining the distribution network has a cost and that consumers who remain connected to the grid should make a reasonable contribution towards the infrastructure they use. However, there is an important distinction between a reasonable, cost reflective network charge and using high fixed charges to recover lost municipal electricity revenue from consumers who have reduced their electricity purchases. Electricity tariffs should reflect the genuine cost of providing and maintaining the network. They should not be used to protect an outdated municipal revenue model or transfer the financial consequences of historic inefficiency, excessive expenditure or poor management onto consumers who have invested in alternative energy. The proposed reforms should instead create a genuinely competitive electricity market. If large industrial and commercial consumers are permitted to choose between electricity suppliers, households and small businesses should ultimately be afforded the same right. Competition should not be reserved for the largest electricity consumers while ordinary South Africans remain captive customers. A household should be able to choose an electricity supplier in much the same way that consumers can choose other service providers, while paying a transparent and reasonable charge to the distributor responsible for maintaining the physical network. Separating electricity generation, trading and distribution provides precisely the opportunity to make this possible. The same principle should apply to rooftop solar. Households and businesses should be encouraged to feed surplus electricity into the grid through simple and affordable connection arrangements. Electricity exported into the system could be purchased at competitive rates and made available to other consumers, including households that cannot afford to install their own solar systems. This would allow South Africa to mobilise billions of rand of private household and business investment in electricity generation without requiring the State to finance that generation capacity. The objective should therefore be to expand the number of electricity producers, expand the number of consumers connected to the electricity market, reduce electricity prices through competition and make reliable electricity available at the lowest sustainable cost. South Africa cannot restore economic growth by continuously increasing the cost of electricity to households and businesses. Affordable and reliable energy is fundamental infrastructure for economic growth, industrial development, employment and investment. I therefore request that the final electricity market framework incorporate the following principles: 1. Households and small businesses should progressively receive the same freedom to choose electricity suppliers that is proposed for large commercial and industrial consumers. 2. Grid charges should be transparent, reasonable and based on the actual cost of maintaining and providing distribution infrastructure. 3. Fixed grid charges should not be used as a mechanism to penalise consumers for reducing electricity consumption or installing private solar generation. 4. Rooftop solar and distributed generation should be actively encouraged as additional private investment in South Africa's electricity supply. 5. Consumers should be able to sell surplus electricity into the grid through simple, affordable and nationally consistent arrangements. 6. Electricity market reform should prioritise reducing the real cost of electricity through competition rather than preserving existing municipal electricity revenue models. 7. Municipal financial sustainability should be addressed through improvements in efficiency, expenditure control and appropriate municipal funding mechanisms, rather than through punitive electricity charges imposed on consumers who have reduced their dependence on municipal electricity. I support electricity market reform and the introduction of competition. However, it must be genuine competition. South Africa should not replace one electricity monopoly with a system in which large corporations receive access to competitive electricity while households and small businesses remain captive customers required to subsidise an increasingly expensive distribution and municipal revenue structure. The reform represents an opportunity to fundamentally change South Africa's electricity economy: more producers, more private investment, greater consumer choice, lower costs and greater economic growth. That opportunity should not be undermined by penalising the very households and businesses that have already invested their own money in helping to solve South Africa's electricity shortage.		
	2026-08-27 10:18:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Didi	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:21:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA needs to move towards the model used in the UK, where Electricity generators sell directly to consumers, allowing for fair competition and incentive to maintain fair pricing. Municipalities need to divest themselves from selling electricity as a cash cow, and instead focus on key service delivery and efficiencies.	Douglas	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:23:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bretjohn	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:41:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we be penalised for heavily investing in equipment to produce our own electricity when Eskom couldn't keep our lights on, which is a basic right in South Africa. The government doesn't own the sunlight powering our investment into solar. If Eskom had supplied enough electricity at fair prices when we needed it, then we would not have had to heavily invest in solar on which we have already paid tax.	Clinton	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:54:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-27 10:58:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacs	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:59:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:06:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	retired
	2026-08-27 11:12:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a senior citizen I was tired of being inconvenienced by power outages caused by vandalism sometimes up to a week. As the incompetent government could not deliver sustained power I got a small solar system. I am still connected to the grid when it is there. Now they want to charge me for looking after myself.	David	retired
	2026-08-27 11:17:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do support mandatory, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity and network charges , that apply to all users at the same rate.	Luc	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:20:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Incompetent and corruption once again and we foot the bill!	Trevor	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:21:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vincent	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:35:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Michael	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:36:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Tanya	
	2026-08-27 11:43:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government has failed the people of South Africa in all areas of governance. A lot has been due to no maintenance of facilities and infrastructure. Now, because of their inefficiencies, they want to penalise the general public for this and that will not be tolerated. They must collect all the outstanding amounts owed to them, the money "stolen" from them and all other illegal activities. Then they will have more than enough money to pay for all the shortfalls. One of the biggest problems that they have as a government now is dealing with the lies that they spread before 1994, by telling everyone that when they are in power you will not have to pay for these things. This is why the suburb of Soweto alone owes R billions to Eskom for electricity.	Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:56:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmion	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:56:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	
	2026-08-27 12:01:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whilst the Principle of the User Pay always applies. The government since 1994 has demonstrated a lack of financial acumen at Provincial and Local levels. Local level is where the consumer interacts directly with government and at this level the failure is evident in our daily experience. Fixed costs is a tax which is subject to annual reviews and becomes another point of rent collection by the government. If this tax is fully ring fenced and is based on actual OPEX requirement and bankable CAPEX projects then it is an honest tax. If it is used to pay salaries of various local over bloated government employees except staff directly involved in the electricity maintenance and projects, then government is being dishonest in the calculation of this cost. The process of tendering is a dismal failure due to the abuse of the processes and the cost of BEE premiums being paid.	Punkaj	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 12:02:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. A tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs must be introduced rather than imposing flat availability taxes. An independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households is required. I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	John	retired
	2026-08-27 12:44:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government ALWAYS legislates the consequences of their failures to punish the taxpayer. The robbed, raped and pillaged Eskom, oversaw its destruction, breakdown and capture, actively managed its decline to appease their greed and implement their destructive policies. Because of their failures, the taxpayer had to come up with their own solutions to negate their mismanagement. And now the punish the people who helped create the additional capacity with punitive tariffs, rates to pay their bloated workforce, and finance their failures. Electricity and municipal rates are killing every paying resident. It is not sustainable. How about the executives take a serious pay cut, and the workforce is reduced to eliminate the real free riders?	Sandra	retired
	2026-08-27 13:35:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, this government has caused the problem. the need for the purchase of solar power by the individual as they failed to actually do anything about it constructively, other than to line their own beds with our hard earnt money .. and now they see what individuals can do, they set about stealing in another way. this legal action of allowing charges to be made on the purchase of units over and above our solar production is nothing short of hostage taking. and who is going to foot the bill once the solar system needs to be refurbished in time, is there any pay back to help with this or will they once again resort to their criminal actions of loadshedding?? we don't buy an item to be charged a fee thereafter to keep using it - because it has caused a shrinkage in income, unless you're the government !!! .. who are the thieves here Mr. government, untrustworthy as always .. stop stealing and start fixing and doing what you promise to do at election times ..	carl	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:35:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kennedy	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:51:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges must be in line with real costs to the municipality or electricity supplier to maintain the electrical network and not to balance the books/budgets or to make up for the loss of income due to solar power. Fixed charges must only apply to customers who depend on grid supply as a back-up. Fixed charges must not be levied if such a customer is completely disconnected from the grid. Remember that previously Eskom was one of the 5 leading electricity utilities in the world. It was only when the ANC Government got involved in Eskom that everything went wrong and Eskom then moved to one of the 5 worst electricity utilities in the world. Do not punish the customers who installed solar power in order not to be adversely affected by the ANC Government's inabilities, corruption and bad management. Customers who installed solar power in fact helped the country to get out of the predicament the ANC Government got us into.	David	retired
	2026-08-27 13:54:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government was unable to provide the needed electricity and now that the man in the street has paid to instal solar etc the Government & the Municipalities are looking to recoup the lost revenue. It is time for the parastatals and the government to stop stealing and wasting money and live within their income from the public.	David	
	2026-08-27 14:07:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kogie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:30:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am tired of the state failing to ongoing corruption, incompetence etc. When the private sector and individuals come up with a solution, in this easy pressure on the grid (only reason loadshedding stopped), we get punished as it is far more difficult for our corrupt government and their cadres to steal. Once again resolute South Africans who are going above and beyond are being targetted. Safeguards need to be put in place to protect those South Africans who are actually makiong a positive difference. Eskom is a drain on South Africa, and this unbundling hopefully will make a difference, however, as with anything the government does I seriously doubt any benefits will come to the vast majority of South Africans.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:59:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duane	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:33:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-27 16:43:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robyn	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:45:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacomi	retired
	2026-08-27 16:47:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Ekurhuleni Municipality has failed their ratepayers across a broad spectrum of services. They are in financial distress and are utilising every possible avenue to generate revenue as they continue to decline. There is no doubt that the fixed charges will be abused. In the case of supply failure there is no recourse unless it is for more than 7 days, with a guaranteed painful experience if one were to attempt to claim a credit due to the failure. Why should the customer accept any electricity interruption albeit for 12 or 18 hours, fixed charges need to be supported by fixed service delivery commitments. Service delivery commitments that are four hours not two days or 48 hours. How can one make reference to high fixed infrastructure costs when maintenance is not carried out in areas that have been established decades ago. There aren't any fixed costs, there aren't any maintenance costs the council is just free riding on the poor consumer because they can't do a thing about. What will the fixed charges be for customers if they are recipients of "free electricity" which is being vocalised presently?	Gavin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:48:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the period of loadshedding, one was left in darkness and without electricity for hours, and sometimes every day. Eskom and the government could not solve the problem nor supply reliable power, which forced me, and many other citizens, to install solar panels and inverter, and a battery to have electric power. It cost me to withdraw my last savings to pay for the installation, and as a retired person, it was a hard blow to cover short fall on my income. Eskom is also suspected of corruption, employing incompetent officials, and signing overcharged contracts. They are responsible for their own downfall, and shortfalls, which they now want consumers, and taxpayers to pay for.	Jacob	retired
	2026-08-27 16:51:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Users should only pay for consumption and a reasonable service fee for connection to the grid. Thousands installed solar at great cost to themselves to solve the states energy crisis and the dreadful loadshedding day after day. Totally object to now potentially footing the bill for shortfalls from non payers and subsidising hundreds of illegal connections and social subsidy cases a lot of whom are illegally connected anyway.	Roz	retired
	2026-08-27 17:54:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oliver	retired
	2026-08-27 17:59:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-08-27 19:05:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand that there should be some form of grid connection fee if you have solar, but I do not agree with subsidising anyone after I have spend a lot of money already to assist the country to get of the electricity mess. The combined rooftop solar in South Africa is equivalent to a whole new powerplant (or more), and it was funded by private citizens who are now being punished, because they now use less electricity.	Christian	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:09:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracey	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:17:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:30:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kate	retired
	2026-08-27 21:58:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If domestic home solar generators could supply surplus power back into the grid and reuse some at night It may be partially justifiable to pay more " line charges" as the household gains value from the infrastructure. The Municipality gains by selling on the surplus power which it has not paid for, and this reduces peak demand in daylight hours. The current proposals are patiently unfair to domestic users as it favors industrial users. What happens to the domestic user who cuts himself totally from the municipal supply? It appears he / she is penalized for the infrastructure passing his house from which he draws no power?	Robert	
	2026-08-28 05:29:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must improve their inefficiencies and get rid of the illegal connections, theft and meter tampering rather than looking for "easy" ways to exploit ordinary citizens for more money. It is ridiculous that ratepayers must foot the bill for their inability/unwillingness to protect their assets. SA citizens must stand together and fight their monopoly.	Riaan	
	2026-08-28 05:48:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Danie	
	2026-08-28 05:53:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abdool	retired
	2026-08-28 06:11:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Demand mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. Require full public transparency and real-time reporting of day-ahead and intra-day market bidding data to enable independent civil oversight. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation.	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:16:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was unable to provide the required electricity and supported the electricity users to install solar power panels to help the supply problem. We have done so and now Eskom (the Government) wants to tax the people who did what Eskom requested. That is absurd and totally unaccepted.	Frans	retired
	2026-08-28 06:31:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom power is unnecessarily expensive & unreliable. As an SOE it has failed consumers over 2 decades. Accordingly, I have acted in a responsible manner to supplement electricity shortfalls. My solar installation cost me my savings, which are taxed. It is immoral to now penalise responsible residents with additional financial penalties	Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 06:52:30	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:01:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanine	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:05:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:07:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	If it is constructed well into private enterprising it will create cheaper electricity supply	*Hugo	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:18:16	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandra	retired

	2026-08-28 07:35:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		andrew	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:45:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many South Africans have invested their own money in solar panels, inverters and batteries because of unreliable electricity supply and rising electricity costs. We have paid for this equipment ourselves and continue to pay for installation, maintenance, repairs and replacement. Solar users should not be punished financially for generating their own electricity and using less electricity from the grid. South Africans who have invested in solar are helping reduce pressure on the national electricity system and reducing the demand for electricity generated by Eskom. Introducing additional charges because consumers are using less electricity is unfair and creates a serious disincentive for people to invest in renewable energy. South Africa should be encouraging households and businesses to invest in solar and battery storage, not penalising them after they have already spent their own money doing so. I therefore strongly oppose any additional “solar tax”, fixed charge or other financial penalty specifically targeting households that have invested in renewable energy. We bought solar to reduce our dependence on the grid — not to be punished for doing so. I respectfully request that these proposed charges be rejected and that consumers who have invested in renewable energy are not unfairly targeted.	Jared	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:56:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cindy	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:29:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Increasing fixed charges for home owners who put in solar is yet another way to penalize those who spend their own hard earned money to mitigate what should have been provided via the taxes we pay but due to ANC incompetence and corruption is not. We pay for armed response because the police services do not work, we pay for medical aid because government health services do not work, etc, etc. Now we must pay for having put in solar. Enough. This must stop. I say no to this. I will sooner go completely off grid then pay more.	Vincent	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:41:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonia	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:56:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:21:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom currently has 100's of tariffs. It will not be distrubuted evenly. Legacy charges were implemented on the last tariff increase which took some Business increases up to almost 22 %. There is no fair play. Shooting themselves in the foot because more and more are powering up to be independant to protect their businesses and be in control of their own power needs. You snooze you loose!	Gail	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:40:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lalmun Chebnath	retired
	2026-08-28 09:53:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	
	2026-08-28 10:43:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I had to invest considerable funds to install solar, entirely due to the failure of the State. Cadre deployment, immense corruption, total incompetence all resulted in the collapse of power generation but also the maintenance and upkeep of the grid. Now we are expected to be taxed AGAIN for the same problem. NOW we are being directly targeted for the very thing that helped save the country. We are ALREADY TOTALLY OVER-TAXED ON OUR ELECTRICITY PRICES AND MUNCIPAL CHARGES!!!!!??!!!!! Rather than fix the largest of these issues (overweight Eskom employment, absolute incompetence and corruption in the Municipalities and ongoing in Eskom, cadre deployment etc. etc.) and reduce costs, the ANC and government continues to reward shocking performance and penalise it's residents and destroy any chance of advancing as a nation. We residents simply can not afford being CHARGED AND CHARGED AND CHARGED to shoulder incompetence, corruption, skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Fix the route-cause. Instead of taxing your way out of it. Because unless the route-cause is urgently and immediately fixed, the costs and consequences will continue. For one, I am considering emigration. IF YOU CONTINUE WITH YOUR STUPIDITY AND INCOMPETENCE YOU WILL LOSE YET ANOTHER OF YOUR ALREADY ALMOST NON-EXISTENT TAX BASE MEMBERS. THERE ARE CONSEQUENCES!!!!!	Glenton	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:46:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:57:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have no problem in principle with a grid or connection charge. However, there is no reason for this to differ between solar and non-solar premises. Both benefit from the grid connection. And the grid connection certainly reflects a capital and maintenance cost to the operator regardless of units consumed. If the solar premises pays a higher fee, this is simply an anti-solar penalty, and I object to that. The key therefore seems to be regulation and the regulator that they are independent, thorough and fair.	Don	self-employed
	2026-08-28 12:12:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eleanor	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:02:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government's role must be limited to setting technical standards.	Jeff	retired
	2026-08-28 13:14:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-08-28 15:00:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I submit this objection as a South African electricity consumer who has invested in rooftop solar generation in response to the country’s severe electricity-supply constraints, load shedding and the public encouragement of consumers to reduce demand through self-generation and energy efficiency. I support the objective of establishing a reliable, efficient, transparent and competitive electricity sector. I also accept that grid-connected consumers who use the electricity network for supply, backup, balancing, export or other services should contribute fairly to the efficient cost of maintaining that network. My objection is directed at any proposal or implementation that would impose disproportionate, insufficiently justified, opaque or retrospectively harmful charges on consumers who installed solar in good faith. 1. Consumers must not be retrospectively penalised Many South Africans invested substantial personal or business funds in solar systems because the national electricity system was unable to provide a reliable supply. These investments were undertaken at the consumer’s own risk and helped reduce demand on the national grid, maintain economic activity during outages and support the country’s transition to cleaner and more decentralised electricity generation. It would be unfair and contrary to sound public policy to encourage consumers to invest in solar during a supply crisis and subsequently undermine the economic value of those investments through new charges, restrictive tariff structures or reduced compensation for exported electricity. The reform process should expressly confirm that consumers who lawfully installed solar systems will not be subjected to retrospective economic disadvantage merely because they reduced their electricity consumption or began exporting surplus power. 2. Legitimate network charges must not become a disguised solar penalty The Position Paper contemplates unbundled tariffs and increased reliance on fixed or network-related charges. While cost-reflective pricing may be legitimate, a tariff can be formally “technology-neutral” while operating in practice as a penalty directed disproportionately at solar users. A solar customer may still rely on the grid for backup and other services, but that does not mean that the customer imposes the same costs as a customer who obtains all electricity from the grid. Solar customers may reduce energy purchases, reduce demand during certain periods, supply surplus electricity and contribute to local system resilience. Tariffs must therefore reflect both the costs imposed and the measurable benefits provided. I request an express commitment that: - no charge will be imposed solely because a customer has installed solar, batteries or embedded generation; all network, capacity, service, metering and administrative charges will be linked to a service actually provided; - the methodology and evidence supporting proposed charges will be published; - tariff structures will recognise the system benefits of distributed generation and accepted exports; and charges will not be designed to eliminate the legitimate financial benefit of lawful self-generation. 3. Cost-reflectivity must not protect inefficiency “Cost-reflective” pricing must refer to efficiently incurred and prudently managed costs of providing electricity services. It must not become a mechanism for recovering historical inefficiency, excessive losses, poor maintenance, non-payment, municipal financial problems or unrelated revenue requirements from consumers who have invested in solar. The Department, Eskom, municipalities and NERSA should publish independently reviewable cost-of-supply studies, including the assumptions, customer categories and cost-allocation methods used. The studies should distinguish genuine network costs from costs arising from operational inefficiency or unrelated financial obligations. Before any material tariff changes are implemented, the authorities should publish their projected effect on representative non-solar and solar customers, including households, small businesses, prepaid customers and customers with battery storage. 4. Exported electricity must be treated fairly Where a customer’s surplus electricity is accepted by the network, the customer should receive fair, transparent and predictable compensation or bill credits. The framework should clearly specify: - how export volumes are measured; - how export credits are calculated; - whether the time-of-use or peak-period value of exported electricity is recognised; - which charges may be offset by credits; - how unused credits are treated; and - when monetary compensation, rather than limited bill credits, will be available. The value of exported electricity should not be reduced to zero merely because the customer remains connected to the grid. Nor should fixed charges be structured so that legitimate export credits become practically worthless. 5. Registration and metering requirements must be proportionate Technical standards, registration, appropriate inverter settings and suitable metering may be justified on safety and grid-stability grounds. However, these requirements must be proportionate to the size and risk of the installation, affordable, consistently applied and supported by clear administrative procedures. Registration, inspection, connection or metering costs should not become indirect deterrents to distributed generation. Consumers should receive reasonable notice, practical guidance, accessible processes and sufficient time to comply. Fundamental requirements should also be applied consistently by Eskom and municipal distributors. 6. Transitional protection and meaningful consultation The Position Paper envisages a phased transition involving further market-design documents, revised codes, improved systems and stakeholder consultation. This approach should include specific protection for existing solar customers. I request: - no retrospective adverse tariff changes; - reasonable notice and phased implementation of new charges; - appropriate transitional or grandfathering arrangements for existing systems; - a published impact assessment dealing specifically with rooftop solar and battery customers; - meaningful public consultation on all related tariff rules and market codes; and - an accessible process for disputing incorrect metering, classification, billing or export-credit decisions. Consumers must be given sufficient information to understand the financial consequences of any new tariff before it takes effect. Conclusion South African consumers who invested in solar did not cause the electricity crisis. Many acted responsibly when the national system was severely constrained and helped reduce demand at precisely the time such assistance was most needed. Electricity-market reform should support efficient consumer behaviour, private investment, renewable generation and a just energy transition. It should not treat solar customers as a convenient source of additional revenue or retrospectively penalise them for reducing their dependence on the grid. I therefore object to any aspect of the proposed transformation that would impose disproportionate, opaque, inadequately evidenced or retrospectively harmful charges on grid-connected solar consumers. I request that the Position Paper and all related tariff and regulatory instruments be amended to include the safeguards set out above.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:01:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sector does need to improve, but not at the cost of domestic consumer, particularly if they have invested in alternative solutions due to lack of service provision, prohibitive electricity costs or poor administration. Given how poorly municipalities in South Africa work, their powers in this regard need to be reduced, regulated, monitored and enforced.	Sarah	employed individual

	2026-08-28 16:03:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consider a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Households and businesses should not be forced to pay higher utility bills to cover old business losses and bad contracts.	Lebo	retired
	2026-08-28 17:13:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-28 17:15:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-08-28 19:45:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I dont understand why it has to be split- it seems that the more complex it is, the more people can make money out of electricity and the more likely there is to be problems (eg theft, failure of grid, corruption). It should be mandatory to have solar panels on all buildings in order to get eskom electricity, with the price you get for selling "solar" back to eskom, paying for the panels over decades. Eskom should store the solar in batteries and resell it at night at a much higher rate than during the day to recover the cost of batteries and load balancing equipment. I dont trust the people involved in this scheme to do the right thing, and I dont think the world knows the best way to switch over yet, thus lots of schemes initially, which will need to be modified to work well .	Jean	self-employed
	2026-08-28 19:51:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For the Green Point Cape Town property, we pay fixed basic charges, increased annually, for water/sewerage and electricity. The water fixed charge is based on the CoCT supply pipe diameter, so the basic electricity supply could be based on supply line maximum demand capacity too, but for everyone equally, whether they have solar or not. A 60A 3phase, 230V historical connection can be downgraded to actual maximum demand, but this has not been raised as an issue thus far, should it? As a registered SSEG we are under-compensated (25%) for exporting solar power to the grid, as the PV system owners bear the risk of hardware reliability, not Eskom or the CoCT. The CoCT is also obliged to buffer Eskom's reaction to the revenue loss situation that Eskom knowingly caused. Electricity generation and transmission must be unbundled and I support non-Eskom owned generation and market competition. These models have been proven elsewhere in the world. SA doesn't have to invent solutions as these exist elsewhere, but anti-crony capitalism (corruption) controls must be in place, NERSA?	Dirk	retired
	2026-08-28 23:31:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Jacques	
	2026-08-29 06:20:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	
	2026-08-29 06:48:23	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I. Borrowed money to install solar, as eskom broke contract and did not deliver power. Im still paying with interest. The assets is losing value. In 5 year the system will be ineffective and dismantled. Will happen to many What now about fixed cost?? Fixed cost is fine, but sell back posible, i will be a business in my yard, nobody looses . Sell back at lower rate, but still break even. I'm happy. Municipalities can sell my units at price and maintain network. They are happy all to get basic free units 200kwh , suburbs and low cost and squatter camps. No cross subsidies outside the electrical departments in municipality Big factory and businesses wast a lot af power (attitude, neglecting saving switches off extra machines running, etc) this get past to normal consumer prices .) based on there consumption they must pay fix % TO LOCZL MUNICIPALITY to support the free basic units. Do the math's Local municipalities own money. Put in recovery fund. Start fresh. Municipalities and big mines major manufacturing can contribute to pay off in ten years. Start fresh. New meters. New approaches NEW RULES OVERSIGHT MONTHLY	Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-29 06:52:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You asked, actually begged south Africans to get solar years ago to help with the energy crisis, we answered. Now you want to tax us extra because you don't have the revenue. Imagine a grocery store going to All the people with vegetable gardens and telling them pay a monthly fee because they still give you vegetables when you need it, you would tell then to go away.	Sven	retired
	2026-08-29 07:16:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suné	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:26:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What government propose do not sole a long term problem but only agravate an existing malfunction and poor management system.	Dan	retired
	2026-08-29 10:00:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eldor	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 10:10:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russell	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:10:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I appreciate that there are costs to maintaining the infrastructure, and that it may be necessary to institute a REASONABLE fixed charge for all consumers - this should include the big businesses. However, if a fixed "maintaince" charge is instituted, there should be a reduction in the charge per KW. Otherwise, if there is no reduction in the cost per unit, it simply means that Escom has now found a way to increase the cost of electricity for the man in the street. Added to this, Escom should pay those for the power they are willing to feed back into the grid, as they are now benefitting from the investment that they have made in solar panels, inverters, batteries, etc.	Trevor	retired
	2026-08-29 14:26:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nicolas	business owner
	2026-08-29 15:10:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-29 16:18:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While users of self-consumption rooftop solar do benefit from power provided by the municipal and national grid infrastructure, the bulk of the power they consume is supplied via infrastructure that they have invested in. In most cases these investments were made to ensure access to electricity where municipal and national suppliers have failed to ensure consistent, reliable supply. The rapid and widespread increase in rooftop solar has resulted in reduced usage of scarce electricity supply which has gone a long way to provide headroom for Eskom and other incumbents to recover and improve in fulfilling their mandates ad publicly owned assets. To extract further rents from these citizens in the form of increases access charges is disrespectful and extortionate.	Stefan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:22:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abdulwahab	
	2026-08-29 18:49:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ditebogo	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:10:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only 'free riding' entity is Eskom that wants to score once again to the detriment of consumers who were left in the dark, then pleaded with to fend for themselves and now will be punished because they did exactly what Eskom couldn't do! Tsêk Eskom!	Marie	
	2026-08-30 00:52:00	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and businesses were forced to install solar power because of the unreliability of state-supplies electricity. The result of this inefficiency led to the state-owned electricity provider losing a lot of revenue. It is not lawful to tax people on God-given natural resources, i.e the sun, because the sun is not owned by anyone, therefore free to utilise for solar-power generation. A competitive market is important in this instance because it will provide people with choice and I suspect make the unreliable service more reliable however, I suspect there are already contenders lined up for joining this gravy train and for the wholesale trading market to be owned by precisely the few who can't be trusted to create a fair, honest and transparent market - expanding their monopolies. This can only work if the regulators regulating the process are trustworthy and in possession of a conscience and sound morals, not bribable by the promise of a lot of money to profit themselves.	Erika	
	2026-08-30 10:22:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and municipalities are looking for new taxation and homeowners invested in solar installation is an easy target. I would suggest the minister should consider private solar installations an asset that could be aggregated and used for network reinforcement. Huge already installed battery capacity can support the network in times of need. Energy stored in private batteries can be put to good use for the public.	Zigmund	
	2026-08-30 11:31:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it is correct to separate infrastructure and usage costs, but large users must not be exempt from paying for infrastructure costs. This because 'larger' infrastructure had to be put in place for their (possible) use. Infrastructure costs should perhaps be calculated according to supply potential (connection "size" availability). It is also critical that usage charges are measurably LOWERED for all as usage rates will no longer carry infrastructure maintenance costs. It must not be allowed for Eskom or Municipalities to use this as an opportunity for unfair price increases. Government needs to find other methods (including legal attachment of 'perpetrator' assets) to recapitalise ESKOM and other state enterprises looted under their watch.	Zoltan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:13:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested their own savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. This also helps a lot during load shedding or power outages to have lights in our streets and neighbourhood, when criminals are most opportunities. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Gertrud	retired
	2026-08-31 13:19:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Toebie	
	2026-08-31 13:37:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	retired
	2026-08-31 14:19:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed shift towards high fixed grid charges for households that have invested in rooftop solar. Homeowners who generate their own electricity reduce demand on the grid, lessen pressure on public infrastructure, and contribute to South Africa's energy security at their own cost. It would be unfair to penalise these consumers simply because municipalities face declining electricity sales revenue. Instead, municipalities should follow the example of the City of Cape Town or suburbs like Midstream in Gauteng by allowing residents to feed surplus solar energy back into the grid and receive fair credits for the electricity they supply. Consumers who help solve the country's energy challenges should be encouraged and rewarded, not treated as a source of revenue recovery. The focus should be on fair, transparent grid costs and greater consumer choice, not protecting outdated monopoly revenue models at the expense of ratepayers.	Nino	retired
	2026-08-31 14:27:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Bernard	employed individual
	2026-08-31 19:06:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising households who've invested in solar discourages more people from investing in "green" power. Surely the Country wants more households to generate their own power to alleviate the problems of shortages.? It would be unfair not to allow households to choose their own supplier. Allowing competition amongst the independent suppliers would hopefully result in lower prices.	L	retired
	2026-09-01 12:50:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Sheila	retired
	2026-09-01 14:42:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-09-01 15:07:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I have no objection to paying for the 'wiring' and the usage separately, but then why can I not sell my surplus generational power back to the municipality without jumping through a million hoops. I would have thought that Eskom would jump at the chance to harness renewable energy, but experience has taught otherwise. It seems like yet another scheme to milk the cow dry to enrich the directors - cut their salaries! How can you earn a performance bonus if you do not perform???	Rena	business owner
	2026-09-01 20:25:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Hill	
	2026-09-02 07:27:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nompumelelo	employed individual
	2026-09-02 07:42:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-02 11:54:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Before the Government even THINKS of changing electricity laws, regulations etc and charging every citizen who has installed solar - to HELP Eskom and reduce loadshedding - they must collect all outstanding amounts due to them by Municipalities across the country!!	Kerry	retired
	2026-09-02 15:22:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to supply us with electricity we were forced to install Solar at great cost. Now they want to punish us for generating our own electricity. I think it is absolutely unacceptable and shameless of them to want to do this to hard working consumers.	Pieter	business owner

	2026-09-02 15:38:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand that people using less power also contribute towards the upkeep of the distribution lines. However, they are contributing, albeit less than large power users. Surely, that is a fair system, not so? Secondly. Splitting Eskom into three different businesses is going to increase costs even further. Now we only pay towards one entity with one board and governance infrastructure. This will triple with more people paying more, more offices, and more whatever is needed to run a successful business. Also more options to to source bogus tenders.	Coen	retired
	2026-09-02 20:18:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		wilhelm	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:01:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is a consumable product. Pay for what you use "Fairly " Anythiing more is Extortion n exploitation.	George T.	
	2026-09-04 08:42:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar should be free. If anything we could feed back into the system. Eskom is not reliable. It has cost a lot on a personal basis to install my solar system for that reason	Tracey	retired
	2026-09-04 15:37:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angelique	employed individual
	2026-09-04 18:46:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynni	employed individual
	2026-09-04 19:23:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I offered Eskom a solution to their problems with variable renewable energy sources but they said they would not help with a pilot project. So we all have to suffer.	Eric	
	2026-09-04 22:11:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	
	2026-09-05 20:40:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	
	2026-09-06 12:58:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. I Object to: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. I Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Maricha	employed individual
	2026-09-06 17:24:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jamie	business owner
	2026-09-07 10:38:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-07 11:45:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer is always at the short end of the stick. Choice of supplier will encourage competition and hopefully level the playing field.	Elizabeth	
	2026-09-07 14:00:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The minister stated earlier this year, electricity would become cheaper, when was never identified and the tax paying consumer continues to bear the brunt of costs and iincreases! Allow private generation by companies who can & will upgrade, maintain and introduce new infrastructure. For more than 10 years the consumer has not only to find alternatives to produce critical power supply but also borne the brunt of replacing equipment, household kitchen appliances damaged by the continous load shedding(fridge and stand-up freezer plus bar fridge in caravan). Why are the "wind garms" not contributing to decreased tarifs, why are eskom staff being not only compensated excesively but repeatedly at the consumers cost? Their increase in salary & allowances is unreasonable and unsustainable, as working people and pensioners, we DO NOT receive the increases they do therefore reducing the household income drastically - we are not getting richer, unable to save!	Petrus	retired
	2026-09-07 14:23:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill leaves me with a lot of question marks. my main concern is that residents are trying to reduce their electricity costs ad this ill is going to actually add to the costs of ordinary people.	MP	
	2026-09-08 15:08:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adèl	
	2026-09-11 07:05:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-11 12:12:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is already a levy placed on residential homes to cover fixed costs over and above consumption. Reduced consumption is better for the environment. Different households have different numbers of people living them. It simply does not make sense to charge people the same amount regardless of how much power they use - there will definitely be people who will take advantage causing a major surge in power use - which will have an environmental impact as well as potentially put pressure on the whole system from a supply and maintenance point of view and send costs up for everybody.	Briony	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:28:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Submission on SAWEM and Electricity Tariff Reform To the Department of Electricity and Energy, I support a competitive electricity market that improves efficiency, investment and consumer choice. However, reform must distribute costs fairly, protect smaller consumers and avoid penalising investment in solar generation and battery storage. 1. Fair grid charges and smaller connection options I object to excessive or discriminatory fixed charges based merely on solar ownership. Solar and battery systems can reduce grid demand and provide resilience during load shedding. Customers should benefit financially when they demonstrably reduce their demand on the network. I accept paying a reasonable charge for grid access and backup capacity. However, charges must reflect independently verified service and capacity costs, with comparable customers treated consistently. Distributors must offer affordable connection-capacity tiers. Customers who limit their grid demand through batteries or approved demand-limiting equipment should be able to select a smaller, cheaper connection without paying for capacity they do not require. 2. Time-of-use tariffs and fair peak-demand charges Time-of-use tariffs should encourage consumption when supply is plentiful and discourage it during constrained periods. Customers should benefit from shifting consumption, using batteries during peaks and, where permitted, exporting electricity when it is most valuable. Customers with unusually high peak-power requirements should bear an appropriate share of the additional infrastructure costs they cause. These costs should not be shifted unfairly onto average and below-average-demand users. Above a reasonable basic-capacity allowance, higher demand charges should apply where justified by additional network costs. These should reflect measured peak grid demand and its contribution to local network constraints, rather than monthly electricity consumption alone. Demand should be averaged over a published metering interval, not measured from momentary appliance-starting surges. Customers must be able to reduce these charges by limiting their demand or shifting it away from constrained periods. 3. Higher fixed charges must be accompanied by lower unit charges Where costs previously recovered through per-unit electricity tariffs are transferred into fixed or demand charges, the corresponding cost recovery must be removed from the per-unit tariff at the same time. The reduction must match the revenue being transferred—not necessarily produce an identical bill reduction for every household. Each tariff application must disclose the costs transferred, the resulting reduction per kilowatt-hour and the impact on low-, average- and high-use customers. Restructuring existing cost recovery must be revenue-neutral overall. Any separate revenue increase must be independently justified and disclosed. Fixed, demand and energy charges must not recover the same costs twice. 4. Fair contributions and capped subsidies All grid users, including large customers buying from private suppliers, should contribute fairly to the network services they use and transparently approved social obligations. Households and small businesses must not inherit disproportionate costs simply because larger customers change suppliers. I support limited cross-subsidies from high-density networks to more expensive rural networks, together with targeted support for poor households. These subsidies must be separately disclosed, independently audited and capped at a realistic, regulated percentage of a clearly defined tariff base. Tariff-funded support and tax-funded support must be accounted for together to prevent duplicate recovery for the same expenditure. Subsidies must not conceal inefficiency or unrelated municipal revenue shortfalls. 5. Municipal open access and consumer protection Municipalities must allow authorised alternative suppliers to sell electricity over their networks under transparent, non-discriminatory access rules and fair, regulated network charges. Supplier choice should be made practically accessible to households and small businesses, not reserved for large customers. Bills must clearly distinguish energy, network, capacity and subsidy charges. Municipal control of the network must not be used to preserve a retail monopoly. The wholesale market must also have effective oversight of dominant generators and traders, safeguards against price manipulation, and predictable retail options that protect smaller consumers from uncontrolled wholesale-price exposure. 6. Accountability for remuneration, cost recovery and project overruns While Eskom benefits from taxpayer-funded bailouts or debt relief, or receives tariff increases exceeding CPI plus one percentage point, annual increases in staff remuneration must not exceed CPI. This restriction must cover total remuneration—including salaries, bonuses, allowances and executive benefits—so that the limit cannot be bypassed through alternative forms of payment. Any tariff increase approved to recover historical losses must have an independently verified recovery amount, audited progress and a clear expiry date. Once that amount is recovered, the recovery charge must end immediately. Tariff reductions and, where necessary, subsequent below-CPI increases must remove its remaining effect and return tariffs to the CPI-linked path established before those exceptional recovery increases. Simply applying future CPI increases to a permanently inflated tariff base is unacceptable. Any separately approved new costs must be transparently distinguished from historical recoveries. New projects must have independently assessed budgets, completion schedules and reasonable contingencies approved before commitment. Costs exceeding those approved budgets must be absorbed by Eskom or its contractors, not passed to consumers through additional tariffs or to taxpayers through further bailouts. Budgets must not be retrospectively increased merely to legitimise overruns. Eskom's tariff, remuneration and investment decisions must remain subject to strict independent oversight while it dominates electricity generation. Relaxation of additional dominance-related restrictions should only be considered once genuinely independent generators provide at least 40% of actual electricity supplied—not merely installed capacity—and NERSA confirms that effective competition exists. Reaching that threshold must not automatically remove consumer protections, conditions attached to taxpayer support, or regulation of monopoly network charges. Yours faithfully,	Hanno	business owner
	2026-09-11 16:37:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Let's just stop the BS. We were asked to "please help", and now they want to penalise us because we are not paying anything (or very little.). Again, they should go and soak their heads. Why must we the rate payers be held liable because these bastards can't manage a country!	Irate	retired
	2026-09-11 17:12:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As a farming business we were encouraged in 2023 with a tax incentive to install solar to ease the load on the grid and to ensure we could continue farming without interruption. Now as many of us complied to release the strain and Eskom now has enough capacity the government want to change the rules again. I would question the constitutionality of this proposal given the above. I support the unbundling of that ineffective behomoth called Eishkom but agree the poorer users need to be protected from minimum charges. People should be able to choose what they can afford to consume. A minimum charge to support and incompetent business is unfair.	Trevor	self-employed

	2026-09-11 17:12:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the introduction of genuine competition into South Africa's electricity market. What I do not support is a version of "competition" in which large customers are given meaningful freedom to choose their electricity supplier while ordinary households and small businesses remain captive customers, expected to absorb the residual costs of an increasingly obsolete monopoly model. Competition that I am not permitted to participate in is not consumer choice. If South Africa is serious about creating an open electricity market, then the end state must include a credible path for ordinary consumers to choose who sells them electricity, while paying a fair, transparent and regulated charge to the network operator for the physical infrastructure used to deliver it. I accept that an electricity grid costs money to build, maintain and keep available. A customer with rooftop solar who remains connected to that grid should make a fair contribution towards the network services that customer actually uses. What I strongly reject is the use of unavoidable fixed charges as a mechanism to protect incumbent revenues, compensate for declining electricity sales, preserve historic cross-subsidies indefinitely, or make self-generation economically unattractive. Grid charges must recover the efficient cost of providing grid services. They must not become an exit tax. This is particularly objectionable in the case of rooftop solar. South African households did not suddenly invest substantial amounts of their own money in solar generation, batteries and inverters because of some collective whim. They did so because the electricity system repeatedly failed them. For years, households and businesses were subjected to rolling blackouts and were forced to find ways to keep homes operating, businesses trading, security systems running, communications available and employees productive. Consumers spent their own capital building resilience against a problem they did not create. Those consumers should not now be treated as "free riders" because the investments they were forced to make have reduced the amount of electricity they purchase from the grid. That framing is extraordinarily difficult to accept. Consumers carried the financial consequences of electricity-sector failure once when they bought alternative generation and storage. They should not now be required to carry those consequences a second time through tariff structures designed primarily to recover revenue lost because those investments succeeded. Nor should residential and small-business customers become the financial shock absorbers for electricity-market reform. If large industrial and commercial customers are progressively able to procure electricity competitively, while smaller customers remain captive to Eskom or municipal retailers and are left funding legacy costs and lost cross-subsidies, the reform will have created two electricity markets: one offering choice and competitive pricing to those with sufficient scale, and another requiring everyone else to pay whatever is necessary to keep the old structure financially intact. That is not an acceptable long-term market design. The principle should instead be simple: If competition is being introduced, consumers should progressively gain access to that competition too. The physical electricity network is a natural monopoly and should be regulated accordingly. Electricity retail and generation need not be. Separate the wires from the electricity. Let the network operator charge a transparent, cost-reflective and independently regulated fee for using and maintaining those wires. Then create a practical roadmap under which households and small businesses can choose an electricity retailer or trader, just as larger customers increasingly will. A household choosing another electricity supplier does not make the poles, cables, transformers and substations disappear. The network operator should therefore be paid fairly for providing that infrastructure. But ownership of the wires must not translate into ownership of the customer. Similarly, consumers who invest in rooftop solar should be recognised as participants in a changing electricity system, not treated primarily as a revenue problem to be solved. Tariff design should account not only for the costs imposed by distributed generation, but also for its potential benefits: reduced daytime demand, distributed generation capacity, reduced system strain in appropriate circumstances, and electricity exported back into the network. Any fixed network charge should therefore be demonstrably based on efficient network costs, transparently calculated, subject to regulatory scrutiny, proportionate to the service provided, and applied without discriminating against customers merely because they have reduced their dependence on centrally supplied electricity. Most importantly, electricity-market reform should contain a clear pathway towards retail choice for ordinary South Africans. I therefore support the move away from a vertically integrated monopoly and towards a competitive electricity market, but I strongly object to any model whose practical outcome is: competition for large customers, captivity for everyone else, and higher unavoidable charges for the consumers who invested their own money to protect themselves from years of electricity insecurity. South Africans have already paid an enormous price for failures in the electricity sector. Market reform should give them more choice, not find more sophisticated ways of ensuring that they remain captive. Open the market. Regulate the grid fairly. Charge consumers transparently for the infrastructure they actually use. Allow households and small businesses a realistic path to choose their electricity supplier. And please do not call it competition until the people paying the bill are eventually allowed to participate in it.	Nino	retired
	2026-09-11 17:20:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:24:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeremy	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:42:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed-charge concept is plausible as legitimate. A problem arises in the auditing of the amount-fixing process, which needs data not normally available to the consumer.	tony	retired
	2026-09-11 18:05:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anonymous	
	2026-09-11 18:34:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree that partially connected users should be subject to an inspection - cheap and improper solar connections can cause harm . I agree that partially connected users should pay a connection fee - but I would argue that everyone should pay a flat connection fee , adjusted only for the amount of potential capacity : ie: Is user single or 3 phase , less than 63a , 63 to 300 a or 630a+ ,etc. There must be no subsidy for those stealing electricity. Completely off grid shouldnt have to pay for any electrical related item. Eskom should reduce connection fee for periods of failure - ie : if connection fee is R100 and downtime was 5% to an area , then that area should only be charged R95 - PERFORMANCE BASED All connections should go direct eskom for any municipality with outstanding / unpaid electricity to Eskom (ie: if a municipality is not up to date with ESKOM then the entire municipalities area should be direct ESKOM billed to make sure eskom gets their money . Good minicipal areas that are up to date or only slightly out can continue with their billing mechanics until they fall out of date by a certain determined percentage / timeframe.	Petrus	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 19:22:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marc	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:35:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Strict caps must be placed on fixed network fees. Captive ratepayers must be protected and municipal cross-subsidies must safeguarded. The public who installed solar power saved South Africa's electricity industry from disaster caused by the ANC Government. These people who installed solar power are actually the heros in the country, so do not punish them. Get rid of the ANC cadres and such stealing the country bancrupt!	David	retired
	2026-09-11 20:43:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support reform of South Africa's electricity sector where it increases competition, reliability, investment and long-term affordability. I strongly object, however, to the proposed approach to the recovery of system costs where this could result in substantial fixed charges being imposed on residential consumers, particularly households that have invested their own capital in rooftop solar, batteries and energy efficiency. The guiding principle to "discourage free riding" is particularly concerning. Households that have invested in self-generation are not free riders merely because they purchase fewer units of electricity from the grid. They have invested private capital in generating capacity, reduced demand on the national generation system, reduced peak demand in many circumstances, and improved their own energy resilience. A customer who remains connected to a distribution network should reasonably contribute towards the actual efficient cost of providing that network connection and capacity. That is fundamentally different from imposing a fixed charge designed to recover electricity-sales revenue that Eskom or a municipality has lost because the customer consumes less electricity. I therefore object to any tariff structure under which fixed network charges: 1. are used to recover lost electricity-sales revenue rather than demonstrable network costs; 2. become punitive for households that have invested in solar, batteries or energy efficiency; 3. materially weaken the financial incentive for households and businesses to reduce grid consumption or invest in renewable energy; 4. cross-subsidise inefficiency, excessive staffing, electricity losses, non-payment or other costs that are not attributable to the customer's use of the network; or 5. are imposed without transparent evidence showing how the charge has been calculated and what network costs it is intended to recover. I am equally concerned about the position of consumers who cannot afford self-generation. The proposed wholesale market should not result in large electricity users obtaining access to cheaper competitive supply while remaining residential and small-business consumers inherit a progressively larger share of municipal distribution costs and other cross-subsidies. The Position Paper itself commits Government to fair cost allocation and says that end-users should not bear disproportionate costs. That principle should be made enforceable in the subsequent market design and tariff framework. I therefore request that the final policy expressly require: Network charges to be cost-reflective, transparent and independently regulated, based on the efficient cost and capacity of the connection provided. Fixed charges not to be used as a mechanism for recovering revenue lost because customers have reduced their electricity consumption. Solar and battery customers not to be subjected to discriminatory or punitive charges merely because they self-generate. Tariff structures to recognise the benefits distributed generation can provide to the electricity system, including reduced generation demand and, where applicable, exported electricity. Explicit protection for captive residential and small-business consumers against disproportionate increases arising from the migration of large customers to competitive suppliers. Full regulatory impact and affordability assessments before material changes to residential fixed charges are approved. Clear disclosure of the costs allocated to generation, transmission, distribution, retail and cross-subsidisation so that consumers can understand precisely what they are being charged for. South Africa should encourage households and businesses to invest their own capital in additional generation, storage and energy efficiency. The electricity market should recover legitimate network costs fairly, but it should not convert declining electricity sales into an unavoidable fixed charge imposed on those who have invested in reducing their dependence on the grid. I therefore request that the "discourage free riding" principle be revised so that it clearly distinguishes between fair payment for an efficient network service actually provided and recovery of lost utility revenue from consumers who have reduced their electricity consumption. That distinction is essential to a fair, affordable and sustainable electricity market.	Jacques	self-employed
	2026-09-12 04:58:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed rooftop solar because Eskom could not generate enough and constant electricity - helping the state and removing pressure on my municipality (to the extent that we now have an oversupply). Maladministration and theft (at Eskom and municipality) landed them in financial trouble. The contemplated penalties now simply create another "pot" to be plundered. My taxes should be used to create a reformed electricity grid (since few other services are adequately supplied by state or municipality). Delinquent municipalities should repay debt to Eskom. Eskom should slim down and rid itself of incompetence. Criminals and incompetents should be removed from state structures. This will create the savings from which our electricity infrastructure should be funded.	Johan	retired

	2026-09-12 06:29:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeffrey	
	2026-09-12 06:52:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-12 07:13:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sudasha	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:45:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aletta	retired
	2026-09-12 08:18:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is South Africa and when things dont work Citizens do what they always do and thats "make a plan". Eskom created this problem and now want to enforce their own laws. This is not acceptable and SA citizens need to stand up .	Seeven	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:38:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Funding model for municipalities is deficient in several ways and should be reviewed. When Eskom had inadequate capacity, we had loadshedding several times a day and residents were encouraged to install solar. Now the reduction in municipal revenue is encouraging municipalities to impose fixed charges that will cross-subsidise other departments in the municipality. Set up a commission to see how municipalities can and should be funded without unreasonable cross subsidisation.	Rob	retired
	2026-09-12 08:42:31	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While opening up South Africa's electricity supply to the open market is commendable, major concerns arise from details in the Position Paper. Need to stop the proposed Sun Tax, be transparent, and do not abuse captive consumers who are all battling to survive and make ends meet in paying for the bare essentials to live.	Mark	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:56:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:01:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I took the initiative to use solar power when there was inconsistent supply of electricity due crime/corruption/sabotage/mismanagement/and/and you name it and whilst I will pay a reasonable cost for use of installed infrastructure I am unwilling to be hit by penal charges and costs.	David	retired
	2026-09-12 11:31:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jul	retired
	2026-09-12 12:36:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacs	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:19:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-12 14:25:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every consumer has an average monthly consumption that can be used as a maximum limit on a fair and standard consumption tariff scale. Obviously, solar users will have a lower maximum limit. A much higher tariff scale can be used for consumption above the maximum limit. This must be applicable to all customers exceeding their maximum limit.	Stephanus	retired
	2026-09-12 15:01:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After subsidizing solar panels to start with in order to reduce load shedding, it makes mo sense to penalise for grid access now. We ought to be able to put excess power back into the grid and be paid for it as in Europe.	Lincoln	retired
	2026-09-12 15:53:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whilst I support the unbundling of Eskom and taking away the monopoly from Eskom to supply electricity it should be done on the following basis: 1)Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, 2)captive ratepayers are protected, and 3)municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Individuals and businesses who installed solar saved the Eskom grid from collapsing. They should not now be punished for installing solar. If I bought a hybrid vehicle, I should not be punished for using less fuel. Also address the hike in electricity prices and the increase in salaries of Eskom staff - it is out of proportion high.	Marius	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:13:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felicity	retired
	2026-09-12 17:37:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zolisa	retired
	2026-09-12 18:06:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Robin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:31:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johannes	business owner
	2026-09-12 23:01:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maatlape Blantina	employed individual
	2026-09-13 01:36:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-13 04:28:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa has abundant sunshine throughout the year, with Durban averaging about 320 days of sunshine per annum. What is required from government and Eskom is a subsidy for poor households to install solar panels inorder to offset rising electricity cost and power theft.	Zamokuhle	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:03:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At significant personal cost, my family I vested in solar primarily to do my bit to HELP the country and my family during the loadshedding years. Now that things have stabilised, it feels that I'm being penalized for this by the mandatory fee. I don't mind paying a fair rate for the use of and access to the grid and am happy to supply excess to the grid. In fact, I would give away the excess to fellow consumers in need - the sun belongs to none of us! But we should be partners in this with Eskom, have a fair rate for residential solar, let the large scale users pay their fair share, and allow solar users to get a return from the investments we incurred that helped Eskom dig it's way out of their own deep hole	Loshen	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:53:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanine	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:57:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		I	
	2026-09-13 07:37:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For those homes invested in solar this is a double jeopardy	Abdool	
	2026-09-13 07:40:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the long term, market-based supply and demand tariffs 'regulated' through open competition amongst private and public producers, distributors and transmitters, are the only viable, sustainable model. This policy threatens the eventual free market, competitive electricity model through unilateral state regulation, and will indiscriminately penalise both well-off and poorer households.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:40:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is critical that any tariffs are absolutely fair and directly cost-related. They must not be used to fill financial gaps due to mismanagement, inefficiency, theft etc. We are well aware if the precarious financial situations in municipalities and the temptation to use captive paying customers as cash cows, while the networks deteriorate and electricity theft goes unchecked. The negative cost impacts must not be passed on to the paying customer base. The same applies to Eskom, an inefficient, corrupted, bloated and overpaid organisation. They will be tempted and politically coerced to give low tariffs to industry to counter the deindustrialisation trend. It must not be possible to pass the difference on to other customers.	Don	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:41:31	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		andrew	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:23:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government should stop taxing the legal users of electricity to death and focus on stopping illegal electricity consumption.	Eric	retired
	2026-09-13 08:30:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	retired
	2026-09-13 08:56:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-13 09:42:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The taxpayer should not fund the poor policies and inefficiencies of Eskom. Penalizing solar users in any way is way off base. Eskom has become a Cader employer and should be turned into an efficient non-profit service provider (lean and efficient). Ordinary users should not subsidise ridiculous prices to large business. Sanity and rationality should return to Eskom.	Petrus	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:51:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonnie	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:29:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free and unlimited electricity, for many, who should be paying, is where you should start to drastically improve Eskoms income.	Les	retired
	2026-09-13 11:08:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-09-13 13:02:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Helmut	business owner
	2026-09-13 13:17:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ettienne	
	2026-09-13 13:24:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julia	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:17:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 15:02:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renaud	

	2026-09-13 15:12:32	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM brought this situation on themselves. The Bill now seeks to pass responsibility on to the small consumer in particular and it is patently unfair.	Kevin	self-employed
	2026-09-13 16:17:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	retired
	2026-09-13 16:44:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded, however, cross subsidisation should be phased out and electricity (and water) ring fencDo not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed : Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 17:29:46	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. What the Policy Proposes: The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. What the Policy Proposes: The position paper mandates the unbundling of electricity distribution businesses into separate regulated network service providers (“wires”) and licensed retail trading businesses. It also enforces strict prudential (creditworthiness) requirements for wholesale market participation, while acknowledging that many municipal distributors currently fail to meet baseline financial viability criteria. The Underlying Risk: Local municipalities rely heavily on the profit margins generated from bulk electricity sales to industrial and commercial clients to cross-subsidise indigent households, free basic electricity (FBE), and municipal service delivery. If large customers bypass local councils to purchase from private traders, municipal distribution revenues could collapse, accelerating local government insolvency and worsening service delivery failures across towns and cities. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. 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	2026-09-13 18:51:44	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Municipalities should regulate their collections and their budgets. Unregulated and unaccountability for losses and illegal connections puts a huge burden on the honest consumer. Instead of penalizing consumers with penalties and fixed charges incentives consumers that pay their accounts on time and have heavier penalties for non-payers. Vigilant debt collecting will decrease shortfalls drastically. Consumers that went to high expenses to relieve the grid from pressure will only experience the benefit after about 10 years .	Maryna	business owner
	2026-09-13 20:42:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So let's make the poor poorer, and electricity something that only the elite can afford. This makes no sense at all. You demonstrate that you have no touch with reality. You fail to take responsibility for the collapse of South afticas energy sector and simply pass on the costs of bad management and poor maintenance to the consumer. Yes let's continue doing this and see how much we can take from the people. Beware this stance has consequences, the people have had enough.	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:56:16	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wikus	
	2026-09-14 07:20:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Increased fix charges and solar penalties will have the opposite effect and will not ensure more money is available for electricity generation, as it will force solar users to extend their systems, thereby reducing their dependency on Eskom and go totally off the grid. This will have a huge effect on municipalities and poorer households who cannot afford alternative energy sources and are totally dependent on the grid. This, in turn, will probably increase electricity theft and weaken the electric infrastructure even further, putting even more strain on the struggling municipality. Instead of penalizing solar users, they should rather be motivated to buy more electricity. If generator fuel and gas become more cost-effective electricity sources, Eskom and the municipalities will lose more customers.	Hantie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:01:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:21:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With the suggested changes there is a lot of room for exploiting captive ratepayers. We are already paying enough per month for the connection fee to contribute to the maintenance of the infrastructure and should not be penalised for generating our own power for rooftop solar. Eskom should focus more on cost cutting in other areas of wasteful spending.	Conrad	business owner

						South Africans cannot be expected to finance unreliable supply, purchase their own protection, and then face escalating unavoidable charges because that protection reduced electricity sales. Reform must reward efficiency and restore accountability not make consumers the permanent guarantors of institutional revenue. I object to electricity reforms that recover declining sales and institutional failures through excessive fixed charges on households and small businesses, particularly those that invested in solar. Competition should deliver affordable, reliable electricity not leave ordinary consumers underwriting the transition. 1. Solar investment was a rational response to unreliable supply. During prolonged load shedding, households and businesses paid privately for solar panels, batteries and backup systems to protect livelihoods and maintain essential services. Many took on debt to do so. Characterising these consumers as “free riders” overlooks both their investment and the circumstances that made it necessary. Reduced purchases from Eskom are not, by themselves, evidence of an unfair subsidy. Any claim of underpayment must demonstrate the actual cost of serving these customers, including the measurable benefits their systems provide. 2. Grid charges must reflect efficient costs, not lost electricity sales. A functioning grid has unavoidable costs, and customers who retain access should make a fair contribution. However, that does not justify recovering every rand of lost sales through fixed fees. NERSA should require independently scrutinised cost-of-service studies before approving higher charges. These must distinguish network maintenance, customer administration and genuine backup capacity from inefficient expenditure, legacy debt and unrelated municipal funding requirements. Charges should reflect connection capacity and contribution to peak demand where practical, with affordable options for smaller connections. Owning solar panels should not itself attract a penalty. Separating energy and network charges must also remove the corresponding costs from unit prices, preventing double recovery. 3. Excessive fixed charges undermine the economics of conservation and solar. When a larger share of the bill becomes unavoidable, consumers have less ability to control expenditure by saving electricity. This affects pensioners, low-consumption households and small businesses as well as solar owners. Punitive charges could also encourage customers who can afford it to disconnect completely. That would leave fewer consumers funding the network, increasing pressure on those least able to leave. A better approach is reasonable fixed charges, phased implementation and transparent assessment of total bills across different household types. Existing solar investors should receive a predictable transition period. 4. Municipal financial distress requires financial reform. Municipal arrears should not become an automatic surcharge on consumers who already pay their accounts. Where electricity payments have been collected but not remitted, charging compliant customers more effectively asks them to pay twice. Priorities should include ring-fencing electricity receipts, improving billing and collection, reducing theft and technical losses, and enforcing accountability for diverted funds and failed payment commitments. Any further taxpayer support should be transparent, limited and conditional on independently verified improvements. Moving costs from electricity bills to the national budget does not make them disappear: citizens still pay, directly or through reduced funding for other services. 5. Competition must benefit households and small businesses too. If larger customers gain supplier choice first, government must publish how their departure affects remaining customers. Households should not inherit a disproportionate share of legacy costs and municipal revenue shortfalls. Introduce a clear timetable for smaller user participation through aggregation, community energy schemes and accessible wheeling arrangements. Retain fair network contributions from all users of the wires, including customers buying energy from private suppliers. Support for indigent households must remain explicit, targeted and accountable. Protecting vulnerable consumers should not depend on an ever shrinking pool of captive electricity buyers. 6. Reward useful solar and storage services, and control market power. Offer transparent export payments reflecting the value of electricity when and where it is supplied. Reward batteries and demand reduction that demonstrably reduce evening peaks or network constraints. Solar does not eliminate every grid cost, but its benefits should be valued alongside its costs. Wholesale reform must include independent market oversight, transparent trading rules, monitoring of dominant generators and enforceable action against manipulation. Household default tariffs should protect consumers from unmanaged wholesale price exposure. Eskom needs to revisit and revise the framework to require demonstrably fair network charges, household affordability assessments, protection against double recovery, meaningful municipal accountability and a funded path to broader consumer choice.		
	2026-09-14 08:24:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:01:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:03:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-14 09:14:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stefan	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:48:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	
	2026-09-14 09:55:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Frans	
	2026-09-14 09:56:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:24:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly discourages renewable energy projects and energy saving. Already there are too many unexplained non commodity charges which makes the first kWh most expensive. The more you use, the cheaper the energy becomes. If there are zero non commodity charges the first kWh is as cheap as the last, encouraging less use. As a state industry Eskon should encourage energy conservation, not the reverse. It also encourage Eskoms use of fossil fuels which are harmful to the health of the people and encourages global warming. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk: The whole market should be open to competition allowing people to choose their supplier. Both the municipalities and Eskom should loose their monopoly supplier/retailer status. Further, with Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Eskom should divest power stations and become the transmission operator. Power generation, distribution and electricity sales (“retail/trading”), should be all open to competition with separate fees. Eskom, as the remaining monopoly, should be under tight financial and system control by the regulator to avoid Rolls Royce operations.	Clementine	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:35:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They will keep BLEEDING the public dry to to hide incompetence and fill there own pockets. Why are the incompetent, unqualified CEO's and managers paid such exorbitant salaries so they can buy R1 million wrist watches ans executive cars they dont deserve.	Sam	
	2026-09-14 10:45:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hugh	
	2026-09-14 11:17:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		kishore	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:25:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Ismail	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:40:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Udesh	
	2026-09-14 13:37:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Joanna	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:39:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My biggest fear is that if industry is allowed to not pay their portion of the municipal cross subsidisation, then the fixed cost and unit costs will be hiked (along with other charges) to pay for municipal salaries. All individual costs areas should be ring fenced with a specified maximum percentage allowed for cross subsidisation. In most cases the municipal grid systems were put in place many years ago and are only receiving critical maintenance, but fixed charges are for replacement which never happens.	Carl	retired
	2026-09-14 15:00:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	self-employed
	2026-09-14 15:09:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cheating consumers out of their money because of plundering activity in government and municipalities is outrageous. Overpaid government, municipal and ESKOM employees should pay for the corruption and destroying of the RSA economy. They have lined their pockets at the expense of tax payers and the poor, who have no control over anything! These people are disgraceful criminals and deserve to be brought down to the level of ordinary poor people who have to struggle to survive every day. The ANC wants a poor population they can control and they are achieving this goal slowly but surely!	Linda	retired
	2026-09-14 15:37:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop double and triple taxation and penalisation of households because there is corruption and mismanagement within Eskom. Take accountability for the mismanagement	Daryl	
	2026-09-14 15:44:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Jeannette	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:50:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bring in competition for the industry to keep the rates as low as possible. Do not bring more financial burden to the consumers.	Armand	employed individual
	2026-09-14 21:58:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bee	employed individual
	2026-09-15 07:05:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Bernard	employed individual
	2026-09-15 13:10:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital. I Object to: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. I Support the following with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Lawrence	business owner
	2026-09-15 15:40:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmian	retired

	2026-09-15 20:40:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the penalties that they want to impose on people who was forced to look for solutions to manage their inefficiency. I support healthy competition in the electricity market to secure supply to customers/consumers at competitive rates to ensure economic growth of RSA and creating opportunities for the consumers to have a choice.	Nic	employed individual
	2026-09-15 21:14:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reliable rate payers should not have to continue to pick up the bill for Eskom's poor financial management and collections.	Terry	
	2026-09-16 06:57:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Considering the massive increases in eskom charges consumer's are not protected by Nersa and current pricing and increase models. Middle and lower income south Africans have become Eskom's cash cow to the extent that Eskom is celebrating financial profitability which has been achieved through massive increases in charges and not a more effective and efficient business. The business as a whole is a failure and this will become evident once a competitive market is possible and is therefore essential.	Simon	employed individual
	2026-09-16 15:32:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		G	employed individual
	2026-09-17 10:07:46	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not see how Eskom can carry on with its fiscal policy as the organization is top heavy with employees that earn 30 to0 percent more than the average govt. employee. The workforce must be reduced to sustainable numbers. Salaries needs to be in line with other sectors in government. To penalize citizens that can not bear the brunt of the pricing structure is wrong,	Martin	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:45:44	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vionne	
	2026-09-17 14:51:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-09-17 15:29:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in solar primarily for security reasons. I am retired, in my 70's and was feeling extremely insecure every time I was faced with load shedding. Penalising anyone for mitigating the "supplier's" shortcomings is simply unjust. There should be no concessions for "Luddites" in any event. Eskom needs to build and retain its capacity within the strictures of available technology, not seek the easy way out by penalising the very people that have been forced into this position.	Nigel	retired
	2026-09-17 15:42:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges unfairly penalises energy-conscious citizens, who's country wide investment of millions of Rand in solar solutions to assist Eskom's fragile infrastructure by reducing the demand on the network. It also extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. It punishes legal users of the electricity and leaves ALL illegal connectors unaffected. So private owners of rooftop solar and batteries will endlessly continue to subsidize illegal connections, the resulting damage they cause. It unfairly punishes legal law abiding users for the losses caused by illegal connections and the unabated theft of copper cable.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-17 16:56:26	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	
	2026-09-17 20:13:09	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Strict caps should be put on fixed network fees. Captive ratepayers must be protected.	Karel	retired
	2026-09-17 22:34:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-18 08:38:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-18 11:21:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	retired
	2026-09-18 12:43:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heinrich	
	2026-09-19 08:05:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As taxpayers we have already been over generous in covering Escoms BLOATED expenses & unaccaptable work ethics. As well as the massive corruption. It must stop and be fixed before any of this takes place. During loadshedding, fixed/availability charges were NEVER adjusted because of NON-AVAILABILITY. WE CANNOT TRUST ESCOM AND THE ENERGY DEPT TO BE FAIR TO THE MAJORITY OF PAYING CUSTOMERS.	Robbie	retired
	2026-09-22 07:13:58	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't see why those customers who were previously incentivised to install rooftop solar systems are now being punished with excessive taxes and penalties. Eskom and municipalities are unable to provide reliable and stable electricity to their customers. Homeowners who have installed solar systems have, at considerable expense, attempted to protect their homes, livelihoods and business by installing backup systems when Eskom and municipalities have, and continue, to fail them. Rooftop solar systems have become a necessity, not a luxury! Failure by government to provide reliable electricity has cost customers thousands in lost food, lost vaccines for agricultural purposes, inability to support people who rely on medical equipment. We are already taxed to death in a country that does very little for its citizens.	Laura	employed individual
	2026-09-22 11:10:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gordon	self-employed
	2026-09-25 13:19:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	People cannot be penalized for having solar, government did not contribute to personal debt of those who have installed solar, due to excessive high electrical prices caused by mismanagement and corruption at ESCOM and municipalities.	André	self-employed
	2026-09-25 14:41:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cindy	retired
	2026-09-26 06:23:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rikus	
	2026-09-27 06:08:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is concerning to think that the group of people that already experience pressure from all these life challenges still needs to pay for other peoples failures and they must just carry on as per normal. Why not get the public involved to add to the grid the extra power from rooftop solar to assist the local municipality to keep the tarrifs low. I am sure the public will participate.	Emil	
	2026-09-27 15:32:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hessie	
	2026-09-28 05:14:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Caps are necessary, we don't want to pay for municipal theft or data centres.	Catherine	business owner
	2026-09-28 07:28:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-28 09:11:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-09-28 09:18:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marge	employed individual
	2026-09-28 11:03:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By installing domestic solar I have contributed a large capital investment to help Eskom to get through their problems with absolutely no compensation in any form other than a reduced electricity bill (when electricity was supplied). If there are punitive connection fees and all kinds of regulations and hoops to jump through, then I will request being disconnected from the grid without any repercussions or problems to disconnect, bearing in mind that when I built my home, I had to pay a large sum for the expansion of the grid and electrical infrastructure.	Duncan	retired
	2026-09-30 12:58:16	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Senta	self-employed
	2026-09-30 15:26:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	It is a very complex situation made worse by years of unaccountable state maladministration.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-10-08 07:07:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Create a fair trading environment that supports a flourishing small and micro business economy and does not penalise citizens. Think of small home industries that will be severely affected by these decisions. Create a flourishing economy for all citizens.	Phillipa	business owner
	2026-10-11 02:22:53	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	employed individual
	2026-10-19 18:24:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anni	
	2026-10-21 20:50:27	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Deana	
	2026-10-27 10:38:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eberhardt	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:25:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I see it as a positive step, being that ESKOM being a monopoly has been a problem for the most part. Meaning the bad outweighs to good, especially that the government in totality has been ineffective in terms of procuring essential services. Also they have stifled the economy and power supply is one of the most critical components in resurging South Africa. The main issue I have is a simple fundamental one, why tax is something you do not provide? It is absolutely senseless and it is not like the extra revenue made from this taxation, goes back to solar provision and helps boost the economy in anyway! A comment and a question in that simple problem I've expressed.	Thato	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:58:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annerlye	retired
	2026-08-26 18:08:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-08-26 19:42:25	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PIETER	retired
	2026-08-26 19:43:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CECILY	
	2026-08-26 20:35:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA should place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. There should be a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability. An independent socio-economic impact assessment should be conducted on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Jon	business owner

	2026-08-27 07:07:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elita	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:12:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		oswald	retired
	2026-08-27 07:30:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene Venter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:35:24	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whilst I fully support the de-monopolization of the South African energy market there are plenty of issues that need to be carefully addressed.	Scott	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:32:40	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The principle of paying for infrastructure and consumption as two separate items is long established. However there appears to be a threat that the pricing structure will be manipulated disproportionately. Will the consumer have a fair voice in the process?	Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 08:38:59	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeffrey	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:56:33	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:56:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This cannot be produced without some caveats being included to protect consumers.	Erica	retired
	2026-08-27 13:19:39	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		R	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:34:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	
	2026-08-27 17:53:29	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pushpa	
	2026-08-28 07:31:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronnie	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:39:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Prepaid purchases of electricity is already abused ito 'special rates' for landlords where tenants of multiple dwellings on the same property are billed excessively more than standard approved municipality rates to compensate for the 'special' discounted rates for the property owner who then pays less for own consumption. According to own research this is on the order of the day and occurs regularly. Currently attempting to reach the Consumer Council but again not very successful in this attempt of online registration before complaint can be lodges. Prepaid vendors should not be allowed to contravene standard approved and published municipal rates on pre-paid meters.	Leon	retired
	2026-08-28 18:04:16	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Debora	business owner
	2026-08-29 05:29:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is understandable that people who have installed solar are no longer supporting the infrastructure required to get the electricity to their homes. A base provision charge is not a bad idea as long as it is controlled and capped. This could be offset by allowing for those with excess generation capacity to be reimbursed for what they feed back into the grid. Incentivise small scale embedded generation and structure the incentives to support the demand. Eg, pay more for after dark or high demand times than when there is excess. Use excess to charge national storage systems like pump storage schemes. This model incentivises people who are able, to participate in the solution rather than making a plan for themselves to work around it.	Guy	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:30:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-08-29 13:43:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is so inefficient and is looking for ways to recover it's excessive costs in any way. Now Solar users are targeted and they have all the marketing power as a monopoly to set rates without any competition. I know we use the grid as back up and have to conribute to maintaining it but that is where the problem comes in. With ESKOM inefficiency and incompetence which in the first instance made us run to solar power because of their unreliability. Now they are boasting about excess capacity which they only have because of independant power producers like us even though we are dependant on the sun. Over and above that pensioners have invested their lump sums in solar because of this but get no recognition for it in terms of better tariffs.	Zjaan	retired
	2026-08-29 18:44:49	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again trust in Eskom is betrayed Instead of being a responsible producer of the lifeblood of industry (and a civilised standard of living) they are still trying to suck every last little bit of initiative and self reliance (which they have forced on us!) to enlarge their comfort zone Eskom is uncontrollable and this must change!	Patricia	retired
	2026-08-29 20:39:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Asanda	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 07:30:47	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	self-employed
	2026-08-31 17:31:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand the concept that all users of municipal and Eskom power supply should carry some of the fixed network costs. But I have a huge concern as to how this will be done.	Carl	
	2026-09-01 13:25:06	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gavin Smith	business owner
	2026-09-02 11:04:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julian	retired
	2026-09-02 11:33:51	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Babongile	business owner
	2026-09-06 16:55:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	
	2026-09-07 11:43:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power and all other alternative private power sources should NOT be charged or penalized. When an individual buy and install equipment to generate power, they should NOT be charged a fee to use their own equipment to produce power. It would be a good thing to establish more power providers so that people can have a choice.	Jesica	retired

						e All Images Videos News Maps Books Finance Here are three options for your petition comment, ranging from short to slightly more detailed. They are written from the perspective of an external South African citizen standing in solidarity, ensuring your exact stance is clearly communicated. Option 1: Ultra-short & Punchy (Best for tight character limits) As a fellow South African, I strongly support the progressive welfare steps in the City of Cape Town's Draft Animal Keeping By-law, 2026, specifically the bans on glue traps, the chaining of security dogs, and the abuse of cart horses. However, I completely oppose Sections 2 and 3. Mandatory paid pet permits, unconstitutional warrantless search powers, and arbitrary property quotas are draconian overreaches that will harm compliant owners while failing to stop unpoliced offenders. This sets a dangerous legislative precedent for the rest of our country. Dear South Africa +1 Option 2: Passionate & Balanced (Recommended) While I live outside of Cape Town, this draft by-law sets a critical tone for municipal animal legislation across South Africa. I fully applaud the excellent, overdue protections against animal cruelty, including outlawing glue traps, protecting working equines, and ending the chaining of security dogs. However, I strongly object to the heavy-handed municipal control over private households. Paid permits for every dog and cat over six months old, neighbor sign-offs, and restrictions on backyard food production are completely unfeasible and open to abuse. Worse, granting officials the power to enter and search private premises without a warrant directly tramples on basic privacy rights. Protect animals, but do not criminalise responsible pet owners. Option 3: Short & High-Impact I strongly endorse the draft by-law's historic protections for working cart horses, guard dogs, and the ban on cruel glue traps. But as a South African watching the precedent this sets, I must voice my outright opposition to the over-regulation of private households. Mandatory paid permits, strict property pet quotas, and backyard farming restrictions will heavily penalise law-abiding citizens while remaining completely unpolicable in vulnerable areas. Furthermore, empowering officials with warrantless entry to private properties is a massive overreach prone to corruption and abuse. Fix the over-regulation; keep the welfare advancements! ? Quick Tip for Submitting If you are also pasting this directly onto public participation platforms tracking this draft legislation (like the active campaign hosted on Dear South Africa), you can select the option to "Shape" or "Amend" the policy rather than just a flat "Disapprove" so that the city handles your input constructively. Dear South Africa Would you like me to modify the tone of any of these options, or do you need help drafting a formal email submission to the City of Cape Town instead? AI responses may include mistakes. For legal advice, consult a professional. Learn more		
						Dear South Africa Would you like me to modify the tone of any of these options, or do you need help drafting a formal email submission to the City of Cape Town instead? AI responses may include mistakes. For legal advice, consult a professional. Learn more Here are three options for your petition comment regarding the Department of Basic Education's (DBE) "ECE Toolkit". They are tailored to be short, passionate, and directly highlight your objections to the curriculum's contents, the lack of public consultation, and the infringement on parental rights. Option 1: Ultra-short & High-Impact (Best for character limits) I strongly object to the rollout of the ECE Toolkit for children aged 0 to 9. Children at this foundational stage lack the developmental capacity to understand complex gender ideology; they should simply be allowed to be children without unnecessary ideological confusion. Furthermore, the DBE's refusal to hold a public participation process is completely unacceptable. Education policies must respect parental rights and community values through open, transparent consultation. Option 2: Passionate & Focused on Rights (Recommended) I am entirely against the implementation of the ECE Toolkit in our primary and pre-primary schools. Introducing transgender ideology to children as young as toddlers is entirely inappropriate and amounts to early-childhood brainwashing. I also strongly condemn the Department of Basic Education's attempts to bypass public scrutiny. Parents have the primary right and responsibility to guide their children on these deeply personal matters. The state cannot covertly strip away parental rights and exclude the public from decisions that shape our children's minds. Option 3: Direct & Urging Accountability The DBE's ECE Toolkit is a massive overreach that undermines both parental authority and the innocence of young children. Pre-primary and primary school children need to focus on foundational literacy, numeracy, and play—not confusing gender identity programmes. For the DBE to claim that public participation is not required is an insult to our democracy. I demand that the implementation be halted immediately and that full, transparent public consultation takes place. ? Next Steps for Submission If you are submitting this via the civic portal on Dear South Africa's ECE Toolkit Campaign, your comment will be delivered directly to the relevant decision-makers at the Department of Basic Education. Would you like me to: Draft a formal objection letter to send directly to the school governing body instead? Adjust the phrasing of these options to be more technical or more emotional?		
	2026-09-07 14:42:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Here are three tailored options for your petition comment regarding the SAWEM structural roadmap, specifically focusing on your objections to mandatory fixed solar charges, the burden on captive consumers, and the financial threat to municipalities. Option 1: Ultra-short & High-Impact (Best for tight character limits) While energy reform is necessary, I strongly object to the SAWEM roadmap penalising ordinary households and small businesses. Introducing high, mandatory fixed grid charges on rooftop solar actively discourages clean energy investments and punishes self-generation. Furthermore, allowing large industries to bypass municipal grids will leave everyday citizens as "captive ratepayers," stuck absorbing massive tariff hikes to cover municipal revenue deficits. This transition must not happen at the expense of the working class	Jill	retired
	2026-09-07 19:36:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	retired
	2026-09-11 19:36:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is time that Eskom stop getting all this price hikes and they are the ones who give big salaries increases, bonusses, incentives and mismanage money. Goverment must now put a ceiling on price hikes and inceases as households are struggling. Please make electricy cheaper so poorer people can survive.	Emmie	retired
	2026-09-11 22:04:50	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	
	2026-09-11 23:04:04	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Simply be fair, transparant, honest with regulations, serving the public in the best possible way.	Ian	
	2026-09-12 10:23:01	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Price increases on municipal acc	Isaac	retired
	2026-09-13 06:58:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kristelle	
	2026-09-13 07:24:56	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:32:48	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachelle	
	2026-09-13 13:30:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We as consumers of power, both small and large should not have to bare the burden of eskoms passed failings. Our investment in solar is to guarantee stable power to assist the grid to providing for those who cant afford solar on their homes. They shouldnt have to pay extra for it. We suffer as small business owners with landlords who dont allow us to benefit from solar and sell their power, and charge us full eskom prices. If its not eskom bullying us, its the landlords.	Marcio	business owner
	2026-09-13 14:07:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jac	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:11:19	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise Webb	retired
	2026-09-13 19:52:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:50:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	student
	2026-09-14 07:20:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an already overburdened ratepayer and residential electricity consumer I need to know: 1. How network charges will be calculated 2. How municipalities will recover their costs when large customers start buying electricity elsewhere 3. Who ultimately carries the cost of Eskom's existing debt and excess/stranded infrastructure	Ronel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:46:14	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In 2001 I was doing a display on SA's extensive mineral resources, and back then SA had cheaper power than most other countries. Now only 25 years later it's among the most expensive, which is a big problem for this country. I object to the small consumer being penalized further to support cheap prices for large consumers.	Diana	retired
	2026-09-14 08:50:07	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renee^	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:57:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Irma	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:30:08	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:43:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	
	2026-09-14 10:02:42	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired
	2026-09-14 10:04:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely Ludicrous, "This" is dictatorship at its worst. Eskoms policy, the more inefficient and incapable they become the higher the tariffs become for the people who have no alternative but to pay, and those who have, at their own expense, managed to find an alternative source are now being targeted because of Eskoms inability to provide a stable efficient and price competitive service. Stop the supply of free, illegal electricity to the masses and recover all the outstanding debts owing. Worse coming if you vote ANC.	Gerry	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:20:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise the poor who have no further options to purchase / use electricity. Electricity is already so expensive, the lower income households have to make sacrifices to keep their lights on.	Anne	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:28:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:33:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:44:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronel	retired

	2026-09-16 13:12:34	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The primary concern with ESKOM is not the monopolistic model, but the governance. With proper governance, the structure could have provided in the needs of the population. Competition is a good thing and poor governance forced competition to enter the scene. However, it cannot be proposed as open trading if it is not. No-one should be held captive and should everyone, in particular those with solar systems, be penalized. Infrastructure and maintenance have been paid, however, it has been usurped by corrupt politicians.	CHRIS	self-employed
	2026-09-17 21:02:15	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom had to be bled dry, and more, before private entities could carve up this lucrative market.	Clive	retired
	2026-09-20 08:41:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Hendrik	business owner
	2026-09-27 18:12:43	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	retired
	2026-09-29 12:25:22	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-10-18 18:16:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mirriam	
	2026-10-21 08:06:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fiona	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:57:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current ANC Government led us through years of load shedding, due in a large part to corruption by the Gupta family and all those local people benefittng from the corruption and then the ANC led government raised the price of electrcity materially over the past number of years. How on earth can the citizen of South Africa support the latest measures proposed. In addition the ANC led City of Johannesburg have decided to take the funds paid by City Power users to pay exhorbitant amounts to people employed in the City who have ZERO to do with City Power.- this is daylight robbery for whom no one is prosecuted or held accountable. hopefully the November 4th elections will change this.	Chris	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:47:41	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:33:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A fixed penalty on ratepayers that needed to protect themselves out of necessity is unethical. People will find new ways to avoid use or entirely vacate the grid causing a bigger long-term issue. Taxes have been paid for years for services that aren't accessible, this will cause a further avoidance of tax. I would support usage based billing, higher rates for a lower amount of units used, etc.	Shaun	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:09:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:16:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	retired
	2026-08-30 07:26:17	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't fully understand this language. I believe consumers should be protected at all costs. Government should do a better job of managing funds that already come from tax payers. Citizens should not be penalised for finding solutions that government should be implementing. The poor shouldn't be further disadvantaged by changes that favour those who have means.	Bulelwa	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:30:02	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	South Africa needs to take profit making out of State & semi State entities. For the recent 30 years these functions have played 'monopoly money games' fed by a perceived inexhaustable tax income stream. State and semi state functions must revert back to earn basic salaries and deliver a framework in which private institutions can flourish.	Casper	business owner
	2026-08-31 10:31:31	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JACKIE	self-employed
	2026-09-07 15:09:10	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:37:12	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Eastern Cape municipality is already in such deep financial trouble, resulting in poor service delivery in so many essential areas, that a system such as this, implemented before that financial situation is under control will likely cripple the region causing a further exodus of business and opportunity for the residents and compounding an already severe cycle of poverty and unemployment.	Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 18:20:36	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	
	2026-09-12 18:33:21	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A fair and workable framework needs to be developed	LC	retired
	2026-09-12 18:58:38	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the Eskom bullying tactics. They infringe on the democratic rights of citizens We cannot be held liable for Eskom mismanagement	Danie	retired
	2026-09-12 19:01:20	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is monopolism of the highest order. It is parasitic in its origins and effects. Only the elites, including the politically connected alongside monopoly capitalist institutions and corporations will benefit from this in its current form. This is neither socialism nor true capitalism, but oligarchic monopolism, which knows no cultural or racial boundaries. A vicious form of parasitism seen no where else in nature - a select group of individuals sucking the energy and blood of its own kind. Im nature such behavior is always subject to counter-balancing. In human society, greed (the desire for unearned income) and which is unique to civilized mankind is what permanently prevents balance unless it is socially regulated for equitable, just and fair outcomes.	Gavin	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:24:55	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joanna	retired
	2026-09-13 11:34:54	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I accept that a network charge is required, but it must be reasonable. The charge in Johannesburg has increased significantly in recent years and now comprises the vast bulk of my monthly bill. This is the price I pay for vast corruption and state capture. From 2019 we had massive loadshedding because Eskom was incapable of generating sufficient electricity so many households and businesses invested in solar. We rescued South Africa and now we're being gouged because of previous Eskom and government incompetence and corruption. Good governance and inflation-related increases are what's required, not going after captive citizens.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:46:28	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	retired
	2026-09-14 08:44:18	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joyce	retired
	2026-09-14 10:46:37	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shelley	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:20:35	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dorette	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:48:11	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brigid	employed individual
	2026-09-21 09:54:03	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	1. Greenpeace Africa welcomes the opportunity to comment on the draft Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper (the Paper). We support the direction of reform: ending the single-buyer model, opening the grid to new participants and building the institutions of a competitive wholesale market. We also recognise that the Paper arrives after a period in which the electricity system has visibly recovered (SAnews 2026a; Eskom 2026). Our position is one of support with amendments. Our submission is organised around one question: who carries the costs of this transition, and who captures its benefits? South Africa ranks as the most unequal of the 164 economies in the World Bank's inequality database (World Bank 2022). Official unemployment reached 33.6% in the second quarter of 2026, leaving 8.5 million people unemployed, including 5.0 million young people aged 15 to 34 (Stats SA 2026a). Electricity tariffs have risen by more than 900% since 2007, according to the Minister (McLeod 2026). In this context, the design of tariffs, market eligibility and cost-recovery rules is not a technical footnote. It will determine whether electricity remains a shared foundation for dignity and opportunity, or becomes another dividing line between those who can exit the grid and those left to carry its fixed costs. What we welcome: - A market architecture that ends single-buyer dependence and separates the wires from the sale of electricity, creating cost transparency that hidden municipal cross-subsidies have lacked. - A stated commitment to just and inclusive decarbonisation, technology-neutral market rules and regulatory protection for vulnerable end-use customers. - Clarity that fully off-grid customers pay no system charges, and recognition of small-scale embedded generators as market participants. - A legal and institutional foundation, in the form of the Electricity Regulation Amendment Act and a licensed Market Operator, that is already in place. What must be strengthened: - Fixed and network charges must be designed so that low-income and low-consumption households are not penalised for being poor. -The divide between "eligible" and "captive" customers needs a binding, time-bound path to wider choice, and cross-subsidies must move into an explicit, universally funded mechanism. - Free Basic Electricity and social tariffs should be embedded in the market rules and delivered directly, rather than left to municipal discretion. - Households must be insulated from wholesale volatility and market power, drawing on the experience of other markets. - Institutional independence (particularly of the National Transmission Company of South Africa, NTCSA), open contracting and integrity safeguards must precede the entry of private transmission and bilateral deals. - Implementation should be gated by published readiness criteria, with a distributional impact assessment before the market opens beyond Eskom. 2. From a social justice lens: Why distributions matters as much as efficiency? Market reform is usually judged on efficiency: price discovery, investment and reliability. These matter, and we address them below. But in an economy with South Africa's inequality profile, reform must also be judged on incidence. The same policy can lower the average cost of electricity while raising it for those with the least capacity to adapt. Three features of the South African context make this unavoidable. • Adaptive capacity is concentrated. Households and firms with capital can install solar and storage or contract directly; those without cannot. Wealthier customers are more likely to defect, in part or in full, from the grid (BER 2025), leaving municipalities with shrinking revenue bases while they carry the fixed costs of ageing networks (Mail & Guardian 2026). • Municipal cross-subsidies carry part of the social contract. Electricity sales made up about 26% of total municipal revenue in the first half of 2023, and roughly 60% of urban households and small businesses are supplied through municipalities, which add a mark-up that helps fund other services (Polity 2026b). The Constitution makes electricity and gas reticulation a local government function and obliges municipalities to provide services in a sustainable manner (Republic of South Africa 1996, s 152(1)(b) and Schedule 4B). • The generation base is still carbon-intensive. Coal supplied about 83% of electricity generated in 2024, and renewables about 9% (Stats SA 2026b). The workers and communities tied to that system are the ones the Paper says must be protected (DEE 2026; TygerBurger 2026). We propose that every element of the market design be tested against five questions. They are consistent with the goal of affordable, reliable and modern energy for all (United Nations 2015, SDG 7) and are used throughout this submission. Access and affordability - does the design keep a basic supply within reach of every household, including those who cannot pay consistently? Fair cost-sharing - recovering the fixed cost of networks is legitimate, and we accept it. Cost-reflective, however, must not become regressive: allocation should reflect ability to pay. Transparency and accountability - are cross-subsidies, charges and market outcomes visible, contestable and independently overseen? Inclusion in the transition - Can workers, youth, municipalities, cooperatives and small generators take part in the market, not only its largest players? Prudent sequencing - do market functions open only once consumer protections are operational? 3. We wish to be clear that much of the Paper is a positive step. The following shifts deserve to be recognised and preserved in the final policy: - A credible platform after a hard-won recovery - Transparency through unbundling - Commitments to inclusion and protection - Alignment with the energy transition	Siyabonga	employed individual

	2026-09-28 13:04:05	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One thing i do know, is that our current ANC government are thieves. They dont care for the greater good, so that is a HUGE problem for me. All i feel is that im pay and pay, then paying extra to get absolutely nothing out of our municipalities. I'm happy to pay, but i want running water in my taps, lights on in our streets and highways at night (not day), potholes fixed grass cut. My are hasn't has water in 2 weeks!!!! Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Lulu	employed individual
	2026-10-01 13:38:57	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	business owner
	2026-10-07 20:00:45	I support with amendments	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I believe it is time to dismantle Eskom's dominance and allow for other producers to enter the market, the residential consumer needs to be protected against price hikes to make up municipal deficits and those with solar power should not be penalized as they have taken initiative and have decreased the load on the system. They should not now have to pay excessive fixed fees for the relatively small amount of power they use. Everyday residential users are already carrying a high burden to make up for shortfalls for areas that are unable to contribute to municipal finance, rather the exorbitant salaries of politicians should be decreased in order to, literally, provide power to the people.	Helene	
	2026-10-06 19:22:13	I support with amendments	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has to be unbundled into individual companies as proposed in order to see which division isn't profitable due to being overstaffed and inefficient. Also there must not be barriers to entry for IPP's. Furthermore, qualifying residential solar/PV's should be incentivised to export power into the grid instead of trying to penalise consumers for an issue that was created by Eskom in the first place.	Stephen	self-employed
	2026-10-20 18:32:52	I support with amendments	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Searched the web Here's your objection with those points included. I've worded it as opposing the proposed hike and licence disc fee, because my search found neither has been approved. I also read your two foreigner points as (1) charging more to foreign motorists and (2) not paying RAF compensation to foreign nationals, legal or illegal. Tell me if you meant something else. NO, I OBJECT to the proposed R3.00/litre RAF levy increase and the proposed licence disc tax, and I DEMAND the reinstatement of fuel levy relief. South African motorists are already under severe pressure from record fuel prices. Charging us at the pump and again at the annual licence renewal counter is double taxation. I call on National Treasury to immediately reinstate the emergency General Fuel Levy relief that expired on 30 June 2026, to protect households and businesses from further price shocks. I also object to bailing out the Road Accident Fund's administrative waste and multi-billion-rand legal fee leakages. Motorists should not pay more until the RAF fixes its own house and puts accident victims before lawyers. The licence disc tax, justified by electric vehicles, is a blanket penalty on all fuel users and should be rejected. If more money must be raised, it should not come from South African motorists alone. Foreign nationals and foreign-registered vehicles that use our roads should pay more. I also believe RAF compensation should not be paid out to foreign nationals, whether legal or illegal, while South African victims and taxpayers carry the cost. Finally, I call for retail petrol price deregulation into a maximum price cap, so pricing is more competitive and transparent. A few things to know before you submit: The R3.00 hike was pushed back. The RAF proposed it, but Transport Minister Barbara Creecy said that as long as she is in the job, she will not apply to the National Treasury to increase the RAF fuel levy. The licence disc fee is still being considered, and one report says no new RAF licence-renewal fee has been finalised. You may want to say "oppose any" rather than "oppose the" so the comment stays accurate. businesstech capetownetc Part of your foreigner point is already being considered. The RAF's proposals include implementing the levy on all foreign-registered motor vehicles entering South Africa. You could mention that you support that part. businesstech Charging foreigners more is hard at the pump, because fuel is sold to everyone. It works better as a levy on foreign-registered vehicles, so your comment might say that instead of "charge foreigners more" generally. RAF payouts to foreign nationals. I couldn't confirm how the RAF currently treats foreign claimants, so check that before asserting it. If you want, I can look it up. Your RAF waste point has support. The SIU found the RAF has been severely mismanaged for several years. topauto For balance, the RAF argues that its levy was frozen at R2.18 per litre from 2021/22 to 2025/26 and that fuel sales have fallen. Others note that EVs don't pay fuel tax but can still claim from the RAF after accidents. Your comment is stronger if it answers these points, for example by demanding reform before any new charge. topauto briefly I can make it shorter for a comment box or more formal for an official submission. Screenshot_20261020_182618_com_android_chrome_CustomTabActivity.jpg Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. And the government and relevant departments should ensure that the are Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. The screenshot has other points that all relevant parties should consider as part of amendment to ensure that no one is left behind especially households and smmes Searched the web Here's a comment that covers your points and every issue listed in the screenshot: I SUPPORT the wholesale electricity market reform WITH AMENDMENTS. Reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network and capacity charges, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. A competitive market must not be built on the backs of ordinary households and small businesses. I ask the government and all relevant departments and regulators to address the following: 1. Fixed charges and solar penalties: Mandatory fixed charges must be capped and cost-reflective. They must not punish households and SMMEs that install solar or try to use less electricity. 2. Captive consumer tariff protection: Customers who cannot switch suppliers must be shielded from price hikes, and any transition costs must not be passed on to them. 3. Market power and price manipulation: Strong rules and active monitoring are needed so that large players cannot manipulate prices in the new market. 4. Municipal financial collapse: Many municipalities depend on electricity revenue. Reform must not strip that income and leave communities with failing services, and existing cross-subsidies that support poorer households must be protected. 5. NTCSA conflicts of interest: The market operator and transmission company must be independent, with clear safeguards against conflicts of interest. 6. Grid congestion and transmission delays: Delays in expanding the grid must be resolved, so the market is not undermined and consumers do not pay for constraints they did not cause. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. All parties should treat these as essential amendments so no one is left behind, especially households and SMMEs.	Siboniso	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 15:48:25	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I support separation of usage and transmission costs for electricity. I support all users, even if only nominal users, of electricity paying a fair share of transmission costs to ensure proper maintenance of the grid. However, I have two main concerns. 1. Municipalities must be limited in how much can be charged for transmission (or availability) costs. I have a small unit in Johannesburg, where the transmission (availability) cost is R 1050 per month, and the typical electricity usage cost is around R 200 per month. The transmission cost to make electricity available is nowhere close to 5 times the electricity cost. 2. If I pay a fixed transmission cost, I want fixed availability of electricity. If, due to some transmission fault, electricity is not available for any period during a month, the fixed transmission cost must be reduced pro-rata for that month. I also have two questions. 1. If a property is completely off-grid without any electricity connection at all, will the transmission fee still apply? In this case it seems unreasonable to charge a transmission fee. 2. Will the transmission fee replace the existing availability fee charged by many municipalities? It seems to me reasonable that this should be the case because these two fees are covering exactly the same thing.	Geoffrey	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:43:43	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities are trying to support costs and theft with steeper costs for the average consumer. Payment for electricity infrastructure by all households using the grid is acceptable I believe, but the rates and costs are already too steep. Unbundling Eskom is just another opportunity for more high salaried senior staff and profiteering.	Coral	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:44:09	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-29 17:21:14	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government, both National and Local have failed Business, community, stability and growth through their Policies and total incompetence (be it through cadre appointments, incompetent management, BBBEE and whatever else they wish to put the blame to. So, an open and competitive market will allow for investment and growth. However, the type of investment needs to be looked at because currently there are many Chinese investments taking place but the is no BBBEE laws applicable to this nor any labor related laws	Kevin	business owner
	2026-08-31 10:26:35	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Danette	business owner
	2026-08-31 14:06:23	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarah	employed individual
	2026-09-06 13:34:05	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marlene	retired
	2026-09-10 12:47:43	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Avril	retired
	2026-09-11 17:16:48	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Competition is a good thing. If eskom dont learn how to change they will eventually fail. But you CANNOT PUNISH the people because eskom don't want to change. Freedom of choice is part of our democracy. Eskom is a monopoly. It gives you no choice. But things are starting to change. So should eskom.	Darryl	
	2026-09-11 20:58:40	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I concede that the current structure penalises Eskom in the sense that it is providing infrastructure etc. to provide electricity when the sun doesn't shine their proposal is unfair. What they should do is apply a significantly higher price structure between 6pm and 6am to encourage people to make use of cheaper power during the day by heating their water geysers and running pool pumps etc. thus helping balance supply and demand. To apply a simple infrastructure levy is unfair for those who have made infrastructure investments to make up for Eskom's deficiencies. It is fining people for defending themselves.	Stuart	retired
	2026-09-12 00:00:15	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many municipalities have failed. Why not clean them up to get income again. We can't rely on the small pool of the middle class taxpayers who pay the majority of the tax. It will bleed them drier than it has. I support market reform and not monopolisation of Eskom. These tariffs and fines should have been introduced as soon as people had solar panels installed, not years later. Government has to keep their finger on the pulse and act immediately to deter others from adding them/ its a fast-paced world and government needs to be proactive and not stall. And away should households without solar also a be punished because of municipal incompetence. We need to wake up and look after the taxpayers as more and more are leaving for better life and work conditions. Minister of electricity, with all due respect, this is a shameful, and nonsensical suggestion. Please apply your mind and reconsider. Regards Pam - concerned person on disability looking after physically disabled mother and cannot afford more and more charges without breaking the bank	Pam	retired
	2026-09-12 00:42:54	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential. 1. But, as long a inefficient, incapacitated, corrupt municipalities are tasked to "tax" electricity the whole effort is carried out on the back of ordinary consumers. Get electricity out of the hands of municipalities and reinvent how local municipalities are funded / taxes. 2. To let large consumers (industry, mines, etc.) bypass municipal electricity supply is in principle a good move. But, then they need to contribute to the municipal coffers in other ways, otherwise it leads to ordinary consumers having to take up the "slack".	Jürg	retired
	2026-09-14 03:17:35	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While there are upsides to to some of the reforms, the downsides are that mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	nic	
	2026-09-16 07:24:27	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patricia	retired

	2026-09-16 12:18:26	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that the large consumers in a municipality can dodge paying rates to a municipality is a major risk. Thus this must not be allowed. Fixed grid rates to which all are subject, unlinked from usage is a second major risk. A minimum fixed rate applicable to all is acceptable, after which a grid usage sliding scale is essential. That municipalities may purchase bulk electricity on an open market basis is essential.	Max	retired
	2026-10-15 23:16:09	I support with amendments	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. Demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Liam	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:26:35	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand the need to protect the network asset but we already pay a fixed usage fee.	Louise	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:30:05	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jim	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:11:08	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renier	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:26:51	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-08-27 09:24:43	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The attitude toward the ordinary cutizen taking initiative to cover government ineptness is concerning and unhelpful. Government should be harnessing that potential to generate even more electricity to the benefit of the whole country. Instead, it seeks to punish and crush that initiative. This is a hostile attitude and should have no place in a country with our large unemployment rates.	Sam	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:49:22	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:55:23	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. There is also a third "invisible" market, which is illegal connection users and users that are hundreds of thousands or millions of Rands in arrears. One could argue that in order to accumulate such an arrear amount, the pressure put on the grid is much higher than the average homeowner. Ultimately a move like this will just push more people who can afford it to go completely off-grid, putting even more pressure on those who can't.	Heinrich	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:31:43	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matete	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 15:59:01	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not object to an appropriate basic charge to cover the cost of historic infrastructure, but I do fear for it morphing into yet another way to tax the "rich" and "not so rich". It seems non-sensical to offer tax payers an incentive, via limited tax relief, to install solar power to their homes and then, once the crisis is past, enforce them to pay a penalty for cutting their consumption of Escom generated electricity. In my case in a suburb that has had Escom connection for approx 100 years I would imagine that the cost of the original infrastructure has long since been paid off. The standing charge should therefore be capped at the cost of maintenance and replacement where necessary. (Averaged out)	Ian	retired
	2026-08-28 05:27:06	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not think it fair that individuals or small companies should be penalized for changing to solar at their own expense. Without that, it is more than likely that the grid would have collapsed completely by this time. We owe them at least a debt of gratitude in helping to tide Eskom over a crisis of its own making	Rona	retired
	2026-08-28 06:21:39	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rassie	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:00:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Oniccah	
	2026-08-28 09:00:10	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isma-eel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:01:26	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-28 11:48:20	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom asked the consumers to install solar panels to help them in loadshedding times. We used post tax money at a huge cost to us. They could not support us in providing electricity but now they want us to pay for their lack of planning , incompetence and maintenance. Kusile and Madupi were built based on huge corruption and escalation of building costs.	Louise	retired
	2026-08-28 14:00:12	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jac	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:42:05	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I need financial acknowledgement of my investment done into solar, all due to the poor performance of Eskom, that already costed me money to do the investment due to much loadshedding and their failure There must be a cap placed on any fixed charge for those invested in solar power..	Pierre	self-employed
	2026-08-28 17:38:09	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	nic	
	2026-08-29 12:44:41	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents should also have a choice of where to buy. If we are limited only to municipal rates then we can be abused. I'm also concerned about excessive costs for fixed infrastructure. Solar users already spent alot towards infrastructure due to Eskom's failures so it would only be fair to subsidize the infrastructure costs for residential owners. It is unfair to charge consumers for helping to reduce Eskom's burdens. The other issue with fixed costs: it will cause consumers to go off grid which means additional pressure on consumers that stays on grid although the grid will still move through the same areas regardless of whether you're connected or not.	Carel	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:45:45	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pensioners should be excluded from this maintenance "tax". we are already taxed to death for food and other commodities. With the increased cost of living and the declining value of our pensions/income this is ridiculous.	joan	
	2026-08-29 15:03:05	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samuel	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 21:27:34	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) Mandatory, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity and network charges for all grid-connected properties regardless of how little grid power you pull ... This smells like someone wants to create a gravy train. 2) Local municipal tariffs ... This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies ... They should introduce a compulsory life-style and qualifications audits on all public servants. 3) Risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation could spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails ... unfortunately NERSA has failed us.	Desmond	retired
	2026-08-30 14:12:06	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-08-30 16:10:50	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with unbundling Eskom. I think fixed fees need to be kept to the minimum, rather use a sliding scale grid fee based on actual useage	Stuart	employed individual
	2026-08-30 17:04:24	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Otherwise, the relief that ratepayers are seeking from the current unaffordable rates that the consumer is being charged, will not materialise. The burden is already too heavy to bear for ordinary ratepayers and citizens. And surely the government should welcome and not punish those who saved the country and the economy from total collapse during the dark years of load-shedding by installing solar!	Rosemary	retired
	2026-08-30 20:30:54	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chanel	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:13:58	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	
	2026-08-31 10:35:21	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Junai	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:29:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free and we should be taxed for using it, but it is fair to pay a fair fee for using the grid, but not to have to fit the bill for everyone who can’t, the government can stop steeling and pay for this!	Ryan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 12:10:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	employed individual
	2026-09-06 10:41:43	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs reform, but not at the cost of residential consumers.	Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-07 13:59:06	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	retired
	2026-09-08 12:52:49	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Doron	
	2026-09-08 20:52:15	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	employed individual
	2026-09-11 05:52:28	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	employed individual

	2026-09-11 16:12:17	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support electricity reform that improves reliability, competition and affordability, but I do have concerns about how ordinary households may be affected as the new system develops. My household is completely off-grid and has never been connected to Eskom or a municipal electricity supply. We rely entirely on our own solar and battery system. I would therefore like the final policy to clearly confirm that households which are fully off-grid and make no use of the national or municipal electricity network will not be subject to network, capacity or connection charges. For households that do remain connected to the grid while using solar, any fixed or network charges should be fair, transparent and based on the actual service being provided. They should not simply become a way of recovering lost electricity sales or municipal revenue from people who have invested in reducing their reliance on the grid. I am also concerned that residential customers may remain captive while larger commercial users are given more freedom to buy electricity elsewhere. There should be safeguards to ensure that any loss of higher-paying customers does not simply result in increased costs being passed on to ordinary households. Consumers should also not have to carry unnecessary costs caused by poor forecasting, administration or inefficient management by municipalities or electricity providers. There are still many important details that appear to be left for future regulations, market rules and tariff structures. These should also be open to proper public consultation, especially where they affect household electricity costs, solar users and consumer choice. I support reform, but it should be implemented in a way that protects ordinary households and does not create new unfair charges for people who are not using the electricity network at all.	Nicolene	
	2026-09-11 17:01:50	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:03:57	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	? Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. ? Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. ? Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Mariette	retired
	2026-09-11 17:50:23	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nina	retired
	2026-09-11 18:16:04	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-11 23:09:01	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Andrew	retired
	2026-09-11 23:46:05	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maggie	
	2026-09-12 00:26:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees and that captive ratepayers should be protected.	Martin	retired
	2026-09-12 06:21:49	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	
	2026-09-12 06:26:10	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can barely afford electricity as is, it cannot go higher, please	Theunis	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:59:18	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People using sustainable (=solar energy) should be encouraged to do so, as we all need this planet to live on. Eskom MUST diversify and support sustainable energy- move away from fossil fuel. One way would be to make solar energy cheaper for all, encourage big businesses to use it and provider cheaper, cleaner energy to all. What should not happen is that the captive consumers should pay for big corporations. Nor should people we punished who lighten the load on the grid.	Karin	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:06:28	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Catharina	retired
	2026-09-12 07:15:16	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's ridiculous to make it more and more expensive for consumers who are barely scraping by. And living in an affluent area should also not be discriminated against. We may live in an affluent area but we live here rent free due to the kind graces of family. But we have to pay the municipal bill that we can just barely afford. We switch our geyser on maybe once a week. We live in darkness at night bar one lamp in the bedroom. We have a gas stove and don't use a kettle. And somehow our electricity is still almost R3000 a month. We are baffled and we are struggling.	M	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:00:11	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a SASSA pensioner i am unable to increase payments for electricity as my monthly pension is R2400 and I still need to buy food and health costs	Patrick	retired
	2026-09-12 08:14:57	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jen	retired
	2026-09-12 08:16:07	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans must not be expected to bale out Eskom. It caused its own problems and demise by very poor management, poor forward thinking, incompetence and greed. How much did we , the public, have to suffer over the years being left in the dark (figuratively and literally) because Government and Eskom could/would not embrace renewable energy? Why did Government and ESkom allow coal-mining to continue (actively supporting the Guptas).? Why did it not act on blatant theft at all levels, from clerical delinquents to major fraudsters right up to senior management level and in Government? Why didn't the Government and Eskom plan early for the future by extending the power grid across the country, stop coal usage, ensure clean air, and fire incompetents and thieves? I cannot have solar energy (too expensive to put in), and paid my monthly accounts dutifully, even though Eskom was stealing from me by erratic electricity supply. I do not want to find my electricity bills rising (while large companies get discounts) because Eskom and municipalities are now short of money. Instead, Eskom should embrace clean-air energy suppliers, end coal usage, and reduce expenses by major down-sizing, firing thieves and making many positions redundant. Probably also reduce salaries, as they are no doubt inflated. How about finding all the thieves and getting your money back from them? I guess you can say, putting it crudely, I am 'gatfol' of Eskom's delinquents.	Donald	retired
	2026-09-12 08:29:38	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm not a fan of there being a monopoly on energy supply. However… Private households who've been able to install solar panels shouldn't be penalised for 'making a plan' to keep their lights on. Households who don't have solar shouldn't be penalised so that the municipalities can make money. If the people running the municipalities and country for that matter were doing so without corruption and looting, they wouldn't need to be hiking prices and introducing new taxes etc. to sustain the municipal account.	Kennedy	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:05:02	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	self-employed
	2026-09-12 11:45:37	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free mkt competition is healthy but only if ratepayers are protected from baring the financial brunt for failures or discrepancies in network or municipal policies and operations.	colin	
	2026-09-12 12:11:40	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a 79-year-old citizen, also supporting two unemployed adults and a low-earning divorced mother and child, and I am battling to pay the current electricity charges. I do not qualify for indigent relief, which means if electricity prices rise even further, we shall have to move to candle light. If we would have been a different skin colour, we would have received free electricity , social support, etc. Our only relief could come if competitive electricity providers would be able to supply us with lower-rate power.	Barbara	retired
	2026-09-12 12:16:31	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	retired
	2026-09-12 13:28:26	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francinah	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:53:38	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support if Eskom unbundle. And whole sale trading to tackle this never ending downward spiral that destroy the livelihood of thousands of citizens and companies. However we as citizens cannot be held accountable for Eskom's woes. We did not put Eskom in a bad position in the first place. Just go, Eskom!	Amanda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:50:11	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Even as a so-called "middle class" consumer, I am battling to make ends meet as the cost of EVERYTHING escalates. I can't imagine the strain on those with lower budgets. Electricity is a basic need. Make it affordable!	Sally	self-employed
	2026-09-12 21:48:28	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-13 00:09:06	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:47:19	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheila	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:58:24	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Tracy	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:10:58	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Mike	retired
	2026-09-13 08:13:59	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronnie	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:54:44	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please don't increase electricity costs so much that they become unaffordable for the average household.	Gordon	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:59:01	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antonius	
	2026-09-13 10:08:15	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I would like to see ESCOM cutting their operational costs, as a good will gesture for consumers to see. A reduction in top salary levels and bonus payments would be a start. They are the ones that caused the mess and we, the consumers, had to sit in the dark, waste food, loose jobs, cut use, develop alternatives and loose trust/respect in their management abilities and now end up carrying the responsibility of this mess. It is wrong to expect the consumers to carry the burden of service providers' inefficiencies - Municipalities included. Where is the accountability for a poor work ethic and resource wasting?	Nik	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:11:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-13 12:48:07	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) Stop the "Sun Tax" : do not penalize private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2) Protect Captive Consumers: Bar Municipalities from Hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and non-grid defection. 3) Transparency first: Ensure wholesale reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Pedro	

	2026-09-13 12:56:14	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catharina	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:33:57	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Captive ratepayers can simply not afford solar.	Karen	
	2026-09-14 07:54:14	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I support market competition, and Eskom unbundling, I will only support this reform if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees and captive ratepayers (ordinary households) are protected.	Cheryl	retired
	2026-09-14 09:19:42	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should not charge solar users for using the sun, that is ridiculous. I can't afford solar so I have to pay for electricity and it's so expensive . I pay R5.30 a unit at the moment because we have prepaid. Im trying to use less electricity to make the units last..now we have to pay more because more people go with solar or gas.. that's unacceptable.. Eskom must be stopped!!! increasing electricity will not solve the problem	Hannelie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:44:23	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dolf	retired
	2026-09-14 10:54:35	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JACKIE STORER	
	2026-09-14 11:58:29	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerry	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:35:52	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PETER	retired
	2026-09-14 12:48:27	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Captive residents should pay toward contributing to grid maintenance based on their Kwh usage not as a fixed charge regardless of usage. This whole thing has been brought about because of the corruption and sabotage at Eskom and now they want all paying residents to finance their shortfall as they are selling less.	Ruben	retired
	2026-09-14 13:03:54	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		peter	retired
	2026-09-14 15:37:47	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A binding, published transition roadmap should be issued that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. NERSA must implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums must be opposed.	Marcus	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:49:21	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-09-15 10:24:51	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I support the move away from state-owned energy production, with it's inevitable inefficiencies, excessive salary burden, and ingrained corruption, for its demonstrated potential to improve energy security and reduce environmental impact, I am extremely concerned at the possibility of private consumers being charged exorbitant amounts for electricity. 1. If large industries move away from municipal grids, then municipalities will lose that revenue; BUT, the amount of kWh they then have to purchase from Eskom will also reduce, so I can see no reason why they can't just adjust their budgeting to reduce both income and expenditure - other than they are not ring-fencing electricity sales revenue to pay Eskom, it is used for other things like salaries. 2. Municipalities, like SOEs, are grossly inefficient; they have top-heavy organisation structures, weak billing mechanisms, and a politically-motivated willingness to condone widespread electricity theft. I object to having to subsidise this. 3. There needs to be a transparent, logical, and justifiable system to allocate generation and distribution costs across various categories of user; and mark-ups on such costs should be ring-fenced for infrastructure upgrades and maintenance, not for the buying of party loyalty or extravagant lifestyles.	Mike	retired
	2026-09-15 10:46:50	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Coralie	retired
	2026-09-15 15:19:38	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Protect households that depend on the grid system, we should not have to foot the bill for any experiments and certainly not foot the bill because of higher income households with solar	Okoyama	student
	2026-09-15 15:33:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is busy trying to milk every cent we work for rather fix the mass it created ,we just have to vote this government out	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-16 07:42:34	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cal	self-employed
	2026-09-18 11:31:55	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The high cost of living is becoming unsustainable and for those with own businesses or employed receiving less than inflation increases, it is becoming difficult to find the additional money to pay for services.	Jacky	employed individual
	2026-09-18 11:41:52	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I recommend that Nersa ays much closer attention to Escoms exorbitant salary and wage bill.They allow the consumers to be milked instead of controlling their costs and contracts properly	Elmer	retired
	2026-09-18 16:56:13	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is an argument for a separate of infrastructure/'wire' charge, but it should be uniform , irrespective of whether solar panels installed or not, provided the consumer is connected to the grid. A bigger concern is if the distributor loses revenue to the large consumers who go direct, and so lose revenue, which then will be recovered by raising rates for normal consumers. The ordinary consumer must be protected from these potential increases.	Mike	retired
	2026-09-18 20:19:43	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Debra	self-employed
	2026-09-19 05:58:12	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sathi	retired
	2026-09-19 08:45:12	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree that Eskom needs to stop being the only electrical supplier to the country, they have shown time and again that they can not be trusted with tax payers money, they pay out their own bonuses that are from massive tariff increases. Also, how can you penalise people/companies with solar when government begged people and gave tax incentives to install solar systems. Then call them free riders- i don't travel on a toll road every day, but the odd occasion that I do am I considered a free rider? Captive ratepayers need to be protected, we need to pay fair market price for pur electricity, not continue to support a dying SOE.	Barbara	
	2026-09-20 11:56:44	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourens	retired
	2026-09-22 05:30:01	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		werner	
	2026-09-22 10:46:35	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernest	employed individual
	2026-09-24 01:37:51	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Betzalel	employed individual
	2026-09-29 07:27:24	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Fixed costs are much worse than a tax, it's the same business model the mobile network operators used to extract maximum value from society, rather implement a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. The energy dept. must purchase an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Private industry should not be subsidised by private rate payers, so that their executives and stakeholders can grow wealthy while tax payers are squeezed and milked.	Robert	business owner
	2026-10-07 19:32:20	I support with amendments	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:35:08	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The normal home owner must not be used to pay the backlog or the lost of income, we must pay our own usage for the units we use. Let the high user pay more, but the little guy at the bottom who tries to save, give him a benefit.	Phillip	retired
	2026-08-27 08:00:27	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All business and resedential properties connected to the grid should be rated based on a 6/12 mth historical use of power and reted on a score sheet that shows how much one realy use the grid. The score will determine the monthly fee. If a user is completely self sufficient then cut off the availability from the supplier.	Murray	business owner

	2026-08-27 09:17:34	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the principle that all grid-connected electricity customers should make a fair and transparent contribution toward the infrastructure and services they actually use. However, I am concerned that the proposed principle of “discouraging free riding”, if implemented through unavoidable fixed / capacity-based charges, could result in precisely the type of unfair cost allocation that the Position Paper seeks to prevent. Residential solar customers are not “free riders” A household that has invested its own capital in rooftop solar generation and battery storage should not automatically be characterised as a customer avoiding its fair share of electricity-system costs. Many households made these investments during a period in which the national electricity system could not reliably provide the electricity service for which customers were paying. All messaging during load shedding was, reduce electricity usage, turn off unnecessary devices, use electricity sparingly. We reduced the demand through private investment, It would therefore be inappropriate to treat reduced electricity purchases resulting from that private investment in as equivalent to “free riding”. Cost-reflective tariffs should reflect costs in both directions. I accept that maintaining a grid connection has a cost even where a household purchases relatively little electricity. It is therefore reasonable for a genuinely cost-reflective tariff to contain a network component. However, cost reflectivity cannot only be in one direction. If a solar household must pay for the network capacity and services that remain available to it, the same methodology should recognise the costs that the household no longer imposes on the electricity system. It would be inconsistent to recognise the cost imposed by a customer's connection while refusing to recognise measurable costs avoided by that customer's investment. Most importantly fixed network charges must not become a mechanism for recovering lost electricity-sales revenue If fixed network charges are introduced or increased for residential customers, distributors should be required to demonstrate transparently how those charges have been calculated. A residential customer should be able to determine what service is being provided in return for each fixed charge. The term “cost-reflective” should not become justification for transferring historic inefficiencies, excessive operating costs, electricity theft, non-payment or unrelated municipal revenue requirements onto compliant grid-connected customers. We must protect the investment private users made that Government itself created. South Africans responded to years of electricity shortages by investing millions if not billions of rands of private capital in solar generation, inverters and battery storage. These investments added capacity without requiring the State, Eskom or municipalities to finance that capacity. Government policy should not retrospectively undermine the economic basis on which these investments were made. I do not object to paying a reasonable amount for access to a RELIABLE electricity network. I object to the possibility that “cost reflectivity” and “discouraging free riding” could be used to convert revenue previously recovered through electricity consumption into unavoidable fixed charges simply because customers have successfully reduced that consumption. South Africa should encourage households to invest their own capital in generation, storage and energy efficiency. The final policy should therefore ensure that residential solar customers pay fairly for the network services they ACTUALY use, while receiving equally fair recognition for the demand, generation and system costs that their private investments help to avoid. Cost reflectivity should measure cost, not protect historical revenue.	Daniel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:03:38	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 12:06:18	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the principle of separating through a fixed tariff to a customer fixed and variable network or infrastructure maintenance costs. These costs form part the internal operational cost of any enterprise and should be incorporated in determining the price of the product being sold which is electricity in kwh, plain and simple. Not separate fixed tariff fee for maintenance costs being offloaded onto the consumer in addition to the price of the electricity being sold. The retail end customer should be paying a usage fee only because that is the product he is buying.	Martin	retired
	2026-08-28 10:39:39	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a direct Eskom customer I am already exposed to charges that are not explained: Service and Admin Charge @ R5.74 per day Network Capacity Charge @ R9.08 per day Generation Capacity Charge @ R0.71 per day Ancillary Service Charge 198 kWh @ R0.0045 /kWh Network Demand Charge 198 kWh @ R0.2868 /kWh And, of course: Energy Charge 198 kWh @ R2.8005 /kWh This means that 39% of my energy bill is a fixed charge. This makes the fitting of solar panels unrealistic. More importantly this means there is little incentive to save energy as the cost per kWh reduces the more I use. So where is the incentive to save energy? This compares very unfavourably with my shopping experience at the local supermarket where there is no added costs for the companies overheads and even the delivery is free. Further, I have a choice of supermarkets so they are forced to compete. So if you want the people of South Africa to save energy Nersa should head towards a pricing model base on my supermarket and introduce competition in municipalities.	Geoff	retired
	2026-08-29 06:54:00	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	
	2026-09-11 17:59:38	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Except for those who are fully off-grid, I do think it is reasonable that consumers who rely on Eskom or municipalities to provide part of their energy supply should pay for the fixed costs of delivering that energy. It is not fair that other consumers should subsidise the infra-structure that solar users rely on to top up their needs. However, this fee should be a standardised fee and fairly applied to gird-tied/ hybrid solar users as well as all other consumers, whether commercial, industrial or domestic. The large industrial/commercial consumers should be charged a fair price to use the national grid to deliver their electricity, a fair price meaning that so-called "captive consumers" are not prejudiced, and that the fees charged to all users (domestic, business and industrial users alike) are shared on a fair and reasonable basis. As to those who have the means to generate and transmit electricity completely independently of the national grid, without relying on public infra-structure at any stage of the generation, distribution and consumption of electricity, that could well be considered outside of the remit of the state to prescribe, so long as it is completely independent of and separate from any public resource or infra-structure at any stage of the process.	Charles	
	2026-09-12 10:37:27	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot see that fixed increased tariffs will be applied to non grid connected systems. Just around the corner is the possibility that solar "Geyser" heating systems (earlier years been promoted and subsidized by ESKOM), also to be found on just about every shanty town and not been even paid for by users. Solar heating elements do not function without sun, so, ESKOM ist still used as a back-up supplier supplier. There again, to adjust the basic delivery tariffs is criminal attempt supported by ANC and still today the very same officials and ministers who where the main persons responsible of the corruptions taken place, non has been taken to book!	pete	retired
	2026-09-13 20:11:54	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The middle class is already being taxed to death to float the entire country. Meanwhile, big companies like Eskom just vote their bosses higher pay increases - the money does not go into supporting the infrastructure. The middle class (me) cannot hold. Until Eskom and other large companies can prove that they can work within their budgets, they should not be allowed to increase their fees. In addition, taxing sunbeams and raindrops should be declared a crime against humanity.	Kerry	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:49:28	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jay	
	2026-09-14 08:33:33	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Everyone is aware Eskom failed to adequetly supply electricity, and we the residential sector were persuaded to install Rooftop Solar, and we were offered a TAX rebate. Those of us that did that at huge cost to ourselves, now stand to be penalised for doing so. I stongly object to charging residential clients penalties for having put in solar to protect our properties from crime and loss.	Aaron	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:20:27	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corinna	retired
	2026-09-14 21:24:57	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I’m concerned that the normal residential electricity consumer will have to pay significantly more than the current tariffs. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if captive ratepayers are protected.	Chris	
	2026-09-17 10:54:18	I support with amendments	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly support ending Eskom's 100-year monopoly to allow for open competition, innovation, and a more reliable grid. However, my support is strictly conditional on robust consumer protection amendments. Market transformation must not happen at the financial expense of regular citizens.I demand that the final policy framework explicitly prevents price manipulation by new market players, bans punitive fixed charges or penalties on grid-tied solar consumers, and implements strict tariff protections so that ordinary households do not become "captive ratepayers" forced to subsidize municipal revenue losses. The transition must protect the consumer's wallet while opening up the energy market.	Adriana	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:30:24	I support with amendments	No concern, I Support the paper		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	The amendment makes perfect sense, if you dont want to pay for the grid connection, install enough capacity to be completely off the grid.	James	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:45:53	I support with amendments	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-08-27 18:26:30	I support with amendments	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tenderpreneurs who don't have the required expertise will get the private contracts and make the situation worse, driving up pricing like they've done with government procurement. Municipalities will hike rates and taxes to support indigent households and the money will disappear into the black hole of theft and corruption.	M	business owner
	2026-09-27 19:39:35	I support with amendments	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Going to a struggle for low income houses	Licia	employed individual
	2026-09-07 16:21:12	I support with amendments	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	retired
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	2026-08-25 15:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents cannot be expected to bridge the revenue gap and be forced into fixed fees and solar charges when you are effectively helping the grid.	Chadd	employed individual
	2026-08-25 16:38:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another pool of money to be plundered by corrupt ANC¡!!!	Gisela	
	2026-08-25 17:31:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government overreach into all spheres of our lives is becoming unacceptable. They are on a massive money making ride to the detriment of citizens. Electricity should be available to all and we should have the right to choose who supplies our power. Open the market to other players without all the restrictions in an attempt to protect ESKOM who has over the past 30+ years failed SA consumers miserably.	Maria	retired
	2026-08-25 17:49:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the people are sick and tired of the comrades stuffing up everything in this country including Eskom they are the ones who did not employ competent people to manage the SOE now they they expect the people to pay for their miss management and uselessness , the tax payers re milked more and more every year, this needs to end!	Peter	retired
	2026-08-25 19:08:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the people are sick and tired of the anc stuffing up everything in this country including Eskom. They are the ones who did not employ or keep competent people to manage the SOE. Now they expect the people to pay for their mismanagement and uselessness. The tax payers are milked more and more every year, this must end!	Michael	
	2026-08-25 20:39:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-25 22:26:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can’t supply the power you are mandated to supply so we have made our own plans to e sure we have power. Now you thieves want to penalize us for that. You can get stuffed!	Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-25 22:33:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Crystal	employed individual
	2026-08-26 00:43:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-26 05:13:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to steal more money from tax payers. Solar saved my mom's life, as she needs oxygen 247.	Charmaine	
	2026-08-26 06:00:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	retired

	2026-08-26 07:29:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT AND OBJECTION I hereby submit my formal objection to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its entirety, particularly any provisions that may result in additional fixed network, connection, capacity or other charges being imposed on residential consumers who have invested in solar and battery systems. South African households that have invested in solar have already made a substantial private investment in reducing their dependence on Eskom and the electricity grid. They have paid VAT and other applicable taxes on the purchase and installation of their systems and have undertaken this investment at their own expense. Solar users also continue to pay their existing monthly basic and network-related charges, despite generating a significant portion of their own electricity. These consumers are therefore not simply “free-riding” on the grid. They remain connected, continue contributing financially, and at the same time reduce demand and pressure on the electricity network by generating their own electricity. I strongly object to any policy that effectively penalises consumers for reducing their electricity consumption. Electricity tariffs in South Africa are already excessively high and increasingly unaffordable for ordinary households. The solution cannot continually be to require consumers to pay more. Increasing tariffs or introducing additional fixed charges will not, by itself, resolve the serious concerns surrounding financial management, waste, inefficiency, governance and corruption within the electricity sector. Consumers should not be expected to carry an ever-increasing financial burden while these underlying problems remain unresolved. If government wants South Africans to invest in renewable energy, battery storage and energy independence, it is counterproductive to introduce policies that make these investments financially less viable. I therefore object to any tariff structure that: unfairly penalises residential solar users; uses fixed charges to recover lost electricity-sales revenue; makes electricity increasingly unaffordable; treats solar users as a financial burden rather than part of the solution; or discourages private investment in renewable energy. I accept that maintaining the electricity network has genuine costs. However, any network charge must be transparent, proportionate and based on demonstrable actual costs, rather than being used simply to compensate for reduced electricity sales. Residential consumers should not become a captive source of additional revenue. I therefore formally object to the proposed framework in its entirety and request that the interests of ordinary residential consumers and solar users be fully considered before any such policy or tariff structure is implemented. South Africans who have invested their own money to generate electricity and reduce pressure on the national grid should be encouraged — not financially punished for doing so.	Yolandi	employed individual
	2026-08-26 07:37:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vandra	retired
	2026-08-26 07:40:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S.S.	retired
	2026-08-26 08:14:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-08-26 10:53:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nanna	retired
	2026-08-26 10:58:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The service delivery is pathetic as it is . We are overcharged yet many times there is no electricity . The solar helps eliviate an already over consumption of man made power yet government wants to still rob people by charging for making use of Gods creation the sun to extract free power. But just like Aarto we will not pay n it will be demolished . You the government have filled ur pockets with the blood sweat and tears of the very people u were meant to help !!!	not ur business	
	2026-08-26 11:23:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Larissa	employed individual
	2026-08-26 11:27:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 12:25:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should understand that the reason electricity is expensive in our country is all because of their mismanagement and failure to prioritize the citizens of country as well as the country. Privatizing electricity should never be entertained rather focus on arresting the cartels at eskom along with their political handlers	Mzwandile	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:08:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For a long time we have suffered for the lack of supply of electricity due to, I m o, incompetence, corruption, mismanagement. When we try to help ourselves, they are now trying to penalise us, instead of thanking us for making THEIR "burden" less.	P	retired
	2026-08-26 15:10:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eran	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:13:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:16:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denona	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:24:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:24:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this is implemented, I will opt out of the Eskom grid 100% and so will other users	Jason	business owner
	2026-08-26 15:25:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-26 15:27:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magrietha	retired
	2026-08-26 15:28:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are already over charging the citizens of this country! I will not pay you because I am better than you and can look after my own electricity!	Leonard	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:31:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying a fixed tariff, just for being connected to the grid. Excluding units we need to buy monthly. It is a disgrace that the consumer needs to keep on paying for Eskoms mistakes or inability to provide cheap reliable electricity.	Sakkie	
	2026-08-26 15:31:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC crippled Eskom resulting in load shedding, then begged the private sector to install solar and offered rebates. Now that Eskom is loosing annaul revenue they want to punish the same citizens who assisted them with unrealstic monthly charges. They act like night thieves by now wanting to introduce bring in new regulations and increases to recover the turnover they lost. A big No	Stephen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 15:33:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charging those more for using less is robbery. Almost all who have bought solar and backups have done so due to constant outages. Most did so cause they were told to use less. Now that they are using less, they want to penalize them. Make that make sense	Warren	
	2026-08-26 15:35:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not paying out fair share? We payed our fair share, but your incompetence and corruption created loadshedding. So why moaning about fair share now? Answer = to continue and expand taking advantage by means of incompetence and corruption. When panels became a thing, we were encouraged to invest in solar, even providing tax rebate, but now you want to do a 180 by penalizing us? Anyway, most that have solar currently, will just make a plan to expand their system and go off-grid. You will then get nothing....who will fund your "maintenance" then? NERSA is supposed to be working for the consumer, but in reality this is not the case.	Alexander	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:35:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracey	retired
	2026-08-26 15:36:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingo	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:37:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is no secret that the financial problems Eskom is facing is because of corruption and incompetence. Rather than punishing the consumer maybe it's time that Eskom looks inward to recover it's losses.	Neels	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:37:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	retired
	2026-08-26 15:43:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid to provide a service that escom/municipality was unable to provide even though I always pay my rates and taxes, including the monthly "Tariff a elec basic res"! So to make me pay additional for what I am not using is robbery. I did not have any financial aid from escom/municipality when I had to solve my own problem!	Susan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:56:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ivan	business owner
	2026-08-26 15:57:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donal	retired
	2026-08-26 15:58:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is an absolute loonatic and absurd proposal.	Pierre	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:59:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree. I understand but this is not rhe correct way. Eskom mismanagement is the cause. Solar would have never gotten the attention if the state hasnt failed to provide reasonable price and control over eskom. More and more people cant pay due to the high cost. Municipal fraud is also high and penalize people for doing nothing wrong. Rather focus on job creation than penelizing an already struggling working group of people. This base cause is unethical as we already payed for a connection fee.	Ivan	
	2026-08-26 15:59:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason homeowners and businesses invested huge capital amounts in solar systems is because the government was and quite frankly still is unable to provide consistent power to the entire country. The only reason for low or little loadshedding is because these people spent fortunes to supply their own power and now the government wants to penalise them. I am willing to bet that if all the solar systems were switched off at the same time on any given day the grid will collapse because there is insufficient power available. So the government wants to penalise the people who spent fortunes on solar equipment and saved the governments ass, because there is now sufficeint power to service the rest of the country without solar power. So the government is losing revenuse because of the solar systems installed around the country. Whose fault is that? Not the homes and businesses that were and are able to afford solar systems one way or the other. Its the normal way of business, if the supplier can't supply the goods, the buyer will go elsewhere. Exactly what happened here, and now the government is crying "foul". NO! NO! NO! You dont get to screw up and then penalise the people that found alternatives.	Clive	
	2026-08-26 16:03:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ONCE AGAIN GOVERNMENT INTERFERING WHERE THEY SHOULDN'T! THE SUN IS A RENEWABLE SOURCE OF ENERGY AND WE AS TAX PAYERS SHOULDNT BE REPRIMANDED FOR USING IT BECAUSE ESKOM CANT MAKE ENOUGH MONEY OFF OF US	GARETH	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:03:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE for the government to siphoning more funds from private citizens in an unjust manner. Citizens were forced to borrow funds to put up solar as Eskom had failed at their task and we had no power. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. Paying citizens are once again being penalized so the government can rake in further funds to compensate for their poor performance and lack of abilities in running Eskom. It will force citizens to go off the grid completely	Sally	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:05:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I AM TIRED OF BEING PUNISHED FOR THE GOVERMENTS FAILURES, IF IT WAS NOT FOR ESKOMS FAILURES WE WOULD NEVER HAVE HAD TO PURCHASE SOLAR WITH OUR HARD-EARNED CASH.	ALAN	employed individual

	2026-08-26 16:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My objection is based on the following critical points: • Unfair Financial Penalisation: Citizens who invested heavily in private solar infrastructure did so as a direct response to the historic inability of Eskom and City Power to supply reliable electricity. Unbundling tariffs to introduce fixed charges or solar taxes unfairly penalises consumers who stepped up to relieve pressure on the national grid. • Flawed Risk Transfer: The proposed market codes seek to recover system imbalance costs and protect municipal financial cross-subsidies by targeting self-generating consumers. Forcing solar owners to cover municipal distribution shortfalls shifts the financial burden of state operational failures onto private taxpayers. • Disincentivising Green Energy: Imposing punitive pricing mechanisms active investors contradicts national goals of diversifying the energy mix. It deters future private capital investments needed to build a resilient energy economy.	Colin	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:06:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual, make the majority pay for the incompetence of government. When you failed yo keep the lights on, people at their own expense jumped in to help themselves. Now you want a cut of that or you want to penalise them. Shame on you! As with all things this government does, it's only focused on increasing it's own coffers. Making people pay a set rate. No matter what their consumption is, is abominable.	Larga	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:07:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We in Western Cape already pay supply and electricity availability charges that makes up more than what I pay on actual units purchased without solar, now they want to penalise us for trying to not lose work because of no electricity, have our fridges go off because of no electricity, which you can not claim for by your insurance company without incurring hefty increases in your premium? Privatisation is also not an answer as there are too many corrupt 'buddies' of the current state that want to drain whatever little money we have left at the end of a paycheck. Just feels that we are fighting a losing battle does not help how many petitions we sign, they just do whatever they wanna do.	Lisa	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:07:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a cheek! Escom has forced home owners to install solar because of their incompetence and theft and we are left holding the cost? What absolute nonsense. If i am forced to install solar because they could not provide a human right why must i pay for the consequences of their incompetence? Absolutely not. This should be faught all the way to the courts and back ENOUGH WITH THE RIPOFF!	greg	
	2026-08-26 16:08:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No, no, no not another way for the government to fleece already stretched tax payers. Enough. If you, government had done your job properly, we wouldn't be in this situation. We pay and pay and pay and get little reprieve when things do NOT work - power, water, roads....take your pick. Enough is enough.	Chantal	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:11:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Erratic electricity supply and continually rising cost has been an ongoing concern for all households. Adding a further cost to penalise installation of back up solar power is totally unfounded.	Hilton	retired
	2026-08-26 16:12:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sunlight is free. I would far rather have used my money for other things but was chased to install solar due to load shedding, now they want me to pay more. That is criminal from a criminally incompetent government.	Alex	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:12:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People were "forced" into sourcing alternative power. 1. Due to unreliable service and delivery 2. Exorbitant pricing to the consumer 3. Even less fortunate people have resorted to solar powered appliances due to rising costs and unavailability. No longer just a "rich man's" privilege. 4. Target those stealing electricity over those who have legally installed alternative solutions.	Patricia	
	2026-08-26 16:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM initially subsidized homeowners when purchasing solar panels, now they want to penalize us for installing a solar system. This is the logic of stupid and corrupt people. The sooner the current management is replaced with knowledgeable personnel the sooner the better.	Jasper	retired
	2026-08-26 16:14:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-26 16:15:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and especially Eskom do not have enough credibility to hold the country to ransom like this. They have a bad track record with corruption and have not proven to have made positive change	Nick	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:25:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is such an absurd transformation paper! Rife with possibilities for state manipulation and trampling of consumers' rights. And how a government can even contemplate to punish citizens who have helped to keep their broken state entity (Eskom) standing, boggles the mind. If all the solar panels in SA vanish overnight, Eskom will collapse instantly and we'll have regular blackouts again. Because the state did not provide enough dependable power, many South Africans have borrowed huge sums of money to keep their businesses and jobs and families safe and floating. Nobody is helping them pay their monthly down payments on those. To destroy them even further financially while they are assisting the whole system is ridiculous. Solar power is also green energy and the state should welcome all solar conversions. Consumers should pay for the electricity that they use - easy as that.	Pieter	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:26:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households	Yona	retired
	2026-08-26 16:27:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:27:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government needs to fix what they broke instead of always expecting the population to foot their bills. We paid good money for out solar because ESCOM could not/would not fix the grid and now we are being punished for being pro active. Enough already!	Sharon	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Being penalized for saving Eskom is disgraceful. We are already charged a connection fee, so calling it something else is disingenuous. Instead Eskom could benefit from all the connected users by buying back excess power into the grid as done in many other countries. Eskom would then have more availability, would make profit off private installations. If I have to pay for this connection, I expect to be refunded for days without power at 10*the connection rate. e.g. if I do not have power for 3 days, I do not have to pay for this "network fees", as Eskom has failed in their supply for the month. Of course the outcome will be more people that have good installations will be leaving Eskom permanently (so Eskom will lose their best customers). Unintended consequences and FAFO will be the demise of Eskom.	PHILIPPE	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:29:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South African taxpayers are much abused by the incompetent ANC government. They have run Eskom into the ground by no proper maintenance done to power stations/grid; running old power stations hard; corruption on a grand scale in general and in particular on the two new power stations built; raised electricity prices exponentially; burning huge amounts of diesel (not at wholesale prices) to compensate for their ineptitude; pay huge salaries to cadre appointees who are corrupt and clueless; coal tenders that are corrupt - the list goes on! We then take money out of our pockets to install solar systems so we can get on with our lives and not be dependent on bloody Eskom, and then they want to screw us some more! NO, enough now.	J T	retired
	2026-08-26 16:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don’t you make enough money out of us to steal? It’s our money that pays for solar and helps the grid not fail, it comes from the sun, you have nothing to do with it. Stop stealing then there would be more than enough money to do everything you want to do.	Barendina	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Typical. Eskom creates the problem, asks everyone to install Solar to meet with world-wide standards, to ease pressure on the grid even offered tax assistance, big deal on R15000. After spending hundreds of thousands to comply and give our guests electricity they now wish to punish us. As a tiny business we are already being penalized with commercial electricity rates, commercial water rates and commercial/business property rates for a residential property that does not use any more services than our neighbours and Air bnb's operate with impunity. Enough is enough so a big fat NO!!	Jane	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:35:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-08-26 16:36:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolutely ridiculous to bring in further taxes caused by government incompetence. Absolutely NO to any further taxes when the existing taxes paid aren't used properly	Shaun	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:37:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	National power supply collapse and mismanagement has resulted in people finding alternative ways to generate energy to support their lives and businesses. I fully stand against the amendments that stand to penalise the people who have spent their own money to protect their livelihoods.	John	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:39:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	retired
	2026-08-26 16:40:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After years of not being able to supply the consumers with power, the consumer took action at great cost by installing solar to ensure they have power. Now Eskom wants to recoup some of the lost revenue by charging fixed fees and penalties. This is totally unacceptable!! The fact that there has been so much less loadshedding is more due to the fact that so many households and companies have installed solar. It’s not that Eskom has increased capacity or is actually maintaining the infrastructure. Just like the EToll saga a quick easy way to make some cash without actually doing anything!! Should they be successful with this legislation I’m sure most will go totally off-grid and remove their Eskom connection!! They will then loose even more revenue. Municipalities should also tighten their own belts and stop looking for money from the residents. A good start would be to stop burning street lights during the day!!	Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:41:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those who pay their taxes are penalised. Those who help themselves are penalised. Those who steal and mismanage get bigger salaries and can steal more. Taxpayers are taxed more and more.	Tertia	retired
	2026-08-26 16:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Guys stop being dumb. This is going to increase electricity consumption uncontrollably because you pay the same amount whether you use 1 unit or a million. No one would conserve power.	Kyle	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:41:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cameron	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:42:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As long as municipalities do not ring fence there revenue the more the demand will be to extract revenue. In gated communities rate payers are paid for the electric they generate. I do a big wash twice a week. The power for wash is from solar. Why can my neighbour not use my power the other days of the week? A mind change needs to happen to use all the resources that we have.	Robert	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:45:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shamista	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:45:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	retired
	2026-08-26 16:45:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:45:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-26 16:46:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Everyone should only pay for the electricity they use, the maintenance and administration cost must be amortised in the unit cost. Consumers already pay an exorbitant fixed connection tariff, increased fixed service cost is simply to pay for ESKOM managements incompetence and inefficient operation.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:49:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should responsible citizens be penalized for the government 's incapabilities? Why must we be discouraged to assist the government? Dear government work with the citizens and you will be surprised at the innovations they can provide.	Keith	
	2026-08-26 16:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diana	retired
	2026-08-26 16:51:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Gov literally forced us to source alternative measures to ensure our continued piwer supply cause the outages were so destructive and continuous and now they want to penalise us for doung so. Typical Gov incompetence.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 16:53:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gene	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:55:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	After all the loads heading and lack of power we are raped again by Eskom. No power for 8days we got no credit from Eskom After all the add ons I am paying R10/kwh. Another state organization that is incapable of providing a service to the public that is owned and funded by the Taxpayer.	Russell	retired

	2026-08-26 16:56:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Privatize electricity! That way we can buy what we need and the government can get rid of some ministers and their deputies to fund electricity for the poorer communities!	Mandy	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:56:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	
	2026-08-26 16:58:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unconstitutional for them to attempt to make people pay extra for trying to mitigate loadshedding. Their inability to guarantee a steady supply of electricity to my home forced me to take steps to carry my home through load shedding. During load shedding (before I installed solar), my alarm battery ran flat (which was a huge security concern), my gate motor and garage door motor ran flat and I had to replace all of these batteries at great cost and food in my fridge went bad. Even while there is not as much load shedding now, we still have electricity outages because of lack of maintenance of the infrastructure by our corrupt and incompetent municipality.	Ilse	retired
	2026-08-26 16:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Too late to panic now. Through bad performance and management, they have lost their customer base who had to make another plan. How to kill an economy 101. Then they wonder how things got so bad in the last 30 years. Perhaps paying Eskom executives bonuses on ACTUAL performance, would give them more money to deal with shortfall. because those bonuses would be very small.	Liezl	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:59:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Freddy	retired
	2026-08-26 17:00:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudia	retired
	2026-08-26 17:00:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minie	retired
	2026-08-26 17:00:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already punished by the Municipality supplying our electricity and to add another fixed charge would be even more iniquitous than the already inflated fixed charge, which bears no real connection - installed as a charge for the cost of installing a main circuit breaker; when this cost was recovered it was never removed and is a major source of income for the municipality and has been escalated every year since then with whatever increase the Municipality can get away with What is it now 30 or 40 years!! To add another fixed charge to this would be criminal and I feel unconstitutional as an unfair additional TAX	quentin	retired
	2026-08-26 17:01:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deena	retired
	2026-08-26 17:01:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:03:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another Communist grab for power and money from the private sector. State-run electrical grid is, by its nature, counter-productive. Given that we have it, the right thing to do for the people of South Africa would be to incentivize individual solar production, and to pay them to produce into the grid. Rather, the government wants to penalize this and discourage it. This only brings more pain and suffering to the people of SA, who just want reliable and affordable electricity. This bill should be dead on arrival.	M	retired
	2026-08-26 17:04:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a levy which the government loaded onto our rates invoice to cover their loss of revenue during load shedding and it has stayed there ever since. It is ridiculous that we the citizens must help bail Eskom out with rate payers money repeatedly as well as using our own funds to put in solar to help alleviate the electricity problem. And now we are expected to pay again for helping the government in the first place. All the electricity issues were of the governments making when they chose to forego maintenance in favor of feathering their own nests. It's time they admitted their failings and covered the costs of their mistakes themselves. I hope the rate payers refuse to pay this should it ever come to be implemented. It's about time we stood together against the failing corrupt system.	Cyndy	
	2026-08-26 17:04:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Craig	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:04:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were told not to use electricity. So we used our own money so that we could remain economically active. Now they want to punish us by charging us fixed rates. Electricity is a commodity you purchase for what you need.	Andre	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:04:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The South African public and economy has suffered at the hands of mismanagement and corruption at Eskom and within government. As a result we have endured many years of rolling blackouts which crippled households and businesses. We have also seen electricity tariffs increase many more times that inflation in the last 15 years. Consumers have already paid for infrastructure while simultaneously not having been provided with service (blackouts). Consumers have thus had to also pay for alternative energy sources, such as solar. The proposal now envisages penalising consumers even further instead of addressing the real issues of mismanagement and corruption.	Rowan	
	2026-08-26 17:04:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-26 17:05:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miles	retired
	2026-08-26 17:07:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-08-26 17:08:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ricky	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:08:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1. The promotion of this Bill and others has only one objective in mind, namely to increase the price of electricity. It was the fault of Eskom when load shedding first started to retstrict business from generating their own electricity. Eskom is losing income because of off line generation. The answer is imposing a flat rate to offset their loss. Whatch this space for the upcoming privatising of Eskom. 2 . The end user could pay less if the municipalities were bypassed. They are cross subsiding unpoductive departments.	Noel	retired
	2026-08-26 17:09:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eleanor	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:09:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-26 17:10:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So because you failed at doing your job when loadshedding hit, we solved the problem. Now you conjure up, with no data backing, a new problem and conclude that the consumer is the issue. F-off and that is being polite about it! Your tarrifs are through the roof cause your salaries are too high and we must keep paying. Not only that, but now we myst pay you tobuse the sun. Get F'd.	Kyle	
	2026-08-26 17:11:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First you could not supply power and ask people to put in solar to take strain off the electric grid them you want to charge them more, after spending massive amounts of money to put in solar. I believe that everyone should be to produce there own electricity for there needs and the government should have no say in it.	Mychel	
	2026-08-26 17:11:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fred	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:12:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom /Govmt created this problem and when we created our solution to gix the problem they want to punish us for it!!! How ridiculous can you be!!!!	Derek	retired
	2026-08-26 17:12:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again you want to bleed the taxpayer for mismanagement. You disgust me.	ALISON	
	2026-08-26 17:12:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom created this mess through affirmative action, getting rid of skilled engineers and technicians and appointing incompetent people, ignoring a report in the late 90's that advised strongly about increasing generation capacity by 2008, and ongoing corruption. Don't punish people for taking action to protect themselves from loadshedding/rolling blackouts.	Ken	retired
	2026-08-26 17:12:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom loses a small fortune due to their ridiculous racially based rules and procedures. They would never admit to these so they do everything possible to recover money they claim to have lost due to solar while they created the need for customers to invest in solar. Privatise Eskom on non racial grounds and save the country.	Alan	
	2026-08-26 17:13:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They want to charge us penalties for using solar power.	Selma	retired
	2026-08-26 17:14:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marion	retired
	2026-08-26 17:15:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		colin	retired
	2026-08-26 17:15:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dietmar	
	2026-08-26 17:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The corrupt, incompetent Eskom crooks have found another way to line their pockets while failing to provide a reliable service.	Graham	
	2026-08-26 17:15:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If it wasn't for load-shedding and load reduction, households wouldn't have to rely on solar power. As a terminal patient, my life depends on a reliable power source. Tax was paid on the solar equipment and installations already. There is no "free-riding" because we PAY for whatever electricity we need on our pre-paid meter. Now the government wants to get their greedy hands using bogus restructuring plans to steal more money from hard working citizens. This is unconstitutional and should not be allowed.	Natasha	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 17:16:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed legislation is an absolute insult to anyone like myself who tried to unburden themselves from the governments inability to provide electricity. I strongly object to the idea that am subjected to any new fixed charges or solar penalties because I was forced to invest 300k from MY money to set up my home so my home office is able to function. If this is going through I am seeking definitely legal guidance or join any class action	Susanne	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:16:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is bad enough that we are paying overpriced electricity in the first place, yet eskom can not ensure a stable network..... yet nothing is done to stop persons from stealing electricity in certain areas, for example, Hamanskraal, Soshanguwe, Garankuwa, etc... Yet eskom wants to penalize people who have put up solar because eskom is not reliable.... maybe a proper external audit should be done of eskom in all aspects of business to get the truth out and put the criminal element in prison.... this is not fair on the consumer period what eskom want to implement....	kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:16:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During loadshedding the goverment subsidised solar panels, a lot of people invested in this as Eskom could not meet the supply due to their own fault, so the public fixed Eskom's problem. Now after everyone has gone solar and is not as dependant on Eskom, we will be charged for having solar!! I would rather buy more batteries and pay to have you remove my grid connection then pay a cent more for what I dont consume! Go fly a kite!	Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:17:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Angela	retired
	2026-08-26 17:17:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When we had load shedding the government encouraged solar installations to assist the lack of electricity production by Eskom You CANNOT now penalize the people who invested their hard earned money to help you.	Barry	retired
	2026-08-26 17:17:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally unfair on those of us who invested in lightening the load for Eskom.	Colin	

	2026-08-26 17:18:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Please	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:19:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Niven	retired
	2026-08-26 17:20:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-26 17:23:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-08-26 17:24:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		M	
	2026-08-26 17:24:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alwyn Hermanus	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:27:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have recently increased my solar capacity to an extent that I do not require electricity from the municipality and would be very happy if they disconnected me and removed my meter. I am not a "free-rider" ! I therefore don't see why this government should penalise me by charging me for something that I don't need or want. Yet another example of our dysfunctional and totalitarian government ! The fat cat politicians are not affected by this because they are state-subsidised, so why should they care ? It's high time that we had politicians who listened to their peoples' needs and acted with empathy by getting out of their ivory towers and facing the same reality that their people face every day.	Gwilym	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:27:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	
	2026-08-26 17:28:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		KHALIL	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:29:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	BUILD MORE NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS! The ones we have are old and showing signs of aging. Maintenance is happening but NEW power stations are needed. Solar and wind turbines are NOT the answer. They are part of the global 'green washing' lies and promises campaign. Solar panels on houses/commercial buildings is one thing, but when Governments decide to go large scale, these panels have caused major environmental disasters around the world - massive 'farms' cover vast stretches of agricultural/farming lands. NO! We must not allow that! As for wind turbines.... pfffttt! even worse!	Jean	
	2026-08-26 17:29:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree that people who have spent o lot money on solar power because of eskom's failure to provide energy during loadshedding should now be penalized for finding their own solution to the problem. This is not fair. Let them pay for elevtricity if and when they use it just as everyone else does	Marilyn	retired
	2026-08-26 17:30:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary	
	2026-08-26 17:30:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Far too expensive - and this all because of the ANC profiteering from non-delivering BBEEE contracts Nobody ever gets fired at Eskom - always bonused and above inflation increases - and the consumer must just keep paying more and more	Quinton	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:32:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current situation has been created as a result of the total incapability of Eskom and Municipalities to effectively manage the grid. The ratepayer should not be held responsible for the uselessness of other parties.	Karel	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:33:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		EVERT	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:35:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already ay an amount to the municipality each month for access to the grid and we pay for the electricity we use.	Henry	retired
	2026-08-26 17:37:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is our corrupt government screwing us for their incompetency? It is time for all those OLD rotten farts to step down and go sit in a retirement home somewhere and enjoy their looted millions. Let the people who really care about this country take over .	Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:40:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many households were forced to install solar due to go ernme ts inefficiency. We should be given the choide to go completely off grid and use solar only or use electricity as normal. It is abhorrent that we buy our on solar and still have to pay for that. It is our own choice.	Beverley	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 17:44:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's incredible how the state fails to provide the necessities that rate payers pay for, then private initiate is taxed unfairly and the end user just has to pay. It's called legalized state theft. Definitely not in favour of the proposed changes	Desiree	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:46:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must stop stealing	Gawie	
	2026-08-26 17:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No! To all of it! This is ridiculous. Eskom cannot provide stable power so citizen's make a plan so that it does not effect their income; now they want to pull this nonsense because they are supposed to provide a servive but do such a bad job. This is how the market works, if you cannot supply then people find other providers who do supply. Get over yourselves.	Nicole	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:50:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-08-26 17:50:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shelagh	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 17:53:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose this proposal because households that invested their own money in solar and batteries should not be penalised for becoming less dependent on the grid. South Africans did not turn to solar to “free ride”. We did so because years of load shedding forced us to find our own solutions. We used our savings, carried the financial risk and reduced demand on an unreliable national grid. To now impose substantial unavoidable fixed charges specifically because we buy less electricity undermines the very investment that helped relieve pressure on the system. I accept that maintaining the grid costs money and that a reasonable connection fee is justified. But there is a fundamental difference between paying fairly for access to infrastructure and being charged to compensate utilities for the revenue they lose because we consume less electricity. The proposal also risks creating an unfair two-tier system. Large electricity users may increasingly access alternative suppliers and cheaper power, while ordinary households remain captive to municipal tariffs. Residential consumers should not be left carrying growing network costs and municipal revenue shortfalls simply because they have fewer options. South Africa should be encouraging private investment in solar, batteries and energy efficiency — not reducing the financial benefit of those investments after citizens have already spent their own money. Tariffs should be transparent and genuinely cost-reflective. Any fixed charge should represent the actual cost of maintaining a household’s grid connection, not become a mechanism for recovering lost electricity sales. Citizens who invested their own money to reduce their dependence on a failing electricity system should not now be financially penalised for succeeding. For these reasons, I oppose the proposed framework in its current form.	Barbara	
	2026-08-26 17:54:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the public are expected to bail the government out of a situation created by themselves . We had to use our own money because they couldn't provide the service due to their incompetence and inability. The solar top users are still paying for the electricity they use. All this is going to do is force people off grid then Eskom will have even less money.	Claire	
	2026-08-26 17:54:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's disappointing that many households expended their own private capital to install rooftop solar and battery backups to help alleviate Eskom's near-failure of the grid a few years ago. This now represents 2.3-2.5 GW of installed capacity, for which households rarely receive any compensation. It's a slap in the face to now face additional taxes under the proposed "no free riders" policy	Stefan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:54:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-26 17:54:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bert	retired
	2026-08-26 17:57:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-08-26 17:58:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid a lot of money to be able to have power when Eskom could not provide it. Now they want to penalise me for that investment. It will probably be cheaper to just go off-grid...	Werner	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:58:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should sort municipality issues out first and go after those that owe huge sums of money before butchering the everyday person who is just trying to help their family get by. Of course people should be charged for use and not a fixed rate. It is as bad a TV licences where the channels being paid for are not being used. If I have solar I have spent much of my own hard earned cash to fix a problem Eskom caused. If I don't have solar I get penalised for a problem Eskom caused and other people trying to fix a problem Eskom caused. Further, the municipalities that have stolen money from their constituency and wasted money for electricity on corrupt dealing or lunches or etc... are again not punished as they simply hand the cost onto the rate payer because, who else will pay because all the money comes from the rate pater in the long run. Please, please, please may common sense prevail and good, hardworking, honest people have put into the right places of power, the corrupt get booted and jailed/fine to recipe losses at their hands and the tax paying public - which keeps shrinking in size - not be set up to pay again and again for other people's rubbish!	Daine	
	2026-08-26 17:59:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is time the ANC started fixing things and STOPPED penalizing people who got them out of a hole when they collapsed the grid. The reality is that the grid's collapse means that Eskom is no longer viable and should be broken up.	Catherine	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:00:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	So let me get this straight: the government fails in almost EVERY job including generating enough electricity to make our economy function....and we're not even talking growth! ESKOM is another badly run SOE full of holes where the money has "flowed" freely into comrades pockets for 33 years! When the Apartheid government's infrastructure starts to crumble after 3 decades of neglect (because obviously the money is now gone) and there is no provision made.....we the people had to take OUR savings and ingenuity and install Solar to not go bankrupt trying to run a business while the power is off the whole damn time. NOW the said government wants to make US the villians and charge us more because we couldn't rely on them doing the job in the first place! And to sweeten the deal, they have been getting salaries much larger than any we will ever get, for not doing these jobs. Does this sound about right??	Linda	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:01:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Taco	retired
	2026-08-26 18:02:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential solar user we have relieved Eskom from it's overall generation capacity thereby reducing the amount of additional capacity Eskom needs to create. If all the household solar was to be removed Eskom would have to run its gas turbines and or reinstate load shedding which would cost consumers significantly more than without household solar. This needs to be recognised in the framework. Additionally Eskom's single biggest expense is coal, i.e. production costs and this needs to be recognised in the billing of consumers and the primary cost should relate to volumetric consumption as this is Eskom's cost driver. Lastly it is irrelevant whether a consumer is supplying there own electricity, grid costs should be equally and equitably split between all grid users with no special exception for consumers who produce or partially produce their own electricity.	Hendrik	self-employed

	2026-08-26 18:02:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:02:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abrie	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:02:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was unable to supply enough electricity which lead to widespread and frequent blackouts and loadshedding. I live in Alberton and whenever the grid picks up a problem my area is the 1st to go down. I spend a large amount of money to make myself independent with supplying my own power via my solar system. Now Government want to come and penalize/tax my right to ensure I have uninterrupted power while Eskom is in trouble due to inefficiency and pathetic financial control - recover the unpaid amounts from multiple cities and institutions before you start to try and penalize/tax the people who actually pay taxes and try to help themselves by investing in solar systems. Stop milking the small percentage of people who still pay legitimate taxes !!!! This is not the way to recover the money Eskom lost over the years and today still do due to mismanagement	Jan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:06:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As die anc nie so alles opge f$$&k het nie en so baie steel nie sou soler nie nodig gewees het nie hulle het n eskom oorgevat wat gewerk het (ek weet het gehelp om eskom op die been te bring) en die nodige mense met die kennis tevervang met onbevoegte werkers sou eskom nie so agter uitgegaan nie soos al die ander instansies wat gewerk het en nou nie meer bestaan nie.	Christo	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 18:08:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity prices in South Africa have increased by roughly 134% to nearly 180% over the past 10 years. Lack of maintenance was due to corruption. Now when consumers get alternative energy, consumers should be penalised to keep using the most expensive energy solution, while millions don't pay	Phillip	
	2026-08-26 18:09:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		M	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:09:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		jared	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:09:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to resort to Solar panels because our government FAILED to keep a constant flow of electricity. The government should do what the UK do - people with solar feed electricity back into the grid - but they would need to pay for what they receive.	Colleen	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:13:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is the ANC via Eskom that caused the mess we're in in the first place. Eskom encourage Solar systems and now they want to penalise us for doing what they encourage us to do.	Arno	retired
	2026-08-26 18:15:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Day light robbery for all there incapable incompetence to run the country	Jj	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:15:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 18:15:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	F..k the ANC.	Keith	retired
	2026-08-26 18:16:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has not managed Eskom and is looking at the citizen to fund their error. The citizen has had to resort to funding an alternative to keep living with basic resources. Eskom should have been grateful that solar users relieve the load on the grid and contribute to less greenhouse gasses. Solar users should rather receive subsidies.	FAEEZ	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:17:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-26 18:17:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying iniquitous "service"and network charges for a sub standard electricity supply that fails for several hours nearly every month in my particular area.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-26 18:17:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just no!	Marianna	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:20:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roel	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:21:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Public services are to be maintained by taxes for the good of the country. It is arbitrary to single out low usage consumers as “not paying their share” because you are not getting the revenue. Public services are for the public, not another capitalistic company extracting revenue.	Pamela	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:21:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	retired
	2026-08-26 18:21:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another desaprate attemt to extort money from the bery people who have eased the loads on Eskom. This peovces the type of mentality we have ruling this disaster of a country. Free electricity to the tune of 300kw per indigent household is grossly unfair and leaves the load on the very people who have done their damnest to keep the lights on and the country from a complete power collapse. Thrity years have slid by with Eskom and the government ignoring early warnings about the dire path we were likely to follow if drastic measure were not taken to upgrade and oversee the power generation industry. The warnings were laughed off for years until the shit hit the fan then the ratepayers has to carry the can while power thieves did their thing and GOT AWAY with it. We all know who they were and so did Eskom management. It is time to say "go to hell Eskom and your stooge Ramagopa who promised cost cuts but seemingly is now upholding the draft legislation. Little wonder so many ministers are eliminated and whistle bloweres are targeted by the cadres under the speel of CR and his sttoges.	Ian	retired
	2026-08-26 18:24:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abbas Alli	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:26:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marichelle	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 18:26:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is mandated through the voter community to work for the taxpayers,not trying and milk them at every opportunity.Fix your problems from your profits that's how it should work.	Russell	retired
	2026-08-26 18:28:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom did its job correctly we would not need solar. The audacity of Eskom to punish their clients for making other arrangements, at their own cost, because Eskom is unable to supply electricity is staggering and alarming! This is hoodlum tactics by these incompetent Eskom fools - they need to be fired and competent staff put in place.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 18:29:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:31:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isak	retired
	2026-08-26 18:31:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kyle	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:32:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jurgen	retired
	2026-08-26 18:33:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason I had to install solar was because of load shedding and power interruptions with no solution in sight to rectify these inadequacies . Due to the incompetence of state and municipalities they want to tax me for something they caused. I WILL NOT PAY THOSE TAXES!!!	Wilmar	retired
	2026-08-26 18:33:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely ridiculous.	Adolf	retired
	2026-08-26 18:34:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ridiculous!	Lawrence	
	2026-08-26 18:36:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	
	2026-08-26 18:37:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kloppie	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:37:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:38:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should rather first clean it's own house and reduce it's staff by at least 50%. It may suddenly find itself affordable again.	Evan	
	2026-08-26 18:38:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where else is the govt going to find a way screw us. What a load of rubbish. We already have stacks of power outages, and now they want a fixed charges that citizens need to pay?? how are the folks in low-cost housing areas going to afford this. The electricity price was increase in July in Johannesburg already.	Erika	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:39:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am lost for words at the length government will go to to extract our hard earned money and the blatantly steal it without recourse or conscience	Dimitri	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:42:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Currently I don’t even have a solar system but would like one in the future. I hate the fact that at every turn when the private sector finds solutions around the governments failures, they turn it into a taxable revenue stream. We already pay way too high tariffs for All services across the board, way to many to name them all here, but it is practically everything that the government controls and the insult is that the services we receive are very very poor. This Government has Failed on all levels to govern these services for the citizens. I could carry on writing another ten pages on this subject, but nothing I will say has not been said before by so many before me. Please - Encourage the citizens of this country to contribute and innovate And stop penalizing those that provide solutions to your failures. This country is filled with super talented people , let us encourage them to help improve things or those that remain will also leave ! Private energy sector must remain private !	Ralf	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:42:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason we went for solar is because the electricity providers could not provide sufficient electricity and the result was loadshedding. If enough power could be provided then no solar would have been required. The government even provided tax rebates for installing solar panels to help the grid crisis and now they want to penalize you? If everyone switches off their solar and pull their electricity from the grid, will the grid be able to provide this demand without having to implement loadshedding again. I seriously doubt they will be able to provide enough power. I can almost guarantee that loadshedding will be back in no time. People that spent money on solar should be thanked by government as these individuals and companies are the true solvers of the loadshedding crisis. As I mention, if everyone switch off their solar tonight, the grid will probably collapse the next day or loadshedding will be back immediately.	Philip	unemployed individual

	2026-08-26 18:45:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	So now the guys who have always footed the bill have to be penalized for always paying. So who are the free riders here? The guys who pay or the guys that have illegal connections and never pay their electricity usages? So the bill makes it easy as I see it. If you're connected you're a target. If you're not you are not liable. Thus don't connect. Get a system that is not dependent on the grid with alternatives including solar and turbines that can charge when sunlight is lacking and tell the municipality to keep their grid all to themselves and go and extort money from the free riders if you can actually get them to pay. And also bear in mind that water is next so make provision. Also remember that overflying with drones to take footage of the property to show that you have panels impinge on your privacy and action should may could be taken including grounding and confiscating the offending flying object is also an option So thanks for that you're making it easier for us to let go. I know what my options are. Do you?	Ant	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:46:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:46:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rina	retired
	2026-08-26 18:47:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government never stops trying to find more and more ways to punish the ratepayers. It's obscene!	Maureen	retired
	2026-08-26 18:49:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	retired
	2026-08-26 18:49:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For many years we were forced by inept electrical supply to spend large amounts of money to keep our own lights on and now that things have been, kind of sorted out, they want to STEAL more money from us. THIS IS UNCONDITIONAL	Felix	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:50:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I pay R 5000 a year for a 40Amp connection to maintain the power infrastructure in George.!! The city has never published what it actually spends on maintaining the distribution network nor has any City in RSA!! It's a dark hole which is used to finance the city and therein lies the problem. Cities should be empowered to levy an extra amount of VAT on businesses within their jurisdiction, rather than being a retailer of Water and Electricity. What Government has in mind is again shooting ourselves in the foot as it is another disincentive to investment, particularly small and medium sized businesses. In other words, businesses investing in solar to stay competitive should rather close shop and go elsewhere.	Klaus	retired
	2026-08-26 18:50:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state is a rent-seeking / captive-ratepayer state - penalizing private self-reliance to preserve monopoly revenue.	E	
	2026-08-26 18:53:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judith	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:53:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dallas	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 18:56:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shrian	retired
	2026-08-26 18:56:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	So I paid R300k to get solar because the government could not provide me with power. Now I have to pay the government more tax because I'm not using their power. What?	Callie	
	2026-08-26 18:57:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The South African government is very successful at one thing, it is busy completely destroying its tax base. Citizens are already double taxed on every bite of food. Tax upon tax is heaped onto ordinary people with nothing that can be shown in return being achieved with that tax money. Apart from politicians becoming ever more rich. I can never support a government who fails to provide electricity, and then tax the very same people who go out of their way to find solutions. Even the apartheid government did not steal from its own people the way that Eskom has been stealing and plundering, escalating costs far above inflation year after year after year. Businesses was destroyed. Dreams down the toilet. Even lives lost as many could not live with the financial stresses caused by thieving government institutions such as Eskom. We used to have this thing called the Freedom Charter in South Africa, what happened to that?!	Barend	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:58:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riana	
	2026-08-26 18:59:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the state didn't mess up Eskom in the first place, one would not have needed to install solar, or alternative energy solutions. The state is insane, to even contınplate charging tax paying citizens for thier failures. We must deal with this as we dealt with e-tolls, revolt, until the state gives up.	John	retired
	2026-08-26 19:02:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	retired
	2026-08-26 19:02:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government due to their poor management of soe Eskom drove us to producing our own electricity. Now they want to penalize us for making alternative plans? ANC shortfall in producing electricity and the public resolving to alternative energy solutions is now being punished for making an alternative plan? Get lost!	Kyles@em.co.za	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:03:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Utter corruption. The cadres must stop stealing and start doing their work. If Eskom was not defunced, no one would have invested in solar panels. Because they are utterly useless, they now what to double tax users. Stop coming up with these schemes and start doing the work you are supposed to and earn your excistance the right way. If you can't survive as a business because YOU could not manage YOUR business...step a side and let the private sector show you how!!!	Eben	
	2026-08-26 19:06:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:06:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No matter how one looks at the South African situation. The country as a whole and each and every municipality will in the very near future collapse in its totality, not perhaps or may be. The South African Government and by implication each and every local authority (read municipality) are solely and individually responsible for the absolute mess South Africa currently finds itself in and that which very soon will face that what is left of South Africa. The political roleplayers should specifically be held responsible for this disaster called Democratic South Africa. So why must the forward thinking citizen be held responsibly and face punitive fixed rates just because the forward thinking citizen invested in rooftop solar?	André	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:07:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-08-26 19:08:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. Why must we pay more for fix rates that person that does not have solar..If there were lest corruption and smaller salaries for Eskom we would not have been in this position.....and you use the Sun power and not Eskom...i believe the Sun does not belong to eskom to give me power.	Evett	retired
	2026-08-26 19:09:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	retired
	2026-08-26 19:18:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yashvent	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:23:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leigh-Anne	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:24:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reason why consumers chose Solar power is that Eskom had load shedding... now they want to penalise us for having taken the initiative to not rely on unreliable power supply like Eskom!	Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-26 19:28:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tania	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:28:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they only use the grid occasionally, they would still pay admin fee. If I use no electricity in a month, I still get an account with admin fees. This is just a money making racket to fund Eskom which the ANC broke.	Ethne	retired
	2026-08-26 19:31:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	retired
	2026-08-26 19:32:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DAVID	retired
	2026-08-26 19:34:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are truly insuring their downfall, I 100% intend to go off grid as soon as possible. Good bye Eskom	Charles	
	2026-08-26 19:34:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derr	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:35:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households	Maartin	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:35:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should rather sort out their gross mismanagement and corruption instead of burdening consumers with additional and unnecessary charges.	Jill	
	2026-08-26 19:36:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maartin	retired
	2026-08-26 19:36:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to adding any more charges for the consumers. Consumers and household are under extreme financial pressures, and we cannot carry any more costs. The solar systems installed are already very expensive and was done out of necessity, not for convenience. Municipalities are wasting billions of rands, and must spend more wisely and be more productive, while all the corruption must be stopped immediately.	Eugene	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:37:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is pushing hard on the legal tax payers and consumers of Electricity from Eskom, wanting to force us to pay more while they give away more free Electricity to townships to win votes. They must take away the free Electricity before they focus on the citizens that are paying hard earned cash to unwilling support political campaigns.	Craig	
	2026-08-26 19:38:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government wants total control and to punish ratepayers for innovation. If we weren't subjected to constant power blackouts we would not have have had to invest in solar power and you want to punish us for that?	Catherine	retired
	2026-08-26 19:43:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:47:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is incapable of providing service, electricity, or accounts that aren't wrong. Now they want to punish those who kept the lights on by funding their own power do to government mismanagement and corruption. I will spend more money to go completely off grid before I pay an extra cent towards the incompetence and cadre corruption	Ruan	employed individual

	2026-08-26 19:51:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed to supply constant reliable electricity. As a government the ANC has failed to protect the electrical infrastructure which allows for the constant loss of power due to cable theft. The ANC has stolen all the money to the point that Eskom is bankrupt and the city councils are bankrupt so they cannot do maintenance and upgrades hence the unreliability of the power grid. You asked the consumer to use power sparingly. The less power the consumer uses the less income there is, hence there is less money to steal and even less money for maintenance and upgrades. The consumer has reduced the load on the electrical system by installing solar systems at their expense, for the most you have refused to allow consumers to feed back into the grid any spare power they have from their solar system. Now you want to charge any consumer with solar power a penalty fee to boost your revenue so you can continue abusing the funds you receive. It is wrong on every level and just another government rip off to rape the consumer.	Alan	
	2026-08-26 19:53:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margot	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:55:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-08-26 19:56:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents should pay for what they consume. Solar power is not free, it was paid for therefore taxing solar panel owners is double jeopardy and should never be legalised. Alternatively, Owners of solar power can be allowed to feed excess electricity back into the grill. If electricity from the city is constant, residents would not need to spend so much money for solar installation. taxing them is a form of punishment.	sandra	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:56:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing the public for investing in own generation is thieving. Rather buy the excess power generated by homeowners to operate add to availability and use excess power for pump storage facilities.	Ian	retired
	2026-08-26 19:57:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As if taxing us to death is not enough. The citizens spend thousands to help with load shedding by installing solar and now we must be penalized? It is better to be on a Sassa grant than to try and help the country improve.	Marieta	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:01:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be charged more for a service that was promised to us but not provided to us. The government did not decrease our bill when load shedding was happening why increase it now that people have made alternative arrange for a basic need. This is just plain theft from tax paying citizens.	Bronwyn	
	2026-08-26 20:02:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-08-26 20:02:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alexander	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:03:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a matter if principle, I will add additional batteries/panels and a generator to my setup and go completely off grid. I will not pay a solar tax	Alvin	
	2026-08-26 20:07:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will not be penalised for moving away from criminals sitting in Eskom and municipalities trying to empty my pockets for their own personal (not business) gain and greed. NOBODY has the right to charge for the sun and my solar is not connected to feed back into the grid anyway. Its all for myself and nobody will interfere in my private business. Keep challenging me for trying to be on my own undisturbed and you will have war on your hands.	Marc	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:11:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The madness of this government must Stop!! Their greed into taking everything from the hard working citizens must Stop!!! By having solar power we've assisted minimizing strain on municipal power and to be penalized for this is utter Madness and greed!!! Marxism/Communism at its best! NO NO we the Citizens will not allow this govt sickness to continue. Govt Stop your madness against the citizens and law abiding people. You must protect citizens Not Steal from them!!! We can no longer afford all the municipal annual price hikes as it is!!!	Claudia	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:15:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely outrageous! As homeowner I have dug deep into my own pocket to maintain my household with electricity supply when Eskom couldn't - everyone very conveniently forgets about load shedding until it's back again! - and now I have to pay more again so utilizing a free resource (the sun)... what's next, are we going to be charged when the wind blows away smog!!!	Morne	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:16:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely insane to punish people with solar. Just plain theft to charge someone for not using yr product but they have no choice to even go to another supplier.	Nigel	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:18:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	retired
	2026-08-26 20:21:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-08-26 20:22:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:26:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	retired
	2026-08-26 20:28:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	
	2026-08-26 20:28:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When less is used, the string on the infrastructure is reduced. There is no valid reason to penalize home owners for the use of solar. Treating small users different from larger consumers due to poor maintenance from supplier side is unacceptable and unsustainable.	Simeon	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:29:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government seems to only know how to take in their corruption and theft in every area that they possibly can. The people of South Africa need to be protected from these leeches who neither fix nor maintain anything, just take what is not theirs to take. If Eskom was running smoothly and everything was working as it should solar panels would never have been needed.	Mary Rose	
	2026-08-26 20:31:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way for politicians to enrich themselves at our expense	Rene	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:31:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Those who use solar have saved eskom. Now eskom wants to be paid for this??	Peter	
	2026-08-26 20:33:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We where urged to install solar panels to save a grid collapse. Now we must pay for it. No.	Marius	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:33:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are taxed to bankruptcy. The ANC is thinking up every possible way to tax us. If they cannot run the electricity grid with the exorbitant rates we pay for electricity they must give me notice do that I can go off the grid and supply my own means for electricity	Johan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:36:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fred	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:37:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	as a Pensioner I do not have a unlimited supply of fund's. what they are proposing wil me I cannot afford the house I have paid off because I cannot afford their fixed charges. They cannot even read the meters proply when they ars supposed too. What about the meter readers jobs ?	Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 20:38:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for my solar as to have un interuoted electricity , eskom & municipality could not supply the demand we had to survive our self now we must be penalised for their mistakes that boat is not gona float they can have their meter & cable i dont need it for the pas 5 years if they want to bill us then please conect the electric meter between earth & the Son God Gave the solar energy for every one free of charge good luck with that please dont burn your fingers the Son is hot.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-26 20:39:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petrus	retired
	2026-08-26 20:41:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Shocking how people who were forced to install solar due to loadshedding and/or extremely expensive electricity prices are now being punished. Electricity is unaffordable as it is, we do not need additional charges.	Monique	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:42:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-08-26 20:43:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Japie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:44:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government destroys everything they touch. Eskom was on the brink of collapse and citizens of the country did what they had to, to ensure they had electricity. Government even provided tax incentives to encourage solar. Now that eskom has been load shedding free (because of so many people not drawing power from eskom), government is looking for other ways to fill their pockets. Sort out all the corruption and the country will have funds for infrastructure and other services. If every solar power user in SA put off their systems for a month, eskom won't be able to cope and then what??? Beg people to use their solar and tax them for helping out? There is no logic behind governments decisions. Sort out the inefficiencies and over employment at eskom and there will be millions of rands in savings. If government goes ahead and taxes those using solar, people that can afford it will move totally off grid and then what tax are they going to introduce. Some of use did it out of necessity to survive the load shedding, the havoc it caused to households and businesses etc. Already we are overtaxed via SARS, municipalities petrol levy and the list goes on.	Jason	
	2026-08-26 20:45:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Our government has failed us dismally. The current public service structures are not capable of controlling or driving a fair market operation. No more control in their hands please	Michael	
	2026-08-26 20:46:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	retired
	2026-08-26 20:47:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We did not ask to install solar, in fact Eskom put a initiative to the public to encourage solar and now want to penalize the public Also concerned about manipulation of rates and corruption	MONICA	
	2026-08-26 20:51:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	retired
	2026-08-26 20:53:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had the cheapest power generation in the 1990's. Eskom destroyed a working system and created the power outages and forced the need to move to solar to save the country. There was a time when old globes were swopped out to LED for free and solar geyser upgrades were encouraged and subsidised to help keep the lights on. Eskom now generates less electricity at an exorbitant rate and claims to be successful.....what a joke ..... but now still wants more money from a captive market. Catch the criminal, cease their assets for destroying Eskom and make them pay	Kevin	retired
	2026-08-26 20:56:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The energy sector was happy to let private individuals invest in solar to support them when there was a crisis, but now they want to punish these same individuals!	Andre	

	2026-08-26 20:57:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the dumbest bill of dumb bills ever to be considered. We already pay for services we don't get, like road maintenance in Gauteng for example. The problem is incompetent people in positions that they don't belong, not taxing those who are using renewable energy. Making everyone pay a fixed rate for electricity, just because Eskom is losing out is such a communistic move. Especially when services aren't available, paying for that is wrong. ANC must wake up to reality and stop milking South Africa!	Greg	
	2026-08-26 20:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the public be punished for the states failures	Thomas	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 21:02:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject any policy that unfairly penalises South Africans who invested their own money in solar and batteries to keep their homes and businesses running. If government wants citizens to invest in reliable energy, it cannot then change the rules and impose charges that undermine those investments. South Africans deserve transparent, fair and affordable electricity pricing—not policies that make ordinary households carry the burden of failures they did not create. I call on government to reconsider any measures that unfairly target grid-connected households with solar, engage meaningfully with the public, and protect the right of South Africans to make responsible private investments in their own energy security. We must reject unfair electricity charges and demand accountability, transparency and value for money.	Herman	
	2026-08-26 21:02:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:02:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emmie	retired
	2026-08-26 21:13:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renaud	
	2026-08-26 21:15:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should I have to pay for what is freely accessible to every person on this earth? Sunlight! Money is openly stolen and nothing or little happens yet when I use what is totally free to all I have to pay? Why should I not be entitled to use it for free . The next thing is that we will have to pay for rain???!!!???	Peter	
	2026-08-26 21:16:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Had it not been for the fact that ESCOM was captured and bled dry and thereby resulting in loadshedding, I would not have installed a solar system. Though I agree with the "freeloading" sentiment, I must also state the obvious: 1. don't go after the normal person who pays his way whilst the townships pillage and steal electricity, and those that do pay, pay a tuppence! 2. I understand the need to pay for infrastructure support and would support an EQUAL amount payable by EVERONE connected to the grid. 3. Why do ministers and other politicians get free electricity? They cannot even say they earn/deserve it. Make them pay their fair share too. STO EXPLOITING THE LAW ABIDING CITIZENS!!	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:17:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		k	
	2026-08-26 21:22:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:26:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rather reward people that have solar, allow them to backfeed and reduce your bill of generatig electricity, or rather channel the extra power to the poor....instead of making this just another punichment, but be carefull you might just be surprised at the voting station...people are gatvol	jakkie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:27:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hell NO!!!	Kurt	retired
	2026-08-26 21:27:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronald	retired
	2026-08-26 21:31:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die posisiedokument stel die beginsel vas om "vryry te ontmoedig", en voer aan dat moderne elektrisiteitsnetwerke hoë vaste infrastruktuurkoste en lae bedryfskoste het. Onder hierdie raamwerk sal tariewe wegskuif van suiwer volumetriese verbruikskoste (sent per kilowattuur) na verpligte vaste kapasiteit en netwerkkoste vir alle netwerkgekoppelde kliënte, ongeag hoe min elektrisiteit hulle verbruik. Slegs verbruikers wat heeltemal van die nasionale netwerk ontkoppel, sal van hierdie vaste fooie vrygestel word.	Jacobus	retired
	2026-08-26 21:37:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom' s inability to supply stable electricity(load shedding) led me to use my own funds to install solar so I could continue to run my home based business without interruption. They now want to penalise me for their mess up. No thanks. Oh, and I already pay exorbitant rates and a 'home user charge' that I get no electricity units for but costs me several hundred rand per month.	Carolyn	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:37:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a Disgrace, After The president, Begged the people of south Africa to please help and to install solar. SO we DID And Now, Why is The Department of Electricity and Energy want to TAX us even more. TAXing SA house holds on an item that DONT belongs to ESKOM or the Government. House Holds harvest and stored the energy. it the same as tell the farmers , U are going to be taxed on every seed you plant and Taxed even more for storing the harvest, Sounds like corruption to me in a, Eskom generated an annual revenue of R341 billion	Normen	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You want to do this, roll it out into all of the townships first as a pilot. Make sure they all pay then we will consider buying into your system. Just because you Eskom and COJ don't have a pair, to go into the townships to collect tariffs, don't squeeze those who are paying. We are being punished for paying! You started loadshedding and we resolved the problem with solar. Also, now you have chased many large corporations out of the country and now you have no income. Perhaps you half witts should have thought about that before you started loadshedding.	Stuart	
	2026-08-26 21:41:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	retired
	2026-08-26 21:44:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that private residents footing the bill for solar panels and batteries, utilizing limited power from the grid, should still be taxed and captured by Government. The sun's power is for free, yet residents are punished for finding alternative avenues to address the inefficiency of ESKOM!.	Priscilla	
	2026-08-26 21:44:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norman	
	2026-08-26 21:45:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corro	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:55:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I want NERSA to place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Kenneth	retired
	2026-08-26 21:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is typical of the ANC and Escom that want the people to force them to register just to use this in future against them.Yhey pay lots of money to get ot and that they can't even do as the want to.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-26 21:57:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	retired
	2026-08-26 21:59:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Government's inability to maintain an perfect working system they inherited is now leading to penalization of private initiative to keep the wheels turning in South Africa. You as corrupt Government has drained the country's resources and as the cow you are milking is running dry, you are looking elsewhere to find opportunity to steal further. Private initiatives to generate power is actually alleviating the burden on ESCOM to supply electricity - you should thank those who installed systems that help maintain the economy instead of penalizing them.	Frik	business owner
	2026-08-26 22:17:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-08-26 22:31:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	business owner
	2026-08-26 22:34:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A complete overhaul of the Electricity Sector Market is required, on that I wholly agree. I do not agree that Eskom be split into several state owned companies. This just means there are more CEO's that get over-inflated salaries that are not market related, as well as exorbitant bonuses. Whether they actually do a good job and make a profit, or do a bad job and waster the taxpayer's money. With the proliferation of corruption in the ANC government, these new entities will definitely not disappoint in that department either. The fact that the state wants the ratepayer to pay a high fixed fee because they spent their own money on installing solar, is the stupidest idea that I have ever heard. You, the ANC government, are not doing your job and never did it properly. I will be willing to pay a reasonable fixed monthly cost ONLY if the government FIRST PAY ME EVERY CENT that I spent installing the solar system AND the interest I paid on the loan to be able to do it. It would not have been necessary for me to do it if the government was not is incompetent and corrupt. Making the ratepayer basically 'subsidize' businesses using more than 1MWh of energy is another crazy idea. Yes, the municipalities that can't do their jobs and that think pulling a massive salary while sitting on their fat butts AND stealing more money, SHOULD fail. This way another party, or even the residents, can take over and do a proper job of running the municipalities. Our electricity prices are WAAAYYYY too high already. How can you have an increase of more than 1000% in 10 years while salaries only increased by a third of that, IF that much? Don't be stupid!! Sorry, too late for that one ... No, split Eskom up and sell each entity off to private enterprises. And not to some empty, umbrella company that you or one of your cronies quickly registered yesterday! THAT way the new entities may actually have a chance of making a profit while keeping the lights on and the cost to the consumer in line with the rest of the world.	Werner	
	2026-08-26 22:36:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is another method of the ANC to get the citizens to pay money into an account where ANC members can steal it. There is absolutely NO benefit for the citizens with the implementation of this policy. This is a communist style system to control private individuals and businesses. A very bad suppression of initiative and entrepreneur action will follow.	Jim	retired
	2026-08-26 22:40:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kirk	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:41:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Without regulation and caps on true cost recovery this avenue is open to abuse as is already seen in current tariff determination by municipalities where the cost of electricity is not a reflection of the actual costs but rather a way to subsidise other unrelated services as customers have no choice.	Sean	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:41:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-08-26 22:45:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ewan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:46:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marna	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:47:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beulah	retired

	2026-08-26 22:53:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	self-employed
	2026-08-26 22:55:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-08-26 22:58:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	retired
	2026-08-26 23:00:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a homeowner who invested significant personal capital in rooftop solar and battery storage, I find it deeply frustrating that an investment we were actively encouraged to make is now being reframed as “free-riding” and penalised through unavoidable fixed charges. Only a few years ago, homeowners were encouraged through tax incentives and other measures to install solar precisely because it would help reduce the strain on the national electricity grid. Households like mine made that investment at our own expense, reducing our reliance on an already strained Eskom and municipal infrastructure at a time of national crisis. It is therefore incredibly difficult to understand how that same decision can now be treated as a burden on the system rather than the contribution it was intended to be. Had I not invested in solar and battery storage, I would not have had a reliable enough electricity supply to continue working and generating an income. That income has, in turn, allowed me to pay taxes and contribute to the economy. I find it fundamentally unfair that homeowners who responded to the government’s call to invest in renewable energy, and who helped reduce pressure on the national grid at their own expense, are now being penalised for having done exactly what we were encouraged to do. The policy seems to turn a previous incentive into a retrospective penalty, which feels both contradictory and deeply unjust.	Carla	self-employed
	2026-08-26 23:02:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mohammed	employed individual
	2026-08-26 23:11:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harry	
	2026-08-26 23:13:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francis Dudley	employed individual
	2026-08-26 23:15:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kim	business owner
	2026-08-26 23:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Steal from Paul to pay Peter has been the government’s policy since 1994. The government has been raping this country in every sector since it came into power. Enough is enough. I will not pay a single farthing for electricity because I generate and maintain my electricity grid out of my own pocket.	Mohammed.Y.	self-employed
	2026-08-26 23:34:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, government organizations miss the entire point on how to actually do something properly, as a united nation. Instead they choose the option to divide and segregate people. Eskom and government has been incapable of resolving load shedding and other electricity grid concerns for close on 20 years, forcing citizens to seek out alternatives for reliability. There have even been incentives and encouragements to “reduce the load” and to “protect the grid”. And now, when things are going better, they turn and propose charges for those who helped. No thanks. Fix your issues, replace the president with someone competent, and open the markets to allow power to be purchased from additional sources with no penalties for choosing solar or alternative energy sources.	Matt	
	2026-08-26 23:37:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roz	retired
	2026-08-26 23:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wikus	
	2026-08-26 23:52:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Less for more!! The government is already obliging citizens to decide whether to keep lights on or eat a hot meal with their high electricity costs and access fees. We were forced onto a prepaid system which has an added cost to purchase from supplier of tokens. They now want to add higher penalties / access fees to all consumers for lack of income because people were proactive and at their own cost installed solar to combat the continual loadshedding due to government inability to keep the lights on. Concentrate on getting the debts from the non-payers under control before introducing another system whereby non-payments will further escalate due to unaffordability, and back to square one with billions owed and a stagnant collection system	A	retired
	2026-08-27 00:07:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers who have chosen to protect their electricity supply at their own expense cannot be forced to continually pay for the Governments mistakes.	Lynette	employed individual
	2026-08-27 00:09:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-08-27 00:23:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michae	
	2026-08-27 00:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is extremely infuriating to be penalised for having solar power as the only reason I had to spend hard earned money on solar panels & batteries is due entirely to the incompetence of the ANC to run Eskom properly. Eskom’s failures to deliver power is due to cadre deployment, greed, corruption & outright theft…… state capture!!! To be charged for our solar energy is a total injustice as the Government’s utter failure to deliver power to all households forced us to use solar. Shame on them	Holly	retired
	2026-08-27 00:35:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-08-27 00:40:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was and is plagued with corruption and incompetence and state driven BBEEE programs to weaken the broader south Africans financial positions. Did eskom refund us for all the loadshedding and suffering we went through when loadshedding and grid failures occurred? Did Eskom refund us for all the free electricity they Disch out freely and for all the illegal connections they did not remove and endorse for they are too afraid to go into the townships and arrest all the illegal connectors We paid our taxes on buying the solar product even again the raised import taxes So, they see us as a milking cow that they can milk until the cow die South Afrika stands up for your rights and straightens your back against this oppression!!!!! This is not law; this is intimidation and victimization. It's an extension of the rotten corruption within the system	Marius	
	2026-08-27 00:56:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derrick	retired
	2026-08-27 01:34:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To burden households, who have already used their OWN money to install solar panels to help Escom, and who are already under huge financial stress, with FIXED monthly capacity and network charges, BEFORE they get ANY UNITS, is criminal, to say the least	Tienkie	retired
	2026-08-27 01:46:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You should pay for what you use and no more.	Coetzee	employed individual
	2026-08-27 02:10:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and municipalities are inefficient and corrupt. They alone are responsible for losses and poor service delivery. Now they want to punish us for their incompetence ‘pay us irrespective’ . Can I send you a bill for all my losses/ expenses occurred because of load shedding or power outages? Communistic captivity!!!!Alternatives not allowed!!!	Riaan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 02:14:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Icosumers should have the right to choose where and how they procure electricity. Where the consumer choose to go on its own so be it. In such instance there should be no fallback Where a fallback is required bsuch a hybrid model should be offered at a cost.	Mogamat Saied	retired
	2026-08-27 02:14:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Escom wasn't so corrupt and balanced it's books there wouldn't be a need for this crap. They incentivised households to install solar to reduce the risk of load shedding and now they trying to squeeze those by increasing fixed costs. What a sham. We must fight this injustice.	Sean	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 02:23:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The stated purpose of the reform is to end the single-buyer model and introduce competition. The mechanisms proposed, however, deliver competitive access almost exclusively to users above the eligibility threshold. Households and small businesses receive none of the benefit and carry a disproportionate share of the cost. A reform that concentrates its gains in one class of customer and its costs in another is not a competitive market. It is a reallocation. The roadmap applies an “anti-free-riding” principle to grid-connected and partially defected solar customers, shifting recovery from volumetric charges to high fixed monthly connection fees. I object on the following grounds: (a) No cost study has been published demonstrating that these customers imposed network costs equal to the fixed charges proposed. With such evidence being absent, the charge is simply a revenue measure presented as a cost-reflectivity measure. (b) These investments were made in good faith, under a policy framework that actively encouraged embedded generation, and in many cases in direct response to load shedding. Retrospectively altering the economics of those installations undermines the regulatory certainty the Department elsewhere says it wishes to create. (c) Embedded generation reduces peak demand and deferred network investment. The roadmap accounts for the cost these customers allegedly avoid, but not for the value they contribute. Thus we I request for the the roadmap be withdrawn in its current form and mandatory fixed charges on existing grid-connected solar installations be completely removed.	Lux	employed individual
	2026-08-27 02:29:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar obtains energy from sun. Why should consumer be charged for anything. The electricity used to recharge solar batteries is already paid for when purchasing electricity units (prepaid electricity. No additional charge should be paid whilst consumer uses Solar.	Mahendra	retired
	2026-08-27 02:56:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-08-27 03:19:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bame	employed individual
	2026-08-27 03:28:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garth	retired
	2026-08-27 03:30:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dietmar	
	2026-08-27 03:49:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Guy	
	2026-08-27 03:55:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quintin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 04:08:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again Government has a knee jerk reaction to trying to solve a problem of their creation. While on one hand they are all for green energy production and usage, they give a tax brake on solar panels to help support the Eskom lack of electrical production, then they want to either tax citizens who are fed up with load shedding, which are really revolving blackouts, threaten these citizens if they do not register their systems and then also charge a higher tariff for their electricity. These citizens did not get Eskom into a mess where the infrastructure has collapsed due to neglect and mismanagement and theft. The local municipal network also to blame for blackouts, as the grid in Nelson Mandela Bay collapsed, numerous times leaving citizens to their own devices. Citizens of South Africa will not pay for Governments failures, which as history shows tax monies are often stolen or simply not used for the correct purpose. Governments solution to fix their problem is to tax an already overburdoned shrinking tax base, is nothing short of pathetic. Who in their right mind would pay for an unreliable overpriced product/ service and then be taxed as they took very expensive measures to protect themselves from this State failure, and then be forced to be taxed on those measures, nobody!	Andrew	retired

	2026-08-27 04:13:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Renewable, sustainable energy use is crucial to a viable future for us all. Citizens should be encouraged to create solar energy. A fixed fee for grid connection is reasonable but needs to be proportional to what is actually spent in real time. Historic inefficiencies and accumulation of maintainence costs due to poor management should not be passed on to the everyday consumer. There needs to be equitable access to electricity and encouragement of a move away from reliance on fossil fuels. Eskom needs to ensure that & not just charge the soft targets for their own mismanagement.	Louise	self-employed
	2026-08-27 04:22:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Palesa	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 04:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	From the cheapest and best run electrical supply company in the world to the worst one in a few years, under this useless government.	Loki	
	2026-08-27 04:34:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Jaco	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:03:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magdalena	retired
	2026-08-27 05:10:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aubrey	retired
	2026-08-27 05:14:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	
	2026-08-27 05:21:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raoul	
	2026-08-27 05:29:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		garth	
	2026-08-27 05:31:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just a few years ago, Government was begging private residents to fork out thousands of rands on installing private solar to reduce the pressure on our energy grid. Now, the residents who were able to do this are being penalized. That is blatantly unfair. The whole country should be moving to more sustainable energy, and there are millions in south Africa who do not even have electricity yet, despite us being 30 years into democracy. Focus on expanding the grid and providing all our residents with electricity. There is enough money to do so if it is not stolen or mismanaged. And stop trying to punish citizens who take care of themselves and the environment when our Government fails to do their job.	Marthe	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 05:32:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not logical to punish the people who, by installing their own solar panels using their own hard-earned money, should be punished for helping to alleviate the burden of load shedding on the rest of the population.	Rosemary	retired
	2026-08-27 05:35:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jeremy	self-employed
	2026-08-27 05:38:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thea	retired
	2026-08-27 05:38:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Siegfried	retired
	2026-08-27 05:38:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By spending my own capital, the national grid has benefitted from my system in that less electricity has had to be generated . This can be borne out by the fact that because of many roof top solar installations there has been a huge drop in load shedding over the past years thereby assisting the country's GDP. This is a typical scam by the government to steal money from their hardworking citizens,instead of encouraging growth and entrepreneurship by its citizens.	Gordon	retired
	2026-08-27 05:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are tired of depending on the South African government. You know why? Load shedding, caused my corruption and electric tariffs went up non stop. What are South Africans supposed to do if they cannot rely on their government?	Nnaka	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is completely unacceptable. We have invested our savings to install solar energy, which we have to maintain and after 10 years probably replace. We already have this built in additional fixed costs that we are financing. Why should we pay any additional fixed costs or penalties???	Frank	
	2026-08-27 05:39:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is nothing these clueless greedy people who rule proposes that actually has the ordinary South Africans interests at heart . I installed solar panels, not because I felt the need to throw money away, but because my area has at least one outage every 10 days. Now I will be penalised? What a nerve!!!!	Marilyn	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 05:41:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodger	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:43:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of penalizing those who used their own money to help alleviate the energy crisis, Eskimo should incentives those by paying houses who can push electricity back into the grid. Then the whole system would work more efficiently off solar with less use of carbon fuel, and with no extra outlay for Eskom	Shavaughn	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:45:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	self-employed
	2026-08-27 05:46:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Government caused the private sector's need to invest in solar; it is completely unethical to penalise players supporting our economy who came to the private rescue of government's failure. You are asking for a tax revolt.	Ulrico	business owner
	2026-08-27 05:48:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LLOYD	retired
	2026-08-27 05:52:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have been forced to install (at my personal cost) a solar system to protect my home and small business. This as a result of the unreliable electricity supply caused by years of incompetence and corruption. Now I must be penalised a second time and be expected to pay to 'prop-up' the governments gross incompetence - the cheek!	Peter	
	2026-08-27 05:53:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annelie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 06:00:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vela	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:01:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MS	retired
	2026-08-27 06:08:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Martin	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:10:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't yet have a solar installation but I intend installing one in the near future. The idea that I will be charged a penalty for spending my hard earned money on a system to ease the governments shortcomings in the planning and implementation of new power solutions is absolutely preposterous.	Nicholas	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:11:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chanté	
	2026-08-27 06:11:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynette	business owner
	2026-08-27 06:12:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:13:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rika	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 06:15:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxpayers are being violated for the Government's failure to supply electricity.	Roza	retired
	2026-08-27 06:19:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:21:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is incomprehensible that tax payers who assisted and continue to assist Eskom to avoid loadshedding with the installation of expensive solar systems will be penalized by implementing the tariffs . The networks have been paid for by historic electricity tariffs and is included in current base rates.	Frederik	retired
	2026-08-27 06:22:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gérard	retired
	2026-08-27 06:23:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When loadshedding started back in 2008/2009 onwards, Eskom and the Government explicity requested us to install Solar to assist the Eskom demand. I utilised my hard earned monthly salary, cut on a lot of other cost of living to install rooftop solar, to assist Eskom, now not 20 years later my hard earned money Roftop solar will now again backfire on me! The only way now then is going off grid in total!	Erns	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:24:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Caroline	
	2026-08-27 06:25:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government cannot supply the services now they want to tax the initiatives of its citizens to bypass their own incompetence	Pietre	retired
	2026-08-27 06:25:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Incapable Municipalities and Escom corruption being used to penelise citizens	Gawie	retired
	2026-08-27 06:26:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ek wil nie gestraf word vir Eskom se onvermoë om elektrisiteit te verskaf en omdat hulle toegelaat het dat korrupsie seëvier nie.	Elise	
	2026-08-27 06:26:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luellen	self-employed

	2026-08-27 06:27:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Carina	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:27:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip Loots	
	2026-08-27 06:29:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:34:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panels assist the grid in not being overloaded. The economy is already hard as it is for ordinary households and forcing us normal people to pay more above everything else will result in more struggle and poverty. It was encouraged during loadshedding times that people find alternative solutions to power to ease the pressure on the grid and now turn around to say you need to pay more because you have an alternative solution does not make sense. We already pay a connection fee. Why do we need to pay more? There's a lot of other people not paying electricity - go find the funds by the people not paying and owing and leave our ordinary people that pay our bills and just try to make it through life alone.	Chantelle	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:34:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isolde	
	2026-08-27 06:36:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed Solar power as Eskom could not supply power and introduced load shedding - now they have the power I am being penalized. I am 89 living on a ;minimal amount - this will devastate my cash flow	Sue	retired
	2026-08-27 06:37:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jay	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:38:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cost of solar due to the inability of Eskom to supply cannot be penalised as the current no-loadshedding situation has to thank people who installed solar and saved their face. You cannot penalise the People who saved you when you could not supply de and. Many where forced to install solar for lovedones neebing constant supply to keep mashines running for needed life support.	Marius	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:39:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans have been forced to make and invest in their own arrangements due to a failed state power system. They cannot be penalised for this. Recover the moneys stolen from Eskom, from those who stole it, not from honest citizens.	Evert	retired
	2026-08-27 06:40:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its present form. I support genuine reform of South Africa's electricity sector, greater competition, private generation and a more reliable electricity system. My objection is specifically to those aspects of the Position Paper that risk shifting an increasing proportion of electricity-system costs onto ordinary residential consumers through mandatory fixed charges, particularly households that have invested in rooftop solar, batteries and energy efficiency. I am a South African homeowner with rooftop solar. Like many households, I use solar to reduce my dependence on an electricity system that, for years, could not provide reliable supply. Government itself responded to the electricity crisis by removing barriers to private generation and encouraging private investment. It is therefore deeply concerning that households which responded by reducing their demand on the grid are now potentially characterised under a principle of “discouraging free riding.” Reducing electricity purchased from the grid is not “free riding”. I accept that remaining connected to the grid has a cost and that a consumer who requires grid availability should make a reasonable contribution towards the efficient cost of providing that connection and capacity. However, there is an important distinction between paying the demonstrable cost of the network service I actually require and being required to compensate Eskom, municipalities or other market participants for revenue they lose because I have chosen to generate and store some of my own electricity. The Position Paper states that, as fixed system costs increase, fixed charges will become more important relative to charges based on electricity consumed. It further provides that consumers who rely on the grid for some of their electricity, or who wish to sell excess electricity, will be required to pay network charges. This creates a serious risk that fixed charges become an open-ended mechanism for recovering costs that have little or nothing to do with the actual cost imposed by an individual household on the network. Solar households should not be required through fixed charges to underwrite inefficient expenditure, excessive network losses, electricity theft, bad debt, municipal financial failures, stranded assets or historical cross-subsidies simply because they remain connected to the grid. The principle should be cost causation, not revenue preservation. If a consumer imposes a measurable cost on the network, that cost can reasonably be recovered. Equally, if distributed generation reduces demand, network losses, generation requirements or peak consumption, those benefits should also be recognised. It is inequitable to calculate only the cost a solar household supposedly creates while assigning no value to the benefits that household's private investment provides to the electricity system. There is also a broader issue of investment certainty. South Africans have spent substantial private capital making their homes and businesses more energy resilient. The economic case for these investments was based partly on reducing future electricity purchases. Government should not retrospectively undermine that investment by progressively moving the cost of electricity away from consumption and into unavoidable fixed charges. Such an approach sends precisely the wrong signal for energy efficiency, private renewable investment and decarbonisation. I am also concerned that residential consumers will remain captive customers while larger eligible consumers are progressively given access to competitive electricity markets. Ordinary households should not be left without supplier choice while simultaneously carrying an increasing share of fixed system costs. I therefore request that the Position Paper be amended to: Remove or substantially reformulate the “discourage free riding” principle as it applies to residential embedded generation and energy-efficient consumers. Require all fixed network and capacity charges to be transparent, independently verified, cost-reflective and directly related to the efficient network service and capacity provided to the customer. Prevent fixed charges from being used to recover municipal general expenditure, non-payment by other customers, electricity theft, inefficient expenditure, stranded assets or lost revenue arising merely because consumers have reduced their electricity purchases. Establish appropriate limits or regulatory safeguards on fixed charges so that they cannot be progressively increased to defeat the economic benefit of self-generation. Require the value of distributed generation, reduced demand and exported electricity to be properly quantified and credited against the costs attributed to grid-connected solar customers. Provide appropriate transitional protection for households and businesses that have already invested in solar and storage, so that legitimate investment expectations are not retrospectively undermined. Publish a roadmap for extending genuine retail electricity choice to ordinary households and small businesses rather than permanently treating them as captive customers.	Danie	retired
	2026-08-27 06:40:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa needs electricity reform, but reform should create competition, efficiency and consumer choice. It should not create a new mechanism through which responsible, paying consumers who reduced their dependence on an unreliable electricity system become the convenient source of replacement revenue. I therefore oppose the Position Paper in its current form and request that these provisions be reconsidered before the policy is finalised.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:41:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is becoming a tradition of the government, to try to force people to be subjected to their rule and exploitation. The continued battle to steal more and more on every possible opportunity they get. Why can they not just get rid of the rot and put people in power with common sense and reasonable thoughts. The ripoff is getting annoying. Transformation is the only thing that will save the people of this great country.	Martin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:41:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	retired
	2026-08-27 06:44:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its is so wrong to expect people who used their own capital to fund for solar and expect them to pay more. If the government refund all my money for the solar we can talk then. Until then,they don’t have a case.	Rudi	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:44:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hell no! Why should we have to pay MORE for Eskom's failures? Our electricity is already significantly more expensive than it should be due to corruption and mismanagement on a grand scale at Eskom. Besides this, Eskom now wants to punish private solar electricity generation that's saved the country from the load shedding crisis caused by Eskom itself. It's a ludicrous proposal and should be rejected by all sensible citizens of SA with the utmost contempt.	John	
	2026-08-27 06:46:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is just ripping property owners off our hard earned income. Government are a bunch of thieves. First president tells us to install solar and also gives us R15000 rebate and now wants to penalize us. They should just let us be self sufficient	Suresh	retired
	2026-08-27 06:47:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC sun tax & captive citizen abuse.	Alan	retired
	2026-08-27 06:47:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is short-sighted in the extreme to try and recoup charges from those who have invested in solar to this point. Getting "off grid" should be being actively encouraged to reduce a/ pressure on the system and b/fossil fuel consumption. Some minor adjustments might be acceptable but taking as a principle that solar users should pay as much as those who passively continue to use the central system whenever they can is simply unjust and will discourage the changes we need as a society and a planet. Also, breaking up a "natural monopoly" state entity may be tempting given the issues with Eskom to date, but I'm not convinced that's the solution needed. Private companies can be very tempted to put profit before provision and that is the central reason why electricity was a state entity in the first place. It would be far better to put measures in place to get the existing system aided by business skills and knowledge rather than simply breaking it up into competitive firms.	Simric	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:48:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sally	retired
	2026-08-27 06:48:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Xoli	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:49:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Beulah	
	2026-08-27 06:50:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another way to steal money from hard-working citizens - to fund the inept governmENt departments	nicholas	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:50:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	
	2026-08-27 06:51:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal to introduce mandatory high fixed monthly connection fees for rooftop solar users penalizes households that have invested their own capital to mitigate load-shedding and relieve pressure on the national grid. Under the guise of preventing "free-riding," this framework effectively creates a "solar penalty" that destroys the return on investment for small-scale renewable systems, severely disincentivizing green energy adoption. Furthermore, pairing fixed charges with the ability of large commercial users to exit municipal supply creates an unsustainable burden on ordinary households. By leaving small, "captive" ratepayers to absorb both municipal revenue shortfalls and mandatory fixed fees, the policy shifts the cost of grid maintenance onto those least able to afford it while actively suppressing residential transition to clean energy. Fixed charges should instead reflect actual infrastructure maintenance costs rather than serving as a punitive fee on private renewable investment	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:52:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I DO NOT CONSENT. I DO NOT COMPLY	Karen	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:52:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:53:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Desiree	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:53:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	retired

	2026-08-27 06:55:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duidlief	retired
	2026-08-27 06:57:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot fairly charge people for using the sun anymore than you can charge them for breathing. Solar charges for people generating their own power are illegitimate. ANC makes the poor subsidize the rich	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 06:57:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged by Eskom to put up solar power during the electricity crisis. Having to LOAN money to purchase the system at a great cost. Now we are going to be PUNISHED for doing so. Law abiding citizens who do the correct thing. This is just another money making scheme on its way to corruption.	Tanja	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:57:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	According to government platforms loadshedding has past, yet we are without power at times due to municipalities not paying eskom Firstly: We had to make own plans to stop throwing food away when fridges/ freezer were off more than 3 days, where alarm system batteries went flat, where lights could not burn at night- becoming security risk. Secondly: electricity is so expensive, we could hardly afford it, then we went over to gas - but gas is becoming more expensive. For security we went over to eg solar light As pensioners we have to make a plan, because we don't have xtra incomes Why are we being punished for eskom and municipalities shortfall , financial and maintanance mismanagement.	Juliana	retired
	2026-08-27 06:59:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	
	2026-08-27 06:59:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A major reason for installing solar panels is the lack of reliability of the ESKOM supplied electricity. Frequent down time. This proposal punishes for protecting our reliance on electricity	Keith	retired
	2026-08-27 07:02:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernst	retired
	2026-08-27 07:05:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	
	2026-08-27 07:06:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Saul	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:07:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The people of South Africa are constantly being asked to cover shortfalls because of municipal governments failure to administrate services successfully. As a result they are seriously indebted to Eskom and are yet again milking money from their customers. This can not be allowed to happen.	Simeon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:08:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		George	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:09:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:10:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lance	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:10:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole reason for an alternative power solution is ESKOM and now they want to penalise us for their inability to provide power. SIES!!!!!!!	Terry	
	2026-08-27 07:14:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-08-27 07:20:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Lost for words. Might as well hand the government over to kids. They'll do a much better job.	Pauline	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:20:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are already facing higher rates for actual use of power as well as substantial capital outlay largely to support the failures of ESKOM and municipal planning and maintenance. In other words solar linked consumers are already subsidising the grid and additional costs would be unreasonable and are in effect subsidising large industrial users who receive power with preferential access and pricing	Gary	
	2026-08-27 07:21:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel that it is unfair that the private sector have to be penalized because Eskom failed to supply electricity and by doing so forced the private citizens to adopt alternative power solutions. To run their businesses and households. How many businesses have closed due to poor or no supply of power thus creating job loses. Many big businesses have relocated to other countries all because of the erratic power and government's unconcern not only for that company but for the employees job lose.	Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-27 07:23:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	retired
	2026-08-27 07:26:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	
	2026-08-27 07:29:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eis 'n bindende, gepubliseerde oorgangspadkaart wat die geskiktheidsdrempel progressief verlaag, en verseker dat die kleinhandelmarkkeuse uitgebrei word na gewone huishoudings en KMMO's eerder as om 'n eksklusiewe korporatiewe voorreg te bly.	Bertie	retired
	2026-08-27 07:30:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 07:31:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	First, the ANC admitted that cadre deployment and poor maintenance directly caused the load-shedding crisis. Now, they want to punish the very citizens who spent their own money to fix the problem. Demanding the registration of private solar PV systems is a blatant setup for future taxes and penalties. Forcing taxpayers to fund the government's failure twice isn't just absurd—it's ludicrous.	Bertie	
	2026-08-27 07:33:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you offer rebates for solar one year and then 2 years later you are looking to financially punish people who moved to solar? It is unethical. If this goes through, I will ensure that I fully disconnect from the grid. You failed to provide a basic service for 15 years and people made alternative arrangements to overcome these failure. We cannot continue to be bled dry in order to subsidise government failures and promises they're making to their constituents that they arent in a position to make.	Derryn	
	2026-08-27 07:34:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 07:35:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nadena	retired
	2026-08-27 07:35:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will this incompetency stop, they keep looking for ideas to bleed the law-abiding South Africans. They could not provide power to the consumers which resulted in the paralyzing of our economy, the same as the Municipalities and all state-owned entity's. The taxpayers used their own initiative and money to provide for themselves with no assistance from the government. In actual fact the private solar installers helped them to get out of problem they have created with their incompetency. Now they want to tax these people because the sun is shining, thank GOD they do not have control over the sun. What is next, will they tax us for the oxygen we are breathing. They must be removed from our government to get some competent people in their place to run a state that functions with honesty and Sence.	Manie	retired
	2026-08-27 07:36:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they want to tax me on my solar, they need to refund me for my system, If not, disconect me from the grid, my system is fully capable of suporting my needs.	Jasper	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:36:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is a disgrace that the Government initially encouraged solar when the grid was in trouble and even spoke about an incentive? Now we with solar must be penalized after spending a lot of our savings!	GREGORY CHARLES	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:36:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caryn	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:38:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ciska	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:39:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilna	
	2026-08-27 07:39:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC Goverment try to lay the burden on South Africans while they are responsible for this electricity mess. Just like the Gauteng etoll mess they cthey created. Corruption still exists in the ESKOM for bypassing the prepaid meter systems and collected hundreds of thousands in rands per month. If ESKOM can be Corruption free for 5 years we can look at other measures. Cables and substations are still vandalized and we sitting without power , so who's fault is that now we have to pay a penalty while the ANC goverment are asleep turning a blind eye , because it's job creation. ANC goverment you take the burden of Soweto outstanding balance. And other Provinces aswell.	Marius	
	2026-08-27 07:39:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:40:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lisa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:42:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-27 07:42:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Failing to provide a stable power grind for many years forced individuals to make alternative arrangements. City power disconnected my home from the grid entirely stating I did not use enough power, therefore I am now fully reliant on my solar system. Having to pay anything further toward the failures of the state is as always only in their interest, the only reason we have not had load shedding for the past 2 years is due to lesser demand on the system as a result of rooftop solar and other means of generation. Bottom line, it is unconstitutional to tax sunlight, no one owns the sun and if my household is no longer a burden on the failed state of our infrastructure I should not have to pay more. In fact, it should be the other way around.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:43:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:46:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are already carrying the burden of government corruption and they keep trying to find ways to add more. I paid a lot of money for my solar system, because Eskom is unable to supply stable electricity and now they want me to pay the price for their incompetence.	Chantelle	retired
	2026-08-27 07:47:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:48:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	business owner

	2026-08-27 07:48:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is unfair as Government could not supply services and are penalising and re-taxing people who used their already taxed money to enable them to have their basic rights to have electricity. The Government even offered an incentive to put up solar and now are penalising those very same people who have solar . It is clear that this was planned long ago to further milk everyone of all their hard earned and taxed monies .	Tom	retired
	2026-08-27 07:48:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity provider is unable to provide a reliable power source at a reasonable cost and therefore users were forced to find alternatives. Now the same organisation is trying to legislate a means to it own financial well being.	Keith	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:49:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the regime is picking on the already over taxed citizen. If there was genuine attempt which was not based on covering up all the past poor decisions made by Eskom powers that be South Africa citizens would not be having to pay for cadre deployment, corruption, theft and extremely poor management. As I law abiding citizen struggling to make ends meet I object most strenuously to this paper.	Leslie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:51:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alice	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:51:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CAROL	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:51:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthie	
	2026-08-27 07:54:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Thanks to the ANC, Eskom is in this position because they bailed them out every single time and took on more debt by taking loans from other countries like China, Russia and Iran etc. Since when does the heat from the sun belong to any government and why should a person be taxed for having solar panels. Eskom should have been privatized, but the ANC refuses because they have their hands on the cookie jar and continue to steal money through bribery and corruption.	Wesley	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:54:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	retired
	2026-08-27 07:57:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannes	retired
	2026-08-27 07:57:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When loadshedding was at its height, Eskom even provided subsidies for solar installations and NOW they want to penalise us for having done so. Not acceptable.	Hugh	retired
	2026-08-27 07:57:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You want to penalize people for minimizing shortfalls that exist in your own system which you can not or do not want to control. This is another manner of skimming funds which will also be misused. It is the same as penalising people for using their own private transport because they do not use public transport . This inappropriate and proof that you can not manage your company's finances and infrastructure.	Elizabeth	retired
	2026-08-27 07:57:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nic	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:59:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cape Town City paid out mor than R50 m to households and factories for rooftop solar generated electricity and turned consumers into much needed micro enterprises trading in energy, the most precious commodity on earth so beating poverty, klop armoede. Bangladesh and Vietnam citizens trade in rooftop generated electricity and it revolutionised their economies. Eskom was overstaffed by 66% according to the World Bank. The average monthly salary for a cleaner at Eskom Holdings Limited in South Africa ranges from about R5,000 to R14,258, plus pension, housing, medical, sick leave, family leave, etc. Contract cleaners are paid R4 700.	Hein	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 07:59:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was in trouble, and could not provide enough electricity to sevice the market, government strongly recomended that households need to install rooftop solar systems to eleviate the problem, they even promoted this, by making available tax relief incentives, for people who were willing to invest in this way. Households are, especially in wintertime, when the need for electricity becomes more, urged to use electicity sparingly. Now the very same government want to tax those who complied to their request. Furthermore, the metro is not able to prevent cable theft and maintain the electricity infrasttucture, and households are often left without electricity, sometimes for days at a time. Electricity tarriffs are increased above yearly inflation figures, because Eskom and the government aer unable to curb corruption, and to plan for future expantion. Funds that needed to be set aside for expantion is used to payexorbatant bonuses to those executives who mismanage the utility. A mechanism should be provided to disconnect from the grid, if a household prefers to supply their own electricity. Furthermore, NERSA should also implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring that households can sell excess solar energy to metros and city councils, thereby offsetting tax on connection to captive consumers.	Charl	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:00:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	retired
	2026-08-27 08:02:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am sooo tired of paying and paying some more for ALL the corruption in our country caused by 30+ years of ANC rule. They encouraged the solar to take the pressure off ESKOM and now they see another avenue to make us pay. Please stop stealing and we will ALL have a better South Africa	Anita	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:03:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annekie	
	2026-08-27 08:03:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Christo	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:04:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leandri	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:05:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The old story. Why must I keep on paying for your inability to deliver a service I pay for and then penalize me because I made an alternative plan, as you could not support me for years? You knew this was going to happen long before the load shedding even started but chose to ignore the issue. You even asked us to help you during this time by installing solar and gave us a tax rebate if we do, and now you're using it against us? Do you even think when you do what you're doing now? We will come up again with an alternative.	Rudi	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:05:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Surina	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 08:05:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:06:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lyn	retired
	2026-08-27 08:06:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to try steel from the average hard working person.	Grant	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:07:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelly	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:08:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the years of corruption and poor management at Eskom, resulting in regular load-shedding, we were FORCED to finance an energy alternative, ie solar and batteries. We are still trying to pay off this capital outlay as a small medical business. Without this investment, many patients would have gone untreated. Now, despite our huge financial outlay, a proposal is now on the table to "punish" us for having done so. Eskom should be rewarding us for spending further hard-earned capital to provide the service we already pay for in our regular monthly bills, not burdening us even further. Middle-income tax payers continue to carry the burden of years of corruption and mismanagement and this is yet another example thereof.	Rob	
	2026-08-27 08:09:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	retired
	2026-08-27 08:09:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:12:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. If the state had done their job and not pillaged and raped the system for billions we would not have an energy crisis in this country. Why should the hard working user suffer due to corruption and mismanagement and lack of maintenance by the state? Years ago it was encouraged to go "off the grid" to help the system cope with demand and not over stress the system, even offering rebates on those who installed solar etc., now they want to charge those very same people for doing what they were asked to do in the first place. This is just another way of sealing money for services we do not receive!	S	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:13:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How dare the govt even think of increasing the rates when this mess has been all their fault due to corruption and miss management of govt funds, funds that we as citizens of SA has paid over in taxes and the purchase of electricity. This govt has lost their minds - time for them to go.	Dave	
	2026-08-27 08:13:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Already paying monthly "availability costs" for the maintenance and support of electricity. I have yet to see any "eksdom" employees to maintain the electricity availability to my specific property	Christo	retired
	2026-08-27 08:14:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe that rooftop solar users should be rewarded as they help ease the demand for electricity, thus assisting the government to provide electricity to all citizens. In a sunny country like South Africa, I may be naïve, but I think the government (national and local) should use as many roof tops to generate cleaner, cheaper solar power for its citizens.	Renee	
	2026-08-27 08:14:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities are already corrupt - this will just put more money in their pockets. I refuse to pay extra for something I paid for and Eskom has encouraged us to do	Saskia	retired
	2026-08-27 08:15:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-08-27 08:18:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:18:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louisa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a solar consumer, I have complied with all the requirements demanded by my municipality. In 2022 I needed to install solar system because of my health reasons. My metro then forced me to install pre-paid. I have in my view complied with every legislative requirements as deemed fit by my municipality. I therefore state that in my view it will be unfair for the state to further burden my investment either through taxes or legislative penalties. Let those who use electricity by illegal means and heavy users of electricity pay more for that they consume. We who at our own expense installed solar should actually be compensated by the state for assisting the state with extra electricity to be available for those who can not legally pay for it. It is legally and morally not the consumer who has to maintain infrastructure it is the state 's responsibility.	Louis	retired
	2026-08-27 08:21:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	the current way that the government runs Eskom, costs too much. they are too corrupt	spencer	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:24:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rey	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:25:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are incompetent, we foot the bill to rectify the situation ie. solar installations then they penalise us for that. Is this logical?	DEREK	employed individual

	2026-08-27 08:25:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:25:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		frikkie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:27:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Errol	retired
	2026-08-27 08:27:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilna	
	2026-08-27 08:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 08:30:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is eroneous thought process at its best, one cannot charge consumers for solving the problem the government itself created....if any remedy needs to be applied it should be the government who foots the bill, although that just means us anyway. please stop destroying this country.	marc	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:30:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:31:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The failure of the state owned clown show that is Eskom has driven private home owners to install solar to run their homes and appliances. That is totally the state's own fault because of mismanagement and greed. To now penalize taxpayers who are already heavily burdened by the increase in property rates, fuel and diesel and food prices, not to mention electricity tariffs, is absolutely unacceptable and unethical. When is it ever enough for this failure of a government? I have come to expect such greedy and despicable behaviour from this GNU but I stand firm in my resolve that this step to drain every last penny from home owners because of a failing state owned enterprise will never be acceptable in any way shape or form.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:31:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market Power & Price Manipulation Why are the honest home owners who pays monthly for there services being penalised when there are so many millions who do not pay, municipalities are broke not paying for the electricity due to mismanagement and theft of the money and we have to pay more and nothing happens to the people who do not pay. Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties Because you the government lack of supply and incapacity to provide what we pay for(through rates and taxes),we had to spend to provide for ourselfs.If you the government and employees did there work(maintaining infrastucture)and government not bullshit the public that you can balance your budget,we the consumer would not have had to pay for your weakness.	Wayne	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:32:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the availability charge becomes ridiculous, most people who have solar will enhance their solar and add batteries and go of the grid altogether. This will leave Eskom with a clientele who either can't pay, won't pay, or who are stealing electricity. Not a great business model and will lead to Eskom's collapse.	John	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:33:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annalize	
	2026-08-27 08:34:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We lived through loadshedding. This is to give free electricity to those who are connected and pay nothing In time for elections!?	Sandra	retired
	2026-08-27 08:35:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free Market system = I will improve the product/service to make it more appealing to the client base and provide quality products to satisfy the consumer needs. Communist system = I cannot provide the service or the product but i will make a law that makes the citizens pay for it regardless even though i am incompetent and inept at the task. Guess which one we are in.	Shane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:35:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another form of taxation .We already pay for basic electricity supply on our munipal accounts..During loadshedding we were encouraged to assist goverment by fitting alternative electricity devices and now they want to punish us for assisting them,how ridiculous!!!	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 08:36:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heidi	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:37:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Porcia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:39:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Obvious facts: 1) Eskom was and is still mismanaged and ravaged by corruption. 2) This led to Eskom failing in its mandate to provide electricity to SA (loadshedding). 3) Many South Africans invested in solar systems in order to compensate for Eskom's failure. 4) Eskom now faces a reality where they make less revenue due to this. 5) Eskom and the ANC government are squarely to blame, and yet they place the blame on "free riders" (while Eskom itself was begging more South Africans to be "free riders" just a few years ago). If Eskom was a baker, it's logic would mean that you can't just buy a loaf of bread when you want it - you have to pay a monthly fee just to have the option to enter the bakery, whether you want bread or not. And THEN the bread you buy is exorbitantly expensive. Such a bakery would never ever survive. But the ANC has ensured that there are no other competing bakers allowed. Does that seem reasonable? As with everything else under the ANC leadership, the taxpayer has to once again suffer. Those that will not suffer or face consequences for their actions are: - Eskom officials who failed in their duty - ANC government officials who failed in their duty - People who enjoy free electricity via illegal connections - Incompetent municipalities that are woefully in debt to Eskom Punishing law-abiding taxpayers will bring in corrupt revenue, for a short time. But it's obvious that the people who are being abused the most, will simply take a final step away from Eskom (solar + generator as backup). Eskom's revenue will simply shrink even further.	Gareth	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:39:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolandie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:39:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges are iniquitous. I am a negative electricity user. I could feed back into the grid but Escom is not too interested in buying back electricity. Suddenly we have to retrospectively pay for the 32 years of neglect. We are still supporting the lifestyles of the fat cats who are STILL stealing us blind. The Local Municipal elections are just over 3 months away and there is a concerted last gasp effort and initiative to steal until the power slips from the grasp of the bare faced thieves in charge of our local Municipalities1	John	retired
	2026-08-27 08:41:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public had endure incompetency, corruption and loan shedding for so long we borrowed or used precious saving to get away from the constant blackouts. Now Eskom and the government want us to pay for their mismanagement, thats not fair. If we were to shut down all the solar and go back to Eskom supplying us power, we would have blackout all over again. Lack of maintenance on our units, substations, 11kv, 88kv, 132kv lines is part of the problem.	Arthur	
	2026-08-27 08:41:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gaynor	retired
	2026-08-27 08:41:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ignatius	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:43:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:45:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You treacherous communists have failed at everything you have touched. You stuffed up ESKOM with your thieving and corruption costing the actual contributors to the economy millions. Destroying lives and businesses. We with our own money (more damn money out of our pockets) rallied to our own salvation and installed solar at huge cost to ourselves. We did that with our own damn money. Your load shedding continued unabated for years!!!!!!! You continued to lie and steel and skim money no matter what. We wont even go into the manufactured and manipulated rise in electricity costs we few that actually pay have to carry..... There is still load shedding going on but you use other terminology to try and disguise the situation. You can go to hell if you think we are going to be stolen from again by your communist legislation. You are a corrupt, treacherous and cunning lot. It is a pity you do not put the same effort into building and maintaining things as you do to sitting and scheming how to steal from others. i The world is now watching you at last.....	Roland	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:47:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samuel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:47:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:48:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-08-27 08:48:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-08-27 08:50:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvette	
	2026-08-27 08:56:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The real underlying and unstated purpose behind the proposals is to extract more money from citizens under the guise of "it's for your benefit" . CItizens won't benefit in any way and will simply be exposed to more bureaucratic "penalties" for non compliance with unnecessary legislation.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-27 08:56:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BERNHARDT	retired
	2026-08-27 08:57:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We paid for electricity and did not get it due to load shedding. We made an alternative plan to self fund our electricity supply in order to have stable electricity supply. Now you want to tax the self sufficient again for something you do not supply. It seems like the consumer is doomed to constantly pay for something they do not get. Townships get electricity for which those residents do not pay. If this issue is resolved, the city councils will have enough money to pay their bills and you do not have to tax the consumers who do pay for their consumption. There is a difference between tax and theft. Tax you pay so that there can be a collective benefit to all taxpayers. Theft is when you take something without returning a benefit, which in Eskom's case is a reality.	Deon	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:57:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ella	retired
	2026-08-27 08:58:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I decided to bite the bullet in 2015 to install an electrical backup system, A bank loan to do it to keep the lights on for my kids. 2021 I upgraded to have more panels and batteries of which at night I am on battery power during the day Solar. it is 2026 and have just finished paying off the upgrade. Now this utter nonsense! Am I being punished? Along with other like minded people. Totally disagree with this absurd Market Transformation.	Budgie	retired
	2026-08-27 08:59:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourens	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:00:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	

	2026-08-27 09:01:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I cannot support what is proposed. Eskom needs to stop the use by millions of residents of unpaid and stolen electricity usage, and not further burden the obedient and honest electricity users by unreasonably over-taxing them.	Jan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In Msunduzi municipality, as ratepayers we are already paying a huge fixed charge for just our electricity meters, even before usage. This is a shady policy already, and now they are proposing additional fixed charges for ratepayers like myself who have no solar installations? This is totally unacceptable.	Michael	student
	2026-08-27 09:04:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to seek alternatives during the excessive load shedding period. This was done with my own, after tax, funds to which the authorities have no right to. Even though it appears there is no longer load shedding, there remains constant power outages due to cable theft, sub station issues, etc. Given that households rely heavily on electricity, alternatives are still necessary. Alternative power users are NOT exploiting Eskom, rather we are easing the burden on them (reducing demand on their inadequate system, lowering maintenance requirements, perhaps creating an opening for a more streamlined organisation by lowering their costs - headcount need, etc). These implementations are via individual funds and Eskom must not try to fund their lack of management skills, wastage, inability to collect vast amounts from municipalities, etc from other law abiding citizens who find them an unreliable source of power	Keith	retired
	2026-08-27 09:04:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was due to incompetence & corruption that the grid /Eskom collapsed, if it wasn't for people putting in solar we would still be having power outages	Stephanie	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:05:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JORIEN	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:05:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have foreseen this move a long time ago. As it is, I pay a monthly availability fee whether I use any electricity or not. There might be a small case for the validity of this fee but it should actually get less as time goes by as the cost of the infrastructure supplied should be paid off over time and a small service fee can then be levied. Supplying own electricity takes revenue away from a rather monolithic, monopolistic very inefficient supplier, also government protected and funded by taxpayers monies makes a business case for said supplier redundant. Their need for funds has been regulated by a body and now even a minister of electricity that probably has no engineering, practical or business acumen pertaining to the generation, transmission, maintenance and business model of electricity. There is no justification for imposing a tax, or whatever they want to call it, on people who saw and could afford to alleviate their reliance on a very poorly run basic service supplier who actually at times contribute towards more electricity supplied. The way to go is to be completely off grid with own backup supply, but even this will probably not stop their need to tax.	Jakobus P H	retired
	2026-08-27 09:07:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Daniel	
	2026-08-27 09:07:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-08-27 09:07:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason most people went solar is the real inefficient provider of the state power supply. Load shedding was a real inhibiter of convenient living. Now that so many have taken personal action to mitigate the above, the authorities realised that they were on the losing end of income. Why should we take the fall for state business failures !!! This is clearly another way of sponging income from citizens that at least resolve their own issues !!	Leo	retired
	2026-08-27 09:08:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rabe	
	2026-08-27 09:09:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	n Probleem wat hulle veroorsaak het,wat ons as verbruikers op ons onkoste n oplosing voor gemaak het wil hulle nou belas om vir hulle verlies op te maak. Escom verwyder die korupsie,wanbetalings eerste ek glo dan gaan julle somme beter lyk	Andre	
	2026-08-27 09:09:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual, the root cause has not been determined by government or it is ignored on purpose. The municipalities have debt that cannot be repaid to Eskom and the reason is that certain users are not paying big is still connected. (Mismanagement of funds is secondary to this) Instead of forcing the customers with outstanding and overdue debt, their focus is on the consumers (golden goose) that are paying every month and who has added rooftop solar to overcome the incompetence of those in power (be it national government, local government and or Eskom) It is what we have come to expect from our leaders…	Jannie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:10:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merilyn	retired
	2026-08-27 09:12:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antoinette	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:12:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 09:12:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jakobus	retired
	2026-08-27 09:14:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were subjected to many years of loadshedding, all caused by the Government. We had to make alternative arrangements to work which included paying for our Solar & Battery installation at a huge cost to keep our homes and Businesses operating. This also helped the Government/Eskom to direct the electricity to others users. We are now being punished for the government's inability to provide electricity, and their ongoing greed, corruption and mismanagement. We who have installed solar, actually allowed the little power Eskom had to be stretched so that the poorer income communities suffered less loadshedding durations. 1. Leave residents alone who have solar as you caused us to do this. 2. Allow residents to pump electricity back into the grid during peak consuming periods and at Daytime.r 3. use smart meters to reduce the usage or demand on residents with solar and batteries during peak periods, thus allowing for a better distribution of load /demand during the day for Eskom without additional cost to Eskom.	Geoff	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:18:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paige	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:18:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has shown that they are incapable of providing stable, reliable, affordable power, and during loadshedding, encouraged residents to go off grid. Now they want those same residents to pay for something that has firstly already been paid for, as well as helping alleviate a dire situation. Why should any solar installations be paid over and above the cost of installation and maintenance. Eskom are not doing their jobs properly. Spend more time stamping out corruption in your own house and make sensible decisions with electricity supply to outsiders at ridiculous rates that require subsidy from the public.	Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:19:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unjust to expect people to pay for a service (electricity) not provided by a service provider (Eskom) and yet thousands of people get the service free. Again, the law abiding citizens have to pay for the government's shortfall and mismanagement. Eskom provide cheaper/free electricity to other countries such as Mozambique to run large smelter industries such as Mozal. It is unlawful and unjust that the Taxpayers of South Africa have to suffer while there is people and large industries, making enough money to support the shortfalls. Why should a person pay for a service they do not use, while others use the service for free? I find it unjust for the government to "tax" the energy provided by our God given sun. Will they start taxing the air we breathe as well? This goes against human right's. Hard working, law abiding citizens are being punished while the government protects the rich, people living for free, running unlawful operations oppressing the poor.	Jaco	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:21:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is extortion. We are already driven into poverty by this governments mismanagement and corruption. When is the government going to start serving the citizens instead of stealing every last Penny?	Gaye	retired
	2026-08-27 09:21:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having invested in solar to mitigate government inefficiency they want to tax my investment	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 09:22:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 09:22:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government and Eskom failed to deliver on its mandate to provide electricity, up to the point that they in fact incentivized individuals to invest in solar power at great expense, now they wish to penalize those very people who saved the country from grid collapse. Completely unacceptable - we cant trust or rely on Government or Eskom so we will once again be forced to increase our investments and reliance on solar and move off grid entirely. Then what ???????	Dorian	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:23:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Splitting Eskom up just proliferates the numbers of public servants at a significant increase in overhead cost which will then be passed on to the consumer.	Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:23:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and the municipalities failed to give proper electricity and allowed infrastructure to deteriorate. Fees are rising tremendously. I do not support this as they do not own the sun. Let the people who have solar enjoy what they paid for.	Erika	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:24:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		christo	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:24:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree with that citizens must be punished for governance failures.	Jean	
	2026-08-27 09:25:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to "discourage free riding," arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Sanele	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:25:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-27 09:25:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:26:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jon	business owner

	2026-08-27 09:26:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a democratic citizens we should have the choice as to how we manage our personal power use. If this means we have spend personal capital to insure we have power, why should we be punished? If we choose to have solar and grid dependency to have enough power why is there now a fight to have us pay additional costs to still use some power from the main grid? We would still be paying for the electricity used is that not what Eskom should be able to offer. The bigger problem is Solar but what they have not been able to offer to the consumer and now they have lost many consumers to solar power and do not have enough money. This should not be the consumers punishment to pay? Why could they not offer a stable Grid as we were patient but nothing got solved? Have they reduced their over employed company? Have they stopped corruption and spend money as it should have been spend on maintenance etc? No now they once again are trying to solve their problem by punishing the good citizens who pay for everything in the country. If they cannot handle their responsibility, other private companies should be allowed into the market to provide electricity. Enough with a monopoly that cannot perform their job effectively and now are looking for escape goats. Welcome to the real capital world. Why do they keep getting get our of jail free cards?	Claudia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:26:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-08-27 09:26:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terri-Lynn	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:27:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good morning, there are 2 main concerns 1. If they would look at private sector as a deliverable we would have a competitor to the state who then needs to pull up their socks and work ethically and hard to stay in business rather than looking for others to solve their incompetence. Splitting it over government sectors is just going to cause a bigger nightmare to keep track of what is happening. 2. Once again the government is trying to make easy money by penalising the people who do something to reduce the electricity demand from government and reduce the risks of load shedding. There is no logic in this approach except greed. Why is the state looking at ways to penalise the people add value to our country? Why can government not solve the problems without trying to create nothing scheming by laws to fill their pockets and ghost funding?	Walter	
	2026-08-27 09:28:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cape Town already has a "services & wires charge". Why do I need to pay more?	Ian	retired
	2026-08-27 09:31:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should all be looking for and using alternatives for power generation. The more people can take care of themselves, the better for the future altogether. The less reliant an individual is on the state, the less the burden on the state.	Jenny	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:32:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just no to further supporting the abuse of taxpayers.	Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:32:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They just keep on inventing ways to get money without working for it. If they don't steal they take through "legislation" anyway.	Hennie	retired
	2026-08-27 09:33:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Who is the targeted solar users. Will the houses and businesses in the townships be included or only the urban areas.	Manie	retired
	2026-08-27 09:33:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous to penalize people that's looking out and helping themselves because government can't	Yvonne	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:33:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwyn	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:34:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This transformation must not be used to cover and pay for institutional government corruption and theft.	Philip	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:35:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We don't have a competent government or local government or even a working municipality, but rather layered crime syndicates, who target the communities for a non stop plundering campaign. Households and businesses that have had to take matters into their own hands to secure themselves from Eskoms collapse and load shedding are now being targeted for further theft. We have come to expect nothing less. All of these traitors destroying their own communities deserve nothing more than prison.	Andrew	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:35:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies.	Bruce	
	2026-08-27 09:36:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wena	retired
	2026-08-27 09:36:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already overcharged significantly and unjustly. We are doing what we can because of Escom's failure to do it's job	Betty Pelissier	retired
	2026-08-27 09:37:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morga	
	2026-08-27 09:38:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maeva	retired
	2026-08-27 09:38:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	retired
	2026-08-27 09:40:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-08-27 09:40:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cANCer government are directly and personally responsible for the Eskom fiasco. Now they want the general public to carry the burden of their criminal greed and cadre deployment consequences. Develop another fair and inclusive model and claw back the millions/billions of the privileged recipients of this crime. They are very quick to draft new legislation but are agonisingly slow or never spend any meaningful efforts and resources of unbundling this cancer that is the root cause of this problem.	George	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 09:41:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The main concerns are 1. Splitting between government is not a solution but will worsen the tracking of things happening. 2. You need 2 private sector offers to compete with government supply so that they start to work harder, ethical and smarter to keep in business. Competition is the key. 3. Penalising the individuals or businesses for investing into alternative energies like solar is like cutting of the hand that feeds you. Government should reward the people who have enabled the country to stay on grid. It is part of the reason we no longer have load shedding because people help themselves instead of getting help from the state. 4. Why is the government not looking at compensating the people generating more electricity than they use as a solution? 5. Some businesses only survive because they look for alternative services to continue providing a service or product. Many people have home offices so that they can save fuel and time and the need the solar energy during the day because it is more affordable and reliable than Eskom. 6. This is a risk to people who try to survive and keep going in spite of the lack of service from government.	Ines	
	2026-08-27 09:42:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	
	2026-08-27 09:43:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	HIERDIE POGING IS WEER EENS DIE KOMMUNISTIESE A N C PLAN OM ESKOM FINANSIEEL STAANDE TE HOU ESKOM GAAN VERDWYN A N C NEEM KENNIS JULLE GAAN OOK VERDWYN A N C NEEM KENNIS	FRIK	retired
	2026-08-27 09:43:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As the custodian of public assets the government has caused the systemic decline of that which they were responsible for. Having destroyed the electrical network, consumers had no choice but to install alternatives. These alternatives, generators, inverters, solar panels etc were subject to import duties, VAT and other taxes that the government was the beneficiary of. Now that same government expects the tax payer to fork out more taxes on top of the new base load tax to compensate for the lack of generation capacity, reliability and to continue paying for their malfeasance. This is entirely unacceptable and morally reprehensible but typical of foolish thinking that the tax payer must just accept this situation!	Kelvin	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:44:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One should not be penalised as the govt and Eskom have wasted the taxpayers hard earned money in not maintaining and providing electricity, thereby forcing owners to supply alternative power at their own cost.	Olin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:45:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nou moet ons Eskom help om hulle gemors reg te maak. Dit was hulle wat veroorsaak het dat mense son energie gebruik, nou wil hulle ons penaliseer. NEE GLADNIE.	Frikkie	retired
	2026-08-27 09:45:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar rooftops is the result of the governments inability to supply electricity in the first place. When loadshedding went out of control people were forced to go rooftop solar as the next best alternative. This was the biggest push, together with municipal infrastructure failures, and year-after-year ridiculously high electricity increases. Now government realizes the majority of their paying customers have installed alternative power supply due to their failure, and "green energy" initiatives. Their current conundrum is made by themselves. They now stuck with plenty non-paying customers that they promised access to electricity(to get votes), but now risk is many make "hot" connections as the source is next to their homes....? They haven't realized their overregulation and initiatives are counter productive. And this proposal will be no different. Proverbs 29v4:" By justice a king gives a country stability, but those who are greedy for bribes tear it down. a king builds up the land, but he who exacts gifts tears it down." Matthew 7:16 says, "You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?"	m	
	2026-08-27 09:45:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate.	Beatie	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:46:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		don	retired
	2026-08-27 09:46:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hein	
	2026-08-27 09:46:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henri	retired
	2026-08-27 09:47:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Roxane	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:48:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired
	2026-08-27 09:49:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We bailed out eskom during load shedding by reducing the load on the grid, and now we must pay because we made alternate plans. This proposal probably has something to do with corruption, us using less electricity means there is less to steal via eskom.	Willem	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:51:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A house hold can only have solar big enough to keep your fridges running, but will be treated same as house holds that are off the grid. Money is definitely a big concern.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 09:52:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar rooftops is the result of the governments inability to supply electricity in the first place. When loadshedding went out of control people were forced to go rooftop solar as the next best alternative. This was the biggest push, together with municipal infrastructure failures, and year-after-year ridiculously high electricity increases. Now government realizes the majority of their paying customers have installed alternative power supply due to their failure, and "green energy" initiatives. Their current conundrum is made by themselves. They are now stuck with plenty non-paying customers that they promised access to electricity. We should not pay for Government failures! Governments overregulation and initiatives are counter productive. And this proposal will be no different. Proverbs 29v4:" By justice a king gives a country stability, but those who are greedy for bribes tear it down. a king builds up the land, but he who exacts gifts tears it down."	Martin	self-employed

	2026-08-27 09:54:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I did not install solar as a luxury but as a necessity as Eskom was unable to meet demand. In doing so, along with thousands of other households, we helped alleviate the pressure on Eskom's generating capacity and at the time it was welcomed and encouraged by Eskom. Now we are going to be punished? I also did not ask for a pre-paid meter at my property but was forced by my municipality to have it installed. The essence of this meter is that I can only use what I pay for - if I don't pay, I don't use. Through my investment in rooftop solar I have placed myself in a position where I use less and therefore I consume less from Eskom and therefore have to pay less to Eskom. Again, as I see it, the new law/regulations wants to punish me for this. What is next, taxes on water usage from rain water harvesting? It seems to me that the incompetence of our government needs to be paid for over and over again by the public. I would rather upgrade my solar system and be completely independent from Eskom - have my electrical connection terminated - than support this new paper.	Pieter	
	2026-08-27 09:55:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deshan	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:55:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jayne	retired
	2026-08-27 09:55:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans cannot be expected to keep paying more for a system that repeatedly fails to deliver. We have already been forced to spend enormous amounts of our own money installing rooftop solar simply to keep our homes and businesses functioning. Eskom's failures have cost us in wasted food, damaged businesses, lost productivity and compromised safety when alarms, security systems and essential lighting cannot operate reliably. And now, while South Africans are already heavily taxed and household finances are under enormous pressure, we are being asked to consider yet another charge—regardless of how much electricity we actually receive. That is not a solution. It is a subsidy for inefficiency. I understand that Eskom and the electricity system face serious financial challenges. But the answer cannot continually be to reach deeper into the pockets of already overburdened citizens. If the system is fundamentally structured so that households must pay a fixed amount simply to keep an inefficient grid financially viable, then perhaps it is time to admit that the model itself needs to change. Government and Eskom should be embracing the future, not protecting a failing model. Households investing in solar should be encouraged to feed excess power back into the grid and receive fair credits. The grid should be modernised, professionally managed, technologically upgraded and operated on principles of efficiency, accountability and competition. Stop making consumers pay for poor management. Start fixing the system. Bailouts are the easy way out. They remove the pressure to become efficient, encourage waste and ultimately leave taxpayers carrying the burden. South Africans don't need another bill for failure. We need leadership with the courage, skills and political will to reform the entire electricity system. I believe it can be done. But it will take more than another bailout—it will take accountability, innovation and the willingness to stop doing things the way they have always been done.	Desray	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:56:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BL	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:57:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-08-27 09:57:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:57:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 09:59:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	# Objection to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, 2026 I wish to formally object to aspects of the proposed electricity market reforms, particularly the potential introduction of substantial fixed network charges for households and businesses that have invested privately in solar and battery systems. South Africa's electricity crisis was not created by consumers who installed solar. Years of mismanagement, corruption, inadequate maintenance, electricity theft and costly infrastructure failures contributed significantly to the crisis. Many South Africans therefore invested their own money in solar, batteries and alternative generation simply to maintain reliable electricity and reduce their dependence on Eskom. These consumers should not now be financially penalised for doing so. I accept that grid-connected solar users should contribute fairly towards maintaining the network they use. However, network charges must be transparent, proportionate and based on the actual cost of providing that service — not structured simply to recover lost electricity-sales revenue. I further believe that consumers who reduce demand, generate their own electricity, store energy or supply surplus electricity back into the grid should be **rewarded rather than discouraged**. South Africa should incentivise energy efficiency, private generation and battery storage as part of the solution to our electricity crisis. Social electricity subsidies should also be transparently funded rather than disproportionately recovered from remaining paying consumers. I support a competitive electricity market, but it must be **fair, transparent and accountable**. Ordinary households and small businesses must not become captive customers carrying the financial burden of a failing distribution system. **Private investment in solving South Africa's electricity crisis should be encouraged, not punished.**	Liska	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:59:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Give me the right and freedom as I have always experience on HOW I will run my household without inteferring with any structure in my area. Governments restrictions and add commercials to a property I bought or inherited which was NEVER a Governments to begin with. All these regulation hampers progress and a complete take over on each and every citizens financial pockets ripping it apart and just killing off survival. This Bill is Wrong and proves that the Government want to steal the last reserves of its citizens.	Ivor	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 09:59:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lionel	retired
	2026-08-27 10:01:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Callie	
	2026-08-27 10:02:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 10:02:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sagren	retired
	2026-08-27 10:02:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-27 10:03:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Homeowners who helped bail out Escom when it was in serious trouble are now being unfairly penalized. If this legislation is implemented.	George	retired
	2026-08-27 10:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourens	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:03:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:07:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed to supply electricity to the public, so Eskom is the one that needs to live with the consequences of their loss of income (losing clients/decreased supply), not the public. Moreover, the Government needs to allow free enterprise to compete with Eskom. This will lead to improved economic electricity supply to all and avoid any possible electricity fall out in the future.	Willem	retired
	2026-08-27 10:08:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This feels like an attempt to tax the sun when people have invested to avoid loadshedding.	Grant	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:08:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emile	
	2026-08-27 10:09:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESKOM failed to provide electricity, users were basically begged to use their life savings to install solar and help save electricity. Despite the efforts of hundreds of home owners who obliged and tried to survive against the corruption, inflated salaries of ESKOM workers, neglect to maintain infrastructure and provide stable electricity - a basic right - the prices continue to soar. Thousands upon thousands of people receive free electricity at our cost and does not contribute to maintenance funds and illegal connections are using electricity for free and also don't contribute to funds for maintenance. Before solar, they could not maintain and after solar, they still do not maintain. What will the result be if ALL solar users switch off their solar?TOTAL COLLAPSE OF ESKOM!! Despite this, they continue to milk (an already dry) cow at their own detriment. Homeowners just cannot continue to feed and support all in SA. Government is hell bent on allowing illegal immigrants and freeloaders to use all our resources and expect law abiding, paying customers to foot the bill.	Olga	retired
	2026-08-27 10:10:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-27 10:11:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gustav	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:12:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:16:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and the state capture looting has caused this over many of years. If they were sufficient and competent to have avoided years of load-shedding and increased costs, this would have been a different story. As residents we were forced to find alternative solutions and have invested a lot of our own AFTER TAX money into this. Why should we now be penalised for having solved the issue that was Eskom to begin with	Renier	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:17:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fair compensation should be awarded for feeding back into the grid, there has been an energy crisis for decades, and just because Eskom is mismanaged and continues to get away with this, there should be no reason for the consumer to be penalised any further for their incompetence. The electricity price is already extremely high and it is irrelevant of the amount of consumption by those who chose to aleviate the disruption from Eskom. Ratepayers and consumers need to be treated fairly, this is not fair overall.	Olinka	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:17:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	
	2026-08-27 10:18:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If all solar uses shut down their solar power, the grid would collapse again.	Kenneth	retired
	2026-08-27 10:19:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:19:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:23:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom already has mandatory fixed charges, applicable whether or not electricity is used. They have consistently shown on appetite to collect from delinquent municipalities or townships, relying on honest ratepayers to subsidise the great unwashed who refuse to pay for the stolen electricity. The punitive focus on solar users will hasten their death spiral, which is the reason for this penalty.	Roger	retired

	2026-08-27 10:23:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Are you kidding me?! Eskom under the heading of the ANC has collapsed to a point of being unable to supply the service and now that we have helped take pressure of the collapsing grid (Loadshedding or these days they call it "maintenance" by PAYING for alternatives, you want to punish us for it. We still pay for the grid power we use! How is that unfair? What is unfair is over charging us for a service you cannot provide. The consumer cannot save you and I cannot believe you would spring this one with current financial uncertainty and rising costs. You just go and do something about the stolen power and leave the rate payer alone. We are not your cash cows! Stop trying to milk us for every cent and please get some decent sleep so you can stop coming up with stupid shit.	Debbie	
	2026-08-27 10:23:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with this consumers comments: 'When ESKOM failed to provide electricity, users were basically begged to use their life savings to install solar and help save electricity. Despite the efforts of hundreds of home owners who obliged and tried to survive against the corruption, inflated salaries of ESKOM workers, neglect to maintain infrastructure and provide stable electricity - a basic right - the prices continue to soar. Thousands upon thousands of people receive free electricity at our cost and does not contribute to maintenance funds and illegal connections are using electricity for free and also don't contribute to funds for maintenance. Before solar, they could not maintain and after solar, they still do not maintain. What will the result be if ALL solar users switch off their solar? TOTAL COLLAPSE OF ESKOM!! Despite this, they continue to milk (an already dry) cow at their own detriment. Homeowners just cannot continue to feed and support all in SA. Government is hell bent on allowing illegal immigrants and freeloaders to use all our resources and expect law abiding, paying customers to foot the bill'. Just fed up!!	Andrea	retired
	2026-08-27 10:25:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NO NO NO NO NO!!! The reason it has become almost essential for private owners to go solar is precisely because of DECADES of unreliable, overpriced, under-maintained Eskom electricity. Loadshedding, power outages, cable theft, power surges destroying expensive appliances... The ANC government has forced us to spend huge amounts to get our own power organised, now they want to penalise us? ABSOLUTELY NOT!! Eskom should be closed down or reorganised as perhaps a corporate/business/industrial electrical supplier, while private homeowners should be subsidised to install their own power systems. I refuse to give these criminals a single penny! Time they were voted out of power.	Anton	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Formal Submission: Objection to Discriminatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar Users 27 August 2026 To: The Department of Electricity and Energy / Relevant Regulatory Authority Subject: Formal objection to proposed fixed grid charges and discriminatory treatment of rooftop solar users Dear Sir / Madam, I hereby submit this formal objection to the proposed tariff and market reforms described in relation to the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM), particularly insofar as they may impose high, unavoidable fixed grid charges on households and small businesses that have installed rooftop solar systems at their own cost. While I recognise the need to reform South Africa's electricity market, improve reliability, encourage investment, and create a more sustainable electricity system, any reform must be implemented in a manner that is fair, transparent, rational, proportionate and non-discriminatory. • Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an "anti-free-riding" principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. • The "Captive Ratepayer" Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain "captive" to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. • Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. • Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid ("wires") from electricity sales ("retail/trading"), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units. My objection is strongest in respect of any proposal that targets or penalises households and small businesses that installed rooftop solar systems because the public electricity supply repeatedly failed them. For many years, South Africans have had to endure severe load shedding, unreliable supply, rising tariffs, and the economic and personal disruption caused by an electricity system that has not been maintained, planned or managed adequately. In these circumstances, rooftop solar users should not be treated as "free-riders". They are citizens and businesses that used their own savings, took on debt, and carried the full private cost of installing, maintaining and insuring alternative energy systems in order to protect their homes, businesses, staff and families from the consequences of repeated power failures. These private investments reduced demand on the grid and contributed to energy resilience at a time when the system was under severe strain. It would be fundamentally unfair and discriminatory to respond to those investments by imposing punitive fixed monthly charges on the very consumers who acted responsibly in the face of prolonged load shedding and grid instability. The costs arising from inadequate maintenance, poor planning, underinvestment and failures in the electricity system should not now be shifted onto households and small businesses that took practical steps to reduce their reliance on that system. I am further concerned that the proposed framework may create an indefensible two-tier electricity market. Large industrial and commercial users may be able to access cheaper private power or bypass municipal distribution channels, while households and small businesses remain captive to municipal grids and are then expected to absorb higher fixed charges to compensate for municipal revenue losses, legacy cross-subsidies or restructuring costs. Such an outcome would be inequitable and unacceptable. I respectfully request that the Department and relevant regulatory authorities reconsider any tariff design that would penalise rooftop solar users through excessive fixed grid charges. If grid access fees are considered necessary, they must be independently justified, cost-reflective, proportionate, transparent and applied equitably across all categories of users. Rooftop solar users should be recognised as contributors to national energy stability, not treated as a convenient replacement revenue source for failures they did not cause. For the reasons set out above, I submit that any policy or tariff reform must protect ordinary consumers, encourage responsible private investment in clean and reliable energy, and avoid discriminatory treatment of households and small businesses that have already borne significant costs as a result of repeated load shedding and grid failure. Yours faithfully, A concerned South African Ratepayer	Sue	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:27:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this is unacceptable, especially when we have to experience these many outages and breakdowns, (which do damage to our appliances), and then will get penalised for making alternative arrangements by installing Solar, (at our own expense), all because of ESKOM not doing their job and maintaining the electrical grid properly and efficently. WE WILL JUST NOT PAY!!!!!!	MIKE	retired
	2026-08-27 10:28:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melanie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:33:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and Eskom will never learn that for every action there is a reaction. Every time they introduce a new regulation it comes back to bite them. That is why South Africa is now unfixable . Hello Zimbabwe !	Charles	retired
	2026-08-27 10:33:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	retired
	2026-08-27 10:33:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state did not maintain the grid as it should in the past before solar and while everybody was paying. Reports of waste, corruption and stealing of funds are in the news daily. The payment of fixed charges will most probably go the same way.	cas	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:35:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	retired
	2026-08-27 10:36:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johan	retired
	2026-08-27 10:37:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:38:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. The burden of ongoing illegal connections into the grid that dominates certain communities and costs billions of Rand annually to municipalities is not addressed, nor is who and how these costs are to be recovered by the relevant municipality. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Mark	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:38:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President said "HELP US, install solar". I borrowed money because the system would eventually pay for itself. If this is implemented, the solar system can't pay for itself and I'm in financial trouble. Can't be right. If the high basic charge is implemented, there should be a penalty system for times without power. It would give the supplier great incentive to fix problems speedily.	Hannes	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:39:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oliver	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:40:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another example of Government hitting on soft target individuals with punitive and costly measures, rather than targeting the large corporate consumers that have the financial and legal ability to push back on the proposed punitive government measures.	Rolf	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:40:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to corruption, lack of maintenance and poor management I had to make my own arrangements to ensure an efficient power supply. Eskom cannot provide me with the service that I need and therefore I am not prepared to subsidise more stolen money for the corrupt parties.	Christopher	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:40:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zena	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:41:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-27 10:41:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spend a huge amount of money to have electricity because of years of malfunctioning and corruption at Eskom, now the government want to tax me because I not buy enough units to make Eskom profitable? Than Eskom must stop supplying free or cheaper electricity and charge all the house older that produce hot water with solar panels.	Fausto	retired
	2026-08-27 10:43:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die regering en munisipaliteite steel en mors ons geld, dan wil hulle nog meer he.	Carel	retired
	2026-08-27 10:44:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot expect ordinary citizens to be burdened because of wrongdoing such as corruption, inefficiencies and overstaffing. Eskom cannot sustain itself at the expense, and sacrifice of its customers. We were forced into installing solar systems and now we're expected to fund Eskom's "lost revenue"...we've all been forced to make sacrifices, dig into our savings, cut back on essentials and yet Eskom carries on regardless. Now that Eskom is generating a surplus, there is no subsidy for those that helped them out of the load shedding crisis	Eugene	retired
	2026-08-27 10:44:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Marion	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:46:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any electricity tariff reform that imposes substantial fixed charges or financial penalties on households that have invested in private solar and battery systems. South Africans were forced to spend significant amounts of their own money on alternative electricity generation because years of load shedding made the public electricity supply unreliable; these households did not cause the electricity crisis and, by reducing demand on the grid, actually helped alleviate it at no capital cost to Eskom, municipalities or the tax payer. It is therefore fundamentally unfair to now penalise these consumers, or regard them as "free-riders", simply because they purchase less electricity from the grid. Charges should be transparent, cost-reflective and not used to recover lost electricity-sales revenue, municipal shortfalls or historical cross-subsidies. Existing solar owners should also receive transitional or grandfathering protection, particulalry as they made substantial investments based on the tariff structures that existed at the time. South Africa should encourage private renewable-energy investment and energy resilience, not punish citizens who invested their own money to help solve an electricity-supply crisis they did not create.	Debbie	
	2026-08-27 10:47:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where is the Competition Commission in this? No competition which makes it very unfair, especially with all the generous increases since 2007. Once cables and circuit breakers are installed, they hardly need any maintenance, so you want to piggy bag on something done long ago in most cases.	Martin	retired

	2026-08-27 10:49:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendri	retired
	2026-08-27 10:49:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	We borrowed a lot of money (which must be rspaid) to get solar because of grid failures even if solar is not a perfect solution because we still rely and pay for grid electricity. We are not totally free from it and make only a small saving because tariffs are so high. We still pay so there is no free riding involved. Why should we be taxed for taking the initiative to help ourselves. The government does not own the sun and does not make it shine to make solar energy but wants to tax us for it. Utter nonsense! *Ending Monopolies and Unlocking Private Investment: Decades of Eskom's single-buyer monopoly led to catastrophic load shedding, debt bailouts, and stifled innovation. Establishing the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) allows private generators, renewable energy developers, and traders to compete directly, deploying private capital to build generation capacity without burdening national taxpayers. Transparent Price Discovery and Long-Term Cost Reductions: Open day-ahead and intra-day wholesale trading forces generators to bid at competitive, marginal costs. Over time, this market mechanism removes operational inefficiencies, penalises unreliable power stations, and drives down the baseline wholesale cost of electricity for the entire economy.	Gwen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:50:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	retired
	2026-08-27 10:54:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary South Africans have, yet again, had to "make a plan" because the government has failed to provide basic services like a stable, well-maintained, and growing electricity grid. Millions have been spent by the people of this country to take the strain off the grid, and now we are expected to pay more so that it can be used for what???? They certainly have not used it for maintenance or to upgrade the system for a growing population...	Teana	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:56:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Francois	retired
	2026-08-27 10:57:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First ANC government begs us to help eskom by getting solar panels now we get punished.	Raoul	retired
	2026-08-27 10:57:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom is falling apart due to mismanagement and incompetance as well as corruption. Government must start being responsible in their task and not let us pay for their failures. Absolute disgrace.	Eric	
	2026-08-27 10:58:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spent an exorbitant amount of money to install a solar system in my house to keep the lights on when Eskom was unable to. In fact, they actively encouraged it even offering a Tax advantage to those with systems. Now they want to penalize us for it. It is just pure greed.	Glynis	retired
	2026-08-27 10:58:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Belinda	
	2026-08-27 10:59:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachel	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 11:01:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar energy installed on residential properties is not free energy. There are, besides the monthly capital recovery costs, significant running costs in the form of maintenance and life cycle costs. In addition, retaining access to Eskom power for backup, carries the cost of power units used as well as a flat line connection fee (line maintenance contribution). Eskom financial predicament is the result of bad management, ineptitude, theft and corruption. This needs to be resolved before cost recovery from residential solar power users is considered.	Francois	retired
	2026-08-27 11:04:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		B	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:04:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been told that South Africa's electricity system was under enormous pressure and that we needed to reduce our electricity consumption. Load shedding was introduced because there was not enough generation capacity to meet demand. Many South Africans spent money on alternate systems so that they could reduce the pressure on the national supply and keep their homes operational. It feels like a contradiction; when we were using too much electricity, we were told to use less. We responded by investing our own money to use less grid electricity, and now we are being told that we may have to pay more because we use too little. With residential usage required for keeping food safe with reliable refrigeration, Homes safe from the fact that the state can't and being able to operate businesses reliably while not having electricity. The unstable and poor quality of supply causes costs to rise due to insurers increases cover costs and claimants having excess charges for damages. These costs are not recoverable just as the costs for Eskom due to the installation of self-supply to	JOHANNES JURIE	retired
	2026-08-27 11:06:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have been forced to find an alternative supply of electricity due to load shedding and faults. Why should we be penalized for having to get something that the government should be supplying	Deborah	retired
	2026-08-27 11:07:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have been forced to find an alternative supply of electricity due to load shedding and faults. Why should we be penalized for having to get something that the government should be supplying	Sydney	retired
	2026-08-27 11:14:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dudley	
	2026-08-27 11:14:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When we sat without power because of Eskom's gross inefficiency we were forced to take care of ourselves. Now that they have shot themselves in the foot and lost customers they want us to pay for the shortfall. NOT FAIR!!	Daphne	retired
	2026-08-27 11:15:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	
	2026-08-27 11:16:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a cheeck! When the power supply started faltering, we were begged to save electricity and even get own power source. That you had to pay out of your own pocket and no tax rebate. There is a fixed connection fee charged already. They really just want to steal more money from us to fund their poorly managed system. Or they are aligned with the nwo agenda to compromise us. Stop this abuse idea immediatly.	Pierre	retired
	2026-08-27 11:17:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	retired
	2026-08-27 11:20:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:21:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	There are several serious problems with the proposal: compulsory fixed network charges, the risk of municipal price manipulation and others. Why introduce supplier choice only for those consuming 1MW+? Why not open the competitive market for retail consumers, as is the case in many countries where the basic supply of electricity needs an overhaul? The disincentivizing and punishment of those who are seeking / have installed privately funded solutions to state failures is scandalous! What this proposal will achieve is that those who can afford it will remove themselves even further from the grid by finding alternative solution to low-solar days: generators, fuel cells, wind, etc.	Alexander	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:23:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:24:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the public be punished for Eskom and the municipalities' incompetence and corruption?	Gerhard	
	2026-08-27 11:25:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I spend my hard earned money to install solar panels I am the held hostage by the failing electricity prover who is punishing consumers who take the initiative	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:29:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lou	
	2026-08-27 11:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am 1000% against this proposal. The State keeps on failing on every aspect there is and at the same time keeps on taxing ordinary citizens to the point of collapse, while they either squander or steal every cent they lay their hands on. That is the root cause of their predicament. The benefit that a taxpayer receives for every R1 tax paid, is only 3 cents! Let that sink in South Africa. What we experience is not freedom, nor a free market, nor a fair dispensation. We need to change this situation completely and not just fiddle on the fringes.	Daleen	
	2026-08-27 11:29:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans should not be punished for taking the initiative and using a natural source of energy when Eskom failed dismally for over 20 years to provide basic services at an affordable price.	Taryn Elise	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:31:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lana	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:31:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections.	Stewart	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:32:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Silas	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:38:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goverment needs to change. People that serve and obey God needs to be in government. This is the only solution.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 11:45:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I should not be penalised for a solution that was forced upon me during a crisis time. In fact there should be reward for generating additional power for the grid. If the municipality is going to charge a levy then all residence should have a fixed cost.	W	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:46:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In principle, it is not right that after private citizens have been forced to invest capital to rectify government infrastructure failures, tariffs are increased to cover their own supply losses. At the very least, government should first reimburse all citizens with the cost of their power generating investment.	Geoff	retired
	2026-08-27 11:47:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM couldnt provide, we were told to make other plans to help reduce load. I paid for my solar - no help from eskom or government .... why dont they go collect money from all the free loaders, am sick of a few having to carry the masses who want everything for free	D	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:48:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired

	2026-08-27 11:49:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadine	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:50:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		R	retired
	2026-08-27 11:50:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynette	retired
	2026-08-27 11:50:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired
	2026-08-27 11:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I strongly disagree with the proposed amendments. The business and home owners should not be penalised for the municipalities lack of services. Instead the municipalities should support the businesses and homeowners who helped lighten the power load that caused load shedding.	Hans	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:51:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the past long before the current Administration gained power we received our power and water from our local municipality. If you owned property that had water and electricity connection points on your property you paid a "AVAILABILITY FEE" irrespective of whether you used water or power. This fee provided the revenue to maintain the reticulation system. Where municipalities did not have their own power generating plants, Eskom supplied them with a connection to the national grid, and charged an availability fee to cover grid maintenance, plus charge the municipality for power used by the municipal district as a whole. This system was reasonable and equitable. The question extant is how they plan to implement it and how many "GET OUT OF JAIL FREE" cards are squirreled into the fine print.	Rudolph	
	2026-08-27 11:52:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Givernment has FAILED to supply Steady Energy . Thus has forced Household to put themselve in Debt as they could NIT AFFORD TO LISE THE ESSENTIAL FOODS ETC THAT HAS GONE OFF AND THE DOMINO EFFECT OF THE GOVERNMENTS I COMPETENCE. THE SUN IS A GODS GIFT AND COST NOTHING TO THE GOVERNMENT. THE END USE THAT HAS INVESTED THESE FUNDS MUST NIT PAY FOR THE GOVERNMENT PROBLEMS. WE ARE ALREADY TAXES HEAVELY AND CORRUPTION IS ONE IF THE MAIN CAUSES. THE COST OF LIVING IS ESCALATING AND THE PUBLIC CANNIT BE PAYING FOR GOVERNMENT MISTAKES	Ismail	
	2026-08-27 11:53:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason people invested in solar in the first place was because of governments incompetence and corruption. We cannot now be penalised because the government failed to do their job. Failed to stem the whole-sale theft of our resources. Failed to deal with the corruption, failed to provide while still taking huge salaries comparable to first world successful countries. Failed to hold their own people accountable and continued to give cadres jobs that are almost nothing short of money for votes. The solar installations for many was a survival decision. The government must thin out their ranks and only pay those who actually do work, and not political figure heads who like parading around in ludicrously expensive clothing at wasteful gala's or other events, or further more wasting money on disobeying the law whilst travelling in huge blue light motorcades. The people were forced to carry the electricity production on their own shoulders, many are still paying off the debt incurred in regard to this. This includes many non profit organisations helping the poor and needy. NO! A basic small connection fee, which already has become excessive, only. Then pay as you use. IF the government is short of money take from their excessive salaries and unhelpful and useless events. The unemployment figure is so high we risk economic collapse as a smaller and smaller group are carrying an ever expanding and inflated load.	Robin	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 11:54:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fairness in consumption seems to be left outside the door. Taking responsibility for my own electricity needs are going to be "taxed"??? - How absurd does the government WANT to become? Come on people - nothing you are wanting to do is conducive to progress in our country.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:55:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have installed Solar because of the states failure to supply uninterrupted electricity to my home. This has cost me a lot of money - if you are thinking of charging me for freeing up electricity for others then you are seriously barking up the wrong tree. I refer to the following statements made recently: Ramokgopa revealed that diligent, paying consumers are forced to subsidize non-paying customers because the current tariff structure bakes unpaid municipal debt into the cost of supply. " - Unveiled in August 2026, the new policy aims to ban Eskom and municipalities from passing these uncollected debts onto compliant users. - Ramokgopa noted that from 2007 to 2024, electricity prices surged by 937%, far outpacing the 155% inflation rate over the same period. - Under the proposed framework, Nersa will enforce transparent, cost-reflective tariffs and a 10-year price forecast to protect consumers and help industrial investors." So, all of the above are just lies masked as promises to placate the desparate public and garner votes whilst taxing the already overburdened tax payer.	Liam	
	2026-08-27 11:56:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lillian	
	2026-08-27 11:57:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't see why we should be penalized for providing our own solar energy when, for many years, Eskom could not provide us with energy 24 x 7. If many consumers have opted for solar power, then it is the fault of Eskom and their mismanagement of the coal fired power grid. Eskom must come up with another plan that DOES NOT entail further financially destroying consumers. The government MUST grow the economy so that more people get jobs, who then require more energy. In this way you can earn more money BUT 'taxing' us more will final kill the golden goose!!!	Andrew	retired
	2026-08-27 11:58:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC Govt corruption and mismanagement forced citizens to install solar at great personal cost. It is totally unacceptable that the same culprits now want to force higher energy costs and penalties on consumers for their incompetent management and well publicised looting of ESKOM.	Stuart	retired
	2026-08-27 12:00:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The unreliability of Eskom power has driven individuals to find alternatives to protect their homes and small businesses from non-supply of electricity. Eskom and the government did not contribute in any way to the cost of installing those systems -- systems which cost individuals a lot of money and for which they sacrificed. It is unjust to impose penalties on those who made a plan when the government and Eskom couldn't. Individuals and businesses that are or have already installed solar or other electricity-self-generating systems should be regarded as benefactors to the country as a whole. Their easing of the burden on the grid has effectively let the government and Eskom off the hook for their miserable performance in long-term planning and providing reliable electricity to more of the country's population.	Heath	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:00:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation	Nadeem	retired
	2026-08-27 12:01:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESKOM (the government) was in trouble trying to supply us with the electricity they were bound to supply us, we got on and did something about it. That is we spent large sums of money ensuring that we had what, in previous times, we received without question. Now we are being penalised for being proactive. WHAT UTTER NONSENSE.	Christopher	
	2026-08-27 12:01:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure.	frik	retired
	2026-08-27 12:02:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dries	
	2026-08-27 12:02:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-08-27 12:02:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As per two of the previous repondents I agree and state: The reason people invested in solar in the first place was because of governments incompetence and corruption. We cannot now be penalised because the government failed to do their job. Failed to stem the whole-sale theft of our resources. Failed to deal with the corruption, failed to provide while still taking huge salaries comparable to first world successful countries. Failed to hold their own people accountable and continued to give cadres jobs that are almost nothing short of money for votes. The solar installations for many was a survival decision. The government must thin out their ranks and only pay those who actually do work, and not political figure heads who like parading around in ludicrously expensive clothing at wasteful gala's or other events, or further more wasting money on disobeying the law whilst travelling in huge blue light motorcades. The people were forced to carry the electricity production on their own shoulders, many are still paying off the debt incurred in regard to this. This includes many non profit organisations helping the poor and needy. NO! A basic small connection fee, which already has become excessive, only. Then pay as you use. IF the government is short of money take from their excessive salaries and unhelpful and useless events. The unemployment figure is so high we risk economic collapse as a smaller and smaller group are carrying an ever expanding and inflated load. Home owners were urged by Gov to install solar to relieve pressure on Eskom . So much so that if your installation costs more than R 100000 you could apply for 25% Tax relief . Now the Gov want to punish home owners for assisting Eskom as requested . Totally unacceptable	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 12:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jannie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:04:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is the citizens constitutionally right to have access to electricity and water. For what do we pay taxes then???The Gov. was unable to provide sufficient power and implemented loadshedding. We citizens were urged to assist saving electricity and thus installed solar panels using the sun, a natural resource.	Anne	retired
	2026-08-27 12:06:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed electricity market reforms in their current form. While increased competition and private investment may benefit South Africa, the transition must not come at the expense of ordinary households, small businesses, solar users, or already overburdened municipal ratepayers. I am particularly concerned about the proposed move toward high fixed network and capacity charges for grid-connected consumers. Households that have invested their own money in rooftop solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be financially penalised for reducing their dependence on the grid. Any fixed charges must be reasonable, transparent and strictly regulated, with fair credit given for electricity fed back into the network. I also object to creating a two-tier electricity market where large industrial users are allowed to access cheaper competitive electricity while households and small businesses remain captive to municipal or Eskom tariffs. Consumer choice should be progressively extended to ordinary South Africans, and captive customers must be protected against having stranded costs, municipal losses and inefficient legacy expenses shifted onto their accounts. Strong safeguards are also required to prevent wholesale market manipulation. Eskom Generation will remain a dominant producer during the transition, and no participant should be permitted to abuse market power through inflated bidding, capacity withholding, collusion or other practices that increase electricity prices. Market bidding, pricing and dispatch information should be transparent and subject to effective independent oversight and meaningful penalties. The reforms must furthermore address the serious financial risks facing municipalities. Large commercial customers leaving municipal supply could severely reduce electricity revenue and place even greater pressure on residential consumers. Municipal network revenue should be ring-fenced for electricity infrastructure and maintenance, and government must establish a transparent transition mechanism so that paying households are not forced to carry municipal debt, inefficiency or collapsing cross-subsidies. I am also concerned about the concentration of transmission, system-operation, market-operation and purchasing functions within the NTCSA while it remains under Eskom Holdings. The Market Operator must be genuinely independent, conflicts of interest must be strictly ring-fenced, and an independent mechanism should exist to resolve disputes involving grid access, connection queues and dispatch decisions. Finally, South Africa cannot have a functioning competitive electricity market without sufficient transmission capacity. Private investment in Independent Transmission Projects should be enabled urgently through clear, fair and bankable rules. Grid capacity must be allocated transparently, and consumers should not be forced to carry unnecessary congestion and balancing costs caused by delays in expanding or maintaining the transmission network. I therefore call on the Department, NERSA and government to revise the framework to ensure that electricity-market reform delivers genuine competition, lower costs, greater consumer choice and stronger energy security without penalising rooftop solar owners, captive households, small businesses or responsible ratepayers. Consumer protection, regulatory independence, market transparency and affordable electricity must remain central to the transition.	Charl	
	2026-08-27 12:07:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	retired
	2026-08-27 12:09:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arrie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:10:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that the goverment wants to pass on its ineptitude to the private household consumer.	Russell	retired
	2026-08-27 12:10:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeremy	retired

	2026-08-27 12:11:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is difficult to imagine how far this inept and corrupt government will go to extort money out of their citizens... They (the government and Eskom) could not produce enough electricity and maintain power stations and infrastructure due to mainly AA, BBB-EE, corruption & state capture, which lead to widespread load shedding and electricity price hikes. Citizens who had some money or made loan arrangements, stepped in to fill the shortfall / alleviate the demand, and now that the crises is averted (through small and large consumers going bankrupt or left the economy), they want to further milk the people who tried to maintain a reliable electricity supply to their businesses and / or homes. How destructive can a government get to ruin the foundations of economic growth and everything else to the ground, including trying to kill the few geese left that still lay some golden eggs...? It seems that almost everything / idea / legislation the government hatches out, is aimed to destroy you / bleeds you dry. So like many in the past and most probably 99% of future draft regulations, I oppose and condemn this proposal as well.	Gert	
	2026-08-27 12:12:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spend a lot of my after tax savings on installing Solar for the good of my family in general and the environment in particular. Being on a pension forced me to review my cost structure and electricity was the area where I could get the most value for my expenditure, so I am am not going to give away control easily. If there is ANY penalty (aka Tax / Levy / Surcharge) then I will go off-grid entirely	David	retired
	2026-08-27 12:13:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. You are punishing people for finding a solution to keep the country running when Eskom failed us. How does that make any sense?	Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 12:14:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 12:18:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in solar during the height of loadshedding at enormous cost, which was then supported by SARS , and ESKOM . This cost incurred by myself was due entirely from corruption and mismanagement within ESKOM and it is abhorrent that we as solar users have to be penalised with extra taxes and costs for using the sun	Delyse	retired
	2026-08-27 12:19:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	
	2026-08-27 12:20:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariska	
	2026-08-27 12:21:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwyn	
	2026-08-27 12:23:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	BECAUSE OF WIDESPREAD CORRUPTION AND INEFFICENCY WITHIN ESKOM WHY MUST WE BE PENALIZED	PETER	retired
	2026-08-27 12:23:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Cathy	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:24:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariska	
	2026-08-27 12:28:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can't pay for the corruption at ESCOM. It is a disgrace and a cheek	Riaan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:30:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:32:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Glory	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:33:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeremy	retired
	2026-08-27 12:33:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No, I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper at all! This is ludicrous! Eskom have continually messed up with load shedding and forced hundreds of thousands of rate payers to spend a lot of money unnecessarily on solar panels and generators to cope with Eskom's in efficiencies and poor management!!! This proposal will also place additional economic strain on millions of South Africans especially the very poor who are facing hardships and battling to put food on the table for their families!!! It is the Governments duty to protect and care for its Citizens so please do so!!!	Antony Hector	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:33:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot penalise someone for creating a solution to the problem they created and then be angry about it.	Craig	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:33:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nthako	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:33:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous. We had no choice but to install solar because we can't rely on Eskom and now they want to penalize us.	Shaun	
	2026-08-27 12:35:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theresa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:36:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moganen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:37:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annelize	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:38:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are we being penalised for chosing alernative power solutions when a) Eskom could not provide power as they should have, b) then called for assistance from the public to help with power? Eventually, the goose that lays the golden egg will die.	Samanatha	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:39:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrick Smit	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:40:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glenn	retired
	2026-08-27 12:41:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gezina	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:45:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to pay a huge sum of rand to install solar panels as Eskom couldn't/wouldn't keep the lights on!! So much corruption in RSA - now they want to tax us further because of their greed???	Lana	retired
	2026-08-27 12:46:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed legislation completely. I have personally spent an inconceivable amount of borrowed money to invested in a solar rooftop system, to save my household from rising unaffordable electricity costs, and to save me from from failures of Eskom and the municipality to supply reliable electricity. We are told by experts that rooftop solar systems are saving private households and businesses, as well as saving the national electricity grid itself. My own hard earned money put to work on my own rooftop is actually slowing down the collapse of the national electricity grid. In no way am I going to accept that I should being penalised for installing a rooftop system.	Wayne	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:47:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Desiree	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:48:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that government wishes to penalise those very entities that are helping alleviate the national energy crisis with these penalising proposals because they are incapable of managing their own finances and allowing government funds to disappear down some rabbit hole through high-level corruption and theft. Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity consumers (potentially open to corruption) to exit municipal supply, creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the cost of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs which are already excessively high due to Eskom and local and national government incompetence severely affecting the average South African household which are already stretched to the limit. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight (which this government is historically incapable of and/or unwilling to do, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumer (i.e. hard-pressed households and SMMEs) who are the least able to afford such volatility. Government shall institute and maintain mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. Many grid-connected rooftop solar owners in municipalities other than the City of Cape Town currently inject excess daytime energy into the national grid without compensation, effectively supplying municipalities with free energy. Expedite a mandatory tiered tariff model in all municipalities that credits grid-connected rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation. Government shall implement a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs. Municipal electricity distribution entities must ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses or other unscrupulous pockets. The government shall initiate an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Derik	retired
	2026-08-27 12:53:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peggy-Ann	
	2026-08-27 12:54:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should look at restructuring the company, not penalise their customers for their own inability to provide its mandated service. Maybe there should be less bonusses, fewer bosses and more emphasis on generating capacity. Allowing large business to become the own power generators or use other electricity generators will automatically ease the pressure on the grid and available capacity. Which means an implementation of a fixed charge for homeowners who had to incur an expense to fill the gap where Eskom fell short will in effect be a form of double taxation. Eskom: fix your company FIRST!	Charl	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:54:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households	Brenda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:55:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jose	retired
	2026-08-27 12:57:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By requiring households that invested significant money into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect ourselves from load shedding, poor service delivery and constant breakdowns in the electricity grid you are forcing diligent citizens to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. We are being punished for the state's inefficiency and inability to provide free flowing electricity to every household in the country. As a government this is a failure on your part. Instead of fixing you are punishing the victims of your inefficiency.	Yunus	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:01:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 13:01:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Freedom of Choice, we should not have to deal with incompetence and source more affordable avenues with our change after we have been taxed to death! Living on a TEMPORARY cable for more than 5 years now and had to install our own pole to support the cables (3 houses) as City Power had no funds and even less now!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The sun is free and Solar costs us (Tax Payers) money because you people cannot provide basic consistent energy.	Wendy	employed individual

	2026-08-27 13:01:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Kim	retired
	2026-08-27 13:02:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Although I understand a form of the logic underpinning the state's reason to intervene through this bill, it's still unacceptable because the state created this crisis in the first place by allowing corruption and criminal syndicates to plunder Eskom and lead to maladministration and nonexistent infrastructure maintenance. Penalising taxpayers and rate payers for seeking alternative power sources, is a BS means of restitution. Recover the monies from the plunderers and the municipalities that are in huge arrears, then apply taxes the way they should, and you'd see a marked difference already, perhaps even enough to salvage Eskom's woes.	John	
	2026-08-27 13:02:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government together with Eskom have repeatedly proved that they are incompetent and cannot be trusted to behave in the best interest of the people. We had to use large amounts of capital to be able to have electricity as Eskom could not provide. As long as cadres and incompetent people are in charge nothing will change. They cannot tax the sun. This is going to lead to a revolt the same as with etols . Enough is enough	Leonard	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:02:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With Eskom's history of consistent errors in their calculations they are sure to continue in a like manner at the consumers' expense. When they could not meet the demand they asked consumers to cut consumption and install their own solar systems. When the consumers did this they realised that there would be less money to steal, now they are looking for ways of making up that short-fall.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 13:04:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-08-27 13:04:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:05:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am shocked that the position paper is planning to penalise us for making a necessary plan to have electricity at all times for emergency medical care. For many years , my invalid husband was cared for at home, using medical equipment. With original load shedding plus numerous and sometimes lengthy power outages, we were forced in invest in some solar, even with our very limited pension. It was not our original choice, but the inefficiency of our government that made this necessary. Additionally, we were told that the many solar installations around the country had eased the load on the grip, which couldn't supply enough power. Lastly, we wont be able to afford the addtional municipal fee.	Liz	retired
	2026-08-27 13:05:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government is prepared to rip of every citizen in the country. The electricity, water & others services pricing are crippling the poor, the pensioner & elderly who are barely making end. The citizens are constantly bailing the SOE's out because of bad decisions of the government & the corruption within these SOE's. Next with regards to those businesses & householders that have solar. We were forced by the government's inability to supply electricity. The cause being bad planning & bad choices made by those involved in the building of the power stations & the vast amount theft & corruption. If they had planned properly this country would never have had load shedding in the first place. Next the government has never owned the sun so they don't have the right to penalize those that went to the cost of installing solar.	Alan	retired
	2026-08-27 13:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying exorbitant fees for electricity that we don't even consume while a number of people aren't paying. It's not only unfair to residents to pay for electricity they don't use but it is rather criminal to force people to pay for services they don't use. If they need money they must cut cost on those exorbitant salaries they pay their CEOs and Managers	Sthembile	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:08:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These measures are due to corruption and mismanagement at Eskom	Janine	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:09:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:10:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have had enough of this corrupt ANC led communist government and it is time to get rid of them forever. WTF!	Mike	
	2026-08-27 13:11:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure. THE SUN IS NOT THE PROPERTY OF THE STATE.	Mardi	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:11:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we pay to use the sun?	Elviera	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:12:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leslie	
	2026-08-27 13:13:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not fair to those just trying to make things work.	Tanya	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:14:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the person who spent money on solar infrastructure be penalized for making life easier while ridiculous electricity outages is daily ongoing issues in South Africa because of poor maintenance and corruption? I can't afford solar but would like to have solar infrastructure as well. Why must corporations pay less electricity when they use the most...let them pay even more? This is not fare towards anybody owning a residential property. We are sick and tired of the ANC and government stealing from the tax payer to fill their own pockets.	Elsje	retired
	2026-08-27 13:14:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM cannot provide enough electricity for the whole country. Then people came to solve this problem: they added solar panels and / or batteries to the electricity system! This cost a lot of money. These people are the life savers of enough electricity in the country! Now ESKOM / government want to punish the life savers of electricity! Wasn't it for them, the electricity supply would have collapsed long time ago and the country would have been in total darkness, with no electricity. Instead of thanking these people, and giving everyone who bought solar panels and batteries subsidies and more money and willing to pay part of their solar panel systems, they make the financial burden on these people even more! Now they have to pay for system maintenance of ESKOM, but ESKOM / government is not paying them for installation and maintenance of the solar panels and/or batteries! Instead of asking money, ESKOM should PAY them extra money for the extra panels and/or batteries that they bought and installed to reduce the amount of electricity needed by the whole country. ESKOM / government should support the new development of solar systems and batteries by giving funding to improve it that all the electricity country wide can improve, but instead they just impose more penalties and make the burden worse and more severe on people who already paid themselves for their own solar panels and / or batteries, and now they must pay for ESKOM / government as well. If the people with solar panels and/or batteries should pay ESKOM / government for maintenance of the electricity system, then ESKOM / government should pay all the people who have solar panels and / or batteries for the installation and maintenance of those solar panels and batteries. ESKOM / government block new developments, in stead of supporting it.	Hilde	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:15:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed framework in its current form. South Africans should not be penalised for investing their own money in solar and battery systems after years of unreliable electricity supply. Many households made these investments precisely because the public electricity system was unable to provide the reliable service that people were paying for. They took on significant personal financial costs to become less dependent on the grid and to keep their homes and businesses functioning. It is therefore deeply concerning to now introduce mandatory fixed charges specifically on grid-connected consumers who have invested in alternative energy. If the objective is to recover legitimate costs associated with maintaining the electricity network, those costs should be addressed transparently and fairly. They should not effectively become a penalty for consumers who have invested privately to reduce their reliance on Eskom. More broadly, the proposed reform raises serious questions about fairness and accountability. South Africa's electricity crisis was not created by households installing solar. Consumers responded to a failing system. It is unreasonable to shift the financial consequences of that failure onto the very people who invested their own capital to protect themselves from it. I support an electricity market that is more efficient and sustainable. However, reform should not simply replace one problem with another by protecting inefficient structures through higher costs for ordinary consumers. If the government wants South Africans to invest in the country's energy future, it should not simultaneously create regulatory uncertainty and financial penalties for those who have already done exactly that. I strongly urge the Department to reconsider the proposed fixed charges and ensure that any new tariff structure is transparent, proportionate and fair to households and small businesses. Consumers who invested in solar should not be treated as the problem when their investment was a response to the country's electricity crisis.	Zanel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:22:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar was only adopted because E	skom failed R	
	2026-08-27 13:22:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	
	2026-08-27 13:25:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of ESKOMS incompetence resulting in unstable Electrical supply I was forced to spend my hard earned savings (R280 000) on a stable Electrical supply at my home so that my sick wife always had the power she needed to be comfortable. The Government even gave small subsidies to assist households in obtaining solar power, now the want to penalise us for doing this. I already pay my local municipality a fixed monthly connection fee and a capacity charge, together nearly R1000 a month. This new scheme is nothing more than legalised theft. How can I be told I am a free rider when I paid R280 000 for my solar installation and did not apply for the Government assistance.	Gary	retired
	2026-08-27 13:26:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	
	2026-08-27 13:28:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Daylight robbery	Ana	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:28:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First the ANC and their cadres running this sector stuffs it up with mismanagement and corruption, then when we do something to protect out=r livelihoods, they want to penalise us for being intelligent enough to see the mess, and stabilise our standard of living. In Cape Town we ALREADY have a fixed fee for prepaid meters, regardless of solar equipment. In addition, this is purely intentional as A Penalty on Private Initiative: Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis they now want to penalise unfairly; The "Captive Ratepayer" Trap: Ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies; Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Dominance: With Eskom Generation controlling the vast majority of baseload power, the risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation could spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails.	Theo	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:29:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I made a significant investment in solar in order to afford the power that we use on a monthly basis. I request that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalizing private renewable investments. A tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes, will be the best way forward. I request that an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households should be done in order to ensure fair practice for consumers.	Ina	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:30:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ferol	retired
	2026-08-27 13:31:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	retired
	2026-08-27 13:32:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nico	
	2026-08-27 13:33:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:35:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		justin	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:35:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	retired

	2026-08-27 13:38:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In Cape Town we are already paying a fixed charge on electricity and that was introduced when had to save power, consumption dropped which affected the cities income and then this charge was introduced. Was never removed when power stabilized. So will city supplied power be also affected by this new proposed bill? Do not agree at all if you buffered yourself from unstable grid power which is still happening. This is a supposed democracy but feels more like a totalitarian state!!!	Kobus	retired
	2026-08-27 13:38:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	
	2026-08-27 13:38:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	None	Gareth	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:39:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To suggest that solar installation is a 'free ride'/'not paying a fair share' is absolutely ludicrous! 1. An installation for a medium/large home will cost several hundreds of thousand Rand 2. This is not an attempt to get electricity for free. It is an attempt to avoid the consequences of mismanagement, very poor maintenance and massive corruption which reduced Eskom to its present state Why should homeowners now be disadvantaged ? 3. With the 'new' pre-paid meters installed in the COCT municipality, it is quite clear that the meter is set up to extract financial benefit without commensurate consumption - the last week of every month registers massive consumption, with no increase in household electricity usage during that period. Another devious way to try to fool ratepayers.	Willie	retired
	2026-08-27 13:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The companies should be paying the bulk of what they are using not the minimum. The citizen and resident has a fundamental human right to utilization of electricity for living conditions. Thus is opening FURTHER the ONGOING exploitation of these people and rights forcing the nation into poverty, dehumanization and removal of constitutional rights. What are pensioners supposed to pat food and shelter with when the electricity is taking the bulk of the pathetic R2000 they get from SASSA.	Linda	
	2026-08-27 13:42:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government are responsible for the Eskom fiasco. Now they want the general public to carry the burden of their cadre deployment consequences. Hire people on merit and get back the millions/billions of the privileged recipients of these type of policies. As the custodian of public assets the government has caused the systemic decline of that which they were responsible for. Having destroyed the electrical network, consumers had no choice but to install alternatives. These alternatives, generators, inverters, solar panels etc. were subject to import duties, VAT and other taxes that the government was the beneficiary of. Now that same government expects the tax payer to fork out more taxes on top of the new base load tax to compensate for the lack of generation capacity, reliability and to continue paying for their malfeasance. This is entirely unacceptable and morally reprehensible.	Eugene	
	2026-08-27 13:43:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a government-controlled electricity supplier that has historically occupied a dominant position in the South African electricity market, effectively restricting the development of a genuinely free and competitive energy market. Eskom's concern is to produce and supply electricity. Where, how and when a customer ultimately uses that electricity is the customer's concern, not the supplier's. The customer is entitled to determine its own energy requirements and how best to meet those requirements. If Eskom is unable to provide the quantity, reliability or quality of electricity required by a customer, and that customer therefore chooses to invest its own capital in alternative energy solutions, the consequences of that decision should not be regarded as Eskom's business or concern. The customer has invested its own money, assumed the associated risks and developed an alternative means of meeting its energy requirements. If this results in the customer purchasing less electricity from Eskom, any resulting reduction in Eskom's revenue is a consequence of the customer's legitimate decision to secure an alternative supply—not a loss that the customer should be responsible for compensating Eskom. In a free market, a supplier does not acquire an entitlement to a customer's future expenditure merely because that customer previously purchased its product. If the supplier cannot or does not provide what the customer requires, the customer must be free to seek alternatives, particularly where those alternatives are funded entirely by the customer. Eskom's inability to retain that customer's business is therefore a commercial consequence of the market and of its ability to meet the customer's requirements. It should not become the customer's responsibility simply because the customer has invested its own capital to overcome a failure or limitation in the existing supply.	Jason	
	2026-08-27 13:45:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a fixed rate for electricity if you have a prepaid meter. People have spent their hard earned cash on solar to help themselves not being asked to pay more not acceptable	Edwina	
	2026-08-27 13:45:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andreas	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:48:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christina	retired
	2026-08-27 13:48:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benita	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:49:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:50:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:51:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:58:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		FH	retired
	2026-08-27 13:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Loraine	retired
	2026-08-27 13:59:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	ESKOM is still not providing constant electricity power. Will they ever solve their productive, maintenance and financial problems? Until they do, I will not support any of the shenigans. Thank you for fighting for us!	Riette	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:59:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	ESKOM is still not providing constant electricity power. Will they ever solve their productive, maintenance and financial problems? Until they do, I will not support any of the shenigans. Thank you for fighting for us!	Riette	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:59:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unacceptable action!!!	Dirk	retired
	2026-08-27 14:03:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can no longer afford to foot the bill for state failures. Increased rates and taxes, AND tarrifs are a noose around our necks while trying to cope with the cost of living	Arlene	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:03:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately, is this another sly way to extract more from us citizens that have to safeguard ourselves against a predatory government and communist/Marxist cabal of gangsters. So, I am totally against anything they propose. If it would be a citizen initiative, I am sure it would have been a good idea.	Martin	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:06:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The world will laugh at South Africa yet again - other countries are actively encouraging private individuals to go green with solar and our country decides to punish us - makes sense doesn't it?	Gillian	retired
	2026-08-27 14:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liqhwa	self-employed
	2026-08-27 14:11:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In 2009 at COP15 , the South African government committed to a carbon reduction of 42% by 2025 in lieu of technical support and funding support. This funding has been stolen by government whilst moving this unwanted agreement debt to consumers. Now that consumers have paid this government debt, they are now further penalized and taxed, whilst aligning the transmission system to WEF principles so that consumers may be taxed even more, bringing in agenda 2030. I do not consent to any of this globalist thuggery.	Riaan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:13:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ed	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:13:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Load shedding created a problem. Citizens paid heavily to minimize the impact by installing solar power generation and going green. Government aims to penalize citizens for trying to fix the problem IT CREATED.	T	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:13:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government and many ministers have failed the man in the street dismally. In fact, we have no governing, it is all about looting the taxpayer's money. Whatever they do, is of no interest to the man in the street. They are completely incapable and have ruined everything. NO! NO!, rather close the government completely.	Althea	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:14:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am retired on fixed income. I do not have solar, but I don't use a lot of electricity therefore I object to admin and other charges being added to my bill	Maureen	retired
	2026-08-27 14:16:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Esta	self-employed
	2026-08-27 14:17:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darryl	retired
	2026-08-27 14:18:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It penalises low users who have had to invest in alternatives during load shedding. It also penalises the lower paid and pensioners who can't afford to use electricity for expensive appliances !	Phillip	retired
	2026-08-27 14:19:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is due to there poor management style that I needed to install alternative options also their high rate per unit due to there incompetence and corruption and tenders. So I am totally apposed to this !	Ettiene	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:21:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM Failed the country with load shedding. We had no alternative but to invest pour own capital into solar systems to have reliable power supply. ESKOM should be thanking and rewarding us for all the demand relieved from the Grid not impose additional charges, penalties and levies. Over and above this the electricity rates are so expensive that nobody can afford electricity any longer, regardless of whether you get it from Municipal Invoices/ prepaid or direct supply from ESKOM. We pay ourselves bankrupt and then you look at informal settlements where lamp posts are on day and night, nobody pays for all that wasted electricity apart from the average househpolds that are overburdened with costs, basic charges after havong already paid property tax	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:22:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should people who have spent private capital to fix state incapacity and dysfunction now be taxed.	Josiah	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:24:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Governments around the world are combining the solar generation capacity of households to create sustainable energy supply. The private investment by homeowners to generate carbon neutral power should be supported and rewarded. The grid needs to be strengthened and smart storage must be employed to ensure that privately generated energy can be included as a valued and protected partner. Ratepayers who have privately invested in going carbon neutral should not be penalised and discouraged, this is counter productive the imperative for climate change mitigation. South Africa needs to lead on this, not drag us back into dependency on coal-fired power generation!	Liz	

	2026-08-27 14:28:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Schalk	retired
	2026-08-27 14:29:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annatjie	
	2026-08-27 14:30:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	
	2026-08-27 14:30:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Estelle	
	2026-08-27 14:31:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who use solar are mainly doing it because Eskom and the South African government let them down to the point that they had to spend a whole lot of money to transform from a life of darkness and powerlessness to a relatively safe form of power. The fact that the government now want to penalise those people by increasing their power costs is absolutely disgraceful and disgusting. Stop punishing people for helping the country stay afloat.	Trevor	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 14:31:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom wants to become the ONLY power supplier, be the monopoly, regardless of whether it is via the coal power station or all the alternate energy sources. An energy deficient crisis over 19 years through lack of maintenance on infrastructure, over employment with maximum salaries, while still syphoning money into cadre pockets etc. This is just another source of money for pockets. See https://www.eskom.co.za/eas/renewable-energy/ Also Eskom funding alternate energy programs: Eskom launched Eskom Green to accelerate large-scale renewable energy generation Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) Community and School Solar Programs/ Eskom Development Foundation Microgrids and Rural Electrification Just Energy Transition (JET) Repurposing	Elaine	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:33:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheela	retired
	2026-08-27 14:35:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fernando	retired
	2026-08-27 14:35:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The government does NOT have the right to tax use of the sun!	Elna	
	2026-08-27 14:37:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our Electricity costs are so high as it is. We don't need to be punished because we have invested our money in providing a constant supply of power when power supply could not provide.	Geoffrey and Ann Mar	retired
	2026-08-27 14:38:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alta	retired
	2026-08-27 14:41:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		KM	retired
	2026-08-27 14:43:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of the homeowners who have invested in rooftop solar energy have done so at considerable cost . Many have done so not only to cope with load-shedding, but out of a genuine desire to produce clean, green energy and to decrease our dependency on coal. Yet again, the government wants to find a way to penalise us for actions to mitigate climate change, instead of supporting and encouraging the actions of ordinary South Africans. Instead of taxing hard-hit households further, households with rooftop solar should get a tax break to encourage this form of energy production!	Sandra	retired
	2026-08-27 14:43:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Countless households and businesses had to invest private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the STATE FAILED TO DO SO. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalizes energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private de-carbonisation. The government does NOT have the right to tax use of the sun!	Norman	
	2026-08-27 14:44:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can fix this easily by cutting its own bloated cost structure!!!!!!!!!	Rob	retired
	2026-08-27 14:44:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can fix this easily by cutting its own bloated cost structure!!!!!!!!!	Rob	retired
	2026-08-27 14:46:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When we as private sector and individuals come up with a solution, to ease the pressure on the grid which is the only reason loadshedding have stopped, we get punished as it is far more difficult for our corrupt government and their cadres to steal. How must people on pension survive in this country. I am also still paying of my solar system and now we have to pay extra for sunlight which does not below to the government. I am also paying for the electricity I use to charge my solar it not that I get it for free. This is getting ridiculous.	Magda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:46:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-08-27 14:47:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the state can not provide, the consumer needs to solve the problem out of their own pockets while getting no financial relieve through not being a burden on the national system - electricity, security, education, post office etc etc. The state not only have to supply electricity they need to supply it Green. By taxing the consumer for decreasing the demand on a broken system is similar to telling the EU - No we do not want your grants for green energy, social services etc. This is not rocket sense - no load shedding in 2026 equals lower demand from Escom. why punish the consumer for solving the problem? Put an incentive on the table for every property in the country to have solar on their roofs. escom handed out energy saving light bulbs etc at some stage to decrease the demand some years ago !!!	Andrew	retired
	2026-08-27 14:50:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid (“wires”) from electricity sales (“retail/trading”), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units.	Me	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:51:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason there is no current load shedding is because private households and private companies have spent a lot of money to invest in solar and battery back-up power due to the incompetence of Eskom. If it were not for this, we still would have load shedding today.	Gideon	
	2026-08-27 14:53:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Additional tax like this is unjust	Jane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:57:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ditmar	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:58:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Just another form of government gouging to cover the shortfall created by inefficiency, incompetence and corruption, especially at municipal level.	Tony	
	2026-08-27 14:59:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Clive	self-employed
	2026-08-27 14:59:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lize	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:01:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Morne	
	2026-08-27 15:05:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		R	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:08:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot now financially penalise people who installed solar energy systems during a time of a country wide energy crisis.	Matthew	
	2026-08-27 15:10:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicola	
	2026-08-27 15:11:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	
	2026-08-27 15:12:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		John	business owner
	2026-08-27 15:17:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	
	2026-08-27 15:18:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are solar users being penalized for having solar power installed because Eskom is unable to generate sufficient power for the country (due to ongoing corruption and ineptitude)? In fact, by installing solar power, we enabled Eskom to address energy demands/constraints and a potential energy collapse of their own making. Whilst I understand/agree that controlled safety measures should be implemented, these controls shouldn't become vindictive or another "cash cow" for the imploding Eskom. Despite continuous threats regarding non-compliance, it is disconcerting that Eskom fails to provide clear guidelines for its registration requirements. Tabling retaliatory energy legislation against solar users will only further harm our country's fragile economy and constrain already struggling households. Introducing new energy-related constraints will surely not solve South Africa's looming energy collapse.	Mariana	retired
	2026-08-27 15:23:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is cynical. i installed solar power because of electricity blackouts. We alrady pa a municipal levy for “electricity availability” , ie maintaining the municipal grid/ infrastructure. Why tax us more , on top of that? The “goose” cannot take much more……	oswald	retired
	2026-08-27 15:25:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:25:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have installed solar because we had no electricity. The goverment was warned of the consequence of cader deployment, corruption of the elite and plain stupidity. The goverment expected the consumer to install solar energy to help save their incompetence and corruptness by providing contributions to those who spent money to save electricity usage. I have done so at considerable expense to myself with no assistance from municipalities, Eskom or government. Doing my part to help myself and the country in total. My first choice would have been to buy electricity at a fair price and not install solar. I was unable to exercise this option. If they want to penalise me for my solar installation they need to first refund me for the costs of having to do something to not be subject to ANC corruption. This corruption is over and over and over again in all things this corrupt ANC goverment has put their hands to. At some point they have to carry the burden for their incompetence and thievery themselves. Refund me for my system and then do whatever you want. If what you are doing does not suite me I will just move of the grid and be self relient which cost wise will be very small in comparison to what I have already paid.	Peter	retired

	2026-08-27 15:26:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sabine	retired
	2026-08-27 15:27:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sabine	retired
	2026-08-27 15:28:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM has wasted/stolen hundreds of billions and still operates on the basis of simply increasing costs rather than operating efficiently (ie no corruption/incompetence/stupidity) Splitting ESKOM will not be effective unless the resulting entities are totally independent of each other Municipalities shoud have income from electricity sales ringfenced to ensure that the generator of electricity is paid, and further regulation of the electricity sales is necessary to ensure that excessive "profits" are not made While so-called connection fees might be reasonable if the price charged by municipalities is reasonable and the infrastructure is actually maintained to an acceptable degree (resulting in minimal service interruption). City of Johannesburg is a prime example of how residents pay and receive ever decreasing service and above inflation increases	Robert	retired
	2026-08-27 15:31:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	WE paid for solar because Eskom is so unreliable! We never claimed a single cent for our solar! We are TOTALLY off the grid and have NOTHING TO DO WITH ESKOM WHATSOEVER!! FUCK THESE THIEVES!!	C	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:33:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		FRIDA	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:34:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:35:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ahmed	retired
	2026-08-27 15:35:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	TC	business owner
	2026-08-27 15:38:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You already rob us blind for the electricity you offer us, and all you want is more pounds of flesh. Go to hell with these extra demands.	Ashley	business owner
	2026-08-27 15:40:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is another tax forced on consumers to prop up a failing service delivery that is a direct result of the government's own lack of infrastructure investment. It also forces households in the minority to financially prop up consumers who do not pay for electricity through various means. Before taxing the shrinking base of consumers who do pay for services, implement better debt collection, change the social attitude toward paying for services rendered and fix the internal processes in local municipalities and govenments instead of fleecing the tax base. Failure to do this will simply result in more customers going completely off the grid and severing ties with the grid in totality to ensure that there is no connection fee or baseload taxes applicable.	Hilton	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:41:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is primarily used as a money making machine so that the people can eat. Municipalities are primarily used as a money making machine so the people can eat. The minority of the people that eat pay taxes so that the Government can eat. The situation as a whole should be studied and remedied that all the people can eat their fair share as intended by our constitution.	Ian	retired
	2026-08-27 15:41:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This disincentivizes the public's likelihood of migrating to sustainable power generation. It prevents individuals from taking initiative to meet shortfalls in power supply. It forces more dependence on State and Para-statal solutions.	Steve	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:42:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a ratepayer and electricity consumer, and I wish to formally object to the proposed electricity transformation measures, particularly the introduction of mandatory fixed charges for customers with solar installations and the proposed increases affecting captive electricity consumers. These proposals place an unfair additional financial burden on ordinary households and small businesses that have invested in alternative electricity solutions, often at considerable personal expense. Many ratepayers have installed solar and battery systems precisely because of unreliable electricity supply and the increasing cost of electricity. It is unreasonable to penalise consumers who have invested their own money to reduce their dependence on the municipal electricity network. These investments reduce demand on the grid and can contribute to greater energy resilience. Imposing substantial fixed charges regardless of actual electricity consumption risks undermining the financial justification for these investments. I am particularly concerned that such charges will disproportionately affect households and small businesses that cannot simply absorb additional monthly costs. Electricity is an essential service, and tariff structures should be designed to remain fair, transparent and affordable rather than shifting an increasing proportion of the cost onto a smaller group of consumers. I also object to measures that could result in significant losses of municipal revenue without a clear, transparent and equitable plan for addressing those losses. Ratepayers should not be expected to carry the consequences of an electricity pricing model that has failed to adapt to changing patterns of energy generation and consumption. I therefore request that the proposed mandatory fixed solar charges and associated electricity price increases be reconsidered. Any revised tariff structure should: be based on transparent and independently verifiable cost data; fairly reflect the actual costs imposed on the electricity network by each category of consumer; recognise the substantial private investment made by consumers in solar and battery systems; avoid disproportionately penalising households and small businesses; provide meaningful incentives for energy efficiency and renewable generation; and protect the long-term affordability and sustainability of municipal electricity services. As a ratepayer, I expect the Government to manage its electricity infrastructure and revenue model responsibly without unfairly transferring the financial consequences to consumers who have acted to reduce their reliance on the municipal grid. I respectfully request that this objection be recorded and that the proposed measures be reviewed before implementation. I therefore formally object to the proposed mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price increases, and any associated tariff measures that unfairly increase the financial burden on ordinary ratepayers and small businesses.	Jaques	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:45:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and Eskom are shifting the financial burden of their own historic failures onto the public. The government is effectively punishing citizens for surviving an energy crisis they created. People did not buy solar panels as a luxury; they bought them as an emergency survival mechanism because the state utility failed to provide a basic service. Forcing these users to now pay extra fees to prop up Eskom is fundamentally unjustified.	Karen	
	2026-08-27 15:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This endless grabbing of money out of honest ratepayers who choose to use their own finances to use the sun, which is far more reliable that the municipal electric supply are being robbed once again by a municipality that cannot manage their own budgets. What next, paying for Cape Town air?	Rob	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:50:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. They even subsidized household and businesses to invest in solar power as they could not met the demand. Now they want to tax those very same people. It is absurdity in the highest form. Electricity from Eskom and municipalities is not stable or reliable and cost an arm and a leg. I would love to go completely of grid if possible.	Jannie	retired
	2026-08-27 15:50:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, due to its incompetence, corruption, lack of forward planning etc. failed us. This failure to provide electricity led to businesses and livelihoods destroyed and disrupted. Therefore we the end users, at great costs invested in Solar, which collectively eased the pressure and demand on the overloaded grid, therefore helping Eskom getting back on its feet and out of the mess it created. Now it seems as we are being punished. This mindset is bizarre.	Abayomi	retired
	2026-08-27 15:51:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the private citizen is expected to pay for state corruption and ineptitude Private citizens have taken steps to both insulate against load shedding, and to contribute to continued sustainability. In a fair number of well run countries, this even allows for private citizens to sell back to the grid. Of course our corrupt and inept ministers are just searching for another purse to plunder with this move. Our grid is only a disaster due to the incumbent government. Although I see that the Western Cape Government is proposing similar cash grabs Are we now going to impose this on the poor in RDP housing, where solar helps bring their cost of living down while providing with a better standard of living? Or is this only aimed at the more affluent? No I think the South African government needs to clean its house, reduce the civil service salary budget, and learn to manage their money. Those with their hands in the cookie jar need to be punished and their plunder recouped. No more golden handshakes and turning a blind eye	Simon	
	2026-08-27 15:56:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:59:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerrit	retired
	2026-08-27 15:59:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the people of the country be billed for the failures of the government? Electricity prices have already skyrocketed in the last two years, but the infrastructure is still poorly maintained. The government boasts of no load-shedding for a year, but at what cost to the consumer? When consumers now want to help the government by reducing load on the grid by installing solar, they get penalised. It's a broken system and I don't see this working.	Wian	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:01:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:02:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Individuals and companies were forced to use an alternative energy supply as Eskom, through mis-management and fraudulent activities, could not reliably supply said needs that resulted in the crisis. I had to take a long term loan out to pay for my home and micro enterprise company so we could install solar and have an esssential commodity that we could not be provided with. To now have to pay for the self created crisis to an entity we still do not have confidence in and wants to cover their mismanagement losses is unfair to a consumer that has already been stretched by the damage they have caused.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:02:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mo	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:06:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spent an enormous amount of money on solar backup, to keep my household running and my wife's business from imploding. The state cannot penalize me for sorting out a problem that was its responsibility to begin with. No more hidden taxes! I AM ALREADY PAYING MY FAIR SHARE.	Kristoff	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:06:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-27 16:08:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erica	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 16:12:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbie	retired
	2026-08-27 16:13:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	retired
	2026-08-27 16:15:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the consumer be penalised for sourcing and funding you own solution for a service that should be provided by the State, for which you pay as you use. Secondly, taxes are collected and should be deployed for a stable electricity grid, policing, schooling, healthcare, water provisioning amongst others and the consumer are to a large extent expected to source and fund these service out of its own pocket and once you do, you pay a penalty so that the state's coffers remain full irrespective of the level (or lack) of service provided. I am 100% against this type of proposal	Fred	

	2026-08-27 16:15:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I still remember the night that Mr Ramaphosa encouraged all of the South African citizens to buy their OWN solar because ESKOM CANNOT provide sufficient electricity for South Africa And now? This instruction is ignored by ESKOM and municipalities Totally unacceptable!!!	Kobie	retired
	2026-08-27 16:21:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising people for saving your bacon. Rather than working against them, work with them.	Gerrit	
	2026-08-27 16:22:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this ANC government was as clever and efficient in utilising the money from over taxed tax payers, as they are in stealing money, South Africa would be a much better place. They almost daily invent new ways to legalise theft so they can get their claws on everything that does not belong to them.	Tanja	retired
	2026-08-27 16:26:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am just a resident with no solar panels and totally rely on Eskom. The proposals are ridicules and rather stupid. The maim reason for people moving to solar was because Eskom did not have enough power and we had load shedding The secondary reason was because Eskom power was to expensive and they kept putting the rates up. The reason for this , as came out in the Zondo Commission was corruption and poor management . New Power stations were never completed on time and were way over budget . The reason again was poor managent and again corruption. This cost the country millions in lost production and loss of tourists. So people and businesses started to move to solar., not really because they want to but because they had to . So now Eskom has too much power and instead of reducing power costs and stimulation of the economy, in typical Eskom way all they think of is penalising those people who helped them, In summer Eskom has to much power so they should supply the power at cheaper rates . There is nothing wrong with some competition , this stimulates the economy. This is much better than using strong arm tractics. What about supplying cheaper electricity to those who really need it . The focus must be on the country and creating jobs by having cheaper powe and not these stupid fights to make a few peple rich.	Murray	retired
	2026-08-27 16:29:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:31:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already being taxed to death and had no refund or contribution from government for sorting out electricity supply they were unable to do. Happy to pay availability rate of I get credit for the full amount that I spent to do their work!	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:32:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Mark	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:32:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposals are ridicules and rather stupid. The main reason for people moving to solar was because Eskom did not have enough power and we had load shedding The secondary reason was because Eskom power was to expensive and they kept putting the rates up. The reason for this, as came out in the Zondo Commission was corruption and poor management. New Power stations were never completed on time and were way over budget. The reason again was poor management and again corruption. This cost the country millions in lost production and loss of tourists. So people and businesses started to move to solar, not really because they want to but because they had to . So now Eskom has too much power and instead of reducing power costs and stimulation of the economy, in typical Eskom way all they think of is penalising those people who helped them. In summer Eskom has too much power so they should supply the power at cheaper rates . There is nothing wrong with some competition, this stimulates the economy. This is much better than using strong arm tactics. What about supplying cheaper electricity to those who really need it . The focus must be on the country and creating jobs by having cheaper power and not these stupid fights to make a few people rich.	Chantal	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:32:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is probably most inefficient entity in existence, it would not have survived in a free market situation. The constant manoeuvring to extract more and more money out of the private citizens, is nothing more than an endorsement of the inability to run a business. run your business and export your power, increase your efficiencies solve your cable and power theft problems, collect your outstanding amounts owing.	Mike	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:38:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-08-27 16:40:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:40:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaco	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:47:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-08-27 16:52:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I request an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 16:58:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:12:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot believe that they are still trying to penalise solar users because we are less dependent on the Govnmt to provide a reliable and efficient source of power. To impose these fines will convince many of us to ditch the entire system and go off grid and avoid these annoying and corrupt people from continuing to try to intimidate their citizens.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-27 17:22:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private individuals should not be taxed or penalized for home solar power because it discourages clean energy adoption and penalizes families for lowering their carbon footprint.	Phillip	retired
	2026-08-27 17:22:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ig	retired
	2026-08-27 17:23:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernadett	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:24:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I understand the need to pay a connection fee, the connection being a service delivered by Eskom to ALL users, I do believe that this fee will be manipulated and abused. The tax paying citizens can no longer trust the powers that be! I am sick and tired of: PAYING TAXES PAYING FOR LOANS THAT WE WERE NEVER CONSULTED ON, PAYING FOR THE INEPTITUDE DISHONEST AND LAXIDAISICAL ATTITUDE OF THE POWERS THAT BE PAYING FOR THE MONIES (A LOT OF) THAT HAVE BEEN STOLEN FROM THE TAXPAYER FROM EVERONE WHO CAN GET NEAR THE FEEDING TROUGH	Sally	retired
	2026-08-27 17:25:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douglas	retired
	2026-08-27 17:27:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karl	retired
	2026-08-27 17:28:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-08-27 17:31:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential ratepayer, I'm ALREADY being charged a fixed "electricity availability fee" on my monthly Municipal account, regardless of whether / how much electricity I actually purchase during the month, or whether ESKOM is load-shedding / doing maintenance work / able to provide us with electricity. Hence, we are already being charged for a fixed service, which is unrelated to our actual electricity consumption. No further fees should be charged !	Melanie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:31:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC are now wanting the public to foot the bill for being innovative enough to supply themselves electricity when they've stuffed up. As a lot of South Africans are innovative enough to "make another plan", because our rotten government has buggered up - we must now pay the price for the government's thievery, skulduggery & total inability to get ANYTHING right!!! How supercilious can a bunch of thugs be???	Paul	business owner
	2026-08-27 17:32:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	
	2026-08-27 17:32:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Braam	retired
	2026-08-27 17:33:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As with any government taxes, fees and rates, they are just another funnel to rob citizens of their already taxed to nothing income. Once these new taxes (thats what they are) are implemented, they then rocket increase out of control to fund incompetence and corruption. Like property rates, vehicle licensing and most any government fees for service. The investment made to run business as they should, was done because of government incompetence and corruption. Now we get taxed for trying to keep going. Punished for keeping the lights on. Total insanity. How about scaling down on the hundreds of thousands of incompetent employees as a start.	Gary	business owner
	2026-08-27 17:37:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Hans	business owner
	2026-08-27 17:37:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PC	retired
	2026-08-27 17:42:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are tired of paying for things that never get fixed. Millions have been given to eskom and it’s worse than it was. Enough is enough.	Dia	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:51:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can government want us to pay for their incompetence? They erred greatly, now the man in the street must pay!! Not on. They should have "thought further than their noses" & not have stolen & mismanaged all the power stations & reticulation.	Lesley	retired
	2026-08-27 17:52:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-08-27 17:55:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government failed their mandate and responsibilities. People had to solve their failures now have to pay again.	Nico	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:57:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Francois	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:57:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	
	2026-08-27 17:58:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sibylle	

	2026-08-27 17:59:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and the metro' s has over decades now, because of corruption and bad decisions cause such damage and loss of income that it is not in a position to deliver the service to the people who voted for them and trusted them to manage these entities. We the people, has solved their problem of delivering the service by investing in infrastructure to be able to have a stable power supply. It is downright wrong to expect the user to pay the penalty for this incompetence and corruption. Lets honest by enforcing the user to pay extra is not going to solve the problem, resulting over time just increasing the payment.	Sam	retired
	2026-08-27 18:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should not be allowed to penalised ratepayers and taxpayers who provide their own electrical power from solar to try cover their exorbitant costs due to inefficiency and corruption. The only fair charging mechanism is to continue charging based on usage.	Colin	retired
	2026-08-27 18:08:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oloff	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:23:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason for much of private solar investmen was due to the collapse of Ekscom infrastructure due to lack of maintenance and corruption and part of the solution in reviving the pressure on the base load It was not and is not a free ride	Mark	
	2026-08-27 18:27:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about solar geysers which are by far the biggest electricity saving devices? Thousands have been installed in black townships by municipalities. Are these devices also going to be penalized or is this once again a racist law to penalize white people?	Fred	retired
	2026-08-27 18:29:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have spent R285 000 on solar installations. We had to replace our first very expensive one because we could not upgrade and that was necessary. Where we live the power provided by our municipality is extremely unreliable and erratic. Since we have invested so much to insure we have the power we need, we object vehemently to paying for any electricity above any we may consume. What is being proposed amounts to extortion and as pensioners we are already stretched financially.	Ian	retired
	2026-08-27 18:34:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Penalising citizens for making a plan to reduce reliance on Eskom is absurd. Disincentivising the creation and use of more sustainable power while the government has failed everyone by failing to transition and actively thwarting opportunity and investment for decades is shameful. As a pensioner and small business owner, we had to choose to use our savings to install solar to create a more manageable monthly cost to pay overall for electricity usage, as our income no longer has potential yearly increases and cannot keep up with the ridiculous rise in electricity prices. It will take us over 4 years just to break even, so I ask you: where is this FREE RIDE?!	Karen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:41:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lydia	
	2026-08-27 18:43:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private citizens invested huge sums of cash to secure reliable electricity when this pathetic, corrupt ANC government destroyed and plundered Eskom which was built using taxpayer money. The reason for moving to fixed charges is that the citizens who did pay their electricity bills now pay far less because they invested in solar leaving Eskom and the muncipalites having to try collect from the citizens that have not and do not pay for the electricity they consume	Grant	employed individual
	2026-08-27 18:46:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users have effectively saved the government from building at least one power station. We also pay more per unit for electricity from the grid, which should be ample to pay for maintenance et al. Why should we be penalised? Is it because the municipality misuses the money that is paid?	Alison	
	2026-08-27 19:06:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not one winner, except our government who keeps taking and taking.	Linda	retired
	2026-08-27 19:14:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed law is a penalty for private citizens who took the initiative to reduce their reliance on an inept state owned energy provider. This country does not have the best interests of the citizens as it's primary concern. I disagree with any additional regulations to the energy sector which which will result in additional costs to the normal citizen.	James	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariske	
	2026-08-27 19:22:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geoff	business owner
	2026-08-27 19:23:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hentie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 19:24:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:24:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As I retired person l used savings to install solar panels during loadshedding. As I recall we were encouraged to help reduce the load on Eskom. Now the government wants to tax us for doing so. It is simply disgusting.	Deryl	retired
	2026-08-27 19:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Géne	self-employed
	2026-08-27 19:33:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:33:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Had Eskom continued to operate efficiently as it did in 1990's, without the rabid inset of corruption and incompetence in the 2000's, the cost of electricity would have remained affordable. 2. As corruption and ineptitude permeated Eskom, it became an unreliable and expensive power producer and introduced load shedding as a consequence. 3. Business's, to continue trading had little option other to reluctantly invest in their own electricity generation assets, instead of using such funding growing their business and create more jobs. 4. This was a FORCED INVESTMENT. 5. Had Eskom provided affordable electricity increasing in price at normal inflation rate and maintained reliability (no load shedding) the majority of businesses would NOT have invested in solar and battery systems. These too have finance and ongoing maintenance cost that we pay for each month. 6. So. this is NO FREE LUNCH! 7. For Eskom to now penalise their own customers for sourcing alternative supply of their product, that they could not supply reliably and increasing in price far higher than normal inflation is disgraceful. 8. Eskom created the current situation themselves and need to cut their own operating costs using electricity costs in China as a benchmark, instead of forcing the businesses and citizens to bail them out again. 9. The SA taxpayer has already bailed out Eskom to the tune of R250 000 000 000. We have already been penalised.	Petrae	self-employed
	2026-08-27 19:36:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kerry	
	2026-08-27 19:37:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are all sick to death of paying double for Everything!!! And sick of having our money stolen instead of used for maintenance etc.	Ursula	self-employed
	2026-08-27 19:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 19:46:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM FORCED US TO PUT UP SOLAR PANELS AT A HIGH COST BECAUSE THEY COULD NOT DELIVER ENOUGH ELECTRICITY. THE SUN IS FREE FOR ALL..... NOW THEY WANT TO CHARGE US....F...U??	Lynda	retired
	2026-08-27 19:48:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-27 19:49:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are sick and tired of incompetency and theft being offset by tariff hikes. It needs to stop.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 20:03:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can't provide electricity. Now I have to pay tax because eskom can't provide electricity.	Jaco	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:05:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-08-27 20:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The country is unable to support it's current electricity needs. Citizens that have used their personal capital to help resolve this issue, should not be penalised. Having electricity at your home is also a safety aspect.	Brett	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:12:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Liza	
	2026-08-27 20:14:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:16:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have a right to try to save their hard earned money . This bill attempts to charge them whether they use conservatively or waste . Solar manufacturers need to come up with a system that works independently of municipal systems	L	retired
	2026-08-27 20:18:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brandon	
	2026-08-27 20:19:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What gives a government, if we may call it as such, the right to levy fees on the radiation of the sun? We have used our own after tax funds , to alleviate the burden on the overburdened electricity grid, freeing government to assist others to enjoy the advantages of access to the electricity supply. Would it not be better to check and correct unlawful connection, non-payment in some instances in whole neighborhoods, corruption intra Eskom , amongst others, and leave us to our own devices. What comes next, maybe taxing the air we breath, or the gravity of our planet , coaxing us down an (slippery?) slope?	David	retired
	2026-08-27 20:21:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	
	2026-08-27 20:28:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brandon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:34:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its simply outrageous that a corrupt and therefor failed electricity producer or those behind its failure would now have the audaicty to demand income from people who use the sun a God given free source of energy +their own capital to provide for themselves when Escom cannot or has not. IN SHARP CONTRADISTINCITION TO THIS ATTITUDE THE LOCAL AUTHORITY IN Melbourne Victoria Australia not only provided photo voltaic panels for households but also compensated them for for feeding back into the grid. Shame ont hte legislators for even thinking in this direction.Are we now in a mafiosa state deluxe or what?Hands off our property Hands off our rights to fend for ourselves and provide for ourselves when the authority of the day cannot and or will not	stuart	
	2026-08-27 20:41:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current situation at Eskom leaves ordinary consumers bearing the financial burden of systemic corruption, tenderpreneurship, and rampant looting. While billions of rands have been siphoned off through inflated contracts and fraudulent deals, the public faces relentless electricity tariff hikes and compromised service delivery. Consumers did not collapse the utility, yet they are forced to bail it out through their monthly electricity bills. It is deeply unjust that citizens are penalized with higher costs to cover the financial shortfalls caused by institutional mismanagement and criminal greed.	Sandra	employed individual

	2026-08-27 20:43:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First: SAVE ELECTRICITY Now: We will penalise those who save energy by generating their own. Double standards, and to top it all, the electricity price increase over the last decade is way more than inflation and salary increases. We have to save somewhere.	Eugene	
	2026-08-27 20:44:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have seen the ANC rape and pillage, lie and obfuscate, destroy, tarnish, bring SA to ill-repute, spit in the face of their benefactors, cause division and harm, enabled cronyism and protected the most devious crime lords. We pay our taxes to keep that slothful blight in our society well fed and sumptuously looked after. That putrid rot that is with them only stops when reject them and their policies	Oliver	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:46:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Billing people for your incompetence is unfair. Government should reward people thats forward thinking, helping to solve issues. This is just another way to try making money from the few people in this country that's financially keeping the country afloat. And then it's going into a bankrupt sistem that's not getting fixed.	Laurico	
	2026-08-27 20:50:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:53:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is time to stop punishing consumers for incompetence and lack of responsible leadership.We simply are being taxed to death and must foot the bill for everybody elses "mistakes".Stop this bullying and come up with sensible laws that will actually be fair and make sense.Consumers are at breaking point.	Lizia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:54:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I cannot believe that any of this needs to be said. I live in a municipality that is unable to keep the lights on - we have constant cable faults and substations literally catching fire and exploding. I run a medical practice and absolutely cannot run my business without consistent electricity supply. I was basically forced to install a solar system so that I can earn an income. I now need to be able to pay it off, which I will not be able to do if the municipality is allowed to then charge me for a service they do not even provide! It is absolutely preposterous and totally criminal to penalise business owners for just trying to keep the lights on!	Dominique	
	2026-08-27 20:55:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government is trying everything ton shift their burden onto the public instead of cleaning up their act.	Brian	retired
	2026-08-27 21:04:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to invest massive capital in solar backups as a result of never ending loadshedding and the pandemic that necessitated us to be able to work from home. Now we're getting penalised for having to find ways to solve yet another government problem that should never have been ours to solve in the first place.	Corne	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:09:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am wholly against it, as government has made power too expensive, and now they want to tax further because of their mismanagement and failures, is absurd. Their whole agenda is designed to extract maximum money with no service delivery, accountability yet maximum money for doing nothing. This is the sand in the line, and crossing this will have unanticipated future repercussions for everyone involved. We already had this issue in 2026 where the council neglected maintenance, and there was no power for almost 2 weeks, and now we must pay extra cause they can not do basic maintenance. Rubbish.	Emil	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 21:10:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to put solar we are pensioners and the cost is to high for electricity. Due to loading alot of consumables were getting spoilt.	DHANASEGREE	retired
	2026-08-27 21:19:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a resident in the Garden Route, we pay a fixed fee for having electricity at our erf. This more than makes up for the contribution towards maintenance etc. As a homeowner who had to install solar due to the failing electricity grid, I would be extremely angry with the Eskom system if we were to now be penalised by having solar on our roofs! We should actually be getting a thank you in the form of a rebate every month for contributing towards helping keep the electricity flowing by now consuming lots of power. It is an extremely expensive undertaking to install a solar system. No rebates were given when we were forced to install. So no, i do not support your idea of charging me and the rest of us for generating our own "free" electricity. If you were to go the route of penalising us, then I would want the option of disconnecting my electrical input totally (thereby removing the fixed monthly fee), and living off grid.	Simon	self-employed
	2026-08-27 21:19:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am concerned about wholesale Market and price manipulation and even more corruption with this potential ploy. We are already paying so much, why this extra level of fleecing the paying citizens? This was s soooo wrong!	Leigh	
	2026-08-27 21:24:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Subject: Objection to Additional Charges Imposed on Households That Have Invested in Private Solar Power Systems We, the undersigned electricity consumers and owners of private solar power systems, respectfully submit this petition to express our concern and objection to charges that effectively require solar users to pay additional fees because they have reduced the amount of electricity they purchase from the grid. Many South Africans invested in solar systems using their own personal funds, without financial assistance from Eskom. We purchased solar panels, inverters, batteries, installation services, electrical protection equipment, and ongoing maintenance at considerable personal expense. We made these investments primarily to secure a more reliable electricity supply, protect our homes and businesses from interruptions, and reduce our dependence on the national electricity grid. We therefore believe that consumers who have invested their own money in alternative energy should not be unfairly financially penalised simply because they now purchase less electricity from Eskom. We fully recognise that Eskom and electricity distributors have legitimate costs associated with maintaining the national grid and providing electricity when customers require it. We also understand the importance of ensuring that solar installations connected to the electricity network comply with appropriate technical and safety requirements. However, any charges imposed on solar customers should be fair, transparent, reasonable and directly related to the actual services provided. Solar ownership itself should not become a reason for imposing an unfair financial burden. A household that has spent substantial personal funds installing solar has already contributed toward reducing its demand on the electricity system. Solar users can help reduce pressure on the national grid, particularly during periods of high electricity demand. We therefore respectfully request that Eskom and the relevant authorities: Clearly explain the purpose and calculation of any additional fixed, network or solar-related charges imposed on customers with solar installations. Ensure that customers are not financially penalised merely for generating and consuming their own electricity. Distinguish fairly between customers who remain dependent on the grid and customers who have substantially reduced their grid consumption through private investment. Consider the benefits that residential solar installations provide to the electricity system, including reduced demand on the national grid. Introduce fair incentives or compensation mechanisms where customers are permitted to export surplus electricity to the grid. Conduct meaningful public consultation with homeowners, solar installers, businesses and other affected consumers before implementing charges that materially affect solar users. Ensure that registration, compliance and safety requirements for residential solar systems are reasonable and are not used simply as another source of revenue. Our Position We are prepared to pay fairly for services that we actually receive from the electricity network. However, we do not believe that South Africans should be punished financially for investing their own money in alternative energy and reducing their dependence on Eskom. We invested in solar because we wanted energy security and because we were prepared to carry the financial responsibility ourselves. If South Africa wishes to encourage investment in renewable energy, households that invest their own money in solar should be encouraged rather than discouraged through additional financial penalties. We therefore respectfully call upon Eskom, municipalities, NERSA and other relevant authorities to review the treatment of residential solar customers and establish a system that is transparent, reasonable and fair to all electricity consumers. Our request is simple: Do not penalise consumers for producing and using electricity that they have generated through equipment purchased and maintained with their own money. Charge us fairly for the grid services we actually use, and recognise the contribution that private solar investment makes to South Africa's electricity system.	Christopher	retired
	2026-08-27 21:46:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It cost me most of my savings to have renewable energy installed during the period of ongoing load shedding and unreliable Eskom power supply while my children had online exams and assessments to complete. I still have not recovered a fraction of that cost for Eskom's failure to provide us citizens with reliable power. Hence, this additional loading that this paper purposes will sink me financially.	Manny	
	2026-08-27 21:51:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Enrico	retired
	2026-08-27 21:57:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Samantha	self-employed
	2026-08-27 21:58:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helena	retired
	2026-08-27 22:01:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For far to long incompetent people are put into municipal positions that then mis manage the funds by payung them selfs massive salaries while doing nothing, not even paying Eskom what it is owed. Its fair to demand clean municipal audits before ever concidering any aditional taxes. People did not install solar beacuse it was cheap or convinent, they had no choice! Now beacuse you took that extra burden on your self now the ANC wants to punich you for that, beacuse they are loosing too much money, to pay Eskom CEO's an 11 million Rand bonus... Same old story, they distroy everthing they touch you find a way and then want to punich you for surviving ... The ANC mayor of our town was taken to court becuse of total mismanagment they lost the case and every appeal and now she simple refuses to leave office... and nothing happens. What was the point? The next step is going completely off grid.	Jacobus Gideon	
	2026-08-27 22:02:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	I will not support nor pay for any aspect related to additional charges for solar generated power installed and paid for in a personal capacity, connected or not connected to the grid. That concludes the conversation.	Raymond	employed individual
	2026-08-27 22:02:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are so many levels that this is wrong, that it can be abused and continue to financially rape homeowners who have simply protected themselves as a result of the ongoing incompetence and failure of Eskom and other Government failures as well as municipal failures that continue to wreak havoc in people's lives. This simply opens up more opportunities for corruption and abuse of power. There are no levels where the government or municipalities can be trusted to look after the law abiding citizens. Homeowners who invested in solar succeeded in reducing the demand and assisted the government to recover from the unbelievable load shedding crisis that the country was exposed to due, again, to incompetence and corruption. The proposed rates are simply not acceptable. Other reasonable and better managed solutions where there is TRUE accountability need to be implemented. Until this accountability is in place the changes are abusive. NERSA must place and communicate strict and fair statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalizing private renewable investments. As residents we Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. With an "Open book" and undefined parameters homeowners are fully exposed to absolute abuse and bullying along with risk of extreme billings. The Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA need to establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. This is a huge impact on revenue and puts regular consumers at risk. Municipal electricity distribution entities must ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. A transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs has to be implemented. This is simply the start of the objection.	Michael	business owner
	2026-08-27 22:23:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 22:30:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 22:41:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay extremely high income tax as South Africans. It is unacceptable that Government wants to squeeze us even more financially in this way. The whole reason I've been planning to instal solar when I can afford to buy a house is because of Government's failure to provide consistent electricity and its high electricity tariffs. Polluting industries must pay if anyone must be targeted to help Government financially in this sector.	Inge	employed individual
	2026-08-27 23:10:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	You are making the country pay for your inefficiency, and when the country finds a solution, you try to tax that away. It is not acceptable.	Reinier	business owner

	2026-08-27 23:20:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	At the height of the electricity supply crisis ESKOM pleaded with the public to install solar energy systems to avert a crisis. They went so far as to subsidise the installation of solar systems. Fast forward a few years and they now want to penalise the very solar systems they begged for and subsidised. Any form of levy/tax on solar installations is tantamount to extortion and is immoral.	Gerald	self-employed
	2026-08-27 23:23:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Governments is the freeloader.	Billy	business owner
	2026-08-27 23:24:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Christo	business owner
	2026-08-27 23:27:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Thanks to people and business moving to solar it has reduced the demand for power from the grid. This was something they did not want to do but HAD to do to survive a failed government organization. We may no longer have load shedding but the poorly run city power, in Johannesburg. The illegal connections, the none existant upgrades of infustructure in cities and suburbs. And the influx of people to urban areas is still a risk to the power grid. service delivery from city power leaves households without power for days sometimes weeks. What other option is there but to have solar. It is not a luxury item it is an essential item for survival. If anything eskom should be subsidizing the investment businesses and residents are making to alleviate the pressure on the grid. Why not target the illegally connected houses and businesses make harsher punishment for people stealing electricity and improve the supply of power that guarantees uninterrupted electricity so people will no longer need to rely on solar. STOP PUNISHING THE PEOPLE TRYING TO SURVIVE LEGALLY AND START BRINGING THE PEOPLE BREAKING THE LAWS TO BOOK.	Caron	
	2026-08-27 23:28:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-08-27 23:52:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bonita	
	2026-08-27 23:52:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rudolf	business owner
	2026-08-28 00:07:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lenard	
	2026-08-28 00:54:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The State has failed to provide the citizens with a reliable source of power hence the citizens have to incur additional costs to provide same. This is sheer audacity of the State to again steal from the public.	Gaithree	retired
	2026-08-28 01:54:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hands off our hard earned money!! Electricity prices are already soooo exorbitant that the only way to survive and try to save money is to be VERY CONSERVATIVE with electricity use. NOT every household that uses very little kWH does it through investing in very expensive, widely unaffordable solor power, but through pure personal sacrifice! And now, the government wants to penalize the citizens even for their frugality!! Enough is enough!! It is because of the government's irresponsible & corrupt running of the SOE Eskom utility (among others) that has caused its population such hardships like Loadshedding (imposing mandatory frugality), massively unaffordable inflation and the need to cut expenses to the bone in the first place. DO NOT turn around and 'steal' that money anyway, which we try desperately to save, greedily through your legislative powers just because you can! STOP!!!!! Furthermore, you should be thanking any customer who had the ability and means to install solar, or any alternative means of power generation off the Eskom grid, because it was in great part thanks to them that this government's extensive years of Loadshedding faired as well as it did, via reduced strain and drain from them. They can also be feeding excess unused power back into the national grid for a much lower cost, for which Eskom would not even be incurring any operational nor maintenance expenses. You should be encouraging them, utilizing the mutual benefits (that will help us all) and developing a relationship for this opportunity, NOT penalizing, alienating, and potentially even chasing them off the grid thereby losing out on ALL/ANY contributions of any type that they may make. Everyone loses!	KL	retired
	2026-08-28 02:36:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the Department of Electricity and Energy's SAWEM roadmap. Replacing the volumetric consumption model with mandatory fixed grid charges penalises private capital, subsidises municipal inefficiency, and introduces severe market distortions. Core Objections: Destruction of Private Capital: Mandatory fixed connection fees act as a retroactive tax on residential solar investors. Citizens deployed personal capital to stabilise the national grid during chronic load-shedding; penalising this under the guise of "anti-free-riding" destroys our return on investment. The "Captive Ratepayer" Trap: Allowing industrial users to bypass municipal grids while trapping residential users creates an inequitable two-tier market. Households must not be forced to absorb the revenue deficits of mismanaged municipal grids as large corporates exit the revenue pool. Illusory Competition: Unbundling grid delivery from retail introduces administrative bloat and overlapping fees. With Eskom retaining its generation monopoly, this structure merely introduces middleman trading speculation and exposes retail consumers to price volatility. Required Action: Retain a Flat Volumetric Tariff The proposed fixed-charge framework must be abandoned. Tariffs must remain flat and purely volumetric—users should pay strictly for the electricity they draw from the grid. Private citizens will not underwrite municipal revenue shortfalls or Eskom's legacy debt through punitive fixed charges that render private renewable investments financially unviable.	Zavone	retired
	2026-08-28 02:40:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having gone through critical load shedding with a utility that was riddled with corruption and that now needs to recoup the losses sustained from state capture this plan is simply another money grab from those who saved Eskom. Those of us who bought and installed solar systems allowed the corrupt state entity to regain its feet and provide electricity to those who were not able to afford to install solar systems but who still needed electricity. To now retroactively plan to load massive charges onto solar customers is a slap in the face to those of us who actually rescued Eskom. We all still pay for electricity because we are not allowed within cities to remove ourselves from the grid and we all pay the increased line charges. If you wish to make these charges then you need to offer an incentive for all solar customers to feed back their excessive production to the national grid. Taxing us for being innovative and using a free resource smacks of government overreach and a way to pull in monies to fund pet projects and allow further corruption in the system. A person who is only attached to the grid is in fact being subsidized by those of us using solar and wind power because we reduce the load on the grid. If every solar system and wind system was today shut down the Eskom grid would again grind to a halt and load shedding would return with a vengeance.	Christopher	retired
	2026-08-28 02:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to government's complete incompetence, we were compelled to spend hard-earned money to keep the lights on for an aging sick parent. Obviously, this extra cost included tax. Now the government wants to "tax" us even further for their continued incompetence. This is oppressive, financially unsustainable and totally unacceptable!	Lynne	retired
	2026-08-28 02:57:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day we already pay double rates with zero services - no water even though we have availability charges, we have not used water for 7 years only rain water, and when we tried to use municipal the meter ran backwards, called the municipality they checked came back to me and said another team will have to come out and they never did. We have no sewerage removal as we have septic tanks, no street lights, no garbage removal we have to take our own as we are agricultural. Small part of our property is a workshop and needs electricity to operate otherwise we loose money if we cannot test machines etc. This is a rediculous proposal, we are off grid and pay double our rates so their is no need for more penalties at all.	Raymond	business owner
	2026-08-28 03:52:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	
	2026-08-28 04:35:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ROXANNE	employed individual
	2026-08-28 04:35:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nirinda	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:06:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joseph	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must pay attention to detail.their negligence,errors,criminal act of greediness,poor communication ,poor admin,poor budget,unprofessional greedy technicians has caused enough chaos.they must fix their mess first.	Anna	retired
	2026-08-28 05:18:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our Government/ municipalities has run the previous working electricity structures into the ground by not maintaining infrastructure, building new power stations without corrupt individuals "caders" getting the tenders. This has caused the prices to escalate out of control. "Escom" has also one of the best paid working forces in the world and is bloated to the max. We as individuals cannot afford this runnaway gravy train any more and this misuse of the people must stop.	Bertus	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 05:22:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louitha	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:38:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sara	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:41:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So my any individuals and businesses have spent considerable amounts of money in installing solar energy and have protected South Africa from energy crisis and now the government wants to penalize those very people by imposing tariffs to raise funds to maintain an income for Eskom. They created the problem originally and now still expect people who have protected themselves and their power supply to still pay. It will create even more long term problems. People who have been able to afford solar power will find the finances to install equipment to allow them to go totally off the grid thus exacerbating the problem. Eskom will still be left with those who cannot afford to pay and the thieves. And with even less income.	Pamela	retired
	2026-08-28 05:48:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is pathetic that you grasp at straws to recover costs incurred by either crime, corruption and or incompetence. You are becoming outdated as the postal service, the SABC, etc and you cannot adapt to the changing competitive world. If one installs solar, I bet you my bottom dollar that I am contributing positively to the economy and that means I have paid for electricity all these years apart from my solar backup. However when you cannot quantify what is stolen from you by illegal connections and incompetent non-paying municipalities then do not try to recover this from legal citizens contributing to the economy. This country will burn if you attempt this, trust me.	Fernando de Sousa	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:51:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 05:54:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Us the people dug deep into our own pockets when Eskom was a mess. Therefore taking some off heavy duty reliance and a risk that Eskom was collapsing. We made a plan! So no way should we now be penalized . More corruption incoming .	Vanedsa	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:00:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:00:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Glenn -Douglas	
	2026-08-28 06:00:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:03:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising Rate Payers on services where the costs are already heavy. Stop trying to implement Sun tax. Rate payers who invest their own money on Solar, should not be taxed - rather, the State should pay them fairly and buy their excess solar energy. Many Pensioners took loans to invest in Solar because of high tariff rates and the Municipal's inefficiency to assist with these high tariffs and lack of essential electricity. Energy from the Sun is a free gift from God - how can the State charge people for it? Next, we will be taxed on using Oxygen to breath! Stop stealing from your South African people and rather help them to live easier - thats what your people's rates and taxes are paying you for! Recover your costs from those who are stealing your money not innocent rates and tax payers!	Sharon	
	2026-08-28 06:06:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA must encourage the move away from fossil fuels - any penalties for the use of renewable energy must be outlawed. Eskom should be incentivising solar and allowing consumers to feedback to the grid like other power producers around the world. Solar power that is fed back to the grid could help low income households reduce their electricity costs.	Mike	retired
	2026-08-28 06:08:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	
	2026-08-28 06:08:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melinda	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:11:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	employed individual

	2026-08-28 06:14:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unbelievable to think that Eskom and the State continue to not understand that the collapse of Eskom is one of the main reasons for a broken economy. If it wasn't for individuals and the private sector taking the initiative at great expense to install solar power the country would still be floundering in a quagmire of load shedding. It is time to end the Eskom monopoly and encourage foreign direct investment in South Africa by making it easier, and not harder, to do business in SA and create much needed jobs that the current government has proven itself incapable of doing so.	angus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:14:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudette	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:14:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:14:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can one charge for sun? It is God's gift.	Martin	retired
	2026-08-28 06:19:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Paul	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:23:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:25:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:27:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the in-ability of ESCOM to fulfil their mandate (while being a monopoly) of providing uninterrupted electricity to South African households, small & large businesses, many companies closed down with huge job losses. Households was particularly hard hit as they did not always had the means to caters for hours of being without electricity. Due to incompetence / corruption, electricity prices were yearly increased with absurd percentages, totally out line of the governments own inflation indicators. It was so bad that the government begged ordinary households to install roof-top solar system to help ease load shedding, offering tax break incentives to help ordinary households install rooftop solar systems at great cost! Now they want to punish us ordinary household citizens because we helped stopped load shedding (at huge personal financial cost) and buy less electricity due their inability to provide a reliability electricity supply. The net result will be that more people, the ones that actually pay for their electricity usage, will get totally off the grid.	Heinrich	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:29:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should I put my language down? Waste of time, I still receive this in another language? Don't mind, just saying!	Salome	retired
	2026-08-28 06:29:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:29:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:32:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Toby	retired
	2026-08-28 06:34:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC Govt have cocked up once again—- Eskom fail to deliver a proper service, at reasonable prices, and then want to penalise consumers who seek a more reliable and cheaper method, in order to pay for their mistakes. Solution — abandon the grid entirely, This was bound to happen!	Philip	retired
	2026-08-28 06:35:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		George	retired
	2026-08-28 06:37:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-08-28 06:38:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:38:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:39:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilke	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:42:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retiree, I made the decision to install solar not only to ensure uninterrupted power supply for my own safety and comfort, but also to reduce reliance on the overloaded and aging infrastructure of both Eskom and the City of Tshwane. It is deeply troubling that citizens who take proactive steps to alleviate the burden on the grid are met with punitive measures rather than recognition. By investing our own resources into sustainable energy solutions, we are contributing to the resilience of the broader system. Instead of being penalized, individuals who adopt solar should be rewarded and incentivized for their foresight and contribution to energy stability. Globally, many governments encourage renewable energy adoption through rebates, tax incentives, and fair compensation for feeding excess power back into the grid. South Africa's energy challenges make it even more critical to embrace such measures. Treating solar adopters as partners rather than adversaries would foster a more resilient, decentralized energy system that benefits all. I urge the Department of Electricity, Eskom and the City of Tshwane to reconsider its approach and implement policies that reward, rather than punish, those who invest in rooftop solar. This is not only a matter of fairness, but also of sound energy policy.	Leon	retired
	2026-08-28 06:43:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Santie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:44:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed my 5kW Grid Tie system in 2018 and am still unable to make use of the excess power I could generate. Also, if there is a power failure my system does not work as it does not have batteries. On a good day I may get between 30 and 50% power from solar.	John	retired
	2026-08-28 06:45:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Egene	retired
	2026-08-28 06:45:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duncan	retired
	2026-08-28 06:46:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaunaye	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:48:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No tariff should be charged as the suns energy is free. Private sector paid out of their own pocket for solar panels and it has nothing to do with Eskom. Eskom is billing is us for mistakes they made. Solar panels are already very very expensive and adding extra fees to that will put a heavy burden on ALL income levels. The low income levels are the reason why electricity bills are not being paid and everyone else in the country has to pay the price ALL the time. Is the aim here to make middle class income,low income as well? Cause with all these fees that is where everyone is heading in a country that is operating on nothing already.	Nicole	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:50:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer is made to pay for a crisis that government created. It cannot be that citizens must be charged for alternatives. We've already paid for these installations and lost so much more due to loadshedding.	Boitumelo	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:51:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object that people who have taken steps to convert sun energy into electricity - which is a gift from God - be penalized with a tax from a government who has let these same people down because the government has not responsibly taken care of its duty in providing electricity as it should. I had no other option to go over to solar because the local municipality can not supply a reliable electricity system. Every time there is a little wind or rain there is NO POWER. During winter time we use electrical blankets to keep warm, but the municipality will not do repairs during night time. My fridge and deepfreeze are thus also off and I had to throw a lot of food away	Jan	retired
	2026-08-28 06:52:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzanne	retired
	2026-08-28 06:53:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-28 06:53:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom left the consumers in the dark Eskom beg the consumers not to consume too much power Eskom begged the consumer not to over utilize the power grid Government asked the Eskom consumers to assist Eskom and requested the consumers to purchase solar to reduce the load on the power grid Eskom assisted the consumers to put in solar geysers and now we are getting punished for assisting Eskom and the municipalities by reducing the demand on the electricity grid	Phillip	retired
	2026-08-28 06:54:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why pay for something the useless government should supply for free? We urgently need a change of government that can manage their responsibilities correctly.	Cornelius	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:56:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again citizens must bear costs of gross incompetence of a State Owned Enterprise..Punishment for having laid out Capital due to looting by corrupt officials. In any event the Sun is GodGiven for all life on earth.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 07:08:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When there was an electricity shortage in the country, the government and Eskom pleaded for people to help the grid by putting on solar system that would make the household lesser of a burden on the grid. This cost a fortune on private individuals and now that Eskom has sorted itself out, the gratitude the government now gives to those that helped is to charge an arm and a leg for just the connection. If this happens I WILL go off grid and they can disconnect the electricity feed for sure.	C	retired
	2026-08-28 07:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sughen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole Eskom and electricity mess is another of 32 years of ANC disasters, corruption, criminal cadres and mafias and now they want to extort more money from us, no to all of this, enough is enough, time for the ANC and all their criminal cohorts retards to go to hell !!!!	Brad	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:12:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Milissa	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:13:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner. I conserve electricity to save money. More than than I'm frugal using electricity, so my impact on the grid is minimal. Each time I turn off a light, the City of Cape Town charges me one rand. In other words they're charging me whether I use electricity or not. And that fixed cost keeps rising. This is not a solar panel loophole I'm referring to, as I don't have solar, and rely on the grid. Surely the right way to do this is to charge for the electricity you actually use. It needs to be a system that's fair on the user triggered by consumption.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-28 07:13:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	retired
	2026-08-28 07:14:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers should not be penalised for taking private initiative to solve problems caused by the government's incompetence.	Charl	retired

	2026-08-28 07:19:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Jaco	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:20:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposed tax on solar is pure gouging by government. They have not paid a cent towards the solar panels and already have control in municipalities as to which companies are able to serve the population. It has been proved that this government is unable to supply reliable energy and have forced people to move to solar for survival, now they want to tax sunlight!	Margot	
	2026-08-28 07:21:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC Government should stop wasting our TAX money on things that are not important. Stop corruption and fix ESKOM. Allow feedback to the grid from houses that have Solar-powered and also reduce the RATES AND TAXES. Thank you	Gary	retired
	2026-08-28 07:23:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-28 07:23:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is Absolutely Absurd. It's a typical Communist decission. You cannot force people to pay for Escoms shortfall. Escom is bankrupt due to theft & Sky high SALARIES that is NOT relative to positions held. The public CANNOT support the bankrupt Escom. STOP THE GREED FOR MONEY & START BUILDING A PROFITABLE ESCOM.	Hermann	retired
	2026-08-28 07:24:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to put in solar due to the continuous power cuts. Now people have moved off they should not be allowed to penalise solar users to make up their loss of revenue. A small charge could be levied as now for electricity used on the grid but this should stay as per now for the amount of useage	Michael	retired
	2026-08-28 07:24:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		lennys	retired
	2026-08-28 07:24:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Greg	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:26:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government keeps on penalizing the loyal citizen to pay for its self-inflicted chaos, mismangement of funds, corruption, and the list goes on and on... We say no! We pay enough taxes already. And in some municipalities, people are already paying a Basic Fee for Electricity, a Basic Fee for Water, a Basic Fee for other services, etc. with absolutely no delivery of these services, nor any proper maintenace, etc. This is getting totally ridiculous and out of control.	Jaco	
	2026-08-28 07:27:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:28:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-08-28 07:28:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charges must remain on usage, and not linked to any other cost structure.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 07:30:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the proposed South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) policy framework, specifically the introduction of mandatory fixed grid charges on rooftop solar users and the creation of "captive ratepayers." Rejection of "Anti-Free-Riding" Charges: Citizens invested private capital in solar out of necessity to survive state failure, corruption, and chronic load-shedding. Penalizing self-generation through unavoidable fixed connection fees shifts the cost of historical state failure onto resilient households. Protection of Captive Consumers: Allowing large industrial users to bypass distribution grids while locking residential households into paying high fixed tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits is discriminatory and economically unjust. Violation of International Legal Standards: Imposing punitive fixed fees on basic energy access breaches the principle of non-retrogression under the UN Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR, Article 11). Furthermore, under established international law (ex injuria jus non oritur), the state cannot legally profit from or penalize citizens for mitigating a crisis caused by the state's own governance defaults. I demand the removal of mandatory fixed network charges for self-generators and the full protection of residential ratepayers from municipal cross-subsidy shortfalls.	Omesh	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:33:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop making the consumer the bad guy, and recouping losses from them. You, the government of ZA are responsible for this mess, as you have not done your job in any way shape or form.	Wouter	
	2026-08-28 07:36:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I wish to submit my comments regarding the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. I understand that the electricity grid requires ongoing maintenance, upgrades, and investment. However, I am concerned that the proposed fixed network and capacity charges unfairly penalise households that have invested their own money in rooftop solar and battery systems. Many South Africans were forced to make significant financial sacrifices to install solar solutions because of years of load shedding, unreliable electricity supply, and escalating electricity costs. These households acted responsibly, using their own savings to secure a reliable electricity supply while reducing pressure on the national grid. The position paper refers to solar users as potential "free riders". I respectfully disagree with this characterisation. A free rider is someone who benefits from a system without contributing towards it. Solar users are not free riders. They remain connected to the grid, continue purchasing electricity when required, and pay for every unit of electricity they consume. In addition, many have invested substantial personal funds into infrastructure that reduces demand on the national electricity network. Solar households already contribute towards infrastructure and maintenance costs through the electricity tariffs they pay whenever they draw power from the grid. The only difference is that they consume less electricity because they have invested in generating some of their own power. Using less electricity is not the same as avoiding payment. If infrastructure costs are already included in electricity tariffs, then solar users are already contributing their fair share whenever they purchase electricity. Imposing additional fixed charges on these consumers simply because they consume less electricity effectively creates a penalty for reducing demand and improving energy efficiency. In my view, this resembles a tax on being connected to the grid rather than a charge based on actual usage. Consumers are effectively required to pay regardless of how little electricity they use. The principle appears unfair because households using less of the service are expected to contribute more than their actual usage would justify. Furthermore, every unit of electricity generated by a rooftop solar system is a unit that Eskom or a municipality does not have to generate, transmit, and distribute. During years of electricity shortages and load shedding, private solar installations helped reduce pressure on the national grid at no cost to government or taxpayers. These households became part of the solution to South Africa's energy crisis and should not now be financially disadvantaged for their efforts. The proposal also changes the financial assumptions under which many consumers invested in solar. Homeowners made long-term investments based on the expectation that reducing their grid consumption would reduce their electricity costs. Introducing significant fixed charges after these investments have already been made undermines investor confidence and creates uncertainty for future energy investments. South Africa should be encouraging renewable energy adoption, energy efficiency, and reduced demand on the electricity system. Instead, this proposal risks discouraging future investment in rooftop solar and battery storage by reducing the financial benefits of responsible energy choices. Municipal financial challenges should not be resolved by targeting a specific category of consumers who took private action to reduce pressure on the electricity network. If municipalities face infrastructure funding challenges, those issues should be addressed transparently and equitably across the entire customer base, not by imposing additional burdens on households that consume less electricity. The proposal risks creating a situation where consumers are effectively punished for using less electricity while higher-consumption users continue paying primarily according to usage. This does not appear equitable, reasonable, or consistent with the goals of encouraging renewable energy and responsible electricity consumption. I therefore oppose the introduction of excessive mandatory fixed charges for grid-connected households and request that government carefully consider the financial impact on South Africans who have taken personal responsibility for securing their own electricity supply while continuing to contribute towards the electricity network through their ongoing electricity purchases.	Yolandie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:36:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The biggest problem we are facing is state control. We as consumers and tax payers have to carry all the burden of state failure. I am retired and paid heavily during the power blackouts , constant replacement of back up batteries, no wifi, no security, etc, all due to no fault of mine. I was forced to install solar at a high cost to ensure my own safety. Now the state want to burden us even more. We cannot afford it anymore, we are over taxed. There should be NO monopoly to supply basic services. Towns and/or areas should have their own power stations and state control should be limited to a minimum.	Joni	retired
	2026-08-28 07:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:40:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should people have to pay for Eskom's inability to provide electricity on a regular basis in the past. They should have been doing the necessary upgrades and maintenance then, but due to corruption and mismanagement, they now want us to fund their mistakes. (So they can mismanage the funds again)	Ethel Isobel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:40:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just because the government cant plan, govern and manage infrastructure i have to dock up for the shortfall? Unreadonable	Bertus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:40:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Courtney	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:41:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the state stole our moneyi provided for myself by installing solar to be self sustainable. Now that the State see we don't need them they want to steel what God gave us for ir free and we apply to survive.	Pav	
	2026-08-28 07:41:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Savannah	
	2026-08-28 07:41:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	
	2026-08-28 07:42:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is a classic case of "flogging the dead horse". A failed institution should go to it's grave. If a true democracy existed, with a willing buyer/willing seller principal, there would be no need for legislative intervention. However, the seller does not supply a service and then relies on a government watchdog to impose undue taxation for its failures. Truly, if a customer doesn't pay, why would continue supplying? Similarly, if a supplier doesn't supply, why would you pay for a service not received? Until that status quo is corrected, no adherence should be entertained by the public.	Graeme	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 07:45:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All the government are able to do is steal all the resources	Andre	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:47:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	You can't have your cake and eat it. Do your job!	Debbie	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:49:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 07:49:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Why must we pay tax on something that Eskom and the anc broke in the first place?	Paul	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:53:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fascist regulations and fixed charges already introduced surreptitiously with fixed Pre use charges for water and sanitation as well as electricity.Rates skyrocketing. People must realise immediately that our civil liberties are being eroded.	Logan	retired
	2026-08-28 07:53:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP STEALING THEN THEIR WILL BE ENOUGH MONEY TO COVER ALL EXSPENSES	Rudy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:54:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The City of Johannesburg is bankrupt. This municipality steals from its ratepayers and does not pay its supplier, Eskom and now it wants to steal some more. This Government of thieves must go, and the sooner the better. The sun is free for all. A tax because we do not use enough electricity, when there are power cuts and infrastructure collapse all the time, is another criminal scheme to steal. Enough! ANC GO!	Terri	self-employed

	2026-08-28 07:54:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:56:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Herman	retired
	2026-08-28 07:56:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom requested householders to reduce consumption. When this is done householders are penalised for doing what they asked for.	Mike	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:56:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ridiculous that those who privately invested in helping Eskom (to reduce the demand) may then be actively penalized for doing so ..... Warped and wicked reasoning from Eskom for sure !!!	Arnold	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:57:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelly	
	2026-08-28 07:58:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tina	
	2026-08-28 07:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Objection to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its current form. I accept that South Africa's electricity sector needs reform, greater investment, reliable generation and stronger competition. However, this proposal asks ordinary consumers to accept major structural changes before the protections, safeguards and cost consequences have been properly defined. My first concern is the proposed shift in how network costs are recovered. The paper expressly states that, as fixed system costs increase, fixed charges will matter more, under a principle of discouraging "free riding." This risks unfairly penalising households and small businesses that have used their own money to install solar, batteries or energy-efficient equipment. Many people made these investments because the public electricity system could not provide reliable supply. They should not now face a pricing structure that substantially weakens the savings from using less grid electricity. Any fixed network charge should be demonstrably cost-reflective, independently assessed, transparent and strictly limited so that it does not become a penalty on self-generation or conservation. I am also strongly opposed to a market structure that gives larger customers meaningful choice while ordinary households remain "captive" customers. During the transition, qualifying users may purchase through the wholesale market or traders, while small residential customers remain tied to their existing distributor's retail arm under regulated tariffs. This creates an obvious risk of a two-tier electricity system. If large, profitable customers migrate to alternative suppliers, municipalities could lose important electricity revenue while households are left carrying a greater proportion of network and legacy costs. The paper itself acknowledges that some municipal distributors may not satisfy the prudential requirements needed to participate in the new wholesale market, yet the mechanism for dealing with these non-qualifying distributors is still to be developed. That is a major unresolved issue, not a minor implementation detail. South Africa should not introduce a complex new market before there is a credible solution for municipal financial instability, electricity debt, network maintenance and protection of paying residents. I am further concerned about market concentration and governance. Eskom Generation will remain a dominant producer during the transition, and the paper acknowledges that further regulation may be necessary to limit its ability to exercise market power. At the same time, the NTCSA is envisaged as performing several crucial functions, including transmission network services, system operation, market operation and central purchasing functions. The necessary safeguards against market manipulation, conflicts of interest and discriminatory grid access should be fully designed and legally enforceable before the market is launched, not developed afterwards. Too many important matters are deferred to future market codes, eligibility rules, regulatory frameworks and implementation mechanisms. These details will determine who benefits, who carries the risks and what consumers ultimately pay. For these reasons, I reject the Position Paper in its current form. I request that the Department first produce a detailed consumer-impact assessment, a municipal financial transition plan, binding protections for captive customers, transparent limits on fixed network charges, stronger independence and governance safeguards, and a clear pathway toward genuine retail choice for households and small businesses. Reform is necessary, but it must not transfer disproportionate cost and risk to ordinary South Africans.	Jean-Pierre	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:01:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janette	
	2026-08-28 08:01:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rigo	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:05:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At the height of loadshedding, the result of corruption; neglect and incompetence, I spent hard earned money from my taxed savings to install a solar system. The imposition of punitive measures to reimburse Eskom for their inadequacies does not support the accountability we South Africans demand. It is extortion.	Xander	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:07:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will make cost of living unaffordable to the many who have invested a lot of personal savings into Solar to afford electricity, and get charged for God's free gift of power. Eskom spent NO money putting our solar and batteries into place so we can have basic power for our living needs.	Colleen	retired
	2026-08-28 08:09:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-08-28 08:14:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The government failed the country. They should stop to milk those that are still using whatever power they have to offer. Otherwise I am going completely off the grid and then they have zero income from me.	Danie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:14:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	
	2026-08-28 08:15:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If we go with simple trade rules, when you use a company for a service and you are not happy with the service they provide, what are your rights. The simple rule is that you find another company to provide good efficient service, if there is no company you can rely on then you fix the problem your self. I find Eskom's tariffs absolutely absurd, they are not tariffs that make sense, they have no bearing on your electrical supply nor is maintenance ever done on the lines. When your service charges, network capacity, network demand, Ancillary service & generation charges come to R 4 917.97 and your electricity usage is R 1 542.42, this is a huge form of bullshit and corruption. These charges have no bearing or meaning nor can they be justified in any form or fashion for the delivery of power to your premises. Eskom is just another form of Gupta capture which is just doing everything possible to hold the people of SA captive, without any rights to do what they need to do to reduce these ridiculous costs to try and live and support themselves. The people of SA should be allowed to do on their property whatever the are required to do to reduce their cost of living and to survive. Sadly the DA who was the party who worked for the SA citizens is now following the same route, captivate and control the people as far as possible in every way possible. People of SA we need to stand up and fight this form of captivity and corruption.	Norman	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:15:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		olaf	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:17:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hermsnn	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:18:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharlene	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:18:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is insane. We buy with already taxed money solar to provide for something ESKOM can't. We use the sun that were given to all of us by God. The sun does not belong to ESKOM. Now they want to penalize us? Why not rather get the millions that steal electricity and water with illegal connections to pay, the there will be more than enough money for the municipality and they don't have to penalize us	Ann	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:19:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After receiving tax rebates for solar panels and an ESKOM subsidy for installing a solar geyser I find it unbelievable that the powers that be want to tax me on it. The reason for installing solar, which is way more expensive than Eskom power, was because of the inability of escom too supply reliable electricity. Privatise Eskom and get it back to a profitable organisation, stop wasting time with state owned enterprises and get investors.	Kobus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:19:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharlene	
	2026-08-28 08:22:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fix the municipalties debts to Eskom before thinking of making tax and rate payers responsible for the deficits of Eskom and municipalities	Suzanne	
	2026-08-28 08:23:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM can't even supply current demand and as a result consumers had to revert to self sufficiency. For years the system was not maintained resulting in people moving to solar at their cost. In the meantime ESKOM was paying massive bonuses to a top heavy structure. This proposal is another sign of a desperate government trying to increase revenue against a reducing tax base. idiots@work - EKSDOM!!	johan	retired
	2026-08-28 08:24:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The municipalities are being robbed daily with corruption and theft, now they want us to pay even more taxes they can steal. Secondly, we as taxpayers had to make alternative arrangements for electricity back up, due to their incompetence and not servicing the substations and power stations, plus they build Medupi etc with Billions of taxpayer monies, and it is still not working as it should - again due to corruption and theft. Now they have the audacity to charge us for obtaining sun for our back up systems, This is not acceptable, they should rather fire all the currupt staff and get people who can and want to do this job.	Tienie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:25:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heleen	
	2026-08-28 08:25:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't understand why there is a push for alternative energy options, "renewable" sources, a grid that is not reliable, being a citizen that goes through the effort to support the failing grid... yet when a home owner takes the initiative to create sustainability they are penalised! This drive to "green" energy... lowering emissions... is a smoke screen to tax and make more money... and where does all this carbon tax go? I unapologetically oppose this bill! Manage ESKOM like a business man, and not for your cronies... and you will do better. I once prayed with this politician in Pretoria at a youth event. And now your true colors show! You are a fake my man.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:26:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is too expensive	Steven	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:26:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pearl	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:29:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should be privatised, the sun and its power do not belong to any government, the Elites need to fall as all they actually do is fail. I will not pay any cost for having installed solar. Eskom gave discounts to people who installed solar because of their grid collapse. Why do they want to Rip us off again and again. This is not acceptable.	Heather	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 08:29:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the burden fall on household to cover maintennace cost which are only there because of bad governing on Eskom and the Goverments part. No other country in the world charges you a fee because you opt to turn to solar when the government could not give you electricity. Infact you get reductions because your feeding into the grid. There are enough taxes paid on evertthing in this country that could be tapped into instead. Bonuses and eleborate salaries can be looked at first.	Benita	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:30:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have lost massive amounts of money due to no service and as a result have needed for alternative solutions. Therefore, unless we the people, are going to be re-imbursed for all the losses - then they can take this morally wrong suggestion and get lost! I don't support corruption and extortion, no matter what form it takes! Enough is enough!	Rex	self-employed

	2026-08-28 08:30:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa should stop treating rooftop solar as a threat to Eskom and start treating it as what it is: a massive, privately funded distributed power-generation resource. Thousands of South Africans have invested their own money in solar panels, inverters and batteries. They have effectively financed generation capacity without Eskom having to build the infrastructure. When these systems produce more electricity than the household or business can immediately consume, that surplus should not be discouraged, penalised or effectively wasted. Eskom should buy it. But the model needs to be smarter than simply paying a flat rate for exported electricity. Create a transparent Distributed Energy Purchase Programme under which registered solar generators can sell surplus electricity to Eskom at rates that reflect the value of that electricity to the grid. Pay less when electricity is plentiful. Pay more when demand is high. And pay a significant premium when the grid is under severe pressure. This would create a powerful incentive for households and businesses to install batteries and make stored electricity available when Eskom needs it most. Imagine thousands of homes receiving a notification: “The grid is under pressure between 17:00 and 19:00. Export electricity now and receive a premium rate.” A battery in a suburban home suddenly becomes part of South Africa's electricity solution. Multiply that across tens or hundreds of thousands of homes and businesses, and Eskom has access to a vast virtual power station, distributed throughout the country and financed largely by private capital. This isn't simply about helping solar owners make money. It is about creating a commercial mechanism that benefits Eskom too. Eskom could obtain additional electricity without financing the construction of every generating asset itself. Locally generated electricity can reduce the need for electricity to travel long distances and can reduce network losses. Consumers remain Eskom customers and continue paying appropriate network and service charges, while being rewarded when they provide something the grid actually needs. Don't make South Africans choose between being Eskom customers and being Eskom's competitors. Give them a reason to be both customers and suppliers. Eskom already has mechanisms for exported generation and credits. The next step should be to make these mechanisms substantially more attractive, dynamic and responsive to the actual needs of the electricity system. The electricity crisis requires us to use every available megawatt. South Africans have already invested billions of rand in distributed generation. Instead of trying to protect Eskom from this investment, Eskom should harness it. Buy the surplus. Reward the batteries. Pay a premium when the grid needs power most. Turn millions of privately funded solar panels into a national distributed power station. That is not a threat to Eskom. It is an opportunity for Eskom—and for South Africa.	Cheryl	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:35:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hoe wil die regering eers 15% van ons koste vir sonkrag vir ons teruggee tydens die beurtkrag sessies en NOU KOM MET HIERDIE GEMORS! Dis nie ons as verbruiker se skuld dat ons elektriese sisteem uitmekaar geval het nie en DAAROM KAN ONS OOK NIE VAN VERWAG WORD om die verdere diefstal te subsidiër nie! Ons moes alreeds op groot kostes om die swak bestuur van Eskom en munisipaliteite teen te werk, baie geld uitlê! Basta met hierdie verdere verwikking! Dis die regering en Eskom se probleem, of moet ons eerder nog meer spandeer sodat ons glad nie van ESKOM en MUNISIPALITEITE afhanklik is nie??? Is dit wat u wil hê, want dis dan beter om liewer nog uitgawes aan te gaan en TOTAAL van ESKOM EN MUNISIPALITEITE af weg te kom eerder as om nog te betaal vir iets wat ons nie het nie!! GEE VIR ONS DAAI KEUSE EN ONS SAL DIT DOEN, alvorens ons nog ‘n keer gevang word!!!	JOHANN	retired
	2026-08-28 08:36:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Bruce	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:36:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another gvt. plan to punish those who seek to improve their lives not depending on an Eskom that has let them down for years. Another attempt to punish financially those who find ,at great expense to themselves, ways to live with services that a corrupt system denies them.	Hyman Phil	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:38:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The citizens of our country cannot be held to ransom because a sate-owned entity failed to provide the service it was mandated to provide	Sylvia	retired
	2026-08-28 08:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	retired
	2026-08-28 08:40:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rolly	retired
	2026-08-28 08:41:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's time to get people in power who have the best interests of the population at heart and not their own selfish interests.	Etienne	retired
	2026-08-28 08:41:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Some years ago when we were bombarded with Load Shedding, Eskom encouraged the public (their faithful customers) to generate their own power in order to assist Eskom with shortage of their product (due to poor management, theft, etc). The first ever it was heard that a supplier encourages their clients NOT TO BUY their product!! Now that the public adhered to the plea of their "trusted" supplier, these same faithful customers has to be punished to be "obedient"! This bill is only meant to punish the public more and more, and in future even MORE. Their is never enough for Eskom and Government for all their extravagant wasting of finances and enriching themselves with salaries, mostly paid to themselves and employees that do not even know what they're supposed to do, delivering extra ordinary POOR SERVICES.	Werda	retired
	2026-08-28 08:42:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have a rooftop installation with battery storage. All consumption during peak periods is from the battery and this assist the electricity infrastructure by not adding to the peak loading of the network. This is not free riding, it is contributing to a more stable network. It will be wrong to punish me and many others in the same position for assisting the network by reducing the peak loading. Mandatory fixed grid charges for rooftop solar consumers will not address the inherent structural problems of the Eskom. It will just add additional money to fuel inefficiencies and unrealistic high salaries.	Gideon	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:43:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:44:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed move towards the South African Wholesale Electricity Market if it results in households and small businesses carrying an increasing share of the cost through mandatory fixed grid charges and higher electricity tariffs. South Africans who have invested their own money in solar and battery systems should be encouraged to reduce their reliance on the grid, not penalised for doing so. Allowing large users to access cheaper private electricity while ordinary households remain tied to increasingly expensive municipal networks risks creating a two-tier system that unfairly burdens the average consumer. The priority should be affordable, reliable electricity, genuine competition and efficient management—not shifting the financial consequences of an inefficient system onto households and small businesses.	Daryl	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:44:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hanna	retired
	2026-08-28 08:47:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nico	
	2026-08-28 08:48:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harry	retired
	2026-08-28 08:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	On July 25, 2022 the President of our nation addressed citizens concerning the energy crisis, loadshedding and the implementation of an Energy Action Plan. In his address he urged households to find alternative energy sources to alleviate pressure on the grid, naming solar as an option. It is disingenuous to now want to implement a tax on people who responded to a plea from our Head of State. In addition, to label it as "free riding" is equally devious as we were asked to reduce pressure on the grid. The ESMTP paper deserves contempt for it's unashamed attempts to burden the already overstretched middle class in South Africa!	Paul	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:49:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garth	
	2026-08-28 08:54:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-08-28 08:56:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is currently approximately 8.3GW of roof top solar capacity installed in South Africa, which is the primary reason as to why there is not severe load shedding in the country. This has saved the country’s electrical network in two ways, it has added much needed electrical capacity onto the grid, secondly the consumers with batteries have shifted their peak energy consumption from early evenings to later at night, when energy consumption is not high. In short without private installations of solar energy the country would be in perpetual/severe load shedding. Eskom is hardly adding to future power generation capacity, and desperately needs private investment in energy to continue, especially with the planned decommissioning dates of many of the coal fired power stations on the near horizon. The government should therefore incentivise and not tax those who have taken the initiative to install solar systems.	Greg	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:56:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DC	
	2026-08-28 08:57:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:57:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this useless government could have produced electricity 24/7 we would not have this shit. Coruption is is the name of the game.	Graham	retired
	2026-08-28 08:58:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents pay enough taxes for services that municipalities do not provide. The maintenance costs of the grid should be managed through state taxes which are already excessive. Stop stealing our taxes and start using them for the purpose intended.	Meesha	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 08:58:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Taryn	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:00:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a homeowner I have spent a considerable amount on securing electricity for my house and thereby lightening the load on the grid. So has many others. It is really unfair and not right to punish us for helping with the problems, that was caused by the state. And about this, so called "fair amount" . It ís, in fact, perfectly fair to only pay for the electricity if you only use when it is night or overcast. What is nót fair is burdening those that can't do anything to escape (and thus help) with the problem that was created by the state, the same state that is supposed to work for the benefit of its citizens.	Charl	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:04:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason I installed a very expensive solar system was Eskom's inability to provide me with enough power to go about my daily routine. I could not afford to "go off the grid", so have enough power to provide essential services for a maximum of 6 hours. It is shocking to think that the people running our country failed to anticipate and address the power capacity issue and equipment failures before they became a problem. Now they want to punish me for looking after my own essential needs. It appears that the word "maintenance" does not exist in Eskom's vocabulary and certainly not in their budgets and forecasts and strategy. Do they have a strategy?	Shirley	retired
	2026-08-28 09:05:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janice	retired
	2026-08-28 09:06:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom provided a good reliable service all the time it wouldn't have been necessary for anyone to do it on their own.	Yvonne	retired
	2026-08-28 09:08:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	retired
	2026-08-28 09:08:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Domestic solar was installed to have uninterupted power for meduical purposes i.e. an oxygen concentrator required for a resident with Chronic Obstructive Pulmunary Disease (COPD). It was also installed to reduce the electricity usage frrrom the grid (be it only a minimal amount). If more use was made of "free" power after amortisation of initial cost of installation, surely the amount of generation required by the state would stabilise. It would be interesting to know how many government employees and appointees either live in state rented accommodation or their own homes that actually have solar installations.	June	
	2026-08-28 09:08:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolute daylight robbery. Citizens paid a fortune for solar as our government, due to bribery, corruption, stealing etc. couldn't provide our electricity needs. I would suggest Eskom concentrate on stopping illegal connections (mostly in townships) and not penalize those of us who both pay and protect ourselves from the ineptitude of our system.	Marilyn	retired
	2026-08-28 09:08:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	retired
	2026-08-28 09:11:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-08-28 09:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. Lets not forget, it's due to Eskom failings that private citizens are forced down this path! We were asked to shed load, now we are to be penalized for it?	Dayalan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:14:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	

	2026-08-28 09:16:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	retired
	2026-08-28 09:18:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is corrupt and broken, they have the monopoly on the production of electricity, so they got lazy. No maintenance was done when it could have made a difference. They never spent money on expansion either. They put that money into enormous salaries for top management. The workers followed their superiors' example and did as little as possible to earn their salaries. (Might add the same can be said for a lot(not all) of government employees, they are just there for the salary and benefits.) Now Eskom wants to get greedy, with the permission of the government. I am sorry but it looks like a recipe for an uprising. We save and scrape to buy solar panels, inverters and batteries. Then they want to charge us for their own incompetence. They do not recompense us for our losses in food an appliance's that break due to an unreliable electricity supply. Not many individuals in the private sector get benefits or even a salary that keeps pace with inflation, because most of the private sector is made up of small businesses that can't afford it. As an individual that must search through Best Before shops for food and cleaning supplies to get through a month and can't afford more price hikes, I am sick and tired. We need to take action against corrupt officials and greedy underlings.	Juanita	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:20:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	They are penalising people for their failures and robbery of taxpayer money. Not only did their total incompetence and criminal behaviour (corruption and theft) collapse the grid, but now they want people who invest their money privately to resolve the issue to pay those same criminals more to keep stealing. Those crooks are blaming people for releasing ESKOM from overloading, which it cannot handle, and through this shame bill, want to tax residents and businesses.	Didier	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:21:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the introduction of additional mandatory fixed network or capacity charges on grid-connected households that have invested in rooftop solar and battery systems. For years, South Africans endured load shedding, economic losses, damaged appliances, and declining service reliability. In response, many citizens invested substantial amounts of their own savings, often hundreds of thousands of rand, to secure a reliable source of electricity for their families and businesses. These investments were made without government funding and, in many cases, because government and Eskom failed to provide a reliable electricity supply. It is therefore fundamentally unfair to now impose additional fixed charges on those who took responsibility for solving a problem that the state itself was unable to fix. My objections are as follows: 1. Citizens should not be punished for reducing demand on an unreliable system Rooftop solar users are not "free riders." We continue to pay property rates, service charges, and electricity tariffs while simultaneously reducing pressure on the national grid. During periods of peak demand, solar-equipped households reduce the amount of electricity that Eskom and municipalities must generate and distribute. We have effectively subsidised the country's energy resilience through private investment. The proposed fixed fee appears to punish responsible behaviour rather than encourage it. 2. Government and Eskom have not earned public trust on pricing The proposal assumes that fixed charges will be fair and cost reflective. Based on decades of above-inflation tariff increases, ongoing municipal inefficiencies, energy losses, corruption scandals, and operational failures, many citizens have little confidence that new fixed charges will remain reasonable or be used for their stated purpose. There is a legitimate concern that "network charges" will become an open-ended mechanism to recover revenue shortfalls rather than genuine network costs. 3. Households are being forced to carry the cost of systemic failures The financial challenges facing municipalities and Eskom are not primarily the result of rooftop solar adoption. They stem from years of poor planning, maintenance backlogs, electricity theft, non-payment, transmission constraints, governance failures, and operational inefficiencies. It is unjust to transfer the cost of these failures onto households that made responsible investments in alternative energy. 4. The proposal creates a captive customer class Large energy users are increasingly being given options to procure power directly from alternative suppliers. Ordinary households, however, remain locked into municipal electricity systems with limited choice. This effectively creates a situation where residential consumers become the funding source of last resort while larger customers gain access to more competitive energy markets. This is neither equitable nor consistent with the principles of a fair market. 5. The policy will discourage future investment South Africa requires more private investment in distributed generation, not less. If households believe that any savings achieved through solar installations will simply be offset by new fixed charges, many prospective investors will abandon plans to install solar systems. This undermines energy security, environmental objectives, and economic growth. 6. There is insufficient accountability for service delivery Before introducing new mandatory charges, government should first demonstrate: Reliable electricity supply. Improved maintenance outcomes. Reduced energy losses. Transparent financial management. Clear performance standards for distributors. Citizens should not be asked to pay more when service quality and accountability remain inadequate. Conclusion I reject the proposed introduction of additional fixed capacity or network charges for solar-equipped households. The proposal effectively taxes citizens who used their own savings to compensate for failures in the electricity sector. Rather than penalising self-sufficiency, government should encourage private energy investment and focus on improving the efficiency, reliability, and governance of the existing electricity system. South Africans should not be required to pay ever-increasing charges simply because they found a way to reduce their dependence on a failing service.	Natasha	
	2026-08-28 09:22:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	God created the earth, the sun, the universe. Firstly, God gave it to man to preserve and use...now because the government cannot keep up with the wasting of funds to maintain essential services, the public/man on the street must still spend hundreds of thousands of rands to enable them to make use of the sun. I do not have solar, cannot afford solar, but pay an astronomical amount for electricity usage in a month for a household of 3. Why is it always the taxpayer's responsiblity to solve the government's financial issues. This is a load of bull and must be stopped in the bud.	Charmaine	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:23:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced us into rooftop solar in order to keep food from going rotten etc. Often after loadshedding, when power was returned our transformer used to trip causing extended outages in our area. That is extremely scary after doing a monthly shop with meat etc. We were forced into it by them and them alone. Had to go into major debt in order to finance it and now they want to charge us for assisting them. To hell with them!	Joseph	
	2026-08-28 09:23:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy to penalise those who have invested in solar is not a fair policy as they will be penalised for helping the country use less energy. It will also discourage new individuals from investing in it, both of which is contrary to the green agenda of encouraging us all to use less energy. It will also have a negative effect on the businesses that instal solar and make the component parts. Ditto with fixed charges where people will want there money's worth if they have to pay for it anyway. Both scenarios will mean more not less draw down from the grid, which will likely mean more electricity outages, which negatively affect the country as a whole. Any perceived additional revenue from these punitive charges and penalties will be wiped out by the massive amount of lost revenue from the downtime that electricity outages create.	Dawn	retired
	2026-08-28 09:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:25:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again a corrupt ANC government effort to get more money from over taxed public. Eskom broke everything so now they want us to pay to fix what they broke.	David	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:31:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:32:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current cost of electricity is unaffordable. The unequal charge of tariff rates in different areas is unfair.	Tasneem	retired
	2026-08-28 09:33:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed in its most fundamental responsibility: providing a reliable, efficient, and uninterrupted power supply. Unannounced loadshedding, decaying infrastructure, and operational failures have repeatedly brought the national economy to its knees, destroying businesses and placing undue hardship on households across the country. Because of state failure, South Africans had to invest in their own private capital into alternative energy solutions—such as solar and battery storage—to keep their homes functioning, protect their livelihoods, and relieve pressure on the national grid. Punishing citizens for adapting is unacceptable.	Andre	
	2026-08-28 09:33:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	
	2026-08-28 09:33:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has no right to PENALIZE consumers for putting up solar panels to COMPENSATE for the INCOMPETENCE of Eishkom and our pathetic municipalities. Please show me the contract that they have with the sun to supply power to any solar power system. Solar energy is part of the solution to the power supply problem that ESKOM has. They are obviously not making enough money out of consumers anymore to fund all the corruption and paying the politicians eating out of the Eskom trough. It is high time we all move totally and entirely off the grid. I say all this as a highly taxed employed individual.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed in its most fundamental responsibility: providing a reliable, efficient, and uninterrupted power supply. Unannounced loadshedding, decaying infrastructure, and operational failures have repeatedly brought the national economy to its knees, destroying businesses and placing undue hardship on households across the country. Because of state failure, South Africans had to invest in their own private capital into alternative energy solutions—such as solar and battery storage—to keep their homes functioning, protect their livelihoods, and relieve pressure on the national grid. Punishing citizens for adapting is unacceptable.	Don	
	2026-08-28 09:36:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC should be encouraging consumers to purchase and use solar. We should be offered a tax rebate and not be punished for wanting to reduce reliance on Eskom, it is also necessary for Eskom to have competition as they will never improve efficiency when the onlt supplier,it is too easy to just increase pricing Corperates and large consumers should not get special pricing, someone is paying for that assistance and its not Eskom, if price was competative it would encourage growth	Andy Robinson	retired
	2026-08-28 09:37:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lara	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:37:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who have spent their own money to provide an alternative source of electricity did so because of the Government's failure to properly maintain and develop an existing system, which was operating well. Installation of private solar energy alleviated the pressure on a failing electricity grid, which assisted the Government in a time of need. The Government even encouraged this development. It would be unjust to now penalise those citizens who took the initiative to help themselves (because of Government's failure) and help electricity consumers at large by reducing power outages and giving Eskom the breather required to rectify the situation.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 09:38:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 09:39:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We're done with paying for the ANC's pockets!! They don't pay for electricity, we pay for them, do it's BS!	Rina	retired
	2026-08-28 09:42:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This would not be necessary if the government and Eskom management managed Eskom according to generally accepted good accountability and corruption free guidelines. Electricity supply ability has diminished because of cadre and political deployment instead of employing staff based on ability to manage and improve electricity supply to all South Africans at a reasonable tariff. This transformation is just a guise to prop up the already corrupt management with money that they spend inappropriately. This degradation of public services provided by the government is reflected in every sector such as healthcare, SAP, schools, etc. Why would this be any different in it's goal	Wayne	retired

	2026-08-28 09:42:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noleen	retired
	2026-08-28 09:45:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Har	retired
	2026-08-28 09:46:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Charl	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:47:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes Hendrik	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:47:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frazer	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:48:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BRIAN	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:48:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This would not be necessary if the government and Eskom management managed Eskom according to generally accepted good accountability and corruption free guidelines. Electricity supply ability has diminished because of cadre and political deployment instead of employing staff based on ability to manage and improve electricity supply to all South Africans at a reasonable tariff. This transformation is just a guise to prop up the already corrupt management with money that they spend inappropriately. This degradation of public services provided by the government is reflected in every sector such as healthcare, SAP, schools, etc. Why would this be any different in it's goal	Robin Povey	retired
	2026-08-28 09:49:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has continually failed the public in generation and delivery of energy which has contributed towards the economic decline. People have invested in solar to reduce load on the grid and to rid themselves of the Eskom's lack of reliability. Now you want to penalise us. If this proposal were to proceed, I will be driven to further invest to ensure I can disconnect myself fully from the grid so to avoid the fixed fees. I am sure others will follow the same course which will result in further reduction in revenue collection.	Derek	
	2026-08-28 09:49:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was at the height of its loadshedding (because of extreme corrution and thieving) the minister appealed to citizens to lighten the load by installing solar panels to their rooftops. Now that they they are experiencing loss of income because of decreased power consumption, they want to punish the poor ratepayers, (ie rooftop solar users,) who already have to carry a heavy load of high taxes and bad ANC governance. HAVE MERCY!!	Elsie	
	2026-08-28 09:52:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		THANBIRAN	retired
	2026-08-28 09:53:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ettienne	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:57:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russell	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:58:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STRONG OBJECTION: DO NOT PENALISE SOUTH AFRICANS WHO INVESTED IN SOLAR To: Department of Electricity and Energy Re: Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, 2026 I strongly object to the proposed policy direction that could result in households with rooftop solar and battery systems carrying increased fixed network and capacity charges simply because they purchase less electricity from the grid. I invested my own hard-earned money in solar and batteries because the South African electricity system was failing me. Load shedding and unreliable electricity supply made it impossible to depend on the grid. I had to spend thousands of rands of my own money to keep my home functioning and, importantly, to ensure that I could continue working and generating an income. I did not create South Africa's electricity crisis. I paid to protect myself from it. It is therefore deeply unfair to now suggest that households like mine are “free riders” because we use less grid electricity. We are not getting electricity for free. We have paid for our own solar panels, batteries, inverters, installation, maintenance and replacement costs. We have taken the financial risk and invested our own capital in energy security. Our investment also benefits the electricity system by reducing our demand on the grid. Government should not punish the solution to a problem it failed to solve. South Africa needs more private investment in renewable energy, more battery storage, greater energy efficiency and less dependence on Eskom. Yet this policy direction risks creating the exact opposite incentive. If a household reduces its electricity consumption through solar, energy efficiency and battery storage, it should be rewarded for reducing pressure on the grid — not penalised through increasingly unavoidable charges. I accept that maintaining the electricity network costs money and that grid-connected consumers benefit from having access to that network. However, any network charge must be transparent, reasonable, cost-reflective and proportionate to the service provided. It must not become a mechanism to recover lost revenue from consumers who have successfully reduced their electricity consumption. There is also a serious fairness issue. Ordinary residential consumers do not have the same electricity procurement options available to large commercial and industrial users. They cannot simply walk away from municipal electricity networks and negotiate wholesale electricity prices. Residential consumers must not become captive ratepayers whose electricity bills increasingly consist of unavoidable charges regardless of how much electricity they actually use. Government must also recognise the enormous contribution made by ordinary South Africans who invested privately in solar during the country's electricity crisis. We were repeatedly told to find solutions. We found solutions. We paid for them ourselves. We reduced our dependence on the grid. We helped keep our homes and businesses operating. We should not now be punished for doing exactly what responsible citizens were forced to do. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: Reject any punitive or disproportionate fixed charges targeting solar and battery owners. Ensure that network charges are transparent, reasonable and genuinely cost-reflective. Protect the value of existing private investments in renewable energy. Recognise rooftop solar and battery storage as part of the solution to South Africa's electricity crisis. Ensure that future electricity tariffs do not discourage energy efficiency or private generation. Conduct proper public consultation before implementing any significant change to the way residential electricity costs are recovered. South Africans cannot be expected to spend their life savings solving an electricity crisis and then be penalised when their solution works. I strongly object to this policy direction. Government should encourage South Africans to generate more of their own clean electricity — not make it increasingly expensive to do so. We are not “free riders”. We are citizens who invested our own money because we had no choice. Do not punish us for taking responsibility for our own energy security.	Rixie	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:00:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	retired
	2026-08-28 10:02:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	
	2026-08-28 10:05:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This latest policy will only create further resistance for residential users to not use Eskom/Municipal electricity. We don't want to pay our hard earned money for services Eskom cannot provide and is trying desperately to recover outstanding debt, increasingly high infrastructure costs, and cannot effectively run a business. Persons requiring Medical equipment at home, Pensioners, the poor, residences just cannot afford astronomical monthly Electricity Bills any more. Eskom please note "Insanity is doing the same thing over and over again and expecting different results"	Alan	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:05:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Public servants are there to serve the people. However, I am often astonished (maybe not any more after 30 years of constant nonsense) by some of the policies and ideas that emerge. At times, it feels as though the priority is creating more bureaucracy to justify comfortable positions and high salaries, rather than delivering real value to citizens. Their focus should be on serving the public, not on finding new ways to make life more difficult for those they represent.	Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jo-Anne	retired
	2026-08-28 10:06:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angus	
	2026-08-28 10:07:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	10 years ago the government offered a subsidy to homeowners to install solar to get Esscum out of the problem they started with corruption and overpriced tenders, now they want to penalise the very people that sorted the problem out. if they want to go ahead with this policy I will go 100% off grid and they can come disconnect me from Esscum and City power completely, and get R 0.00 from me	Richard	
	2026-08-28 10:07:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to get our own backup power when Eskom could not provide due to their inefficiencies. My panels, my batteries, installation at my cost using Gods sun. If you want to tax me for your inefficiencies, allow me to go fully of the grid, with no connection fee, which is the only money currently coming to your bankrupt and corrupted municipality..	Etienne	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:09:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	During load shedding people were left without electricity because of ESKOM mismanagement, BBEE and corruption, now the public must foot the bill for their stuff ups. Electricity consumers should get a rebate not penalties for their losses incurred while all this corruption was taking place.	Richard	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:09:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	An independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households is required. Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. A tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Jacqueline	
	2026-08-28 10:11:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		C liff	retired
	2026-08-28 10:12:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it's unfair to charge fixed tariffs for being innovative and not being held captive by state-owned entities who cannot produce.	Michael	retired

	2026-08-28 10:12:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state is trying to penalise us for spending our hard-earned money on fixing their lack of maintenance and management. They should put their own house in order, deal with the corruption, sabotage, tenderpreneurs and years of deferred maintenance instead of trying to squeeze a market that is already dry. The government is constantly squeezing working taxpayers for more money whilst wasting it at every turn. They CANNOT be allowed more money, we are done paying for their mismanagement.	Renier	
	2026-08-28 10:13:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yaseen	
	2026-08-28 10:17:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Billy	retired
	2026-08-28 10:20:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I'm an owner of a 6-bedroom Guest House and had to invest in alternative energy to be able to give uninterrupted electricity/service to my paying guests... It is totally ridiculous to want me to pay a fixed electricity tariff - after I already had to pay to fulfill Eskom's shortcomings due to not doing their work properly. If this proposal becomes a reality, I will have to close my business and will then have all the people working for me, sitting without jobs.	Gerda	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:21:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:22:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's price increases since 1994 are a direct result of mismanagement of the entity. We, the consumers continue to bear the brunt of these increases and we are effectively held captive by Eskom. They actively encouraged homeowners to install solar and now they want to penalize us for having a solar installation ....it is outrageous!!	Michael	retired
	2026-08-28 10:25:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally unfair for us to be taxed due to governments incompetence. Actually government encouraged us to install solar rooftop systems when the country was in constant load shedding . Now they want to charge us for fixing their problem.	Mohammed	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:26:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick	retired
	2026-08-28 10:29:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:30:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steven	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:30:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find this absurd! Firstly, Eskom destroyed itself through corruption and poor management. Eskom failed to provide us with basic electricity and continuously hiked up the prices to ridiculous levels. Many businesses have already closed down due to load shedding, causing destruction to families, livelihoods and the general economy. Those who could, we had to invest in solar to maintain any form of normality. Eskom has contributed nothing but chaos and destruction to South Africa and to now force us to pay penalties when we have been trying to survive their incompetence is beyond maddening. Insisted we pay some sort of flat rate tax, regardless of how much we use, is just theft. Have they not done enough damage?	Deborah	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:30:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roelof	retired
	2026-08-28 10:31:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria Faria	retired
	2026-08-28 10:36:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whars wrong with these minister of electricity and escom's management First they can't generate power and now they think they can raise a sun tax? They haven't done anything to let the sun rise . And yet they gave the audacity to think they can tax people -whom they have failed - who have taken care of their own electricity needs because of a incompetent escom managment. A management who is still failing to collect their debtors and which was susidiced with our taxpayers money again and again and again. They must just bleddy will start doing thier job an get rid of the corruption in escom and get rid of the incompetent workers and stop paying bonusses for poor performers and there will be enough money. Or do they have the foolish idea that people with solar systems do not pay for the use of escom electricity ? Maybe they want to offend these good paying people even more than they have already done so -with the powercuts and blackouts -to loose them al together as customers by forcing them off the grid. I will not pay a solar tax on my own equipment for which I have paid for and taxed with vat	Johan	
	2026-08-28 10:36:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is grossly unfair on all us citizens who invested in solar power for a viariety of reasons . Eskom's situation of constant lack of power & providing the citizens of S.A. with enough electricity led to many of us installing solar panels - something that was largely encouraged for us to do by our President. We actually believed we were assisting the electrical supply system, by incurring costs for ourselves - how is it possible now that we can be penalised for our actions ? ? ? ?	Kay	
	2026-08-28 10:41:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In my opinion the government has created the situation where middle class people had to find their own way to generate power to provide for their families. It's government ineptitude that created the solar 'problem' they perceive. Proper management and maintenance are what is needed, not another tax to get more money from the dwindling middle class. Municipalities will collapse along with Eskom once people are allowed to decide where they get their services from, the government knows this and are doing everything in their power to prevent the normal tax paying resident from doing so. This is grossly unfair.	Jason	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:42:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun does not belong to Eskom, what right do they have to tax for it? Them not having enough funds due to corruption and mismanagement is NOT our problem, they must sort themselves out instead of trying to squeeze us tax payers dry with unreasonable regulations. If people are still connected to the grid, fine a connection fee is understandable. If Eskom is being used to charge an inverter, then the electricity charge is just as applicable as if the power was being used to charge a phone or other device. But any fees beyond that are inexcusable and should not be allowed.	Kelsey	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:42:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who pay for their electricity AND add to the amount of available electricity should NOT be penalised.	Helen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 10:44:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At great personal expense and due to Eskom’s inability to supply dependable electricity consistently we installed an alternative power source, why should we now be penalised for Eskom being inept in their service delivery?	Wayne	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 10:46:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government subsidised people to install solar in order help Eskom when théy failed ús. How can they now penalise us. This is plain robbery!	Millie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:49:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		RC	
	2026-08-28 10:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:54:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		P	retired
	2026-08-28 10:57:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Annette	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:58:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is penalising households for their own incompetence and corruption.	Helen	retired
	2026-08-28 11:04:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Helen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:05:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandi	retired
	2026-08-28 11:12:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to invest in solar systems by the government, to help ease the loadsheading and offered a small subsidy for panels, why now are they scheming to penalize solar users with tariffs. The sun is free to anyone that wants to capture it. I don't feed power back into the grid. I save a small amount on my municipal usage by pay as you go, so that I have a bit more cash to help pay other rising bills,like water, fuel, rubbish collection and FOOD. All these items have gone up regularly. I and my wife are on a fixed pension, we invested in solar and paid for it with part of our annuity capital in order to help with our monthly expenditure, we can't afford excessive tariffs that could go up and up. I really can't see why the government keep penalizing residents who pay their bills in full and on time. They need to catch and prosecute the culprits that steal electricity, and put excessive loads on transformers. There will be nobody left for them to keep penalizing, people will go off grid, people are leaving this country for the bad way they are living, and customer services are non existent.	Roger	retired
	2026-08-28 11:14:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private people have had to spend thousands of their hard earned money to make up for the government’s inability to provide consistent electricity at an affordable price. Penalising them by changing from usage to fixed costs is not right. At the same time, for people who use very little electricity even if they don’t have solar backup, they will now be paying the same price as heavier users? This is also not right.	Maria	
	2026-08-28 11:15:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bev	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 11:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find this proposal ridiculous as ESCOM neglected their responsibility to supply reliable and constant electrical power, leading to losses of frozen foodstuff, not being able to coke a meal, sitting in darkness, alarm systems which could not function as black outs exceeded back-up battery power. To partially solve that inconvenience I had to spent some of my hard earned savings to install a solar back-up power system, which makes no economical sense as the installation costs outstrip the savings on the electrical power bill. Now to add pain to injury ESCOM wants to punish me with additional charges to pay for their neglect in maintaining and growing the electrical power grid. Shame on them.	Herman J H	retired
	2026-08-28 11:16:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SAMUEL de MESQUITA	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:22:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	
	2026-08-28 11:23:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CRAIG	
	2026-08-28 11:24:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Already exorbitant expenses. Lack of infrastructure development. No proof of life.	Sarah	employed individual

	2026-08-28 11:25:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	retired
	2026-08-28 11:28:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Willi	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:31:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevi	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:32:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have been forced into the expense of installing solar systems because the government and Eskom failed in their mandate to keep the lights on. Peolpe did not install these systems with the aim of reducuing their electricty bill but rather to reduce the disruption to their day to day lives. To now penilise them for a situation caused by the powers that be would be a grave injustice.	Kevin Fisher	
	2026-08-28 11:33:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government betray us as Tax payers. we had to go to next levels to keep everything going. Now they want to penalize us more	Alta	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:37:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Enough of this endless cost increases to the Ratepayers and Consumer. Cut the Executive pay and drive for more efficiencies and productivity. Your inability to supply power reliably FORCED consumers to make their own plans .	howard	retired
	2026-08-28 11:43:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-28 11:44:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-28 11:48:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peet	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:49:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state failed to provide what we taxpayers pay for - electricity. This resulted in many businesses closing down, others divesting, and the rest being left with no option but to incur costs to solve the issue the state could not. Now we must be punished for that! It is simply outrageous.	Gavin	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:56:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Subject:** Formal Objection to Proposed Fixed Network Charges for Grid-Connected Households To Whom It May Concern, I formally object to the proposed restructuring of electricity billing that would impose mandatory, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity and network charges on all grid-connected households, regardless of actual consumption. 1. Equity and Fairness The proposed framework undermines the principle of proportionality in utility billing. Households that invest in solar generation and energy efficiency reduce their reliance on the grid and lessen strain on infrastructure. Penalizing them with blanket fixed charges disregards their reduced impact and forces low-consumption households to subsidize high-consumption ones. This is regressive and inequitable. 2. Environmental and Policy Contradictions South Africa's energy transition depends on encouraging private investment in renewable energy. Fixed charges erode the financial viability of rooftop solar and efficiency measures, discouraging adoption and slowing progress toward national sustainability goals. This policy contradicts broader commitments to climate resilience and clean energy innovation. 3. Risk of Double Charging Solar households already contribute to grid maintenance through existing tariffs, levies, and taxes. Imposing unavoidable fixed charges risks double-charging them: once for their reduced consumption and again for capacity they may rarely use. Moreover, many solar households export surplus energy, which directly benefits the grid and other consumers — a contribution ignored under the proposed framework. 4. Viable Alternatives Fairer mechanisms exist to balance cost recovery with sustainability: - **Time-of-use tariffs** to encourage consumption when the grid is underutilized. - **Optional capacity-based plans** aligned with actual reliance on the grid. - **Export credits** to recognize the value of clean energy fed back into the system. These approaches ensure fairness without undermining renewable adoption. 5. Social Impact Mandatory fixed charges disproportionately harm vulnerable groups such as pensioners, small households, and low-income families who have invested in efficiency to lower bills. The policy risks public backlash, erodes trust in regulators, and undermines the social license needed for future infrastructure projects. Conclusion Restructuring electricity billing toward unavoidable fixed charges is inequitable, environmentally counterproductive, and socially regressive. A fairer approach would recognize both consumption and contribution, ensuring that households who invest in clean energy are not penalized but encouraged. I respectfully urge reconsideration of this framework in favor of policies that align with long-term sustainability, equity, and resilience goals.	Henrico	retired
	2026-08-28 11:56:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unjust and corrupt to penalise hardworking citizens because the government has mismanaged funds for decades! Electricity and running water is a BASIC HUMAN RIGHT and as such we should not be penalised be we exercised foresight and wisdom because Eskom was mismanaged and power stations were never maintained.	Ann	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:57:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arno	
	2026-08-28 11:59:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government and eskom actively encouraged and financially rewarded citizens to spend capital expenditure on installing solar systems. Now they want to financially penalise me for doing exactly what they asked for? NO. I will not support this paper. As a matter of fact, this paper will seriously encourage me to no longer comply with my statutory obligations towards the state, as well as actively encourage other to also not comply.	Aletia	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:00:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC and everything that they touch is corrupted and rotten. The wonderful aim of the turnaround electricity masterplan is turned on its head now that the private sector has shown that WE get on and make a plan. Without us stepping in, using our savings to dig ourselves out of the hole that the ANC dug through its incompetence and corruption, we would all still be sitting in the dark, talking about what to do. And then, they have the audacity to go: "Another tax, because you can make so many clever plans, you lovely public". I cannot say on polite, open platform what I really would like to.	Laura	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:01:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	dont find elegant ways to recover stolen Eskom money. this is dis ingenious	jem	
	2026-08-28 12:03:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another absurd way for the government to seek funds to help cover Eskom's continuous failings. They have done nothing fix and maintain infrastructure. Citizens who have installed solar have helped to ease the demand for electricity on the already strained grid.	Candice	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:04:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it is a cheek that the Government now wants to penalise us for using Solar Energy, and wants to tax us!!!. They now only have to provide electricity for those that do not have power. The Government can now build fewer power plants, so they safe money and can get out of debt!!! With Solar power we have no breakdowns, that we are without Power as is the case with ESKOM. Solar power is a win win situation for those that have invested in it. Its time ESKOM realises it, and builds its own Solar Power plants to support the demand for power, or buy from Solar Plants.	Frances	retired
	2026-08-28 12:08:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie Erasmus	retired
	2026-08-28 12:09:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This appears to be another way the ANC has thought up to fund their failures/ mismanagement of Eskom and the municipalities. I and many others expended a great deal of capital after tax to have consistant power by using solar. To be targetted for government and municipal incompetance is not on. I am quite happy to pay the normal tariff for what I use but...	Simon	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:09:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	retired
	2026-08-28 12:15:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 12:16:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:22:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Germariet	
	2026-08-28 12:22:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I absolutely abhore this intention to further strain households financially!!! This government does nothing more than than penalise any efforts to minimize expenses by citizens. It's a disgrace.	Laura	retired
	2026-08-28 12:23:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not fair to us as citizens.	Tinus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:26:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any additional fixed grid charge imposed specifically because I have installed solar. I already pay for my meter and for every unit of electricity I use from the grid. If these payments are insufficient to maintain the electricity network, then the tariff structure must be reviewed fairly across all grid-connected consumers. Solar users should not be singled out to carry an additional burden. I sacrificed other spending and diverted money that could have been invested towards my own future to install solar because government could not provide a reliable electricity supply. I used my own, already-taxed income to secure an essential service and, in doing so, reduced demand on the grid and helped alleviate a problem the state was unable to solve. This contribution should be recognised and encouraged, not penalised. If anything, households generating their own renewable energy and easing pressure on the electricity system are providing a benefit for which they should receive credit. I pay for what I use. I therefore object entirely to being charged more simply because I took responsibility for solving a problem I did not create. This proposal is unfair, unreasonable and destructive to private initiative.	Cindy	self-employed
	2026-08-28 12:26:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ratepayers who choose to move away from fossil fuels should be rewarded not penalized. Once again, state capture folk expect us to cover their greed. the system needs to be a new system, not a fixed system. it needs visionary individuals who have the planet and it's people in mind, from the ultra-wealthy to the ultra-poor.	karen	retired
	2026-08-28 12:29:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not fair that we are being punished for a trying to solve a problem that was out of our hands.	Relebogile	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 12:35:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again they want to turn to those who already pay for the poor and unreliable service that they "supply". Without the rate payer who used his own money to help avoid a nation wide black out where would the country be. So far they have not worked out a way to tax the air we breathe, but I bet they would like to.	Don	retired
	2026-08-28 12:40:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renier	

	2026-08-28 12:43:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	I strongly object to the principle of introducing unavoidable fixed network or capacity charges on households simply because they remain connected to the grid while making substantial private investments in solar generation and battery storage. South African households and businesses have invested their own money in alternative energy largely because the existing electricity system has failed to provide a reliable and affordable service. Those who have reduced their dependence on the grid should not subsequently be treated as a problem that needs to be financially penalised. More broadly, I believe electricity policy should encourage private investment in renewable energy, energy efficiency, battery storage and genuine energy independence—not create additional charges that discourage these investments or force consumers to continue subsidising infrastructure they increasingly do not use. I also believe that consumers should have meaningful freedom to choose how they generate and consume electricity, provided that appropriate safety and technical standards are met. . Government policy should reward innovation and private investment in solving the country's energy challenges, rather than creating new financial penalties for those who have taken responsibility for their own energy supply. I therefore urge the Department to reconsider any measures that would unfairly penalise consumers who have invested in solar, batteries or other forms of independent electricity generation, and to ensure that future electricity-market reforms promote competition, consumer choice, affordability and genuine energy independence.	Tessa	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:43:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity users had to resort to Solar in order to have a stable supply of electricity thus reducing the demand and capacity on Eskom at a time when Eskom was struggling to supply electricity and had to resort to LOAD SHEDDING, this at a cost borne by the user with little to no rebate. Now we are expected to pay extra charges when things have somewhat improved at Eskom is basically a form of Double Taxation and is unethical.	Dermot	
	2026-08-28 12:44:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just fix the eskom mess without impacting consumers. Consumers did not create this mess, government did. They need to fix it by cutting all their absurd wastefull expenditure and not expect consumers to pay for it.	Benjamin	retired
	2026-08-28 12:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-08-28 12:44:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must owners of solar systems be penalized for making a costly investment to avoid electricity interruptions. This will force users to go completely off the grid and then municipalities/Eskom will receive no income from them.	Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 12:47:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	
	2026-08-28 12:48:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-08-28 12:48:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noeline	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:50:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Colleen	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:52:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-28 12:53:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First Eskom offered incentives to invest in solar, and now both municipalities and Eskom want to penalize those who have invested. This is a confused mindset and gives the impresdion that we are indeed being boiled like frogs.	Rob	retired
	2026-08-28 12:57:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Additional charges on homes that are run by single mothers is adding stress, as living expenses are soaring. I live on a monthly income ...I'm widowed and single trying to make ends meet is a nightmare. Electricity has been a challenge for a very long time, and what is currently being tabled is viewed as "daylight robbery" The government must consider us poor individuals before they make decisions of this nature. Totally disagree with this.	Logambal	retired
	2026-08-28 13:03:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	retired
	2026-08-28 13:06:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wiaan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:07:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue Sayers	retired
	2026-08-28 13:07:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dewald	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:10:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop stealing my money you thieving bastards	Riaan	
	2026-08-28 13:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day. We were encouraged by Escom to install solar to alleviate to load on eskom , at our own considerable expense , as a 76 year old pensioner with very limited income i feel this is grossly inconsiderate and unfair to expect consumers to pay for anything over and above what they use.	Nolan	retired
	2026-08-28 13:12:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerda	retired
	2026-08-28 13:17:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-08-28 13:18:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noel	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 13:26:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed changes are aimed at punishing members of the public who used their own funds and initiative to ensure uninterrupted electricity supply to their private homes/small businesses. There was even a tax rebate in order to encourage the installation of solar panel solutions, which now seems as if it was merely a trap by the government to keep tabs on who actually installed solar solutions. Although there may be a small bit of truth that solar power users are using the grid to their advantage without paying for the upkeep of the grid, this does not actually hold water, as I have never seen any indication on my municipal account that there is a specific amount allocated toward the maintenance of the grid. The issue of "freeloading" is therefore an useful excuse by the government to burden tax payers even more for their pathetic performance in maintaining Eskom properly. If it was not for the load shedding issue, I sincerely doubt whether I would ever consider installing a solar solution, but thanks to the incompetence of the government I had no choice. Further to this, focus is placed on a sector of the public who ACTIVELY tried to alleviate Eskom's supply deficit, but there is NO FOCUS on illegal connections and municipalities who do not pay what they owe Eskom. If these two issues can be addressed and SOLVED, there will be no problem with electricity supply in this country, It is my opinion that addressing this problem will be inconvenient for the Majority ruling party as it will reflect negatively on them at the voting stations. In closing, I am vehemently opposed to the proposed amendments.	TERESA	retired
	2026-08-28 13:34:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason why South Africa is in this mess It's because Eskom has misused public funds for years. From 1994 they kept shutting down multiple massive power plants That were just recently maintained at the time. Instead of maintaining the architecture that was there Eskom decided to start shutting down a lot of Capacity available to them then after that they introduced load shading and continuous price increases which pushed prices up. By over several 1000 percent pushing out Africa to Become one of the most expensive electricity suppliers in the world Far above any European countries and many other countries with stronger currencies than South Africa. They forced people off the grid due to heavy load shedding and ridiculous price increases year upon year. If anything the people in charge of eskom previously and Currently should all be financially audited to see how they benefited by stealing money from that foundation and any and all people found to have stolen even a R1.00 Should be forced to pay back the money From their personal assets. Any logical person can see that it doesn't take 16 years to fix up a damaged system. They created the problems that exist today.	Naeem	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:34:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sunlight is our God given blessing. No-one has a right to tax us for the use of it. This is ridiculous. Are they going to Tax plants for producing food with their chlorophyll?	Brigitta	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 13:44:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No one has the right to charge us the energy that we get direct from the God given source.	Rhoda	retired
	2026-08-28 13:46:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gere	
	2026-08-28 13:48:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's just ridiculous that Eskom now want to penalize ratepayers, who were forced to find electricity alternatives, due to Eskom's incompetence and extremely poor electricity supply management. Why don't they rather focus on collecting all those unpaid bills from the municipalities that have not paid - Eskom needs to drastically beef up their collections & not punish the very people who have been paying all along! Voetsek Eskom!	Sandy	
	2026-08-28 13:51:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	NERSA has already set the table for municipalities to charge fixed monthly infrastructure, capacity and basic (cost of supply tariffs). For a household in the Overstrand with 60A single face supply, this amounts to R956.79 per month, before any electricity was used. For a small business it is R1149,51 pm. The kWh tariff for 1-350kWh rose by nearly 12% and basic by nearly 20% on 1 July 2026. When the budget was tabled, our (VF Plus) objections were overruled by the DA majority in Councill.	Kobus	business owner
	2026-08-28 13:51:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When your power supplier cannot supply the required electricity and the President encourages tax payers to go green to ease pressure on our famous ESKOM. how can they now want to start to charge fixed fees / tax penalties to to households when the state of the utility is as a result of their stealing and corruption . Get your house in order by other means. Leave retired persons out of your "schemes"	Brendon	retired
	2026-08-28 13:57:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	
	2026-08-28 13:58:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rather than fight the system. Eskom can allow individuals to sell power to the grid. That will lower their own production costs. Thereby making up their shortfall with ease.	Kayla	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:03:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-08-28 14:16:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Escom did not provide electricity due to massive stealing and corruption, to survive the public had to use alternative methods. Now the thieves want to penalise those people. Deal with the corruption and leave those households who had the initiative to provide what Escom could not., alone	Shirley	retired
	2026-08-28 14:23:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	my wife and her mother both work from our new home. We moved in during peak load shedding, and I had no option but to install solar. Eskom should thank us solar users for reducing the strain on the grid, and not punish us for paying hundreds of thousands of rands to be able to work from home.	Kerry	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:27:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hasan	
	2026-08-28 14:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trudi	

	2026-08-28 14:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We do not have solar panels at home but would quite happily put them in, the government should be grateful for all the home owners and businesses that installed solar and saved the grid from collapsing now they want to penalise and a fixed rate could make electricity unaffordable , most honest tax paying families can barely afford the expensive electricity tariffs that we are charged and perhaps if the stopped all the looting of funds and copper thievery and deliberate breaking of components as well as stop giving Zimbabwe free electricity and ease up on the price of the tariffs and reward companies and household for solar .	Mary	
	2026-08-28 14:33:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I should n0t be punished for Eskom's inefficiency, negligence and corruption	Marek	retired
	2026-08-28 14:36:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	TAXING SOLAR IS FLIPPEN NUTS!!! IN THE REST OF THE WORLD SOLAR IS ENCOURAGED AND THEY PAY YOU IF YOU PUSH INTO THE GRIT. ITS GOT ABSOLUTELY NOTHING TO DO WITH THE GOVERNMENT OR ESKOM IF I HAVE SOLAR. I PAID FOR IT, NOT THEM. THEY DON'T MAKE THE SUN SHINE, IT FREE FOR EVERYBODY. THIS IS JUST TO STEEL MORE MONEY - CORRUPTION, CORRUPTION, CORRUPTION!!!!!!!!!!!	G	
	2026-08-28 14:36:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	
	2026-08-28 14:50:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jessica	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:57:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The same government that asked citizens to assist Eskom by using alternative energy sources to reduce load shedding and pressure on the grid now wants to penalise them. It is outrageous and in bad faith. The basis is that we are free loaders is insulting. If we use less energy, it is logical that we shoulder a proportionately smaller share of the fixed cost. Until we are able to put additional energy generated back into the grid to offset the fixed cost, no fixed cost should be implemented. In addition, the reason advanced is a red herring. Those who could afford alternative energy sources made a plan to ensure the country did not feel the full impact of loadshedding. The reality is that far too many people do not pay for the electricity they use. This is the way in which the ANC keeps the poorest people in this country indebted to them. Instead of dealing with the root of the problem, unemployment, poor education, shocking levels of corruption and criminal activity, the ANC continues to ensure that people remain unemployed, dependent on it, and this enables the grand-scale looting to continue. The ANC's aim is not a better life for all but rather a better life for an elite few, which they achieve through state capture, looting, fruitless and wasteful expenditure, cadre deployment coupled with incompetence. When one realises that the ANC's aim is to loot and enrich an elite few, all their policies and decisions make sense! There would be so much goodwill to address social and economic redress if this were actually what the ANC was doing. I, for one, am tired of paying for corrupt and incompetent ministers that keep getting recycled until each and every portfolio they touch is broken beyond repair! I am so tired of this. I hope and pray that all will exercise their vote wisely in November!	Susan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:59:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joachim	retired
	2026-08-28 15:05:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	retired
	2026-08-28 15:12:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers went to solar due to unreliable electricity supply, no penalty was instituted to Eskom for their dereliction of duties to the South African public. Now, Eskom wishes to punish "plan-maker" consumers. Stop this communist encroachment on the rights of individuals. We should be allowed to procure electricity as we always did! Eskom is the one that should change due to the change in the market, not the T's and C's of doing business. Shame on you for trying to steal yet again from hard working middle class.	Alick	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:13:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of Eskoms incompetence, we had to invest a great deal of money in Solar to help mitigate the issues Eskom were creating - NO WAY can we now be penalized for making that investment - perhaps if Eskom would like to compensate us for our investment, then perhaps they could charge us	Dave	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:14:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What is astounding is that the governments incompetence has forced consumers and the market to find alternatives, which are I might add, 100 percent carbon efficient ,and now they are going to be punished for resolving a crisis ,albeit on an individual basis, which was the governments mandate and responsibility	PAOLO	retired
	2026-08-28 15:20:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Theft, more "legal" theft !!	Johann	retired
	2026-08-28 15:27:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 15:28:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is financially impossible to survive as a middle-class, semi-employed, private citizen, given SOE & government failures, corruption and crime. We have to self-provision everything, while "townships", squatter camps, illegals, politically-connected people, etc. get away with everything at absolutely no cost. I too live in a township completely ringfenced by thousands of squatters who have invaded farms and hold us to ransom with fires, rocks and guns whenever they "demand their right to free water and electricity" & see how people around me steal water, electricity, murder pensioners in their homes, kidnap people for ransom and shoot small innocent shopkeepers. Eskom effed up for decades as has the govt. They do not own the sun, and should have provided a stable network since this issue became an agenda item in the Mandela era. (I know - I worked on an IT project on exactly this issue, called power blackout 2007, at the time). We simply cannot afford any more of a criminal tax to feed the political trough	Z	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:28:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:36:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	retired
	2026-08-28 15:37:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hayley	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:37:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-08-28 15:49:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Daniel	self-employed
	2026-08-28 15:49:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly this amounts to TAXING SUNLIGHT. This illogical and probably illegal. We are being PENALISED for governments and Eskoms FAILURES. We are being PENALISED for looking after ourselves after government failed to look after us. Government is using commnist ideology to capture and control us	Don	retired
	2026-08-28 15:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private solar generation saved Eskom ar a time when load shedding was at its peak and beyond. This is a kick in the teeth for helping	Ian	retired
	2026-08-28 16:04:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those who are leading our country are merely focused upon meeting their own needs when in fact they find themselves in the position they are so that they can serve the men and women who voted to put them there in the first place. Sadly, more and more, it is clear that our children have little if any future in our beloved South Africa. "Daylight robbery!!!" Literally ...	Gareth	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:06:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerd	retired
	2026-08-28 16:07:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They advertise " Using electricity sparingly helps lower your bills and protects the power grid from high strain. Avoid Peak Hours Limit heavy electricity use during peak demand times in the morning (6 AM–9 AM) and evening (5 PM–9 PM). Avoid running your geyser, stove, heater, kettle, and iron all at the same time during these hours." now we have to pay extra because we do as told. They can come and disconnect me.	Fred	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:20:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are just getting penalised more and more for governments inadequacy's to give us the basics. We have to pay for schooling - when last was a new school built in my area, medical aid and now power that the government was not providing so we spent our own savings to cover this. Next is water.	Wesley	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:29:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If it wasn't for all of us who have invested in solar, then there would still be daily loadshedding; Yet they want to penalize us who have solar energy.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:43:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liz	retired
	2026-08-28 16:45:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The South African government must shift its focus from increasing revenue to ensuring accountability for costs, prioritising the welfare of its citizens over mere financial gain.	Dorothy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:59:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 17:03:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Paolo	self-employed
	2026-08-28 17:04:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	retired
	2026-08-28 17:06:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caro	retired
	2026-08-28 17:13:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	business owner
	2026-08-28 17:17:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	retired
	2026-08-28 17:24:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We all know that if the government comes up with a new scheme, it's purely so that they can steal more money and boost their bank accounts.....they don't care about the average citizen at all.	Jill	self-employed
	2026-08-28 17:27:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No I do not support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper as published in Gazette 55226, opened for comment 21 August 2026.I worked hard all my life and now I must pay for government and Eskoms problems. This is for me and my hard-earned money that I invested in my home. Why must I pay for government's inefficiencies. Why must I suffer just because I am a energy consciences person. Shocking what the government is doing to this country.	Jacqueline	retired
	2026-08-28 17:37:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop exploiting the end consumer to finance mismanagement end neglect from Eskom. They can't deliver a service but expect us to keep paying. Now because people are turning to other avenues they want to penalize us so that they can still make a buck for doing nothing.	Kathleen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 18:19:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	retired
	2026-08-28 18:28:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	employed individual

	2026-08-28 18:29:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michaela	business owner
	2026-08-28 18:39:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is no 'free ride' (structure tarifs as you will) be fair to all consumers. We already penalised multipe times: tax, rates, etc. Do not stupidly force those who can afford to go off grid to do so: reward those who have contributed to saving (and still are) ZA from certain electrical ruin - Eksdom even in CoCT in no way acknowlages this.	ROBERT	retired
	2026-08-28 18:45:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I did not install a solar system because I wanted it. I installed it because of ESCOM's inability to provide dependable and afforfable electricity. I could have used the solar expense much better for other expenses but was forced to supply my own dependable electricity to power my fridge and freezer, my TV after I lost one due to voltage spikes that happened every time that the power was switched on, and my computer equipment. ESCOM created this problem for themselves and the public must not be charged any fees because of this.	Stephan	retired
	2026-08-28 18:51:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans have already suffered years of load-shedding, rising electricity costs and poor government management. Consumers who have invested their own money in solar and batteries should not now be punished with additional fixed, network or capacity charges while having little meaningful choice over their electricity supplier. This appears less like genuine consumer-focused reform and more like another way of shifting the cost of government failures onto the public. It is ironic that, despite the ANC government's continued inability to manage the country's basic infrastructure and services effectively, it seems remarkably capable of finding new ways to extract more money from citizens. Electricity is an essential service, not another tax.	Jacobus	
	2026-08-28 18:54:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		clive	business owner
	2026-08-28 19:00:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 19:13:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eileen	retired
	2026-08-28 19:25:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deborah	
	2026-08-28 19:25:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising Private Initiative and Capital: During years of severe state-driven load shedding, citizens were forced to spend their own hard-earned savings to secure private solar and battery systems just to keep their homes and businesses running. Shifting the billing structure to mandatory, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity and network charges unfairly penalises the very citizens who stepped up to solve a state-created crisis. Creation of a "Captive Ratepayer" Trap: Allowing large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW to bypass municipal infrastructure to buy cheaper power directly on the open market, while forcing ordinary households to remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs, is fundamentally unjust. Everyday households cannot and should not be used as a financial buffer to absorb municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. Anti-Competitive Practices: Labeling households that consume less grid power as "free riders" is a mischaracterisation. Citizens who have invested in renewable energy still pay for the energy they consume from the grid. Imposing high fixed baseline taxes erodes the financial incentive for clean energy adoption, which directly contradicts South Africa's broader climate change commitments and universal green energy transition goals. In a democratic society, policy should reward innovation and self-reliance rather than protecting legacy inefficiencies and revenue models at the expense of the public. I request that the Department of Electricity and Energy removes the proposed mandatory fixed network charges for rooftop solar users and revises the framework to ensure equitable, usage-based tariffs for all South African ratepayers.	Liza	employed individual
	2026-08-28 19:26:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You desrve to be fired for the situation this country is in and we keep paying for huge mistakes by the incompetent. No it is time to get people in "power" that can shock us into solutions so the lights can come on not drag us down into their holes of darkness.	Anthony	self-employed
	2026-08-28 19:46:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fats	
	2026-08-28 20:09:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deborah	
	2026-08-28 20:19:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 20:25:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-28 20:38:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devi	
	2026-08-28 20:40:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This Government and municipalities must stop stealing and robbing us from our hard earn money . It is time we must rid of all these politicians and their political parties and we the citizens of this country must govern this country	Carmen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 20:42:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quintus	self-employed
	2026-08-28 21:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If we were supplied with reliable electricity, but we were not. As well as the blackouts that is in the way as soon as the coal stations, that is ending their lifetime, are decommissioned. The innovative people are being punished.	Braam	retired
	2026-08-28 21:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 21:48:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-28 21:51:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	employed individual
	2026-08-28 22:21:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households & small business invested hard earned money to enable them to survive due to government / eskom failures, and now are being targeted for being prudent. All this while millions of people receive electricity for free, or are pirate users. Absolutely unfair to target households. It's time informal settlements pay their share.	Cara	
	2026-08-28 22:32:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anette	employed individual
	2026-08-28 23:18:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Koos	retired
	2026-08-28 23:37:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thembi	employed individual
	2026-08-28 23:49:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Brad	business owner
	2026-08-29 00:19:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are corrupt and incompetent and would now like us to pay for it. You have destroyed Eskom and the rest of the country. It can not possibly be conceived that we as honest law abiding citizens paying heavy tax need to pay for this as well. I refuse	Loedolff	employed individual
	2026-08-29 02:20:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zainul	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 03:08:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cerero	employed individual
	2026-08-29 03:55:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and used my savings to install a small solar system when we had no guarantee keep the lights on . Pension keeps going down yet cost keep going up	Louisa	retired
	2026-08-29 04:34:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as rooftop solar owners are responsible for lowering the load on the national grid, we are the reason why there is no longer load shedding. Now we are going to be punished financially for this. Unacceptable You cant solve the problem by just trying to take take take. . . .	Dan	self-employed
	2026-08-29 04:46:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeffrey	
	2026-08-29 04:50:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosalie	
	2026-08-29 04:50:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	employed individual
	2026-08-29 05:01:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Who owns the sun, I have worked so hard saving so that I may exit the overloaded grid, now as I've installed the solar energy I still need to pay for the energy to who for what?? This people are not here for the people they are here to suck dry the people and enslave them.. who owns the sun.. no I won't register my solar and I won't pay any one for the the free energy that's it.	Kgotso	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 05:12:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You will simpoly force people to completely go off grid. It is not fair to penalise consumers who due to Eskom's poor managment were incentivised by government to make substantial investments, only to be penalised for these a few years later. Perhaps this is not surprising considering track record of Eskom	Lionel	business owner
	2026-08-29 05:31:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA had the cheapest and most generated power in Africa, so what changed? The people in charge and running eskom and municipalities. When incompetent, greedy, immoral, dishonest and illiterate people are placed in positions they have no right to be in due to nepotism and cronyistm, you get chaos. You fired the people that new how to run, fix and manage government and replaced it with people that cannot perceive situations beyond a day. COMMUNISM DOES NOT WORK	Karen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 05:34:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jacques	
	2026-08-29 05:58:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have paid and installed my own solar system because of the government inability to supply electricity.	Henry	business owner
	2026-08-29 06:02:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Robin	business owner

	2026-08-29 06:12:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. A tiered tariff model must be implemented that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. An independent socio-economic impact assessment must be done on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Heather	
	2026-08-29 06:13:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	
	2026-08-29 06:14:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		geldenhuys	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:17:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alastair	business owner
	2026-08-29 06:23:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourens	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:26:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lize-Mari	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:26:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daphne	retired
	2026-08-29 06:30:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johnny	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:32:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tsakani	
	2026-08-29 06:38:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom misappropriated R21 BILLION that was meant for the less fortunate's electricity. Get your house in order before penalizing citizens for your failures. I installed solar because of loadshedding at a time when Eskom encouraged citizens to make their own plans. You can't have it both ways.	Barend	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:39:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity supply must be constant and affordable. Both of these factors are not present where I stay. This forces me to fill this gap. So why must I now be penalized for their inabilities to provide this necessary service at a affordable price while township residence who can pay for electricity but refuse to do so. They should rather focus on non paying residents and illegal connections.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-29 06:42:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should be happy people are taking measures to ensure South African homes are powered. Like everything else we're doing it out of our own pockets. The government is not paying for it. By victimizing homeowners who have solar power they are displaying their greed openly. The government is concerned about the grid maintenance start paying for utilities themselves. The are the riches people in the country. Tax them the highest amount and I'm sure Eskoms issues will be sorted out. They have no idea which house is attached to the grid or not. Charging households because of solar panels is unfair and completely incompetent without solid knowledge. There are definitely households that have been off the grid, who are not using electricity at all. Why must they be penalised for a utility they are not using. There are homes where this has been installed for elderly people who can no longer afford the greed driven rates of this government. Without the assistance of solar panels they would be without any form of running their home. Must they be penalised because someone cared enough to fork out of their hard earned, taxed to the hilt earnings? The government is always taking from the people instead of serving. Look to their personal pockets for a solution before they steal more from the elderly, from the poor and from the middle class that can barely feed their family's, and those who are unable to get work because of the racist laws they insist on having.	Bev	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 06:54:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	
	2026-08-29 06:57:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Andreas	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:58:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it is unwise of the government to penalise green energy. It should be encouraged. There should be strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. It can't be that the state complained about the grid being under pressure and then when private citizens make alternatives the same government then comes and places penalties on them.	Hlobile	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:00:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:06:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed its monopolistic obligations during load shedding. If residents and businesses had not used their own money to but in solar ,and were encouraged and in some instances were subsidised to do so, the countries economy would have totally collapsed. The government and municipalities can not be trusted to administer the funds generated. Too much corruption.	James	retired
	2026-08-29 07:10:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government cant manage electricity supply as is, but now want to extort money from customers that they couldnt deliver a service to. There is no financial management and tenders are utilised to empty budgets with no service delivery. We can not be bullied into a process to fill the coffers of government for more funds to be used for their own pockets through the mismanagement of finances. They have a tendancy to focus on taking money from people who they neglected when they had to deliver a service. They should concentrate and focus on how they should manage the funds they have, how they will improve on service delivery. and how they will recover and collect the wasted funds paid to tender buddies.	Nerina	retired
	2026-08-29 07:11:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We do not need more financial pressure than we are already under. South Africans need cannot keep giving out of pocket and be expected to survive.	Leigh	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renata	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:17:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BRIAN	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:17:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	retired
	2026-08-29 07:18:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is disgusting to be regulated again after having to get ourselves back on our own electricity because of mismanagement.	Bert	business owner
	2026-08-29 07:21:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sience of Economice ... If you lower your prices and guarantee supply , there would be no need to install rooftop solar. This monster was created by goverment themselves	Ben	retired
	2026-08-29 07:22:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Otto	retired
	2026-08-29 07:28:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheldon	
	2026-08-29 07:41:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Flip	
	2026-08-29 07:44:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:47:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The residential market did not create the electricity crisis but we are constantly being harassed by our municipalities for fees that is clearly not based any financial ground. A substantial amount of residents and small businesses are already battling to survive as a result of various decisions government took over the years. Now they want the captive customers to pay for their lack of foresight. Moreover Eskom promoted solar energy installations. (I know this as I was head of marketing at Eskom). Then government moved in and installed solar geysers in most of the townships. So the private solar generation is Eskom making. Beside all of this Eskom did not read the residential customer market at all other than moving to solar. Eskom did not think about the long term consequences and the impact of the self generation market. I do not recall a single meeting where this was discussed. Consequently the residential market is made to pay for Eskom executive's lack of business acumen.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-29 07:54:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wendy	
	2026-08-29 07:57:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We work hard for what we have and to lighten the grid for municipal and the sun is free for everyone to use not just the parliament.	Jacqueline	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 08:03:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernon	retired
	2026-08-29 08:07:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When eskom wasn't there for sa citizens, they made a plan. Now greedy politicians want to bully them for it	Mark	retired
	2026-08-29 08:07:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christiaan	
	2026-08-29 08:12:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die staat is die grootste drywer van inflasie in die land. Die dienste wat die staat aanbied word ver bo die gemiddelde inflasie koers jaar na jaar verhoog. So word die vaste koste komponent van die krag wat gekoop word jaarliks verhoog bo die gemiddelde inflasie koers. Dus word dit nog 'n "belasting " wat gevorder word en die spiraal van die styging van lewenskoste word buitensporig verhoog en die inflasie styging maak almal armer!	Francois	retired
	2026-08-29 08:14:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Craig	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:17:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government never fails to exploit the citizens to generate easy source of funds to make up for all the shortcomings, corruption, incompetence and theft that have become endemic in S.A. With their avaricious eyes and grubby hands, the legislators are ever ready to pounce on opportunities to generate easy funds by exploiting long suffering taxpayers to make up for their shortcomings and failings. I cannot understand why obstacles are regularly thrown on the path of those citizens who are trying to help themselves to cope with the incompetence of the government.	Anand	self-employed
	2026-08-29 08:19:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryno	employed individual

	2026-08-29 08:21:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	self-employed
	2026-08-29 08:21:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:21:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-29 08:22:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bob	retired
	2026-08-29 08:23:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheryyl	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:31:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrzej	retired
	2026-08-29 08:33:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be punished for all the theft and corruption? It is totally outrageous, nobody owns the sun, but this government wants to continue stealing from the citizens of this country.	Adriana	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:40:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel this corrupt government has squandered all the tax payers money and is looking for any way possible to tax the tax payer more in any ridiculous way possible. It’s time the current government be replaced. They’ve had 32 years and they’ve done nothing but destroy and steal, not to mention the amount of debt this country is in.. which the taxpayers have to foot the bill for. I’m done with bee, I’m done with them living lavish lives off our hard earned wages. They work for us yet it feels the other way around.	Dustin	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 08:43:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duane	
	2026-08-29 08:44:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom/Municipality has failed over the years to supply reliable and consistent electricity to households, resulting in untold hardships for residents such as: increased insurance claims for damaged appliances from power surges increased loss of food stuff that would normally have lasted longer lack of power at night to either cook or watch entertainment or see by or even to warm the home by. As a result of the above some home owners have at their own cost installed additional methods of solving the above problems. Solar panels which charge a battery when eskom cannot supply power to do so, should not be subject to eskom monopoly nor charged according to some draconic law.	Robert	retired
	2026-08-29 08:45:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	
	2026-08-29 08:48:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government created this insane problem. When citizens spend their own overly taxed money to resolve the problem they are further taxed. Get rid of this useless money grabbing Government.	Leon	retired
	2026-08-29 08:52:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	business owner
	2026-08-29 08:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally a mad idea!!! I, as well as 1000's of other people don't have the money to pay for this nonsense!! Ministers are earning millions and are getting everything for free. But we, the ordinary, must pay, pay and keep on with paying. I am sick and tired of this!!!!	Monica	retired
	2026-08-29 08:57:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amorita	
	2026-08-29 08:58:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenni	retired
	2026-08-29 09:00:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilona	retired
	2026-08-29 09:03:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill treats the citizens who grew tired of the uselessly unreliable Eskom electricity grid, and invested in solar energy to solve the government's incompetence by themselves as the enemy. This came at great personal expense. Unacceptable! Time to go completely off-grid, then you will lose more of your already dwindling actual paying customers. We need less government in our lives, not more!	Marnus	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:04:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederic	retired
	2026-08-29 09:06:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I WILL NOT PAY ANYMORE ON ELECTRICITY! WE SIT FORUP TO 5 / 10 DAYS WITHOUT.. AND GET NO REFUND... NO MORE!!!!	Ashley	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 09:06:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a home owner, I have spent quite a bit on my solar electricity infrastructure to avoid and escape load-shedding, and thus help ease the load on the grid. It is very unfair and completely wrong to punish someone for utilizing natural resources to combat a problem, not created by themselves or a neighbor, but a problem created by the state. Regarding solar electricity users 'not paying their "fair share" of fixed network maintenance.' It is, in fact, completely fair for those that only use the grid for a portion of their electricity use, thus causing less strain on the grid and causing less wear-and-tear on the grid to pay less. What is, in fact, unfair is to punish me, and the thousands of other people helping with the prooblem created by the state. I doubt I would have spent this much on solar electricity infrastructure is the sate's ability to ptovide electricity was reliable and affordable.	Charl	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 09:07:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not fair to essentially penalize citizens who had to pay out of pocket to solve electricity problems that government could not. The drop on reliability on tje grid and their loss of revenue is their problem, invest better. If we were able to rely on the grid people would not have been forced to fond alternatives while we suffered through loadshedding to be able to work and eat which is a basic human need. Penalizing people for solving the basic needs problems you caused at their own cost is unconstitutional. Another tax that is drowning us. You failed us.	B	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:12:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of trying to increase income by unfair means, cut running costs/expenses like any private business would do. Stop punishing taxpayers and honest citizens who pay their bills. With the modern technilogy available today, surely Eskom can come up with a solution to illegal connections.	Coralie	
	2026-08-29 09:14:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is pure theft as far as I'm concerned, just another way to take our money. TOTALLY UNFAIR	Joyce	
	2026-08-29 09:16:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	self-employed
	2026-08-29 09:16:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	UNFAIR We are already paying too much tax. The sun is free	Derek	
	2026-08-29 09:19:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-29 09:19:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	
	2026-08-29 09:23:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was the prime cause to deliver to its mandate and not only encouraged but literally forced rate payers to install Solar. Furthermore contributed to the countries de industrialisation due to its inability to generate sufficient power. The power position is still borderline. Eskom should be looking at its own efficiency and cost structures not to forget for allowing Municipal debt to accumulate to this extent.	Wolfgang	retired
	2026-08-29 09:27:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I do not consent to what boils down to daylight robbery. Please, stop this breaking of our nation! We are all struggling to survive.	Doreen	
	2026-08-29 09:30:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cedric	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:33:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-08-29 09:33:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By installing solar power, users have decreased the load on the ESKOM power grid, in effect private households “built” additional capacity. How will the capital input (with interest) by private houselds to install solarbe refunded by ESKOM / municipality/ government?	Amanda	retired
	2026-08-29 09:35:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am thoroughly disgusted with this anc government First you steal this country bankrupt and now you want to charge responsible citizens with paying for all your corruption. Let private enterprises run the electricity. Eskom is not capable Proven over and over... Just like the ANC! You simply don't care for this country or it's people.	Ina	
	2026-08-29 09:36:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna	retired
	2026-08-29 09:37:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sameer	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:49:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A Penalty on Private Initiative: Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure. The "Captive Ratepayer" Trap: While large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal lines to buy cheaper power directly on an open wholesale market, ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Dominance: With Eskom Generation controlling the vast majority of baseload power, the risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation could spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails.	Sue	
	2026-08-29 09:56:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ridiculous, tax for sunlight! Eskom couldn't supply, now the private sector has taken over. Competition is the key to an affordable economy. Excess private Solar generation fed back into the network should reduce Eskoms generation costs making the system more affordable to all.	Roland	retired
	2026-08-29 09:56:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lana	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 09:57:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rian	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:01:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are retired and put in solar when we could afford it so that as our income decreases we don’t have rising electricity costs. This bill makes our retirement plans less affordable. We make our own provision for retirement but there’s no consideration for this. Should everyone claim SASSA??	Roz	retired

	2026-08-29 10:02:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to penalize users for having solar panels	Gerda	retired
	2026-08-29 10:08:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-08-29 10:09:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Willy	self-employed
	2026-08-29 10:13:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy paper appears to just wish to add additional taxes on ratepayers who have already gone out of their way to lessen the burden on the state. The motivation is non-sensitcal, there is no 'free riding' -- that power at night time (assuming people do not have batteries) -- would be used regardless of whether solar was present or not. It is a moot point, as that night time electricity is always used, and now just daytime consumption is much less. This appears to be a highly cynical play to legislate a captive market and force those reducing their reliance on state resources to pay more. I think this is both an unconstitutional framework for charging ratepayers with solar penalties and ramping fixes charges, and mostly a deceptive ploy to keep a captured market that is becoming increasingly self-reliant.	Nigel	self-employed
	2026-08-29 10:14:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Stanley	retired
	2026-08-29 10:16:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rowen	
	2026-08-29 10:23:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ravisha	retired
	2026-08-29 10:24:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE??? YOU, let me repeat, YOU stuffed up the electrical grid through mismanagement, incompetence and corruption. I, the taxpayer had to install a solar system with AFTER TAX money - now you want to punish me. YOU SHOULD BE ARRESTED AND TRIED FOR TREASON! YOU DISGUST ME!!!!! Under NO, ZERO circumstances will I pay any surcharges because of your MESS. If anything - YOU OWE ME THE ENTIRE INSTALLATION COSTS OF MY SOLAR. YOU ARROGANT DISGUSTING EXCUSE FOR HUMAN BEINGS - that's all I can say.	Wolfgang	retired
	2026-08-29 10:27:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My solar has nothing to do regarding costs of installation, cost of maintenance, etc. that I myself carry. If this is your approach, why do you not penalise us for not using lights during the day?	Gideon	
	2026-08-29 10:27:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Who messed up the electrical grid? Who didn't maintain it? Who mismanaged it? Who allowed corruption to take place? YOU!!!!!!!!!!! AND NOW YOU WANT TO PUNISH ME???????? I, the taxpayer had to install a solar system with AFTER TAX money - now you want to punish me. YOU SHOULD BE ARRESTED AND TRIED FOR TREASON! YOU DISGUST ME!!!!! Under NO, ZERO circumstances will I pay any surcharges because of your MESS. If anything - YOU OWE ME THE ENTIRE INSTALLATION COSTS OF MY SOLAR. YOU ARROGANT DISGUSTING EXCUSE FOR HUMAN BEINGS - that's all I can say.	SONJA	retired
	2026-08-29 10:32:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents and rate payer should not be punished for providing a service to themselves that the municipality and government have failed to consistently provide. The middle income population are already overburdened with high tax, high electricity costs, health service costs because the government has failed them.	Mary	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 10:32:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	retired
	2026-08-29 10:33:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 10:33:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashleigh	business owner
	2026-08-29 10:37:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizen Is repy on solar to make up for eskom's inneficient supply. It wont be fair to charge us for eskoms insufficiency.	Jurgen	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:38:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:38:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Simple answer/reason. NO MORE!!!!!'	Sharon	retired
	2026-08-29 10:40:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to save our diminishing resources, like coal, oil. The sun is free and we should be encouraged to use it, not penalised for doing so.	Vikki	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:46:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not supply electricity so we were encouraged to get solar power. I am a pensioner and used my savings to do so. Now because they suddenly can supply electricity, why should we be penalised!!! Not on. Sick of all the ways this government tries to get more money out of the same people all the time!! Enough!!!	Margi	retired
	2026-08-29 10:47:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they ran things properly and could provide consistent electricity then we wouldn't have had to invest in solar. We shouldn't be penalised for other people's poor management	P	
	2026-08-29 10:50:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They do not own the sun. God made it, they did NOT!!	lee	
	2026-08-29 10:55:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used loaned money to buy inverter and batteries I haven't even finish paying the loan and now they want to charge us for making plans for our homes to have electricity and these is caused by them eskom/ Anc government it's very unfair and they're busy collapsing the municipality.	Mogowe	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:56:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Umr	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:00:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can citizens be taxed for not using an electricity supply that had become increasingly unreliable? The utility was plainly used to enrich well-connected friends and cadres of the ruling party, leading directly to its collapse. Now that the stream of "sweet deals" has dried up, the next best option seems to be taxing those who were proactive enough to reduce their dependence on a failing system.	Patrick	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:14:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Privaat insette moet eerder wardeer en selfs beloon word - hierdie voorgestelde wysigings ondersteun 'n sosialistiese beleid warsonder ons land kan klaarkom. Ons bars al vir 30+ jar onder die kortsigtigheid vn hierdie sosialistiese uitgangspunte. Bemagtig eerder privaat inisiatiewe.	Braam	retired
	2026-08-29 11:14:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marne	
	2026-08-29 11:16:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mada	
	2026-08-29 11:20:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paula	retired
	2026-08-29 11:24:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-29 11:26:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Numerous households and businesses have made private investments in rooftop solar and battery systems to maintain power supply during periods of state-level service disruption. The proposed shift from consumption-based billing to mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges would adversely impact energy-conscious citizens, prolong the return on investment for solar installations, and disincentivize private decarbonization efforts.	Aadil	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:35:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norman K	retired
	2026-08-29 11:37:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly Eskom should look at cost cutting and better efficiency. It is well known that they are overstaffed which is always the biggest expense most companies face It is the Solar industry that helped Eskom out of Load Shedding and now you are wanting to punish that market by putting in fixed charges. The middle class is being placed under more and more pressure as prices increase way beyond inflation and you just know ONE solution. Put the price up by using any devious method you can!!	Alastair	retired
	2026-08-29 11:38:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eric	retired
	2026-08-29 11:40:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tamryn	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:43:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the honest consumers be penalised, once again, for the Municipalities ineptness to collect the electricity owing from consumers AND for Eskom's mismanagement of funds (bribery and corruption).	YVONNE	retired
	2026-08-29 11:45:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Spiking electricity prices for normal ratepayers for year on year worsening service is unacceptable. Added to this municipalities force ratepayers to subsidise other households. Everyone should pay their fair share, not just the ones who have solar installations. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Daniel	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:49:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The amount of solar power installed over the last almost-ten years has reduced grid strain and effectively allowed the grid to operate despite insufficient power being produced. This should be seen as a positive economic contribution from everyone that invested private money to achieve this positive outcome. It's positive from both the private and public perspective. Punishing, or "holding accountable" those that reduced grid-strain and provided the time for grid capacity to start correcting can't be the appropriate response. There is already a grid-connection fee, which should more-than cover the fixed-operating costs. Abandoning the principle of pay-for-what-you-use has a strong nett-negative effect on society. Also consider that this bill expects individuals and small entities to pay excessive amounts for infrastructure they've gone to lengths to reduce reliance on. Instead agreeing to pay the excessive amounts, the more likely response will be to spend a bit more and completely sever connection to the grid. Nobody wants this, but it is a likely outcome, which will further reduce the money available for grid maintenance / operation. It comes down to a calculation of: how many months of saving municipal electricity-costs pays for the cost of going off-grid? While this bill started with positive intent, it got turned around along the way. Public infrastructure and services exist to serve society at large. It should never prioritise the freedom of larger entities at the expense of the freedom of citizens. This bill does that.	Barry	employed individual

	2026-08-29 11:56:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna	retired
	2026-08-29 11:57:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mohammed Ameen	self-employed
	2026-08-29 12:06:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-29 12:06:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	self-employed
	2026-08-29 12:07:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have Solar power but I am really pleased that those who can afford to move to Solar are doing so. We should not penalise people who are making a huge difference to our aged electricity infrastructure & therefore giving the less advantaged the privilege of less loadshedding. This also contributes to a healthier economy with business operating at full capacity. I have no problem if Solar users pay the same fixed monthly rate that we do but their rate should not be escalated for possible use at infrequent times. We need to support progressive principles & create a greener environment.	Ingrid	retired
	2026-08-29 12:14:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The inability of Eskom and Tshwane to provide a sustainable, consistent power supply over the past few years has resulted in huge financial losses for me as an online forex trader. Only a few seconds without electricity can result in the loss of thousands of $. If they are unable to provide the basic infrastructure, how can they blame individuals and businesses who are trying to protect themselves against the failures or the government? If in return we may claim our losses because of government failures back, then and only then it may be a different more acceptable situation.	Johan	business owner
	2026-08-29 12:19:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	retired
	2026-08-29 12:23:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tarien	
	2026-08-29 12:26:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not understand why I have to pay someone for a service I am not using. We were asked to install solar panels to assist the Government as they could not manage their government concerns properly and then complain about loss of income. In 2006 when I retired I was paying R0.4492 per kW. I am now paying R3.7120 and a ridiculous surcharge amount to the municipality of R696.60/Month for a prepaid meter, which I installed so that I could control my costs as I grew older and the cost of living increased.	Rhett	retired
	2026-08-29 12:30:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not fair to penalize those that can afford to put in solar. If it wasn't for them I think Eskom would still be struggling to supply enough power and load shedding would still be a problem. It's time to end the monopoly in the power supply and distribution sector.	Wicus	self-employed
	2026-08-29 12:36:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not understand why anyone should be penalised for helping the grid.As we have watched the ANC run it into the ground. Now they want to steal more money from us. As in everything else it has broken , it is up to the citizens to fix!!!! They still have the audacity to charge us!!!!	Ronald	retired
	2026-08-29 12:38:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natasha	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:48:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar as my husband has an electric machine assisting his breathing at night. I can not rely on Escom to give a continuous supply when it is needed	Bev	retired
	2026-08-29 12:50:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the mandatory fixed charge to households. They argue not paying a fair share, however the reason people added solar in the first place is because the grid couldn't provide the service they needed. Forcing people to pay for a grid that can't support their needs is just an excuse - it would be far more productive to invest in projects to help with power generation on Eskom's side. It is a known fact that people don't mind paying when it is more convenient to just pay and receive a service than to try and find a way to make it work themselves (like with solar power). This rule is a shortcut for them to earn more money without putting in the work and funds to make it convenient for people. I would support the use of private sector providing electricity, but it has to be allowed for all people - not just those who use too much power.	C	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:01:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The principles of an open and competitive free market system excludes all/any statutory competition designed against it. Whereas ESCOM had been one of the world's leading energy manufacturing and supply organisations it had dwindled into an abyss of risks and failure, liabilities and gangsterism. Whilst the South African taxpayer has remained loyal in their commitments towards ESCOM through government taxations, the whole paradigm of ESCOMs reason for existence has been seriously eroded by mismanagement, theft on extreme scales, gangsters and their tactics, mismanagement, quality controls and monitoring, theft of grid electricity supplies, unpoliced and asset managements, controls in the supply chain leading to loss of income and quality of supply. Their current effort to clamp down on the existing loyal and truthful client base which they now realise they have lost reeks of arrogance, intellectual failure and socialistic incompetence, punishing the honest with measures thereof meant for the transgressors, thieves and incompetents .	Dr WP	
	2026-08-29 13:11:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens took the initiative and paid large amounts to install solar which alleviated the stress on Eskom. This improved Eskom's ability to "keep the lights on!" Now we are being penalised to allow Eskom's finanances. Totally unacceptable that we now have to pay a levy!!! NO NO NO	Barbara	retired
	2026-08-29 13:23:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	retired
	2026-08-29 13:24:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We were forced to invest in Solar when the government and its parastal electric supplier have become totally corrupt and incompetent. Load shedding was destroying my business and also ruining our daily lives at home. When we invested in our solar, the cost was also more than double the current cost meaning we were penalised due to timing because we had no choice. Furthermore, Eskom rates have increaed about 3000% in the last 30 years and are supplying less power for that money. It is an absolute disgrace and not acceptable for the government to think they can penalise us now for their incompetence.	Howard	
	2026-08-29 13:24:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	retired
	2026-08-29 13:26:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-29 13:28:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First we were encouraged to go solar, as Eskom was collapsing, now they want to penalize us - how bloody absurd!!!!!	Basie	retired
	2026-08-29 13:28:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First we were encouraged to go solar, as Eskom was collapsing, now they want to penalize us - how bloody absurd!!!!!	Basie	retired
	2026-08-29 13:32:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am sick and tired of being treated like the personal ATM of highly paid executives to not do their jobs properly. This is precisely why I will install Solar power to get away from this attitude, but now you want to punish me for using my money to get away from the problems you cause by not properly supervising contracts, handing out over priced tenders to cadres and then allowing the goal posts to shift so the end cost bears little resemblance to the tendered cost. That is obscenely poor project management for which someone gets paid an obscenely high salary.	George	retired
	2026-08-29 13:35:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government must wake up and fix what is broken by doing the WORK and fixing what they broke in the first place. Instead,, it's trying to push paper and legislate their way into cash.	Hennie	
	2026-08-29 13:44:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government encouraged users to go solar as to lessen burden on Eskom. Now they want that same people to pay extra because they used their own money to become less dependent on Eskom. This is unfair and a sign of poor governance. If Eskom stop paying people exorbitant salaries for poor management and planning (do not forget money lost to corruption) then people can pay a fair price for what they use and the money collected will be enough for maintenance and expansion.	Andrieka	
	2026-08-29 13:48:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government's failure to maintain the functional system it inherited is now resulting in private initiative being penalised simply for helping keep South Africa moving. Instead of addressing the consequences of years of mismanagement and resource depletion, government appears to be looking for new ways to extract more from those who are still willing and able to contribute. Private investment in alternative power generation does not undermine Eskom - it reduces the pressure on Eskom to supply electricity and helps keep businesses, households and the broader economy running. Those who have invested their own money to generate power should be recognised for easing the burden on the national grid, not penalised for doing what government has failed to do. Rather than punishing private initiative, government should be encouraging and supporting the very people helping to keep South Africa's economy functioning.	Marise	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:51:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another form of illegal taxation to add to consumers already stretched household budgets. This must not be allowed.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-29 13:51:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) Eskom is owed billions of Rands from municipalities who charge residents for electricity but do not pay Eskom. Getting that sorted should be a priority for Eskom. That deficit should not be subsidized by paying customers. 2) Tenderpreneurship and corruption are known issues at Eskom. Addressing that would also save Eskom billions. 3) It is unacceptable for the people who have invested in solar energy due to Eskom's failure to supply a reliable electricity supply, to now be charged high fees to prop up Eskom. 4) All these extra "roll players" in the transmission section of Eskom raise fears of more corruption and cadre deployment, etc etc.	Anne	retired
	2026-08-29 14:17:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am sick and tired of irrelevant rotten people earning huge salaries to determine our future. Firstly, they complaint we must save electricity, now that we want to do something about our lousy situation, it is also wrong. How sickening.	Andreas Petrus	self-employed
	2026-08-29 14:36:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Santosh	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 14:39:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-08-29 14:43:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is outrageous, instead of encouraging people to save energy (like it is done in European countries), we get punished for doing exactly this. Millions of households and businesses invested into rooftop solar and batteries to keep the lights on when the state failed to do so. Instead of punishing these people, they should get the possibility to feed clean energy into the grid and get rewarded for that!!!	Eveline	retired
	2026-08-29 14:45:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Day light robbery!!!!! A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. A tax cannot be placed in hind-sight. Taxes were paid for the purchase of the solar panels, back-up batteries, upgrades to the property. Property taxes have increased due to the value of the property increase. Insurance costs have increased. Property risks have increase, with solar equipment becoming a target for theft. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Heila	self-employed
	2026-08-29 14:50:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick Jacobus	retired
	2026-08-29 14:50:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	i pay eskom every day for the capaity and generasion and admin fees and on top of that eskom increes my bill still now day what to cahrg becos you do not use dem. no this is not rigt and i will not stand for this. i am a eskom direct customer.	Thomas	employed individual

	2026-08-29 15:03:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They stole and sabotaged Escom snd pleaded everybody to get solar, now they don't get enough income to STEAL, because honest people who paid have left the grid. Go to the free-riders, looters and illegal users snd adk them for money.	Louise	retired
	2026-08-29 15:05:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shoukat	retired
	2026-08-29 15:06:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brigitta	
	2026-08-29 15:07:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Investment into private renewable energy became essential as a direct result of Govt ineptitude and penalising consumers for installing their own solar systems is unwarranted. I do not approve any proposed fixed network and capacity rates for residential consumers. Govt should be rewarding grid-tied rooftop solar owners for energy injection and sustaining the grid by reducumg fixed network costs rather than impose increased flat network rates. The proposed rates will negatively impact low-income households and all who choose to conserve their electricity usage. The citizens of South Africa are already heavily overtaxed and have a constitutional right to choose how they spend their disposable income. On the other hand Govt has the right to provide households with affordable and efficient electricity supply and should work on rehabilitating bankrupt municipalities before taking steps to increase financial burden on the people!!	Jen	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:13:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers have already been burdened with mandatory network access charge to be connected to the grid. This was not previously the case - only actual electricity consumed was billed and paid for. No we are already paying ever-increasing tariffs and additional charges - the network access charge should then be considered ad the “backup connection” to the grid. STOP TRYING TO SECRETLY GET AWAY WITH OVERTAXING CONSUMERS!! Most households are struggling to put food on the table due to the high cost of living. The sun is not yours - not to tax or use as leverage - you cannot tax consumers for solar power. Is the government going to start charging residents additional rent over and above their rent or mortgage payments? No. Why? Because the properties DO NOT BELONG TO THE GOVERNMENT and they are NOT ENTITLED to any compensation.	Johan	
	2026-08-29 15:14:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roger Reece	retired
	2026-08-29 15:14:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is like a tax on the Sun. This will force people to go off the grid and create their own continues electrical plan. Then there will less revenue.	Robert	self-employed
	2026-08-29 15:17:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:20:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	retired
	2026-08-29 15:24:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hardus	
	2026-08-29 15:25:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, it is the small basis of people that has to pay for everything (and for everyone) that is being punished. Should someone not look at finding of the high court in the Western Cape against the City of Cape Town re their charging structure?	Rika	
	2026-08-29 15:31:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Public Servants should be SERVANTS. This lot think they are 'officials' or 'gods'. First you screw up the electricity grid (like everything else you've touched in the past 32 years), forcing us to pay billions to install our own power. Now you want to TAX us on top thereof for doing something to compensate for you being so damn USELESS and INEPT?	Duan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:35:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have paid for my solar system out of my pension money as I cannot afford paying the municipality bills. How can I now pay for the solar energy that I paid for to help the corrupt government to solve the energy crisis in South Africa.? Eskom worker's don't have any budget to do maintenance or attend to faults after hours and are sitting at TSC's waisting our money instead of doing preventive maintenance and there are thousands of Eskom staff not working because of lack of planning and supervision and now we as pensioners must suffer? What is the government doing to solve the problem and what support do we as pensioners get ?	Adri	retired
	2026-08-29 15:38:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Viv	business owner
	2026-08-29 15:46:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Municipal Official / Councillor		Setobe	retired
	2026-08-29 15:48:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Nuclear basepower is the only sensible answer. The private sector will end up monopolising the industry.	D	
	2026-08-29 15:51:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	self-employed
	2026-08-29 15:53:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our municipalities are in crisis mode having only a fraction of the electricians needed to maintain the services. Some districts are regularly without electricity. To charge those that are able to invest money in a solar power system is exploitation. The problem needs to be addressed at its core. More charges (sun tax) is only going to disappear into corrupt pockets and when the municipalities’ electricity grid collapses the problems will not have been solved.	Neville	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:53:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Godwin	business owner
	2026-08-29 15:55:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is only through us that installed solar systems with our own hard earned money, that Eskom was able to stop loadshedding as the demand on their substandard transmission network lessened. Now the gready lot wants to steal more from us the taxpayer. The government officials sit with university learning (even fake credentials) but very little common sense and logic. This country is run by a bunch of thieving clowns.	Douglas	
	2026-08-29 15:58:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay - a basic charge, - a minimum charge, - a service charge and - a network charge for a service that has been unreliable for many years. Because of the failure of government to provide, we spent a small fortune in order to sustain ourselves. You can't get any more blood out of a stone	Audrey	retired
	2026-08-29 16:06:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Forcing tax payers to pay tax on their own money spend is unfair. And suggesting they should pay a connection fee for being connected is robbery. Tshwane already make an unfair hugh amount on the markup of electricity units to fund their inflated payroll. Why do we then pay rates and taxes on property? Then I can send an invoice monthly to the municipality for being available to render services, irrespective if they make use of it.	Derick	self-employed
	2026-08-29 16:07:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is become over burdened by government of today to its citizens to overlook the reality that it becomes impossible to survive in today cost of living. Middle class can't survive anymore. State demands from its citizens is not sustainable. These results to many owe metro or municipality basic services bills. We need to choose between paying municipality bills or buy food for children. There electricity will is no longer luxury but source of living. We cannot afford any type of Tax.	Thilivhali Johnson	employed individual
	2026-08-29 16:10:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Ethically, charging consumers who have solar more via re-jigged fixed costs is stupidity. But please go ahead so we can sell more solar equipment to those who decide to go completely off-grid. The EAF still hovers around 70% and loadshedding is only gone because of rooftop solar. This is not a "just energy transition" it is widening the gap between the rich and poor. Encourage feed-in, and wheel that power to the under-privileged.	Chris	
	2026-08-29 16:18:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is outrageous, instead of encouraging people to save energy (like it is done in European countries), we get punished for doing exactly this. Millions of households and businesses invested into rooftop solar and batteries to keep the lights on when the state failed to do so. Instead of punishing these people, they should get the possibility to feed clean energy into the grid and get rewarded for that!!!	Mario	
	2026-08-29 16:27:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gyme	employed individual
	2026-08-29 16:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Khalid	self-employed

	2026-08-29 16:54:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	FORMAL PUBLIC COMMENT — ELECTRICITY SECTOR MARKET TRANSFORMATION POSITION PAPER Subject: Objection to punitive fixed charges and the proposed treatment of residential rooftop solar users I hereby submit my formal objection to any policy, tariff structure or regulatory mechanism that seeks to financially penalise residential electricity consumers for investing in their own electricity-generation capacity, including rooftop solar and battery storage. I am a residential electricity consumer who has invested a substantial amount of my own money in a solar and battery system. I did not make this investment because I wanted to avoid paying my fair share of electricity infrastructure costs. I made it because I needed a reliable electricity supply and could no longer depend entirely on the public electricity system. I have therefore spent my own money to generate and store electricity on my own property, using solar energy that is freely available from the sun. 1. I reject the principle of "anti-free-riding" being used as a justification for punitive solar charges The suggestion that residential solar users are somehow "free riders" requires serious scrutiny. I have invested my own capital in equipment that reduces my demand on the electricity system. I carry the cost of purchasing, installing, maintaining, replacing and financing that equipment. If government wishes to impose a fixed grid or network charge, it must clearly demonstrate: - exactly what service that charge pays for; - the actual cost incurred by the distributor; - how the charge is calculated; - why the charge is necessary; - why the amount is proportionate to the services actually provided; - and why consumers who substantially reduce their electricity consumption should be required to pay substantially the same costs as consumers who remain heavily dependent on the grid. Calling consumers "anti-free-riders" does not constitute an economic justification for a tariff. 2. Consumers should not be punished for solving an infrastructure problem themselves For years South African households have been exposed to unreliable electricity supply, escalating electricity costs and load-shedding. Instead of simply continuing to complain, many households have taken responsibility for their own electricity security. We purchased solar panels, inverters, batteries and associated equipment with our own money. We have effectively invested private capital into reducing our dependence on the national electricity system. It is fundamentally unreasonable to encourage consumers to invest in renewable energy and energy independence while simultaneously creating tariff structures that financially punish them for doing so. Government cannot reasonably say: "Please invest your own money in renewable energy and reduce pressure on the grid" and then subsequently say: "Because you have successfully reduced your dependence on the grid, we will charge you more." That creates a perverse economic incentive. 3. Solar energy is not electricity supplied by Eskom or a municipality There must be a clear distinction between: electricity purchased from the grid, and electricity generated by a household on its own property using privately owned equipment. A household generating electricity from sunlight is not purchasing that energy from Eskom or a municipality. Therefore, any charge relating to privately generated electricity must have a demonstrable and lawful connection to an actual regulated service or network cost. The mere existence of a solar installation cannot, by itself, constitute sufficient justification for imposing an additional financial penalty. 4. Grid costs must be separated from revenue recovery I accept that electricity networks have real costs. Transmission, distribution infrastructure, metering, maintenance, system balancing and network availability all have costs. However, those costs must not become a blank cheque for revenue recovery. If the electricity market is being fundamentally restructured, government and regulators must explain precisely which costs are genuinely fixed, which costs vary according to consumption, and which costs are simply historic revenue requirements being redistributed among customers. NERSA itself has recognised that tariff restructuring involves reallocating costs between fixed and variable components. Its 2026/27 Eskom decision states that the generation-capacity charge represents a reallocation of existing generation revenue rather than an entirely new charge. That makes transparency even more important. Consumers have the right to know whether they are being charged for an actual service or whether costs previously recovered through electricity consumption are simply being shifted onto households through increasingly unavoidable fixed charges. 5. Do not make ordinary households the captive funding mechanism I am also concerned about the potential consequences of allowing large electricity consumers to obtain electricity through alternative suppliers while ordinary residential consumers remain dependent on municipal distribution systems. If large customers leave the traditional revenue base, government must not simply transfer the resulting financial burden onto ordinary households through ever-increasing fixed charges. Residential consumers should not become the financial shock absorber for restructuring the electricity market. 6. Renewable energy should be encouraged, not economically punished South Africa has an enormous renewable-energy resource. Every household that installs solar and battery storage is making a private investment that can: - reduce demand on the grid; - reduce peak demand; - improve household energy security; - reduce dependence on centralised generation; - and contribute to the country's broader energy transition. A tariff system that makes these investments progressively less attractive is economically self-defeating. If government genuinely wants greater private investment in renewable energy, then the regulatory framework must provide certainty and fair treatment—not the fear that consumers who invest today will be subjected to punitive charges tomorrow. 7. I demand transparent justification for every proposed fixed charge I therefore formally request that any proposed fixed solar, network, capacity or connection charge applicable to residential consumers be accompanied by a transparent cost-of-supply analysis demonstrating: 1. The exact cost being recovered. 2. The methodology used to calculate the charge. 3. The portion attributable to generation, transmission, distribution, metering and other services. 4. The extent to which the cost is genuinely fixed. 5. The extent to which the cost is already recovered through existing tariffs. 6. The expected financial impact on low-consumption households. 7. The expected financial impact on households with solar and battery systems. 8. The economic justification for charging consumers who substantially reduce their grid consumption. 9. The alternatives considered before imposing the charge. 10. The mechanism that will prevent the charge from becoming a disguised revenue-recovery mechanism. 8. My position I DO NOT CONSENT to a tariff policy that treats residential solar owners as a problem to be financially penalised. I do not object to paying legitimate, transparent and proportionate costs for services that I actually use. I strongly object, however, to any system under which I am effectively forced to continue paying increasingly large fixed charges simply because I exercised my right to invest my own money in an alternative means of generating and storing electricity. I have already paid for my solar system. I have already accepted the financial risk of that investment. I have already paid for the installation, equipment and maintenance. I am already contributing to the economy and paying the taxes and charges applicable to me. I should not subsequent	Elmarie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 17:12:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simone Danielle	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:12:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:13:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My electricity is already high and this won’t fix it! The less thr government is involved the better.	Michelle	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:14:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lance	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:20:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for my solar system because I can't rely on eskom.	Gavin	retired

	2026-08-29 17:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-29 17:38:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-08-29 17:44:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	self-employed
	2026-08-29 17:57:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People got solar because the state could not provide reliable energy. The state asked for citizens to help and now they want to punish them for helping. This is unfair and wrong. Taxes are too high already, don't add to it.	Eloise	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Avrille	retired
	2026-08-29 18:11:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to punish people who are actually helping to keep the lights on.	Marina	retired
	2026-08-29 18:13:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-08-29 18:14:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This should not be a debate, or a notion for flimsy public comment. The penalty is simply criminal, thug-like brainless thievery, don't let me get started on the rest. ?	Candace	self-employed
	2026-08-29 18:15:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theunis	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:18:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadia	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:19:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:20:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:25:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernard	
	2026-08-29 18:34:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was already taxed when I purchased my solar equipment. This is very unfair tax for a service not rendered by the government.	Claude	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:59:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More taxes in NOT the solution! Proper management of the existing grid and maintenance is needed! Stop stealing!	Paul	
	2026-08-29 19:08:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will the government be held accountable for not doing their job?? When will they stop exploiting the small number of middle class tax payers!!! Everything that is happening in the government with cader deployment is happening on a smaller scale in business	K	employed individual
	2026-08-29 19:09:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ann	retired
	2026-08-29 19:23:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus Philippus	retired
	2026-08-29 19:28:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bassie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 19:49:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free. People who have put up solar did so at their own cost. If the municipality want to charge people who have solar, then they must first re-imburse them for what they spent to save eskom who are unable to supply enough power to the country. The government are just looking for another way to steal from the public. Perhaps government should put the same amount of energy into managing finances as they do into how they can steal from the people for something (i.e. solar / sun) that is free.	J	retired
	2026-08-29 19:50:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cathy	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 20:01:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tony	business owner
	2026-08-29 20:03:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they stop corruption then electricity will be cheap and people will get power from Eskom and use solar only in emergency situations. So, stop trying to suck our blood because of your actions. If you continue like this , Eskom will be history and all your comrades will be jobless. Stop fooling yourselves.	Sew	retired
	2026-08-29 20:08:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	employed individual
	2026-08-29 20:19:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	employed individual
	2026-08-29 20:27:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	
	2026-08-29 20:32:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Redicilous!! Instead of solving the problems within Escom and root out the corruption, they want to punish the people who have actually helped Escom by producing their own electricity and taking load of the production. The law should be adjusted where residents can actually start delivering electricity to the grid and being paid for it.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-29 20:35:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eric	retired
	2026-08-29 20:42:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ulli	self-employed
	2026-08-29 20:45:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	employed individual
	2026-08-29 20:51:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:09:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vegan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:36:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nollie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:47:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again, it's a get rich scheme by cANCer, firstly tax payers and rate payers are penalised for making a positive contribution to the country while the negative contributors are rewarded. Now we have useless households getting more free water at the expense of South African tax payers, and now the government wants to have free ride to charge us maintenance fees for electricity they do not produce. In my opinion it is a cover up to ensure they can continue to sponsor bitches and bastards that make children they cannot afford.	Ashok	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:54:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danny	
	2026-08-29 21:56:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wim	business owner
	2026-08-29 22:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another example of governmental over reach in the face of non-existent public service, corruption and greed. I paid after tax money to ensure adequate power supply when you were too useless to do your duty	Herb	self-employed
	2026-08-29 22:29:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users should NOT be penalized by Government for Eskom's failure to generate consistent power and the mismanagement of funds, which led to consumers resorting to alternative reliable power sources.	Elaine	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 00:37:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Georgina	
	2026-08-30 00:57:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-30 01:08:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terry	retired
	2026-08-30 05:43:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	self-employed

	2026-08-30 06:04:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government was made aware of the electricity crisis in 2002 under Mbeki's presidency. They chose to do nothing about it. When residents had to make alternative arrangements due to loadshedding, Government wants to penalize it's citizens. Why must we be held responsible for Government inadequacy and corruption.. citizens are having to look after their own interests as Government cannot , yet citizens are being penalized. There is NO guarantee that loadshedding is a thing of the past	Lynette	retired
	2026-08-30 06:31:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	self-employed
	2026-08-30 06:36:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government failed to supply reliable electricity causing damage to household appliances etc. I Used my hard earned savings to install a small backup system to counter government inability .Used my savings for this while other people used their savings for luxury items like new cars etc . Now they want to penalize me for that.I am a pensioner now and can't afford to pay for other people's incompetence.They should do more to prevent illegal connections and consumers that are not paying.They easy way out is to add an extra burden to people who are doing the right thing by paying their accounts religiously.	Phillip	retired
	2026-08-30 06:50:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	employed individual
	2026-08-30 07:09:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	self-employed
	2026-08-30 07:10:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Babalwa	employed individual
	2026-08-30 07:11:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sunshine is free. Wrong to tax solar users that have rescued ESCOM.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-30 07:12:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is it when you trying to be proactive in saving the strain on the power grid you get penalized. The government makes enough money from taxing us in every form , so why try and steal more. Enough is enough.	Hilton	retired
	2026-08-30 07:30:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	business owner
	2026-08-30 07:46:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tienie	retired
	2026-08-30 08:17:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:25:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margie	self-employed
	2026-08-30 08:45:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:54:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Franscois	retired
	2026-08-30 08:58:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 08:59:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudy	retired
	2026-08-30 09:00:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gizela Khensani	employed individual
	2026-08-30 09:16:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		yolanda	
	2026-08-30 09:18:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darius	business owner
	2026-08-30 09:23:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annalie	retired
	2026-08-30 09:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No no no!! We have spent a fortune getting solar systems to ensure uninterrupted power but mostly to help out Eskom by using less grid power. Now we are to be punished for our efforts? NO!! Get your house in order Eskom, cut back on your staff and pay market-related salaries. Mostly, eradicate the massive corruption which has been allowed to flourish for the past 20 years.	Helen	retired
	2026-08-30 09:35:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	self-employed
	2026-08-30 09:35:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andreas	retired
	2026-08-30 09:37:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-30 09:41:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	employed individual
	2026-08-30 09:49:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree with what is being proposed. We took from savings and investment to buy solar power for our property as the government are not reliable in their power supply. Now they want to penalise us for using God's instrument for energy.	Terence	self-employed
	2026-08-30 10:05:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support reform of South Africa's electricity market and increased competition. What I object to is a market design that could transfer the financial consequences of inefficient municipal distribution systems onto households that have invested their own money in solar and energy efficiency. Consumers who reduce their dependence on the grid should pay a fair and transparent charge for the network services they actually require, but they should not be penalised through excessive fixed charges simply because they consume less electricity. If large commercial and industrial customers are allowed to migrate to competitive electricity suppliers, the policy must also address the resulting erosion of the municipal revenue base. Otherwise ordinary households could become the captive customers who carry an increasing share of distribution costs. The new market should therefore be designed around cost-reflective tariffs, genuine competition, protection against market power, transparent cross-subsidies, fair treatment of rooftop solar and protection of existing private investment in renewable energy. Electricity-market reform should reward efficiency and innovation—not create a financial incentive for consumers to remain dependent on the traditional grid.	Carla	
	2026-08-30 10:07:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	self-employed
	2026-08-30 10:21:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cathy	
	2026-08-30 10:28:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	
	2026-08-30 10:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-30 10:37:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	
	2026-08-30 10:58:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual the public are expected to pay for the ANC governments inability to govern fairly and well. As a householder that has installed solar I find the governments actions appalling and totally unfair. They do NOT act in the publics interest in this bills intent but aim to make me pay for their(Eskom) inability to provide power for the public.	Charles	retired
	2026-08-30 11:12:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marque	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 11:18:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	
	2026-08-30 11:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already paying various electricity based tariffs which includes network connection fees even though my usage of grid electricity is minimal. Eskom and the government are to blam for the reduction of electricity demand. They have failed to provide stable and reliable electricity for 20 years. Do not penalise the users that have invested in alternate sources for generation. Stop wasting the money through deep seated corruption.	Kenneth	retired
	2026-08-30 11:26:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Infrastructure and management must, and always must, not be attached to consumers who by all means avoid stressing the infrastructure which are poorly managed. Change the leadership and employ graduates who have the skill to implement structural maintenance.	Mosala	employed individual
	2026-08-30 11:26:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not understand the reasoning of the current Electricity Governance. Overseas, private idividuals are ENCOURAGED to get their own solar. If they generate more than they use, they can feed their excess into the National Grid which the energy company then credits the supplier-consumer for at a lower rate and sells at the normal rate. This is a HUGE saving, as they do not have the generating costs - it is thus 100% profit. The more private individuals and businesses that can generate their own energy requirements and feed excess into the grid, the less the need for new Power Stations. There could even be a minimum number of kws that have to be fed into the grid requirement. That would make far more sense and have a long-term positive economic effect for the entire country. Individuals would be incentivised to install their own solar. The current thinking is apply the stick - penalties - instead of the carrot - incentives - which ALWAYS work better.	Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-30 11:36:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If charges are to be charged for our using our own investment to have a reliable electricity supply, then we should be repaid 100% for the cost of solar system needed. Residents reason for investing in solar power backup is not anything to do with the grid, it is an investment for our own security. If the supply in the past had been reliable then no one would spend money on expensive backup systems. I believe that basically, the consumer was put in a position of using hard earned savings to keep their lights and geysers working.	Jillian	employed individual

	2026-08-30 11:36:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Gareth	retired
	2026-08-30 11:39:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caesar	employed individual
	2026-08-30 12:14:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	
	2026-08-30 12:19:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ricky	
	2026-08-30 12:21:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Herkie	retired
	2026-08-30 13:00:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC under Zuma accepted to capture Eskom and loot its funds. They thought they could get away with it and get the taxpayers (their customers) to pay extra. So electricity went up 600%. And they also decided not to fix any of the power stations, so they broke and load shedding cause thousands of billions of Rands of destruction to the economy. Not to even mention the frustration to the citizens of this country. The suffering the ANC caused to business owners was unbearable. South Africans had to make a plan. The ANC forced them to adopt an alternative. So they did. And now the ANC wants to tax them for finding an alternative. How evil must the ANC be to hate the people of South Africa and do this to them?	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-30 13:14:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandra	retired
	2026-08-30 13:29:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges will not only penalise alternative energy consumption consumers from a financial perspective, it will also lead to a higher consumption of electricity which will put pressure on the grid and supply.	Cornelia	employed individual
	2026-08-30 13:33:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After years of poor service delivery, consumers were forced to switch to alternative power sources. In essence, this switch from consumers had a major positive impact to grant Eskom a chance to recover and rebuild its capacity - at the cost of consumers. Now, government wants to penalise these same consumers again to pay for lack of infrastructure maintenance, neglect, years of municipal mismanagement, exceptionally high civil servant and member of parliament salaries and benefits. Government has no concern with civilians, at some point in time civilians will start returning th favour.	Anjolize	employed individual
	2026-08-30 13:37:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I had to install solar systems and batteries during loadshedding to protect and supply my business and home - now I will be penalised - not on!	Wendy	business owner
	2026-08-30 13:43:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	business owner
	2026-08-30 13:56:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		james	
	2026-08-30 14:04:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julia	retired
	2026-08-30 14:04:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heidi	
	2026-08-30 14:13:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is through the absolute incompetence, uselessness and corruption of the government and municipalities that private citizens went the rooftop solar system way - and to the benefit of Eskom!! - and now they want to penalize residents for going that route!? And as for the people who receive 50kWH free electricity per month which is now going to be increased to 300kWH per month - who is going to pay for all this free electricity that is so generously being handed out??!!	Jane	retired
	2026-08-30 14:49:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation	Carla	retired
	2026-08-30 14:53:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There should be no fixed/availability charges at all. It is like saying that everyone should pay an availability charge for the bus services and the airline services and any other kind of service just in case you want to use them. If you want to be in business then be in business and run it efficiently. There should also be multiple energy providers so that compete against each other for your business just like on other business. If you cannot compete then close down.	Trevor	
	2026-08-30 14:59:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When I decided to start solar electricity Eskom was unable to generate enough power and loadshedding was done on a regular basis. The Government supported solar installations by subsidising the panels. It is therfor unclear why solar users must be penalised. If no solar installations were done loadshedding will still be done	Daniel	retired
	2026-08-30 15:23:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s disgraceful wanting to charge people for using the sun.	Sharon	retired
	2026-08-30 15:25:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isadore	
	2026-08-30 15:29:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again we are being penalised due to the utter incompetent and corrupt government and the various sectors they have a hand in. We, the taxpayers, added solar panels due to the lack of electricity/loadshedding and total incompetence of the government due to non maintenance by the electricity company/ies.	Penny	retired
	2026-08-30 15:39:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ralph	retired
	2026-08-30 15:45:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-08-30 15:47:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J J	self-employed
	2026-08-30 15:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Celia	retired
	2026-08-30 16:14:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-08-30 16:29:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is unjust; and will definitely lead to more corruption as people in the heirachy of ESKOM and the government find loopholes to exploit. This will lead consumers being charged 'extras' on an on-going monthly basis. Especially for low-earning pensioners this will become an unwanted cost when things are already tight when personal budgets are concerned.	Nigel	retired
	2026-08-30 16:30:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bertus	
	2026-08-30 16:42:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	employed individual
	2026-08-30 16:44:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It leaves the consumer with no option to control their own energy costs if costs are fixed. The consumer is being punished for coming up with an alternative solution instead of being encouraged to use clean energy sources. The cost of electricity has more than doubled in the last five years and salaries have not kept up with the raising costs.	Tintswalo	employed individual
	2026-08-30 16:55:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tobeka	employed individual
	2026-08-30 17:04:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iain	self-employed
	2026-08-30 17:24:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sune	self-employed

						A Case for Encouraging Private Solar Generation Without Additional Taxation or Penalisation Individual electricity consumers who invest their own money in solar generation should not be subjected to additional taxes, punitive charges or excessive costs simply because they generate electricity and make surplus power available to the national grid. These individuals have already made a substantial private investment in renewable-energy infrastructure. In doing so, they have taken financial responsibility for reducing their dependence on Eskom and have helped address an electricity crisis that was not of their making. It would be fundamentally counterproductive to penalise citizens for contributing to the solution. South Africa should instead recognise privately generated solar electricity as a valuable national resource and an extension of the country's electricity-generation capacity. Private investment is already reducing pressure on the national grid Every household or business that generates electricity from solar reduces the amount of electricity that must be supplied by the national generation system. During daylight hours, when solar generation is at its highest, these installations can supply electricity directly to the consumer and, where surplus electricity is available, feed it into the grid. This reduces demand on Eskom's generation capacity and can also reduce pressure on transmission and distribution infrastructure. It is difficult to justify imposing additional financial burdens on consumers who have invested their own capital to generate cleaner electricity at precisely the time of day when solar power is most readily available. Where surplus solar electricity is fed into the grid, that electricity can also displace electricity that would otherwise have to be generated centrally. In addition, locally generated electricity can reduce the amount of electricity that needs to be transported over the national network. A fair distinction must be made between grid costs and taxation Government and municipalities are, of course, entitled to recover the legitimate costs of maintaining and operating the electricity grid. A household that remains connected to the grid benefits from that infrastructure and should make a fair contribution towards its maintenance. However, there is an important distinction between: a reasonable, transparent charge for the actual grid services used, and a punitive charge, tax or penalty imposed simply because a consumer has invested in solar generation. The former can be justified; the latter should be avoided. Any grid-access or network charge should therefore be cost-reflective, transparent and based on the actual services and infrastructure required, rather than being designed to discourage consumers from generating their own electricity. In particular, government should avoid creating a situation in which a consumer is financially penalised for supplying surplus electricity to the grid. Such a policy would discourage precisely the private investment that South Africa needs to expand its electricity-generation capacity. The electricity tariff structure should encourage daytime consumption South Africa should make much greater use of electricity pricing to influence consumption patterns. Solar electricity is naturally abundant during daylight hours but unavailable at night. Rather than treating this as a disadvantage, the electricity pricing structure should encourage households and industry to shift discretionary consumption towards periods when electricity is most readily available. A rational tariff structure could therefore make daytime electricity comparatively inexpensive while making peak and night-time electricity substantially more expensive. This would create a strong economic incentive for consumers and industry to adapt their electricity consumption patterns. Activities such as water heating, pumping, battery charging, industrial processes and other flexible electricity loads could increasingly be shifted to daylight hours. This would reduce evening peak demand and lessen the requirement for expensive peak-generation capacity. Government should encourage, not discourage, distributed generation South Africa should therefore regard private solar generation as a strategic national asset rather than simply another potential source of revenue. Government policy should: Permit individuals and businesses to generate solar electricity without additional taxation or punitive charges simply because they generate electricity. Allow surplus electricity to be supplied to the national or municipal grid through a fair and transparent feed-in or credit mechanism. Ensure that any grid-access or network charges are reasonable, transparent and cost-reflective, and represent payment for genuine grid services rather than functioning as a disguised tax or penalty on solar generation. Recognise the economic value of electricity generated close to the point of consumption, including the generation, transmission and distribution costs that may be avoided. Introduce electricity tariffs that encourage daytime consumption and discourage unnecessary peak and night-time consumption. Encourage private investment in distributed renewable-energy generation, thereby increasing national generating capacity without requiring the State or taxpayers to fund the entire expansion. The principle should be simple Citizens who invest their own money in solar generation are not the cause of South Africa's electricity crisis. They are investing their personal capital to reduce their reliance on Eskom, reduce demand on the national grid and contribute additional clean electricity. Government policy should therefore not discourage this investment through excessive taxation, punitive charges or artificially low compensation for electricity supplied to the grid. The objective should be to create a partnership between private investment and public infrastructure. A reasonable contribution towards the genuine cost of maintaining the grid is understandable and defensible. A charge whose primary purpose is to penalise or discourage solar generation is not. South Africa cannot afford policies that discourage the very private investment and innovation that can help resolve its electricity challenges. The national interest would be better served by ensuring that every additional privately funded solar installation is recognised for what it represents: additional generating capacity, reduced pressure on Eskom, reduced demand on the national grid, cleaner electricity, private investment and a contribution towards a more resilient and sustainable South African electricity system.		
	2026-08-30 17:27:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who invest their own money to generate additional clean electricity should be encouraged and fairly compensated for helping to strengthen South Africa's electricity system — not taxed or penalised for doing so.	Du Toit	retired
	2026-08-30 17:27:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again they want penalise the very people who helped relieve loadshedding! What about all the free loaders, stolen power consumers and all the corruption within Eskom? They're targeting the easiest source of income - the same folk who pay income tax, and don't even get a break on their hard-earned pensions!	Cheryl	retired
	2026-08-30 17:51:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	self-employed
	2026-08-30 17:56:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay for big fat salary increases when it takes 5 day to sort out 2 broken wires, why are gov ofcials involved in solar business, big scam and mafia state	Dennis	retired
	2026-08-30 18:30:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. The claim that anyone with solar is "not paying their fair share" is nonsensical. If one is not using the grid as much as someone without solar, that means they should pay for what they do not use. One should not have to pay for someone else's use as well. The cost of using the grid is built into the price of each unit of electricity. Instead of wasting time attempting to tax solar users extra, focus on removing illegal connections, which are a true strain on the grid and a huge loss of revenue. You're targeting the wrong people as always. Those who pay extra to survive your incompetence must now worry about you targeting them even further instead of you fixing the issues that led them to start using solar in the first place.	Abdul-Maalik	employed individual
	2026-08-30 18:34:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Even without loadshedding we suffer regular power outages due to years of neglected infrastructure, corruption, theft, vandalism, and incompetence. There is no indication that this is likely to change. Hence solar is not a nice to have its a business necessity. There are millions of illegal power connections throughout SA - especially in townships etc. How will those be reigned in, or will this be yet another tax on already over burdened law abiding citizens.	Niel	business owner
	2026-08-30 19:10:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fi	retired
	2026-08-30 19:40:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	just another theft scheme of the ANC to rob the law abiding citizens of this country caused by there inabilty to run the country without stealing from the citizens.	Patrick	self-employed
	2026-08-30 20:11:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		May	
	2026-08-30 21:05:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cut Eskom salaries and government salaries; and stop trying to tax us for using the sun.	Lindie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 22:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I DO NOT support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper IN ITS ENTIRETY.	Keshav	
	2026-08-30 22:55:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As die regering hulle kant gebring het om betyds nuwe kragstasies te bou, sou ons nie nodig gehad het om selfvoorsiening te maak deur o.a. van solar gebruik te maak nie. Hulle het nie na die land se inwoners gekyk nie. Hulle het dinge aan kiesers belowe...heuning om hulle monde gesmeer...geliegggg!!	Hester	retired
	2026-08-31 00:35:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-08-31 03:32:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grisselda	retired
	2026-08-31 05:00:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. It is unacceptable to expect already overburdened taxpayers to pay even more because the state has failed to ensure regular electricity availability.	Anfra	employed individual
	2026-08-31 05:32:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they maintained the grid as they were supposed to and what we already paid for then we wouldn't have had to spend our own money to install solar. If they ensure the grid is working as expected without regular power failures we would use solar less. It's a basic business principle. Consumers will pay for the easier and more reliable alternative. Having solar isn't free. Batteries need to be replaced, equipment needs to be maintained etc. if Eskom provided electricity at a reasonable rate as is their duty we would not have to keep solar equipment up to date etc. Before paying millions in bonuses, fix what's broken first! That's the point of a bonus! It's extra if you've done your job well, not if you've simply managed to do the absolute basics, which they are not even doing!	Dave	
	2026-08-31 06:00:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a way to punish households who took the initiative to install solar at their costs as Eskom could not supply power for 24 hrs. Now they want to punish the people for this. Just more money to collect to misappropriation funds.	Martin	
	2026-08-31 06:23:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penelope	
	2026-08-31 06:36:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lurika	student

	2026-08-31 06:43:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Well, can it get worse than this? Eskom already has exorbitant fixed charges for every property where there's a pole holding a transformer. Even if the transformer has no electricity in it, you pay for it, and you also pay an availability fee. Taxing your competition is a crude way to rake in money that you don't earn. No good giving them advice either, it's a pyramid scheme. The more they come up with nonsense and self-serving rules, the more customers will walk away, and then more Eskom schemes will be introduced to rake in not-earned money. In the end Eskom will become irrelevant, unless there is a drastic mindset change. They can't work with their customers, they must punish them, they cannot adapt to a changing energy supply scenario, no they must keep their bullying and immovable viewpoints. Perhaps supermarkets should also have fixed charges. Then you can pay a till availability charge, a fridge capacity charge, an administration charge etc. They can find many examples on an Eskom account. If you have some money left, you can then use that to buy food. Eskom's problem is that they have had no competition, and they don't want any. They want to monopolise power production and supply. The energy world has changed in the last 30 years, so it is time that Eskom wakes up. Participate, don't rule, work together with others including the ordinary citizen, and then you might have a future.	Ludwig	business owner
	2026-08-31 06:50:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another clever way of targeting those who have solar, if they had managed the electricity usage properly in the first place consumers wouldn't have had to get solar. Penalising consumers for getting the job done where they failed. SHAMEFUL ON THEIR PART. Another way of squeezing money out of citizens to line their pockets.	Stephany C	employed individual
	2026-08-31 06:53:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hitesh	employed individual
	2026-08-31 06:57:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As tax payers, we are already taxed to our limits. Eskom couldn't provide, so we had to use our own hard earned money to provide electricity. Now they still want to milk the half dead cow!	N	employed individual
	2026-08-31 07:13:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is my right to use technology to capture energy from the sun. I refuse to pay for the government's ineptitude and corruption. This will further give opportunities for corruption! The fees and penalties will not improve service delivery as it will go to corrupt officials!	Jan	retired
	2026-08-31 07:19:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HEndrik	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 07:24:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	It beggars belief that a self-inflicted lack of utility capacity and reliability by the ANC that crippled this country's economy and inflicted immense hardship on the citizens of this country, and which the private sector has responded to responsibly and with forethought, not to mention their own money, is now being used to unfairly tax and penalise law-abiding citizens who have assisted this country to a large extent by helping to reduce demand and ease stress on the taxpayer-funded infrastructure. SHAME ON YOU!	Charles	employed individual
	2026-08-31 07:27:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clint	employed individual
	2026-08-31 07:29:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Taking from the "have's" to support the plebs	Lean	
	2026-08-31 07:30:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government needs to simply get out of the way. Stop taxing people on everything because the things we were paying for are broken and no longer able to generate the income they once did. It takes a special kind of stupid to break a perfectly functioning monopoly. Well done ANC you've managed to do that to quite a few state owned monopolies.	Andrew	
	2026-08-31 07:31:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvette	retired
	2026-08-31 07:32:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You asked us to conserve electricity to maintain the grid - loadshedding put businesses under, put people out of work and families sitting in the dark. We responded by getting solar, we reduced the strain on Eskom, you even gave us a rebate incentive for doing so. But now we are being penalised for responding in the best possible way we could, we got solar. We pay our connection fees, we pay for our usage; whereas you have the monopoly, you allowed state capture and to be used as a piggy bank, you keep getting NERSA to allow crazy, above inflation increases, you built two powerstations so poorly that it took double the allowed budget and time to get them up and running. It is not us you should be looking to for more money. We are over taxed, over burdened by inflation and your tarriff increases, food is too expensive, diesel - the life blood of industry - is eye-wateringly expensive , education is in the toilet, tertiary education is "Free" but there's no accommodation ... These are issues of your own doing, that sounds like a "You" problem, not mine.	Liam	
	2026-08-31 07:34:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-08-31 07:45:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is not fair to the consumer to further burden them with taxes and additional charges, after we had to pay for back up power systems from our own pocket because the government failed in its obligation to supply electricity. Furthermore will it be grossly unfair for residential and small business consumers to pay for the infrastructure that large corporation will use as a back bone for privately bought electricity. This proposal feeds into the already corrupt state coffers at t he expense of the tax and rates payer.	Riaan	business owner
	2026-08-31 08:01:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-08-31 08:02:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-31 08:08:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-08-31 08:11:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom charges for private customers a item called line hire, more then R8000 p/m, and that is without any usage of electricity. The power usage per month is also guessed, and not what is noted on the meter itself, giving unfair costs of power usage to the client.	Ruhan DSA	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:12:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was promoted to get solar a few years back and now there appears to be penalties for doing so.	Gail	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:16:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government basically forced people who could afford solar to get it. People paid tax on this as well. (VAT). Not free and now wants to punish people for having solar. NO. Just like e-tolls. Won't pay. Would rather go off grid and pay nothing to these criminals.	Robbie	business owner
	2026-08-31 08:17:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The installation of solar power came out of desperation as the government failed to provide the basic needs of its people. They encouraged the citizens to "help" them out during their failure -the crisis of "load shedding" amongst many others. Many of us , not by choice, were forced to take loans to ensure that we provided for our basic needs by installing solar generated power. Now we have to be double penalised, paying off interest bearing loans and for government's failure and lack of foresight. They should be encouraging green climatisation and not use this as another avenue to fill in their coffers adding further financial pressure on a strained society.	Rukmini	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 08:21:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of PUNITIVE behaviour, the City should be INCENTIVISING residents instead. Not too long ago, we had load shedding, residents were asked to help ease the load off the electricity grid and encouraged to switch off non-essential appliances etc.	Elroy	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:25:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roward	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clinton	business owner
	2026-08-31 08:29:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA to place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Justus	
	2026-08-31 08:38:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I just think that it's ridiculous to penalize people for paying hard earned money to supplement their own home with power as the state could not.	Charles	retired
	2026-08-31 08:39:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is inaccurate to classify citizens who tried to solve the energy crisis via solar energy as "free riders". Since the alleged "free riding" results from Eskom's failure and poor service delivery, I propose that a positive definition will suffice, such as "system relievers". Once we redefine these initiatives we will approach lawmaking in a different light. Water and sunlight belongs to all. The SA lawmaking process in general seems like indoctrination to control these resources which is in fact not produced by the government.	Suria	self-employed
	2026-08-31 08:41:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government caused the electricity problem through poor tax management and theft, which led to Eskom's collapse. SA taxpayers used their own money to find a solution because the government did not have the answer, or cared too little to implement a solution. Now that they 'lose' money, they want to impose additional taxes on expenses they do not incur. Its rediculous.	Jaco	business owner
	2026-08-31 09:05:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid form my Solar installation and the sun does not belong to Eskom. They have no right to any more of my fund, apart from the amount for power I consume, as a uniform market value.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:10:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must reframe solar energy users away from a negative definition of "free-riders" and towards a positive definition that reflects grid-relief and environmental sustainability. I agree that there is a base level of municipal infrastructure that solar users enjoy, but this is not enjoyed freely as consumers still pay for the kwh they draw from the grid. A property that is completely "off-grid" and pulls no electricity from the municipality still pays rates and taxes - what are those for if not the maintenance of infrastructure in the area of said property? Furthermore, I wholeheartedly reject the idea that companies, businesses, and factories which pull the most electricity from the grid should enjoy lower costs and be able to opt out of tariffs burdening individuals. We must not reward companies for maximising their use of coal-powered electricity, nor incentivise smaller companies to inflate their electricity usage to meet the 1m kw monthly threshold. These larger consumers, whose main purpose is to turn a profit, should be taxed MORE heavily than household users, and should be the ones shouldering the lion's share of the structural burden. The commercial sector should support and uphold their communities, NOT the other way around. And if they turn away from the grid because solar energy is cheaper, that is a GOOD THING actually, because solar is renewable and much more environmentally friendly than the coal-powered grid we have today.	Elliot	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:14:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Niekie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:15:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar to help us during retirement when there is no renewable income for our household. Government is KILLING us financially and not providing proper basic needs for those who end up old and without medical aids. Where we now try to save on monthly costs in order to have funds available for medical care, Government once again finds a way to TAKE TAKE TAKE.	Yolande	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:19:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stevan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:23:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-08-31 09:23:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	retired
	2026-08-31 09:24:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruggero	retired

	2026-08-31 09:31:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the principle of transforming South Africa's electricity market, increasing competition, encouraging private investment and reducing Eskom's monopoly. However, I do not support reforms that shift disproportionate costs onto ordinary residential consumers who remain captive to municipal electricity providers. Any new tariff structure must be transparent, fair and genuinely cost-reflective, while protecting households from excessive fixed network charges. Consumers who have invested in solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be unfairly penalised for reducing their reliance on the grid. I also believe that large customers should not simply be allowed to leave municipal networks without a clear mechanism to protect the financial sustainability of those networks. Otherwise, the costs currently recovered from large electricity users could increasingly be transferred to residential consumers. I therefore support the overall move towards a competitive electricity market, but only with strong consumer protections, transparent tariff structures, effective NERSA oversight and a clear plan to prevent residential consumers from carrying an unfair share of the costs.	Lloyd	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:32:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sam	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:37:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I disagree with the government trying to implement from paying electricity bills to mandatory, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity including: A penalty on private initiative Captive ratepayer trap Wholesale price volatility and market dominance. What does the government plan to do with all the thousands who tap electricity from being caught and blled? This is just another scheme of the government to milk honest tax-payers for their own personal gain	Petra	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:42:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rory	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:43:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why as a private household that invested in rooftop solar and batteries to save money, protect myself from load shedding and go green, should I now be penalised with a fixed cost. Build this fixed cost into my lower consumption rates.	Geoff	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:44:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edwin	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sampie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:59:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Being taxed on the use of sunlight is ridiculous. If the supply of electricity is inconsistent then expect to lose business to private enterprise. People using solar should be able to sell excess power to the utility which will reduce generation cost to utilities. Rural consumers already pay a monthly extension fee and municipal consumers pay a monthly MCB fee.	Roland	retired
	2026-08-31 10:04:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		lorelei	business owner
	2026-08-31 10:16:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a totally off grid property, I strongly oppose the contribution factor that is proposed, as we have no access whatsoever to the grid. To be charged for something that we have no way of accessing would be criminal.	Sam	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:21:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are all tired of paying for this corrupt Government, they forget that they are public servants and we are the public and that they work for us!!! They will force more of us to go totally off the grid.	Michael	business owner
	2026-08-31 10:22:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm a pensioner and I am not prepared to pay for incompetance of others	Etienne	retired
	2026-08-31 10:32:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How could a reasonable person support a government idea like this, a government that does everything in its power to destroy the wellbeing of its citizens and that blatantly seeks to steal from them at every available opportunity? This is an unapologetic attempt to steal more while neglecting their primary responsibility of serving the citizens of the country.	Lloyd	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:37:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another second tax being forced on citizens and residents who have chosen to supplement their power needs in a clean manner. It was necessary to supplement power supply during insufficient supply from a another apparent collapsing anc managed "public" entity. I still pay for eskom/municipal power, albeit much less than I would if not supplied by solar power, so why tax me again??	Bruce	retired
	2026-08-31 10:44:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		faghri	
	2026-08-31 10:50:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another second tax being forced on citizens and residents who have chosen to supplement their power needs in a clean manner. It was necessary to supplement power supply during insufficient supply from a another apparent collapsing anc managed "public" entity. I still pay for eskom/municipal power, albeit much less than I would if not supplied by solar power, so why tax me again??	Charlotte	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:55:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We helped the government with load shedding by investing in solar apparatus, and we are still helping! Now they want to tax us by paying connection fees etc. I disagree completely with this. What they should be doing is cutting off and removing infrastructure of instances with non paying customers and municipalities until they have payed up their account.	Joe	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:55:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adri	retired
	2026-08-31 11:01:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Onika	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:01:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People cannot be charged based on fixed monthly charges – it should be strictly pay for your exact usage. No matter where you live you have to pay for the exact usage of the resources you use – nothing more and nothing less – equal and fair treatment for all. The use of natural resources that cannot be depleted by electricity usage (such as sun and wind energy) should be promoted not taxed - people should only be expected to pay for necessary maintenance in order to ensure safe usage – the actual energy supplied by these resources should be free since it is a gift from GOD and does not cost the government anything. What is good for the planet is good for us all. Commercial and domestic use should be calculated separately – the needs of private households differ from the needs of company's making use of 3 phased electricity. If you use more you should pay more. Fix the real problems: Take away monopoly – more suppliers mean more competitive pricing and less struggles to supply in the demand. Proper maintenance of electrical infra-structures and equipment is a must. Address the problems of illegal usage and cable theft leaving honest tax payers in the dark.	Anna-Marie	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:07:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ending Eskom's generation monopoly and encouraging private investment will solve the electricty problems in South Africa	Gerhard	retired
	2026-08-31 11:09:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kasendree	self-employed
	2026-08-31 11:12:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A failed government is passing the cost of their failures on to the productive part of the society	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-31 11:17:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leana	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:17:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am an Eskom customer. I pay a fixed admin and availability fee foe every day of the month regardless if it is weekend or holiday and whether i have loadshedding or not. These fees are fixed no matter my consumption. What is going to change?	Kobus	
	2026-08-31 11:22:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Currently where I live, no electricity and water installed. I opted to install Solar power and borehole from my hard earned money. Since five years back without these basic services. I am not going to pay any penalty from the government since I no longer required municipal services in my yard. They can keep their electricity and water with their shedding s I don't care. I'm covered from natural resources from God.	Jacob Papana	Non-profit
	2026-08-31 11:25:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they add this tax, I will go off-grid. Their plans will backfire.	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:26:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A failed government is passing the cost of their failures on to the productive part of the society. The ANC government was informed as far back as 1995 that they would face a electricity generation crisis if they do not plan for new generation capacity then already, they then opted to rather spend the available capital elsewhere instead of investing in new generation capacity. Eskom has also been directly involved in the collapse of the economy due to the shortsighted view of the government of the day and because of overspending on contracts due to procurement rules. The general public has had enough of being penalized due to the failures of the government of the day.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:36:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	
	2026-08-31 11:36:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that we have to punished for Eskom and the government's incompetency. We simply do not have spare cash lying around to fix problems coming a long way now, they were warned that this will happen. We are already paying taxes, and are struggling to keep up with municipal increases. The sun does not belong to the government and it should be personal choice if one wants to install solar. We have to install solar in the first instance as Eskom could not deliver, now they want us to carry their incompetence. Totally unacceptable!	Michelle	
	2026-08-31 11:38:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reforms of our South Africa electricity sector is necessary, and long overdue. Eskom as a corrupt and mismanaged entity need to be controlled and cleaned up. These changes will undoubtably translate into more land grab for Eskom, without allowing anyone else, except more corrupt syndicates, to help all of South Africa. Property owners are already inundated with charges and fees, over and above taxes, along with additional taxes.	Tiaan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:42:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses from large users receiving discounts that residences do not will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Large consumers making a lot of money and also providing jobs should not be the only ones to benefit from lower charges. As with any consumption - a resident should only pay for what they use. If residences with solar power need electricity then they should pay for what they use. If Eskom can't make that work the leaders should be criminally followed and locked up for incompetence.	Deirdrie	
	2026-08-31 11:47:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	
	2026-08-31 11:51:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:52:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	retired
	2026-08-31 11:52:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynne	retired
	2026-08-31 11:56:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Ridiculous ! Why on earth do we need to always pay pay pay for no services delivered. You have load shedding for days on end yet your electricity bill remains the same come month end? Corruption, failed maintenance and bad management is the problem. Time for SA to say NO MORE !!!	Nica	business owner
	2026-08-31 11:56:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verena	self-employed

	2026-08-31 12:02:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA has for the part 20 years been requesting that ESCOM get its house in order and come to the table with a structured plan to decrease all the unnecessary expenditure, starting with corrupt tenders where they pay 3x more for coal than what they should be paying, employment of an excessive number of incompetent and unnecessary number of employees, the majority of which are unqualified, inexperienced and grossly overpaid, the continual use of overpriced consultants to do the actual work that the incompetent employees need to actually do their job. Yet not ONCE in all this time has the incompetent management at ESCOM ever submitted a plan of action to reduce their exorbitant costs, infact instead of decreasing their costs, they have continually increased at above the rate of inflation!!! Secondly the total incompetent ESCOM and the incompetent unnecessary MINISTER OF ENERGY have NOT resolved the loadshedding issue but have instead continued to run the emergency diesel turbines at various sites almost on a full-time basis so that they can state that South Africa has not had loadshedding for the past year!!!! The cost of this ridiculous so-called solution to loadshedding is costing the taxpayer hundreds of billions of Rand, just so that these incompetents can state that they have solved the loadshedding issue, whereas they have solved nothing! The cost of electricity from these diesel turbines is estimated at over R6,000/MWH, whereas the cost of electricity from the standard coal fleet is estimated at approximately R550/MWH, that is at over 1000% higher cost!!!!! Thirdly, the people of South Africa have been forced by this incompetent ESCOM, run by incompetent Managers and staff, to supply their own energy requirements and reduce the load on ESKOM, by fitting SOLAR energy panels and batteries at huge cost to themselves. Now the same corrupt, incompetents that could not supply the required electricity to the people of South Africa, now want to extort more taxes out of the taxpayer by implementing a new tax on solar power!!! Whoever suggested this must be fired immediately!!! Fourthly. ESKOM was the pride of South Africa, supplying one of the cheapest rates of electricity, however after 30 years of mismanagement and corruption, ESKOM is now the laughing stock of South Africa , now suppying one of the most expensive rates of electricity!!! Breaking up ESKOM will NOT solve anything, in fact it will make ESKOM even more expensive to run as you are going to have an overstaffed, overpaid incompetent management spread over 3 or 4 new entities that are just as corrupt, overstaffed, overpaid and incompetent, instead of 1 entity	Remo	
	2026-08-31 12:02:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer has had to foot the bill for solar ONLY out of necessity as the grid is so unreliable.	Susan	retired
	2026-08-31 12:03:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am appalled that we helped when Escom could not provide electricity. Now they want to charge us for the sun shining on us. I would rather invest more and go off the grid entirely. It would be better than having Escom and the municipality steal from us.	Alan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:15:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a problem created by the greedy politicians in order to loot funds from Eskom by introducing loadshedding which in real did not exist. Now that rate payers found the solution for energizing their households, the government feel the heat.	Mike	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:22:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ratepayers should be commended for reducing the extremely poor load capacity of Eskom by this government and associated municipalities. It is absolutely corrupt in the extreme to penalise ratepayers who pay ever increasing funds to support mostly inefficient municipal authorities. Any fixed charges & solar penalties legislation is totally antidemocratic and dictatorial to taxpayers and ratepayers and proves the vast corruption in high places in South Africa. It would be reason to initiate widespread protest action against such traitorous treatment of SA citizens.	Cedric	retired
	2026-08-31 12:29:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	business owner
	2026-08-31 12:29:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	retired
	2026-08-31 12:37:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The trust in the system on both a local and government level is broken, and the public is getting penalized for the inefficiency and sometimes fraudulent uses of goods and services. They no longer seem to be able to provide these services efficiently and minimal maintenance has been done, so the public is carrying the burden of an aging infrastructure.	Beverley	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:37:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have a problem that some residents do not even pay for electricity nor a basic connection fee. Every resident should pay exactly the same basic fee and for the electricity they consume. Residents with solar should in fact receive a discount on their basic and usage costs.	Manda	retired
	2026-08-31 12:45:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the extended period of national loadshedding when ESKOM was incapable of providing electricity to its customers, we had no option other than to spend large amounts of capital to install solar and inverter systems at our home. The government was not able to provide - so we, like many others, had to find a way to protect our livelihoods and invested heavily in alternative energy infrastructure so that we could continue to live comfortably. This expense was enormous and came from funds that were meant for our retirement. It was not easy but something had to be done. And now, having invested in this very costly kit, government is coming after us, yet again, to essentially tax us for having had the temerity to look after our own energy needs when they were incapable of doing so. It's outrageous. We are retired and simply don't have the means to pay additional charges (taxes). It's just not fair. We have paid our dues for decades and now we are looking at a future where our finances, already meagre, are about to be further challenged. It's just so wrong, on so many levels.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-31 12:49:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners who invest in solar are doing so because the service provider is/was incapable of supplying a constant service. This addtional expense by the home owner was forced by the service provider (ESCOM) Corruption and theft in ESCOM was the main culprit and this resulted in lack of maintenance and new projects. Now they want penalise the very people who were forced to install solar at no cost them. Furthermore the Sun provides the energy free to ALL but yet they still want to penalise. This is another way to scam home owners. We need a competitor against ESCOM because they have become a LAW UNTO THEMSELVES	Barry	retired
	2026-08-31 12:51:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I think we need to be reducing costs over all not increasing costs. all of these plans are not going to result in cheaper costs to the citizen or business. please rethink. what can the country do to halve the cost of power?	Hassan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:54:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronica	
	2026-08-31 12:56:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvette	self-employed
	2026-08-31 13:01:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Megan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 13:11:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lauren	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:21:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing households for using solar is nonsensical and punitive for no reason.	Alexandre	self-employed
	2026-08-31 13:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	i have spent hard earned money to install solar panels and batteries due to ESCOM's failures to provide reliable electricity	louis	retired
	2026-08-31 13:31:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have to be clear on this matter. Residents took action due to the government and Eskom failing us once again. If Government and Eskom could effectively and efficiently supply the needs of their voters / customers there would have been no need to install solar in houses. Yet Eskom is mismanaged and wastes / misappropriate money while not fulfilling their mandate. Now you want to penalise residents who had no choice but to make an alternative plan because we need to carry on with life, studies, eating, working, keeping the economy of this country going though the government cannot support us with basic services such as electricity and water.	Paulette	business owner
	2026-08-31 13:44:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	self-employed
	2026-08-31 14:00:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM could not provide a 24/7/365 electricity supply, so citizens took the initiative to install solar systems, freeing up power to keep the lights on for others, now ESKOM probably has sufficient supply, so they wish to penalize those who installed solar.	Alan	retired
	2026-08-31 14:01:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom incompetence and corruption caused loadshedding in the first place. So to penalize long suffering ratepayers who installed solar, at their own cost, is totally unacceptable. How will this encourage people to minimize electricity usage?	Robyn	retired
	2026-08-31 14:08:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ant	
	2026-08-31 14:08:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed shift towards high fixed grid charges for households that have invested in rooftop solar. Homeowners who generate their own electricity reduce demand on the grid, lessen pressure on public infrastructure, and contribute to South Africa's energy security at their own cost. It is unfair to penalise these consumers simply because municipalities face declining electricity sales revenue. Instead, municipalities should follow the example of the City of Cape Town by allowing residents to feed surplus solar energy back into the grid and receive fair credits for the electricity they supply. Consumers who help solve the country's energy challenges should be encouraged and rewarded, not treated as a source of revenue recovery. The focus should be on fair, transparent grid costs and greater consumer choice, not protecting outdated monopoly revenue models at the expense of ratepayers.	Rudi	employed individual
	2026-08-31 14:13:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cyril	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 14:18:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed shift towards high fixed grid charges for households that have invested in rooftop solar. Homeowners who generate their own electricity reduce demand on the grid, lessen pressure on public infrastructure, and contribute to South Africa's energy security at their own cost. It is unfair to penalise these consumers simply because municipalities face declining electricity sales revenue. Instead, municipalities should follow the example of first word countries by allowing residents to feed surplus solar energy back into the grid and receive fair credits for the electricity they supply. Consumers who help solve the country's energy challenges should be encouraged and rewarded, not treated as a source of revenue recovery. The focus should be on fair, transparent grid costs and greater consumer choice, not protecting outdated monopoly revenue models at the expense of ratepayers.	Ramon	employed individual
	2026-08-31 14:19:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-31 14:20:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed shift towards high fixed grid charges for households that have invested in rooftop solar. Homeowners who generate their own electricity reduce demand on the grid, lessen pressure on public infrastructure, and contribute to South Africa's energy security at their own cost. It is unfair to penalise these consumers simply because municipalities face declining electricity sales revenue. Instead, municipalities should follow the example of first word countries by allowing residents to feed surplus solar energy back into the grid and receive fair credits for the electricity they supply. Consumers who help solve the country's energy challenges should be encouraged and rewarded, not treated as a source of revenue recovery. The focus should be on fair, transparent grid costs and greater consumer choice, not protecting outdated monopoly revenue models at the expense of ratepayers.	Walter	retired
	2026-08-31 14:20:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential ratepayers should not be penalized for circumstances beyond their control, particularly when they have had to invest in alternative energy solutions due to the ongoing instability of the national electricity supply. The widespread adoption of residential solar and other backup energy systems has largely been a response to the inability of Eskom and the broader energy sector to consistently provide a stable and reliable power supply. Households have made significant financial investments to maintain basic living standards, protect their assets, and ensure continuity of daily activities during periods of supply disruption. It is important to acknowledge that Eskom's operational and management challenges are only part of the issue. Municipal governance, infrastructure maintenance, and energy distribution management have also played a significant role in the deterioration of service reliability in many areas. These combined shortcomings have contributed directly to the growing dependence on privately funded renewable energy solutions by residential consumers. Consequently, policy and tariff decisions should recognize the substantial investments already made by households to compensate for systemic failures, rather than imposing additional financial burdens on those who have proactively addressed the risks associated with an unreliable electricity supply.	M	employed individual
	2026-08-31 14:35:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One again the government is looking for ways of stealing money from the rate payers. We are already over taxed with our municipal bills and now they "the evil, corrupt, un-repentant scavengers" continue to explore ways of making the residents even poorer. If they continue like like I will have no alternative but to sell my property, because I, as a pensioner, will not be able to afford it. Public friendly, and concerned institutions like Dear SA and Outa, continue to fight against this evil government, who only want to fill their coffers at the expense of the defenseless rate payers. The Sun does not belong to the government, so these bureaucrats must stop trying to play "God". If the government/eskom want to recover their losses they need to tackle those criminal elements who are stealing electricity and to fix up the incompetent municipalities who are losing millions of the residents hard earned money and who are just as corrupt as their leaders. Ramaphosa as the leader of the current corrupt government must stand trial for being complicit in stealing from the loyal, legal and law abiding South African Public. Shame on you Mr. President.	manny	retired
	2026-08-31 14:40:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Steve	

	2026-08-31 14:55:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Under Section 33 of the Constitution and the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), state action must be lawful, reasonable, and procedurally fair. Within our jurisprudence lies the established doctrine of substantive and procedural legitimate expectation. When organs of state actively induce private citizens to alter their financial position—through statutory tax incentives, ministerial speeches, and formal utility connection waivers—the state creates a legally binding representation. Citizens acted in good faith on the premise that reducing grid reliance was an officially sanctioned public good that would deliver long-term operational savings. For the Department to turn around while Eskom's SSEG connection fee waivers are still legally active and gazette a policy designed to claw back those household savings via unavoidable fixed fees is the textbook definition of an administrative bait-and-switch. You cannot invite citizens to invest under one set of rules and then retrospectively change the tariff architecture to neutralise the return on that investment.	Pamela	retired
	2026-08-31 15:02:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens acted in good faith on the premise that reducing grid reliance was an officially sanctioned public good that would deliver long-term operational savings. Now that they are not generating the funds they used it now becomes the citizens problem. After investing the money, you did to have electricity you are now being penalised.I have no intention of paying for any electricity penalties.	Oliver	employed individual
	2026-08-31 15:25:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	
	2026-08-31 15:25:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The decision to begin implementing a personal solar energy supply technology came about as a direct result of an incompetent, corrupt government that proved incapable of maintaining a reliable supply of electricity to the people of S.A. Before the ANC destroyed the S.A. energy supply system, we were content to use and pay for energy off the national grid. We hereby exercise our civil rights to completely reject any pathetic scheme to further destroy our economy by attempting to punish those, who are are now working off the national energy grid, by using solar power to generate their daily energy needs. The government has absolutely no authority or power over the sun as a supplier of energy. The issue of switching to a reliable, load-shedding free system was a very costly exercise. We have already made our contribution to the failed ESKOM system, helping those who are not able to pay the massive costs in providing a private dwelling with daily electricity. The incompetents responsible for the mess, now at least have access to the power we used to consume, to pass onto those unfortunates who are still prisoners of the derelict, corrupt, incompetent national power grid. Any attempt to add levies, taxes or other forms invented to further line the pockets of the evil despots who are bent on totally destroying whatever is left of this poor banana republic can be assured of total refusal to participate in their devious scheming. It will be met with the same strategy we applied to the stupid overhead road-tax system they tried to implement at huge cost and proved to be a complete failure.	Eugene	
	2026-08-31 15:26:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-08-31 15:29:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	I call upon NERSA to establish stringent statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges, thereby safeguarding private renewable energy investments from unwarranted penalties levied by utilities. I advocate for the implementation of a tiered tariff model that provides credits to grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, a mechanism designed to offset fixed network costs rather than resorting to blanket availability taxes. I assert the necessity of commissioning an independent socio-economic impact assessment to accurately gauge the effect of fixed monthly fees on vulnerable, low-income, and energy-conscious households.	Jared	
	2026-08-31 15:37:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dewald	employed individual
	2026-08-31 15:50:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Easy to target Joe Public to recover revenue lost due to poor management, poor planning, corruption ..... the list goes on!	Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-31 16:01:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC / Eskom cabal trying to play victim to circumstances THEY created! They don't own the sun! Provide us all with stable, affordable electricity and there won't be a need for solar, simple!	Duane	employed individual
	2026-08-31 16:03:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents that choose to totally disconnect from the municipal or eskom power grid, do NOT have to pay for they are NOT relying on the grid anymore. How will the tariff be determined? There are many low cost housing projects with solar panels- will the flat rate be the same for the poorest of the poor to the rich?	DInah	employed individual
	2026-08-31 16:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us had to install solar power because of all the power outages arising form Eskom's inefficiency, incompetence and lack of planning for future power demands, and now we are expected to pay these proposed fixed tariffs unrelated to the amount of power consumed. It is unrealistic and should not be allowed .	Graeme	retired
	2026-08-31 16:29:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	**FORMAL OBJECTION TO PROPOSED FIXED NETWORK AND CAPACITY CHARGES** I wish to formally register my objection to any proposed electricity tariff structure that would disproportionately penalise households such as mine that have invested significant private capital in rooftop solar and battery storage. I invested in solar because South Africa's electricity system was unable to provide the reliable and consistent electricity supply that I was paying for. I used my own hard-earned money to protect my home from load shedding and ongoing electricity instability. I paid for the solar panels, batteries, inverter and installation myself, and I continue to carry the costs associated with maintaining and eventually replacing that equipment. I did not make this investment to "free ride" on the electricity system. I made it because I needed a reliable electricity supply and the existing system could not provide one. For this reason, I find the suggestion that solar-equipped consumers should now be discouraged from "free riding" deeply troubling. My investment reduced my reliance on the national grid. It reduced the amount of electricity I consume from the system and, particularly during periods of constrained supply, contributes in a small but meaningful way toward reducing overall demand. That should be encouraged, not penalised. I accept that I remain connected to the electricity network and that maintaining that network has a cost. I therefore have no objection in principle to paying a **fair and reasonable amount for the infrastructure and services I actually use**. What I strongly object to is the introduction of excessive or unavoidable fixed charges designed primarily to recover revenue that municipalities or electricity distributors have lost because consumers like me have reduced our electricity purchases. There is an important difference between paying fairly for access to the grid and being financially penalised for becoming less dependent on it. When I invested in solar, I made a substantial financial decision based partly on the expectation that generating my own electricity would reduce my future electricity costs. If the tariff structure is subsequently changed so that a significant portion of my electricity bill becomes unavoidable regardless of how much electricity I actually consume, government is effectively changing the economics of that investment after I have already committed the capital. That is neither fair nor conducive to public confidence in South Africa's energy transition. For years, South Africans have been encouraged to conserve electricity, improve energy efficiency and invest in alternative generation. Private solar installations have also helped South Africa navigate an extraordinary electricity crisis. It is therefore difficult to understand a policy direction that appears to say: **Please reduce your dependence on the grid — but if you succeed in doing so, we will restructure your bill to recover the revenue we have lost.** That sends precisely the wrong message to citizens considering investing their own money in renewable energy. I am also concerned about the unequal treatment that could emerge as South Africa's electricity market becomes more competitive. If large commercial and industrial electricity users are progressively able to access alternative suppliers and competitive electricity markets, ordinary households should not simultaneously be left captive to municipal electricity structures with increasingly high unavoidable fixed charges. Electricity reform should ultimately create **more competition and more consumer choice for everyone**, not simply for the country's largest electricity users. I therefore ask the Department and NERSA to ensure that any future tariff framework: * protects citizens who have already made substantial private investments in solar and battery systems; * ensures that any network charge is transparent, reasonable and directly related to the actual cost of maintaining my connection to the network; * does not allow fixed charges to become a mechanism for recovering lost electricity sales or municipal revenue shortfalls; * rewards households that reduce demand on the national electricity system; * provides fair compensation for electricity exported back into the grid; * protects low-consumption and energy-efficient households from disproportionate fixed charges; and * ensures that residential consumers ultimately benefit from the competition and consumer choice promised by electricity-market reform. I invested my own money because the electricity system could not provide the reliability I required. I accepted the cost and risk of becoming more energy independent. I reduced my demand on a struggling national electricity system. **I should not now be financially penalised for having done so.** I am willing to pay my fair share for the infrastructure and services I actually use. What I am not willing to accept is being treated as a convenient source of replacement revenue simply because I took responsibility for securing my own electricity supply. South Africans who invested in solar during the country's electricity crisis were part of the solution. Government policy should recognise that contribution rather than punish it.	megan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 16:47:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I made a plan to reduce the daily load shedding we were being forced to endure. I sold a vehicle and borrowed money to be able to buy a solar inverter. This relieved the stress greatly, but in overcast weather or during winter, the inverter remains incapable of supplying me with electricity all day. I did not have enough finance available for a unit three times the size I bought. Now that load shedding is much less, I have opted to set it so that it charges the batteries during the day, and at least in the evenings, when we need power, we are able to capitalise on not being billed for electricity usage until much later at night (again only if the sun shines all day). My insurance has increased, and I have already had to fork out money for repairs and maintenance on this unit. I do not see why I should be penalised further purely because the crooked and corrupt Eskom has been sucking the revenue they amassed dry. The money is going to line the pockets of stakeholders and not to running the business as it should. So now they need to satisfy the greed of the dishonest organisation because they are not making the billions they were initially bargaining on. This is their way to try and recoup the income lost by citizens who tried to proactively protect themselves from a corrupt and dishonest State Owned Entity.	Terence	employed individual
	2026-08-31 17:35:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another reason for not trusting this ANC government or ESKOM Eskom begged during load shedding to reduce energy demand due to its large-scale corruption, political interference, theft, and broken power utilities that destroyed economic growth, jobs, etc. The National Treasury offered to subsidise private solar-installed generation units solar panels. Again, the general public suffers. The government and Eskom should rather rectify their problems in the rural areas where electricity is being stolen day after day. This is where they seriously lack control.	Gidieon	retired
	2026-08-31 17:55:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed us, and forced us to endure many hours without electricity. We had no alternative but to seek our own solutions at great expense to ourselves especially as old age pensioners with limited reserves. And now you imagine you can disadvantage and punish us further to maintain your extravagances and failures. What a travesty!	Beverley	retired
	2026-08-31 17:59:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rentia	
	2026-08-31 18:21:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I DO Not support this change WHATSOEVER. To even suggest that people who paid out of pocket to ensure a steady supply of electricity for their livelihoods be punished (and this is exactly what this is.. punishment) for not replying Soley on Eskom is Ludicrous and UNCONSTITUTIONAL!! This is basically a "Sun Tax".. yet the Sun does NOT belong to Eskom or to ANY GOVERNMENT... It is a God given "Free" life sustaining gift and Nobody owns it except the LORD ALMIGHTY!! On top of this, the citizens of S.A are already being financially bled to death with the constant electricity tariff increases.. which I might add.. Eskom says is necessary to keep up with costs yet the INCOMPETENT ESKOM hierarchy and some its highly incompetent employees who receive the highest paid salaries in the country, do not provide the services they are being paid these exorbitant salaries to do. Furthermore, the massive corruption, miss-management, thieving and ANC Cader employment policies of ANC run Eskom, has caused all the shortfalls and debt that Eskom has. This new policy is YET ANOTHER ATTEMPT at semi legally filling the top dogs pockets even more before the national elections bcoz they know it's the last chance they getting to enrich themselves further before being put out to pasture. So again.. I say.. I Do NOT support this new policy in ANY WAY IR FORM. ITS A BIG NO FROM ME!!;	Rui	employed individual

	2026-08-31 18:27:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noleen	employed individual
	2026-08-31 19:31:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One major is that all this is taking our freedom and totally controlling us as they implement the WeF/Who Agenda 2030. Let's not agree to anything new. They're taking what is ours in instalment Wake up	Nontembiso	
	2026-08-31 20:08:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe the government should provide electricity at affordable tariffs as a pubkic good not as a profit-making commodity! Its failure with ESKOM is something we aew forced to pay for as captive consumers. As citizens we must punish this government for its arrogance, ignorance and incompetence.	Ikhraam	retired
	2026-08-31 20:19:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor Wayne	self-employed
	2026-08-31 21:00:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By installing solar power, those households contributed in a tangible financial manner to lessen the burden on the grid. This translates to helping keep that grid infrastructure in place for households that cannot afford solar energy. It helps municipalities to honour their obligations to all the rate payers in its jusridication area. That contribution should be encouraged and not penalised with further fees. Furthermore, a standard 5 kW home solar system cuts carbon dioxide emissions by about 4 to 5 tons every year. South Africa committed to an absolute emissions target range of 350 to 420 megatons of carbon dioxide equivalent ($MtCO_2$-eq) per year by 2030. The country further expanded its international pledges by submitting updated NDCs targeting an emissions range of 320 to 380 million tonnes of CO_2e by 2035, and set a long-term international goal to reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 through its Low-Emission Development. Home solar systems contribute to these targets on behalf of all citizens, also those that cannot afford the solar systems. Residential solar systems should be encouraged by not placing extra financial burdens on these households, rather give credits for these contributions.	Inèz	retired
	2026-08-31 21:18:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity, water, rates and all bills are continuously increasing and we the consumers are constantly under pressure. We are just tired of all these increases and of every supplier continously finding ways to extract more money from us. Is it even legal to tax us more when the electricity provider has failed to provide us with electricity and we had to find our own solution?	Jay	employed individual
	2026-08-31 21:32:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cambridge dictionary definition of "Wear and tear": The damage that happens to an object/system in ordinary use during a period. Thus, maintenance is coupled to USAGE! The less you use a system, the less it is subject to wear and tear. So, the less electricity you take from the grid, the less is your contribution to the degradation of the grid. This is basic commonsense - clearly something the ANC lacks. The only fair charge for maintenance will be a small levy per unit used, no matter the size of the user. This amount can then be paid over by the power producers for grid maintenance to whomever maintains the grid . Every transaction in this trail can be computer automated to prevent fraud. The free basic electricity handout based on communist ideology can then be phased out as it removes the incentive for people to work and earn a living. Pensioners can be exempt from this levy under a certain usage. I am not against restructuring ESCOM - it should have been privatized and managed a long time ago by competent people. I am against ESCOM being fractured into small pieces so that the ANC can do money laundering and fraud with ease on the back of the consumers . If the ANC continues with this moronic plan it will force consumers to get off the grid completely, albeit with candles and cooking fires. What will you do then? Put a maintenance levy on candles? Ban fires? Wake up, South Africa, and get rid of the ANC!	Fanie	retired
	2026-08-31 21:32:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norma	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 21:36:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have already had to spend all my savings on securing solar, so I can continue looking for work to secure an income. As my local government is not able to keep the lights on for its citizens. How can you still expect people to pay tax for fixing their own problems because their government is incapable of doing so? This is absolutely ludicrous. Our government is only interested in taking more and more, instead of providing the services it was appointed for.	Marelise	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 21:46:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely ridiculous that after trying to assist Eskom to lighten their burdened grid loads, which led to widespread and constant load shedding, we are now being penalised. We pay our municipal rates and taxes. As taxpayers, we have already contributed to the infrastructure coffers . The ANC tried to hold consumers hostage with their intermittent service. In order to keep the economy and our homes functioning, we resorted to alternatives at our own cost while regularly paying our municipal accounts for Eskom usage. Please be our guest. You will encourage us all to go off the grid completely. Put that in your pipe and smoke it.	Rajni	employed individual
	2026-08-31 22:23:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Private individuals have taken some of the demand off the Eskom by installing solar power at their own expense. They shouldn't be penalised for this.	Lee-Ann	business owner
	2026-08-31 23:54:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private Electricity users cannot keep footing the bill for the utility's inability to manage funds.	Abdul-Aziz	employed individual
	2026-09-01 03:28:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households had to protect themselves from Eskoms failure to provide electricity. We cannot pay for their corruption and mis management.	Carol	retired
	2026-09-01 06:03:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornè	self-employed
	2026-09-01 06:36:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sophia CJ	business owner
	2026-09-01 06:40:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-01 06:58:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-09-01 07:05:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state should address the source of the financial issues, which is the debt owed by municipalities. By adding an additional tax will not magically get the municipalities to start paying their bills. Only the over-taxed residence will be affected as the municipalities will charge them (under the threat of disconnection and/or legal action), but still not pay Eskom. If a resident has a municipal connection, a basic connection fee is already charged (+/-R160). How will this not be double-taxing? The state / municipality also had no contribution to the localized infrastructure created by private rooftop solar installations added by residence. Hence, the state / municipality should not be able to claim tax on it (already got the VAT, so anything more is just greed and desperation). Pay for what you use seems more than fair considering the yearly >10% increases in tariffs.	Willem	
	2026-09-01 07:07:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mauritz	employed individual
	2026-09-01 07:22:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	
	2026-09-01 07:35:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	City of Cape Town already bills a "fixed monthly fee" for connection to the grid. This will be another form of double taxation for hard pressed over-taxed law abiding citizens of this country. Citizens were encouraged to install solar - there was even a taxation incentive for installation. This proposed policy has to be stopped.	Lynne	employed individual
	2026-09-01 08:07:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Marring the user	Herklaas	
	2026-09-01 08:38:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must find other ways of facing the consequences of their shortcomings than penalising those who simply want reliable power and fair prices.	Rob	self-employed
	2026-09-01 09:07:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douglas	employed individual
	2026-09-01 09:35:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I together with millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Trevor	employed individual
	2026-09-01 10:47:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	employed individual
	2026-09-01 12:20:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HENRY	self-employed
	2026-09-01 12:43:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another way to punish citizens for finding a workaround to infrastructure problems. There is a risk of adding to the tax burden of those who invested great amounts in solar to reduce reliance on the grid due to the power supply problems caused by the government's lack of foresight in planning for population growth. There needs to be a near similar exchange - if we supply 1 kw power we would expect 0.7 - 0.8 kw without additional charges, not a 120% charge as the usage on the grid is low.	Dorothea	employed individual
	2026-09-01 12:58:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. It penalises the exact behaviour the state spent a decade encouraging. Load shedding pushed households and businesses to self-fund solar and battery backup because the state could not keep the lights on. Recasting that self-reliance as 'free riding' and taxing it via unavoidable fixed charges punishes private citizens for solving a public failure with their own capital. 2. It breaks the basic fairness link between usage and cost. Volumetric billing means you pay for what you draw. Flat capacity charges applied 'regardless of how little grid power you pull' charge people for infrastructure they've actively reduced their reliance on, which is a subsidy from solar adopters to the grid rather than the reverse. 3. It's a two-tier system that protects big users, not small ones. Industrial consumers above 1MW get to bypass municipal distribution and buy directly on the wholesale market, while residential customers stay 'captive' to municipal tariffs. So households with the least market power are the ones locked into paying for shortfalls and cross-subsidies that large corporates can escape. 4. It concentrates market risk rather than reducing it. With Eskom Generation still holding the large majority of baseload capacity, opening a wholesale market without strong, proven oversight creates room for pricing power or manipulation to flow straight into retail tariffs — the very captive residential tariffs households can't opt out of. 5. It risks undermining the investment case for future household resilience. If the payback period on solar/battery systems worsens because fixed charges erode the savings, that discourages exactly the kind of distributed generation the country needs while Eskom's generation fleet remains unreliable. 6. The reform sequencing looks premature. Several commentators have flagged that opening an advanced wholesale market with imbalance penalties while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved, and before transmission congestion and Independent Transmission Project frameworks are sorted out, risks landing the cost of that dysfunction on ordinary ratepayers before the market structure is ready to bear it.	ILSETTE	
	2026-09-01 13:54:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is just unfair to have to pay for solar panels to be installed and on top of that you have to pay for electricity too! As a senior I have to be very careful with my pension	ignette	retired
	2026-09-01 14:00:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Worldwide homeowners and consumers are encouraged to move to solar power and are rewarded to do by feeding back into the grid, which in South Africa's case could assist in providing electricity to lower income households, government hospitals and schools. Solar is also environmentally a better option. In most countries generation has been split from transmission and distribution and engages private sector participation, which should include homeowners and private enterprises. The concept of governments wanting to control or profit from generation is outdated and the South African needs to radically change its paradigm. My second point is that Eskom being a government entity has a huge monopoly on pricing and availability and to date there has been limited accountability. Sadly, there is also huge corruption and several reports published but little action. In the early 2000s Eskom was the number 1 Utility in the world. But technology and technology has changed significantly. Again Eskom and government need to address today's realities.	Eileen	retired
	2026-09-01 14:24:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-01 15:22:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denis	retired

	2026-09-01 15:41:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state cannot provide electricity on a sustained basis and pushes you to make a plan and get solar and now they want to tax you for being self sustaining. It is not fair or just.	Jonatan	self-employed
	2026-09-01 16:01:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	self-employed
	2026-09-01 16:04:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is diabolically unfair. Anyone who can afford the installation of solar panels firstly spend a huge capital outlay to avoid the constant increases. Why they are penalized in mind boggling. If they use less electricity it's more for the grid to disperse. They definitely should not be penalized. Pensioners should be completely exempted from this charge.	Stephen	retired
	2026-09-01 16:14:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot afford Solar but if I could I would because I already take strain for the price of electricity as is. Decrease the over inflated SALARIES OF MANAGEMENT and even more the TOP BRASSES / EXECUTIVES and deal with the corruption. Then You will have MORE THAN Enough to maintain the infrastructures.	Antoinette	
	2026-09-01 16:20:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	business owner
	2026-09-01 17:19:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-01 17:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juana	retired
	2026-09-01 18:02:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		TG	retired
	2026-09-01 18:18:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BERN	retired
	2026-09-01 19:51:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-01 20:19:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are overtaxed as it is. Most people are struggling to come out each month and cannot be expected to pay more and more. Householders installed solar panels simply to live an ordinary life and should not be punished for doing so.	Gail	employed individual
	2026-09-01 20:38:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Esaiah	self-employed
	2026-09-01 21:24:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Local government under the control of national government is trying to milk every rate payer in South Africa for governments own benefit and not giving ratepayers any value for the monthly tariffs they pay, which keep increasing. There is a downward spiral in all government services and not one of them are held accountable.	Lois	retired
	2026-09-01 23:38:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is daylight robbery. We worked hard to invest in solar at a time when electricity supply was at its worst. We were forced to stabilize supply as we (5 of us) worked from home and we needed stable internet for work purposes. We paid a fortune back then. Now you want us to pay an additional tax for network usage. This is preposterous. These have been paid for already. As a pensioner, I cannot afford this and view this move as unconditional and unjust. Please stop. Thanks	Vithagan	retired
	2026-09-02 00:10:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in any way, shape or form. The proposal places unacceptable financial and operational risks on ordinary households and small businesses while reserving the greatest benefits of competition for large industrial and commercial electricity users. It could leave households and smaller businesses captive to municipal or Eskom tariffs while major customers obtain cheaper electricity elsewhere. I strongly oppose any system that introduces unavoidable fixed network or capacity charges for grid-connected customers, particularly those who have invested their own money in solar panels, batteries and energy efficiency because the existing electricity system failed to provide reliable power. These customers should not now be penalised for reducing their dependence on the grid. The proposed structure could also weaken municipal revenue and result in the remaining customers being forced to cover the shortfall through higher tariffs. At the same time, it creates the risk of electricity-price volatility, market manipulation, additional administrative costs and new layers of bureaucracy without providing firm guarantees that households or small businesses will pay less. The proposal asks the public to accept significant financial risks in exchange for uncertain future benefits. It does not provide adequate protections against excessive fixed charges, municipal tariff increases, market abuse or the passing of system failures and balancing penalties on to consumers. Electricity reform must deliver affordable power, genuine consumer choice, transparent pricing and equal access to the benefits of competition. This proposal does not provide those guarantees. I therefore reject it in its entirety and request that it be withdrawn and fundamentally reconsidered.	Thomas	self-employed
	2026-09-02 06:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They begged us to install solar power the help ease the strain on Escom during the worst times of loadshedding. Now the want to punish us for the very same thing. Let every single solar power owner in the country switch of there solar system on the same time on the same day and we will see what happens. In the same breath Escom brags about the 30 bilion profit they made wonder why is that??????	Santie	retired
	2026-09-02 06:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ian	retired

	2026-09-02 06:32:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Strong objection to fixed charges on grid-connected solar users I strongly object to any policy that seeks to impose punitive or excessive fixed charges on households and businesses that have invested in rooftop solar while remaining connected to the electricity grid, particularly where those systems do not feed electricity back into the grid. The argument that these customers are “free riders” is fundamentally misleading. A customer with rooftop solar who remains connected to the grid is not receiving electricity from the grid simply because the connection exists. They have invested their own capital to reduce their dependence on Eskom and municipal electricity supply, thereby reducing demand on the national generation system. If a customer uses little or no electricity from the grid during daylight hours because their solar installation supplies their needs, that customer should not be treated as though they are consuming the same electricity service as a conventional customer. There is a legitimate cost associated with maintaining a grid connection. That cost should, however, be transparent, proportionate and based on the actual cost of providing the connection and network service. It should not become a mechanism for recovering lost electricity-sales revenue from customers who have exercised their right to generate their own electricity. The “anti-free-riding” argument cuts both ways If the government's concern is that grid-connected solar customers should contribute toward maintaining the distribution network, I accept that principle in reasonable form. But the solution should be a fair network-access or connection charge, not an artificially inflated fixed tariff designed to penalise people for reducing their electricity consumption. There is an important distinction: Paying a reasonable amount for access to and maintenance of the grid is legitimate. Paying an excessive fixed charge because one has reduced one's reliance on Eskom or the municipality is effectively a penalty on self-generation. That distinction becomes even more important for customers who never export electricity to the grid. Where there is no reverse flow of electricity, claims that such customers are imposing additional generation or balancing costs through feeding power into the network simply do not apply. Their solar installation is primarily reducing their own demand. The policy risks punishing exactly the behaviour South Africa needs South Africa needs enormous private investment in additional electricity generation and reduced pressure on the national grid. Households and businesses that install solar systems are putting their own capital at risk to achieve precisely that. They purchase panels, inverters, batteries and installation services. They maintain the equipment themselves. They assume the equipment's depreciation and replacement costs. And, importantly, they reduce the amount of electricity they need to purchase from the public system. Introducing high unavoidable charges after these investments have been made creates a serious regulatory and investment-confidence problem. It effectively tells citizens: Invest your own money to reduce your dependence on the electricity system, and then we will restructure the tariff so that you continue paying substantially for electricity you no longer consume. That is a dangerous policy signal. The distribution problem must not be disguised as a solar problem There is also a much broader issue in the proposed restructuring. If municipal distributors face declining electricity sales because customers are becoming more energy efficient or generating their own electricity, the answer cannot simply be to make those customers pay increasingly large fixed charges to compensate for lost revenue. That would amount to protecting an incumbent revenue model rather than reforming it. The transition to an open electricity market should instead force distributors to become more efficient and transparent about the actual cost of providing: network infrastructure; connection capacity; metering; maintenance; administration; and electricity itself. These are different services and should be priced accordingly. There is also a serious equity concern The proposed structure could create a two-tier electricity market. Large industrial and commercial consumers may have the ability to negotiate directly with private generators or traders, while ordinary households remain dependent on municipal distribution networks and carry a disproportionate share of network and legacy costs. That creates the possibility that the customers with the least bargaining power become the customers who pay the most. That is not meaningful competition. A genuine electricity-market reform should ensure that competition benefits ordinary consumers rather than merely allowing sophisticated large consumers to escape an increasingly expensive distribution system. What should happen instead? Government should adopt a principle of cost-reflective, technology-neutral and transparent network charges. A household with solar and batteries that remains connected to the grid should pay a reasonable charge for maintaining that connection. But the charge should reflect the cost of the network service actually provided, rather than being used to recover electricity-sales revenue lost because the customer has invested in self-generation. There should also be clear safeguards against: punitive charges specifically targeting rooftop solar; excessive fixed charges that make self-generation uneconomic; discriminatory treatment of customers who generate their own electricity; cross-subsidisation that is hidden inside electricity tariffs; shifting municipal financial problems disproportionately onto solar households; and regulatory changes that undermine the economics of investments already made under previous rules. South Africans who invest their own money in solar should not be treated as a problem to be solved. They are part of the solution to South Africa's electricity crisis. The government should be encouraging private investment in generation, storage and energy efficiency—not creating a regulatory environment in which citizens are financially punished for becoming less dependent on the public electricity system. A fair electricity market should charge consumers for the services they actually receive—not penalise them for consuming less. If the objective of SAWEM is genuinely to create competition, efficiency and private investment, then those principles must apply all the way down to the household level, not just to large industrial consumers and electricity traders.	Piet	
	2026-09-02 07:08:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been controlling us with load shedding for years. We lost small businesses we had and no one cared. We found alternatives which enable us to sustain ourselves and now you want us to contribute to your mess. Our rates have been higher even with no electricity for hours. We canning contribute to your corruption	Hennie	
	2026-09-02 07:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Independent power choice should not be restricted by legislation.	Jan	business owner
	2026-09-02 07:39:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faith	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:10:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peta	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:19:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ek het in Sonkrag belê , teen groot kostes, toe Eskom nie Krag kon voorsien, dus Loadshedding in gestel het. So het Ek myself gehelp om my krag aan te hou, en so ook Eskom gehelp om ligte aan te hou vir res van die Land toe Eskom nie instaat was daar toe. Nou word ons beboet vir daardie hulp. Dis onregverdig om huishoudings te straf met ekstra kostes en ek maak ten sterkste beswaar daar teen.	Ockert	retired
	2026-09-02 08:51:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jakobus	retired

						I strongly object to the proposed introduction of mandatory fixed network and capacity charges that would disproportionately affect households and organisations that have invested in rooftop solar and battery systems. It seems fundamentally counterproductive to penalise consumers who have taken responsibility for their own electricity supply and invested their own money in renewable energy, particularly when these investments help reduce dependence on the national grid. Solar users are not simply “free riders”. A household or organisation with solar and battery storage is actively reducing its consumption from the grid, particularly during periods of peak demand. In many cases, these investments were made precisely because the electricity system was unreliable and consumers needed to find their own solutions. Penalising those who have invested in energy efficiency and renewable generation sends the wrong message and risks discouraging further private investment in clean energy. This is particularly concerning for non-profit organisations and ordinary homeowners who have made significant financial sacrifices to install solar systems. These are not large commercial enterprises seeking to avoid their responsibilities to the electricity system. They are individuals and community organisations trying to reduce their electricity consumption, manage costs and contribute to a more sustainable energy future. If there are genuine costs associated with maintaining the electricity network, these costs should be determined transparently and fairly. However, the proposed shift towards unavoidable fixed charges raises an important question: **what exactly will these additional charges fund, and how will the money collected be accounted for?** There should be a clear, transparent explanation of the purpose of these charges, how they will be calculated, where the revenue will go, and how consumers will benefit from paying them. It is difficult to see how imposing additional charges on solar users will address Eskom's fundamental financial problems. Additional revenue from households and small organisations cannot, by itself, solve the structural financial challenges created by years of inefficiency, mismanagement and financial leakage. Before asking ordinary citizens to pay more, there needs to be far greater accountability for how existing funds are managed and how wastage, inefficiency and corruption are being addressed. There is also a strong principle of fairness at stake. Consumers who use less electricity should not automatically be treated as though they are failing to contribute simply because their consumption-based bill is lower. Energy conservation should be encouraged, not penalised. If the objective is to ensure everyone makes a fair contribution to the electricity network, the system should recognise the benefits distributed renewable generation provides to that network. Rooftop solar can reduce demand on the grid, lessen pressure during periods of high demand and reduce the amount of electricity that needs to be generated centrally. Grid-connected solar owners should therefore be appropriately recognised and credited for the value they provide, rather than being subjected to charges that effectively undermine the financial benefit of their investment. I therefore urge the Department of Electricity and Energy and the relevant regulatory authorities to reconsider this approach and to ensure that any future tariff structure: * Does not unfairly penalise households, non-profit organisations and small businesses that have invested in rooftop solar and batteries. * Properly recognises the contribution of distributed renewable energy to reducing pressure on the grid. * Includes fair and transparent mechanisms for crediting energy supplied to the grid. * Places reasonable limits on fixed network and capacity charges. * Provides a clear explanation of the purpose and use of all additional revenue collected. * Includes a transparent socio-economic impact assessment, particularly on households and smaller organisations. * Addresses inefficiency, financial mismanagement and revenue leakage within the electricity sector before placing additional financial burdens on consumers. South Africans should not be punished for trying to solve an energy crisis with their own resources. If government wants greater private investment in renewable energy and a more resilient electricity system, it should create incentives for consumers to invest in solar, batteries and energy efficiency, not introduce measures that make those investments less attractive. The people and organisations who have invested in solar have already put their own money into helping themselves and, indirectly, reducing pressure on the national electricity system. They should not now be treated as a source of additional revenue simply because they have done so. I respectfully urge that the proposed fixed charges be reconsidered and that a fairer, more transparent and genuinely cost-reflective approach be developed.		
	2026-09-02 09:21:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aleya	Non-profit
	2026-09-02 09:25:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government caused the problem. People had to make a plan so that they could be self sufficient. This helped the strain on the grid. Now the government wants to steal money from people who had to make a plan because they the government lost income. We the tax payers have already bailed out Eskom and other government entities a number of times. Now the government thinks they are owed something. All we ever do is pay for government mess ups while receiving less and less services. We are already overburdened with all the new taxes the government keeps adding. We have already beeb penalised with load shedding. We don't need to be further penalised for having to make a plan.	Lyle	employed individual
	2026-09-02 09:56:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nothing but thieving by an incompetent ANC government who does not have the skills to run a country let alone a once thriving Electricity producer. If ordinary residents and businesses had NOT gone to Solar energy the country energy supply would have collapsed. WE BAILED ESKOM out and now they wany to punish us. Get rid of all the surplus , no good, useless employees and save a huge amount of SALARY money and then ESKOM would not have to resort to punishing us ordinary citizens	Neil	retired
	2026-09-02 09:57:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why penalise people who made a plan to solve a problem?	Lynette	
	2026-09-02 10:19:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are no more words for what the ANC lead government has already done to this once beautiful country and all the SOE's that USED TO function. So, my answer is simply, NO, I do not support this. You cannot punish the ones who found a solution. So now, that Eskom loses revenue from those who use solar, this is the way to get back that lost revenue?? Or is this a way to secure more funds for back pockets, lavish spending, holidays and over inflated salaries?? While the minority of middle class, try to keep afloat and support the majority of citizens who are starving and live in poverty? NO ! NO MORE !	Brigitte	employed individual
	2026-09-02 10:54:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danus	self-employed
	2026-09-02 11:07:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Scandalous to require people to pay for electricity they have not used. And then to penalise people who have had to spend thousands in order to function without having to rely on Eskom's corrupt practices!!!	Lynne	
	2026-09-02 11:12:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA is being taxed to death as it is, especially the poor and pensioners. Eskom and the state has been a poor show over the past few years with increases well over the CPI targets. They should have a price structure whereby the more you use, the cheaper the unit cost becomes - not the current penalty price structures.	Henri	retired
	2026-09-02 11:17:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom supplies power direct to our farm in Midvaal (no municipal supply). Eskom is already charging Network Capacity Charge (per day), Generation Capacity Charge (per day), Network Demand Charge and Ancillary Service Charge, on our account. This is totally unacceptable as we do not have solar panels and batteries. The reason why companies and individuals are spending their own money for solar panels etc is because Eskom is unable to supply the electricity resulting in a lot of down time in production. Therefore I do not support this proposal.	HEIDI	retired
	2026-09-02 11:26:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose any tariff structure that penalises households and small businesses for investing in solar power. People who install solar have already invested their own money to reduce their dependence on Eskom and the national grid. They should pay a fair and reasonable charge for using the grid, but they should not be subjected to excessive fixed fees simply because they are using less Eskom electricity. At the same time, if large businesses are allowed to bypass municipal electricity networks and purchase cheaper power privately, ordinary households should not be left behind to carry the costs of maintaining those networks. The more South Africans invest in solar, batteries and energy efficiency, the less pressure there is on Eskom. Government should encourage this, not make it financially unattractive through ever-increasing fixed charges. Electricity charges should therefore be fair, transparent and based on the actual cost of providing the service—not used to recover lost revenue from consumers who have successfully reduced their electricity consumption.	candice	employed individual
	2026-09-02 11:42:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rae	retired
	2026-09-02 12:13:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When everyone was facing load shedding, we paid the price for losing food and the availability of electricity. During those years, Eskom's employee base, from top to bottom, was paid excessive salaries, obviously funded by taxpayers. That did not include Bail Outs from the government, adding up into the billions of rands. Eskom forces everyone to invest in solar, and now they want to find ways and means to keep on milking the people of the country. Every business facing similar problems has to restructure and cut costs where ever they can. Reduce your staff and put a cap on further pay increases. Eliminate fraud and corruption, eliminate inefficiencies, and upgrade their purchasing procedures. I can carry on, but enough said.	Brian	self-employed
	2026-09-02 12:24:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Rather implement two way electricity meters, and encourage sale of private power generation that can be purchased by eskom and sold with at a profit to other users. This still gives 'the powers that be' the option to 'borrow' from the gains, and moves capital investment and maintenance	paul	business owner
	2026-09-02 12:43:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linette	employed individual
	2026-09-02 12:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beltus	retired
	2026-09-02 13:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way the government is failing us. We lived in darkness, our businesses suffered, we made plans to have power no thanks to them and now they want to be bloodsuckers yet again. What else are we going to pay for breathing?	Tshegofatso	employed individual
	2026-09-02 13:18:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous, yet entirely expected from the corrupt mafia that rule over us.	Melnick	employed individual
	2026-09-02 13:26:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Individual household investment in solar energy to alleviate Eskom capacity issues and provide supply assurance for self and indirectly for others due to reduced grid loading should not be penalized, but in fact encouraged, as hard earned cash has been invested in alleviating a government problem without any government assistance or contribution!!	Andrew	business owner
	2026-09-02 13:35:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricty is already so expensive and households are struggling. I do not want to pay fix changes on solar panel. The consumer already pay for the installation which is costly and then the municipality also want to have a cut. Municipalities must find other ways to increase their budgets and stop taxing the consumer.	Joan	retired
	2026-09-02 14:05:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get Farked you greedy bunch of blood sucking mosquito thieves	Cameron	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:09:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Odette	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 14:09:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	HAVING SPENT ALL THOSE MONTHS OF LOADSHEDDING BECAUSE ESKOM WAS SO CORRUPT AND USELESS, I FINALLY DECIDED TO GO FOR ROOFTOP SOLAR, WHICH WAS EXPENSIVE TO SAY THE LEAST! NOW. THE SUGGESTION THAT WE SHOULD NOW PAY FOR POWER THAT WE DON'T NEED, IS UTTERLY PREPOSTEROUS!! I STRONGLY OBJECT!!!	Annabel	retired
	2026-09-02 14:19:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding affected every South African and some had to make alternative plans to keep the lights on, this helped the government with their electricity crisis, but now those same South Africans will be penalised. No, this is unlawful and average South Africans should not have to foot the bill because of Eskom's/government's failures.	Candice	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:24:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying close to R400 per month extra on our municipality account for Electricity availability how much more do you want to suck the middle class user? It never affects the poor or the rich as the poor did not pay in the Richard does not affect them	Patrick	self-employed

	2026-09-02 14:25:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	FIXED GRID CHARGE FOR ROOFTOP SOLAR OPPOSED: Millions of households and businesses were forced, by government/Eskom ineptitude, to invest private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. THE "CAPTIVE RATEPAYER TRAP" AND MUNICIPAL INSOLVENCY: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. WHOLESALE PRICE VOLATILITY AND MARKET POWER MANIPULATION: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. SEVERE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WITHIN NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. PREMATURE MARKET LAUNCH AMID UNRESOLVED MUNICIPAL DEBT: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Helga	retired
	2026-09-02 14:31:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aviva	
	2026-09-02 14:32:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marinda	self-employed
	2026-09-02 14:41:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MJ	self-employed
	2026-09-02 15:49:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom did not keep up with the booming population by expanding infrastructure to be able to provide power to the whole of the population 24 hours a day seven days a week. The fullscale corruption in Eskom is also one of the main reasons why Eskom could not provide 24/7 power to all as well as exorbitant pricing increases forced on the user. For that reason clients went solar and actually saved Eskoms bacon to ease the load for Eskom to provide to users easier. Nobody owns the sun, solar owners already paid a fortune to go off the grid or almost off the grid, why must they be punished for making Eskoms task easier and that AFTER THE GOVERNMENT encouraged homeowners to install solar by getting an amount back on tax returns. That is not fair and it is moving the goalposts after the match has already started!!	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-02 15:53:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is completely absurd to expect rate payers to foot the bill for governmental failures. The reason for installing solar power was because of the failed ability from Eskom and the government to provide enough electricity. Now citizens are being expected to pay over and above the exorbitant fees already paid to add solar power to their homes, to bail out the short comings of Eskom. What's more, why are citizens being penalised for reducing general load on the grid? Should they not be instead rewarded for helping to reduce the energy crisis? This is absolute nonsense.	Cal	self-employed
	2026-09-02 16:13:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Only a pensioner. Cannot keep up anymore!!!	Willie	retired
	2026-09-02 16:42:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-02 17:12:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed South Africans when they introduced loadshedding late 2007 due to poor maintenance and wasting money. I decided in May 2023 to stop loadshedding and install solar power to have full-time electricity. In my lifetime I will never be able to have cheap electricity, but I do have no peace of mind. SARS even gave us a rebate on the panels because the load was reduced, on our person taxation. The capital layout for the system experienced loadshedding until May 2023 when I just could not handle it any longer that an outsider decided when I can get power. Look at the diesel problem, more than R4billion of diesel purchased and paid for without a liter delivered.	Christiaan	retired
	2026-09-02 17:22:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Typical of the current government that encouraged solar panals when they could not supply electricity due to the many failures of ethical governing. Where does the concept of paying for something that an intitution has not had any input in providing come from? This idea is not justified and totally immoral.	Lionel	retired
	2026-09-02 17:36:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		s	
	2026-09-02 18:29:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand: that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Demand: a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Demand mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. Require full public transparency and real-time reporting of day-ahead and intra-day market bidding data to enable independent civil oversight. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation.	Chris	retired
	2026-09-02 18:43:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Van Wyngaardt	
	2026-09-02 19:43:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	retired
	2026-09-02 19:49:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvette	retired
	2026-09-02 19:52:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed restructuring of electricity billing that introduces mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges for all grid-connected households. This framework unfairly penalises citizens who invested private capital in rooftop solar and batteries to mitigate load shedding. Instead of rewarding initiative and supporting renewable adoption, the policy imposes unavoidable baseline charges that undermine household affordability. Furthermore, the Position Paper entrenches inequality by allowing large industrial users (exceeding 1 MW) to bypass municipal tariffs and access cheaper wholesale markets, while ordinary households remain captive to municipal billing structures. This leaves everyday ratepayers to subsidise municipal revenue shortfalls. The risk of market power and speculative pricing also remains high, given Eskom Generation's dominance over baseload supply. Without robust oversight, volatility in wholesale markets will spill into retail tariffs, eroding affordability for households. I urge the Department to revise the framework to ensure fairness, protect renewable investment, and align billing reforms with constitutional principles and national energy policy.	Izak	employed individual
	2026-09-02 20:10:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-02 20:18:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patti	retired
	2026-09-02 20:39:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My concern is that if I spend money to improve my life and reduce the cost of living then I should not be punished for poor decision-making that the government officials partake in. At the end of the day government officials have a duty to run the country not to ruin the country. I pay my taxes so why do the government officials waste the money? If the any government department wants to add more charges then they should first reach in to their own pockets. The government should be trying to encourage more households to install alternate power sources to take some pressure off the power grid.	Zakariya	employed individual
	2026-09-02 21:21:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 21:33:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jayarama	retired
	2026-09-03 07:23:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How to you argue with non-sensical people? They have destroyed the power grid due to no maintenance, then citizens makes a plan and then you get penalized for doing so. Then they steal the money within the municipalities and mis-managed everything. But we keep on paying. When are we going to stop paying for mis-management?	Anne-Marié	retired
	2026-09-03 09:10:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During those dark days with loadshedding Eskom and government suggested we install solar and were given a tax deduction for installing it. Now they want to bleed us dry again. People only have a set amount to live on while government officials warm hundreds of thousands Not fair at all	Lynn	retired
	2026-09-03 10:37:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The incompetence of this government and its SOEs is staggering. First, they basically force consumers to invest in alternative power sources to relieve the pressure on Eskom. Now we are being punished for it. What do they mean by free-loaders. We already pay huge amounts for connection and network charges. Furthermore, they cannot just have a baseline consumption fee, you pay for what you use.	Dirk	business owner
	2026-09-03 10:41:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LYNNE	retired
	2026-09-03 11:21:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally ludicrous. Currently law states that all new residential buildings must be fitted with a solar geyser to alleviate pressure on the grid and before that ESKOM even subsidized it. Then when we still had load shedding they subsidized solar roof panels for the private and business sector for a year. Now they have the audacity to try and charge solar penalties after urging everyone to help alleviate the pressure on the electricity grid. That while on the back of it residential owners are already paying a base electricity rate monthly for street lights etc. which are always out and in disrepair. Electricity is already charged on a sliding scale punishing those who use more to pay ridiculous rates. NO discount for bulk usage. Furthermore ESKOM is showing, for the first time in years, a profit in the billions.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-03 12:17:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		RACHEL	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:24:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Braam	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:25:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is not capable/able to supply electricity 24/7 - mainly due to internal fraud, theft and looting by politicians - consumers were asked to go over to solar to assist the grid. Government did not stop the looting and stealing of money - now users must once again be penalised. As with the tolls - greediness got the upper hand of politicians. If government/Eskom from the start added a very low amount to fixed charges in order to compensate for the usage money loss - process could have worked. But no, they always have to go overboard and try and get the most money from taxpayers to ensure further looting money is available	Suzette	retired
	2026-09-03 12:34:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I can not see why must I / the public pay fixed charges and solar penalties when I / the public use our own hard earned money to make our lifes easier by installing a solar system on our private homes and or businesses. The lack of the availability of electricity was not my or the general public's fault. It was bad management and theft from the supplier of electricity. Fix your own problems and leave the people who worked for their money that could pay for their solar that they installed on the private residence and own businesses.	At	retired
	2026-09-03 12:56:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object in the strongest terms of being called a "Free Loader" or any similar term. Many Municipalities have a sliding scale for electricity. The more you buy the more you pay per KW. I understood the purpose for this was to cover the maintenance costs of the grid. Street Lights which don't work. There is a separate Residential Electricity Basic charge which is the 'availability' charge. Thaba Chweu Municipality have now introduced a 'Capacity' charge for Residential properties. This differentiates between users with 20Amp, 40Amp and Single or 3 Phase feed. Most houses are 40Amp to carry the combined load required to power a normal house. For the 2026/7 Tariff year Thaba Chweu increased the Rand/Amp/Phase/Month Rate by 63,52% from R6.90 to R11.29. Result is a 40Amp Single Phase Residential building now pays R 451.60 plus R238.97 Basic Charge. R690.57 before one Kw is bought. The Grid in Sabie is in a poor state of repair due to lack of maintenance over many years. Currently sections have been without power for 10 days. Why must the consumer be made to pay for gross negligence from the various government entities. These charges are similar to the charges Eskom are proposing. Be warned. I am about 80% off the grid and buy between R100.00 and R 200.00 worth of electricity per month. Why would I not become fully independent?	Rupert	retired

	2026-09-03 13:53:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glynis	retired
	2026-09-03 14:02:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernice	employed individual
	2026-09-03 15:27:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we the ordinary citizen pay fixed prices even though we don't all use much due to lack of funds? No!	Helen	retired
	2026-09-03 16:01:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Liezl	employed individual
	2026-09-03 20:53:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deandre	employed individual
	2026-09-03 20:54:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donnalene Astrid	unemployed individual
	2026-09-04 08:10:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	employed individual
	2026-09-04 09:03:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom wants us to pay more. Yet they are so corrupt and can through away 112,4 billion rand on their bad management and corruption etc. and look at their salaries and bonuses also. As a pensioner and paying my taxes for all these years. They also at one stage wanted people to save with solar and geyser blankets etc. Now we must pay them if we use the sun etc. Eskom is a disgrace to our beautiful country. Kusile Power Station, initially budgeted at R121 billion for completion in 2017, is now expected to be completed in 2028 at a staggering R233.4 billion after years of delays, design flaws, contractor failures, overpayments, and corruption.	Patrick	retired
	2026-09-04 09:51:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sebastiaan	self-employed
	2026-09-04 10:08:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dee	self-employed
	2026-09-04 10:09:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so, and were encouraged to do this by government. These citizens would now be unfairly penalized if consumption-based billing was replaced with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges.	Brenda	retired
	2026-09-04 10:23:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When one purchase a service from for example a mobile operator, the fee you pay for the airtime/data already has the fixed cost build in. If you decided to use airtime/data, you might pay slightly more for the less airtime/data, to cover the fixed cost component of the operator. You however don't get charged a separate fixed charge for using less units. The same should apply to electricity units purchased. If you do not have rooftop solar and you buy a lot of units, the price per unit should be less as the fixed charge reduce for every extra unit brought. Where you have roof top solar resulting in a lower number of units used, the cost per unit should be higher to account for the fixed costs.	Dieter	employed individual
	2026-09-04 11:38:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sune	
	2026-09-04 12:37:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a basic monthly fee to be connected to the municipal power grid. Why should people with solar installations pay more when they help that there is less load shedding?	Ben	
	2026-09-04 12:39:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where there is corruption, more taxes will not help the issue on hand.	Sam	
	2026-09-04 12:51:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you justify increasing electricity tariffs and mandatory fixed charges with headlines like these: "Eskom achieved roughly R30.35 billion in profit for the 2026 financial year, more than doubling its R14 billion profit the previous year" from Business Tech. Why should consumers who pay for electricity keep on paying more when Eskom shows such a large profit? And why should we compensate for non-payers?	Natasja	employed individual
	2026-09-04 13:11:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked, if we had the means, to reduce our reliance on the grid system by the powers at be due to the mismanagement and blatant corruption consequences of Eskom. Now that we have done our part and stepped up to the task, the government is in effect, blaming us for the lower revenue and attempting to recoup the costs that would have been spent anyway on electricity through these tarriffs? Outrageous and disgusting behaviour. None of this was our fault or our personal responsibility to solve, and yet, the private sector has, and now we'll be punished for it. It's utter bullshit.	Stefano	employed individual
	2026-09-04 14:59:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex & Elspeth	retired
	2026-09-04 15:00:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	consumers who have spent hard earned funds to ensure power supply when the public utility could not provide it - should not have to bear any new costs for using energy provided by the sun. it is just downright wrong !!!!	Saul	employed individual
	2026-09-04 15:08:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees.	Tertius	retired
	2026-09-04 15:11:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees.	Susan	retired
	2026-09-04 16:00:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	unemployed individual
	2026-09-04 16:02:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantal	employed individual
	2026-09-04 16:46:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We experience power failure constantly. Alternative measures had to be taken. Thank you Lani Dubek	Lani	employed individual
	2026-09-04 17:38:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When there was load shedding we had to help now u want to screw us over what a disgrace	Paul	retired
	2026-09-04 18:05:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brigid	retired
	2026-09-04 18:08:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ARE WE EQUAL BEFORE THE LAW....????? SHOW THE INVOICE FROM THE SUN...CORRUPTION GROWS .	HILTON	retired
	2026-09-04 18:22:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a bully. Poor planning, unrealistic pricing and lack of citizen input has lead to a revolt and independence of electricity solutions. Eskom, their highly overpaid staff and mutual indifference to the normal citizen, retirees and unemployed has pushed people to the brink. Is the government taking notice of the increased suicide rate and rising crime rates from unemployment?	Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-04 18:47:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the electricity issue were addressed back in the early 2000's, we wouldn't be here now. Because of government's failures, those that could became self sufficient. We will not tolerate being penilised because of government failure!	Mateen	
	2026-09-04 19:02:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked, if we had the means, to reduce our reliance on the grid system by the powers at be due to the mismanagement and blatant corruption consequences of Eskom. Now that we have done our part and stepped up to the task, the government is in effect, blaming us for the lower revenue and attempting to recoup the costs that would have been spent anyway on electricity through these tarriffs? Eskom is slowly becoming another thieving institution with this proposed legislation One should only pay what they use from the grid regardless if they have solar or not. This proposed legislation is going to force people to illegally connect to the grid as it seems it is legal to do so for specific communities Yet nothing is done about those illegally connecting to the grid and stealing electricity.	kevin	employed individual
	2026-09-04 20:29:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was unable to provide a reliable electricity supply due to its own mismanagement of funds and years of inadequate maintenance. It then actively encouraged the public to invest in alternative power sources to help reduce the pressure on the grid. Now that many of us have done exactly that, Eskom wants to penalise us further by imposing fixed charges. I would hazard a guess that if every solar user switched off their IPP systems tomorrow and reverted entirely to Eskom supply, load shedding would soon return. Rather than penalising consumers who have invested their own money to reduce their reliance on the grid, Eskom should recognise the contribution these consumers are making. Before imposing additional costs on consumers, perhaps Eskom should first focus on putting its own house in order, addressing the mismanagement, inefficiencies and maintenance failures that created this situation in the first place.	Samantha	employed individual
	2026-09-04 20:39:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	
	2026-09-04 23:46:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I completely disagree. Solar energy is not a service provided by municipalities. The sun is harvested with solar panels purchased by individual and more so is a expense that the consumer has had to bear due to government inapt provision of services.	Jack	
	2026-09-04 23:56:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsabé	retired
	2026-09-05 05:18:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	retired
	2026-09-05 06:17:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-09-05 06:48:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manie	employed individual
	2026-09-05 08:24:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	self-employed
	2026-09-05 08:27:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of focussing on becoming more efficient and streamline and eliminate corruption, government try to tax the middle class more and more.	Werner	retired

	2026-09-05 08:53:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caroline	retired
	2026-09-05 10:15:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You stole the money, mow we have to pay it back. The ANC corrupt govt policies, cronie deployment and incompetence has landed uz in this mess. You caused the problems and now when people makd alternative plans, you want to tax us to get you out the mess you created. Lets fix the politics, get rid of the ANC and appoint qualified people to adres the problems at grassroots. If you dont want me to use the grid, Fine! Im happy to ho off completely. At present i do t need any power from you and how dare you even consider a Sun tax!! This is criminal!	Thomas	business owner
	2026-09-05 10:53:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every South African has the right to power supply. With good stewardship and management, this can be achieved through working with the public, and not against it. To increase tariffs for solar owners, are perceived as a penalty for investing in their own infrastructure. These solar panels were installed in reaction to the inability of the state to provide stable, reliable electricity. The public should be seen as partners in solving the electricity crisis, not enemies of the state. Municipalities should be called to step into their responsibility towards the public. Non-paying users are a huge, pressing problem, calling for sustainable steps!	Almarie	employed individual
	2026-09-05 11:16:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government incentivized citizens to install solar when the Eskom grid was under pressure and all were experiencing load shedding. Now that the pressure is off Eskom (for various reasons) the government wants to penalize those that assisted the Government in their time of need. Eskom should rather focus their attention on improving plant efficiency, collecting outstanding municipal debts due to them and eliminating illegal connections, which cost the country R billions every year. It is disgraceful that the Eskom senior management continue to receive huge bonuses despite them not achieving their KPI's.	Brian	
	2026-09-05 11:22:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the collapse of Eskom, we had to seek alternate ways of generating electricity. Now we are going to be penalised for something that the Government forced upon us	Sithara	business owner
	2026-09-05 12:44:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marelize	
	2026-09-05 13:07:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel that it is wrong to be charged for something that you do not use. I would suggest to price units on a scale, i.e. sharge higher prices for small number of units and progressively cheaper for the more units used. I would argue against cross subsidizing.	Hendrik Wynand	self-employed
	2026-09-05 15:23:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	
	2026-09-05 15:24:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First off...why should home users be penalized for making sure their properties are set up to be resistant to the failing networks of the government. It's not their fault the government failed to maintain the power grid and upgrade it, choosing to rather milk the crap out of it through corruption for personal gain. I can understand the soreness of Eskom saying that people treat them as a battery, but they are forgetting that the power used to charge those batteries on the users properties are still coming from them, and its paid for in ful. If a user chooses to do a split system on his property and run the basic house functions like lights and electronics off solar instead, then it should not be of concern to Eskom at all, as it's literally none of their business what homeowners are doing on their property. What I feel is fair for them to ask for is a CoC that only states the solar system is not able to push power back onto the grid - what that solar system entails is none of their business. When/If the law changes to allow homeowners to push power back onto the grid for compensation - then, and only then are the allowed to ask questions regarding generation capacity. So NO - they should NOT be allowed to impose any mandatory charges, because that will only hurt the residents that can't afford solar more. If you tick the solar guys off enough, they will completely disconnect from the grid causing Eskom to lose even more of their paying customers (that subsidise the non paying ones), making the issue even worse. So get rid of whomever is pushing this agenda as that person clearly doesn't understand economics and basic human psychology - that person is causing a problem that will progressively get worse because they seemingly can't think further than the end of their nose. Finally, they should be severely limited to hike power prices, and only allowed to do so after showing they got their spending under control. It's unfair for the average household to foot the bill for their incompetence.	Marius	employed individual
	2026-09-05 15:37:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Encourage the use of the solar energy from households into the grid, while focusing on the development of base power for the grid. There should be a continual drive to develop infrastructure and capacity for electrical energy as there will be a need for this in the coming years, especially for the support of water resources (filtering and pumping) which is going to require a lot of energy.	Geoffrey	employed individual
	2026-09-05 16:29:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Support Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading, which are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. I Object to Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an "anti-free-riding" principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The "Captive Ratepayer" Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain "captive" to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid ("wires") from electricity sales ("retail/trading"), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units.	GRAHAM	
	2026-09-05 18:16:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-05 20:35:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We spent a lot of money to make sure that we as pensioners, who are dependant on electricity for health reasons, will be able to have electricity at all times. Escom can not guarantee us that safety. Why must we then pay for something we have to supply for our selves? In our suburb the electricity is regularly off every week for up to a few days at a time.	Ristine	retired
	2026-09-05 20:47:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 21:40:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		freddie	retired
	2026-09-06 07:04:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Calvin-James	employed individual
	2026-09-06 07:25:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When I decided to install solar at my apartment, the Rand cost was enormous! About twice what I had paid for my flat originally. I thought it was the responsible thing to do in a situation of gross mismanagement of the electricity supply, and that it would save me costs in the long term. I am now 68. My husband had a stroke 2.5 years ago. Between the blasted Convid lockdowns that destroyed so many of our small businesses, and being unable to work due to caring for him, I am now essentially unemployed with a R4000 pm pension. The sun belongs to no government. Yet this parasitic State continues to find every excuse to suck responsible citizens dry. We are not a bottomless pit to be plundered. And these actions are further alienating South Africans from their kleprocratic overlords. Just stop it!!!	Alice	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 07:53:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar power, paid VAT on it, to avoid the continuous upheaval the government was causing with the LIE that was loadshedding. The incompetence, theft and mismanagement caused me to do that. Now you want to charge me for your corruption. You're not leading the people, you're bleeding them for your own greed. Shame on you all.	Denise	retired
	2026-09-06 09:55:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Are you mad, to tax something that is free and I'm just harnesses the sun, because ESKOM can't provide, because of the incompetence of the top rank that stole our money?	Heinrich	employed individual
	2026-09-06 10:13:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosalie	
	2026-09-06 11:48:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should not penalise those residents who have made the shift to solar. Moving to solar reduces the dependence on the already strained national grid. Instead the government and municipalities should incentivise residences to make the move towards solar. Look at Pakistan and their recent implementation of solar, which is not perfect but which can be learned from and lessons can be learned from their implementation. Data Centers should be mandated to move toward 90% usage of solar and should be charged a higher tariff than residences for their operations when using government provided electricity. Other big businesses including properties being built specifically for business use, should be mandated to include at least 40% of solar for their electricity usage. Residences who want to make the move towards solar should receive guidance from registered and accredited solar installers and maintainers. This should especially be implemented in the townships as well. For this, lean into trade schools to have students in this field be part of this process.	Riyaad	
	2026-09-06 12:54:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quentin	self-employed
	2026-09-06 13:07:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's absolutely absurd that this bloody ANC government expect people to pay, after the residents have paid 100s of thousands of rands to self provide electricity for themselves, because this damn government couldn't care less about the citizens, all they care about is how they won't be able to loot funds and line their pockets now!!!!	Kathy	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 13:38:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frans	retired
	2026-09-06 14:39:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Price increase from 10 years back for escom, vs service rendering, or electricity availabillity. Escom must foll or adapt	Gustav	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 16:31:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC and Escom are responsible for the collapse. They just allow non payers to keep on using power. Most state ratepayers and municipal employees do not pay their dues. What do you expect. The minority paying will not be able to carry the whole of SA for ever. You do not even deduct R10 from all grant receiving citizens to add to Escom. The system is bound to collapse.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-06 17:27:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Peter	
	2026-09-06 19:14:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	
	2026-09-06 19:40:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So let me get this straight… First, residents were encouraged to invest their own hard-earned money in solar panels to reduce pressure on the grid and embrace renewable energy. Many of us listened, spent a small fortune, and did exactly that. And now the municipality wants to penalise us for doing what they encouraged us to do? Make it make sense. Since when does the municipality own the SUN? Because unless there's been a very recent transfer of ownership that we somehow missed, I'm pretty sure sunlight is still free. How on earth do you justify penalising residents for generating clean, renewable energy and reducing their reliance on an increasingly unreliable electricity supply? If anything, solar users should be compensated for the investment they have made in supporting the energy transition and reducing demand on the grid, not punished for it. This isn't innovative policy. It's daylight robbery… quite literally. Go back to the drawing board and come back with something that actually makes sense. Because this proposal is not only nonsensical, it completely undermines the very behaviour residents were previously encouraged to adopt. Punishing people for going green? What a spectacular way to discourage exactly the behaviour you should be encouraging.	Pauline	employed individual
	2026-09-06 20:06:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why make people pay for Sun power now. It has been around for ever, but now it needs to be taxed. This is a result of these exact people running the grid into the ground and now can not accept that they will no longer be able to control the citizens with the control of electricity. It is not their Sun. It belongs to all on earth. Make better decisions and run a proper company, just like we need to do, then you would not have to charge us for what is not yours to chage in any case	Werner	
	2026-09-06 20:22:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rene	employed individual

	2026-09-06 20:41:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruben	employed individual
	2026-09-06 21:00:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 22:18:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have a delinquent electricity supplier unable to maintain a stable and reliable service. People, myself included, were forced to at great cost secure a stable and reliable electricity supply due to the undisputed fact that Eskom could not provide this. Now you want to claw back money lost due to you alienating customers due to your bad management of infrastructure? This is not acceptable.	Abrham	employed individual
	2026-09-06 22:35:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is typical action that we have come to expect from the ANC. First they give tax incentives to get people to take up solar to save their collective ars*s and once they've stabilized things slightly at Eskom they stab you in the back. Besides which, if a person is a low energy user then they're putting less strain on the network and therefore should pay less costs not more. I moved from Electricity to gas just to get past the fact that I couldn't continually afford takeaways when the power went down. I'm in fact now paying more due to the costs of LPG	Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-06 22:44:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cyril	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 23:09:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have been forced to invest in solar power to keep my business afloat thereby paying tax on my earnings and not becoming a burden on the state. I am tired of being the cow milked for all they are worth to keep a government and system in place. People who are energy conscious to not overstretch the grid, reduce environmental damage and continue earning enough to finance taxation are being disadvantaged at every turn, taxed into oblivion and 'fined' for spending their own hard earned money to assist the country when energy problems were at their worst and where we WILL return again under the current dispensation. I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private investments in renewable energy. I further insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection and not increasing the energy load, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Denise	business owner
	2026-09-07 02:33:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So law abiding citizens that are already paying WAY TOO MUCH for electricity having to cover the masses that don't pay anything, are having to pay more for Those who have solar??? They spent thousands having to change to solar as Eskom Was not able to Supply electricity.... In what normal Logical world does that compute????? Just the government trying to get money from tax payers to refill the stolen millions????	Marlize	business owner
	2026-09-07 06:50:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frances	retired
	2026-09-07 07:02:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	self-employed
	2026-09-07 07:29:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jurie	employed individual
	2026-09-07 07:51:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erik	employed individual
	2026-09-07 08:26:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The proposed changes do not address solutions to service delivery, stability and overall improvements on electricity supply, It aims to punish those that have built solutions to address these exact issues themselves.	geert	employed individual
	2026-09-07 08:35:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC goverment is responsible for this chaos of ESKOM , The ANC goverment cannot control crime in SA , Cable theft , stealing of substations and loadshedding, while they as goverment officials have themselves generators installed solar on their premises,to have the luxury while it is the taxpayers money. Our food are rotting during these unbearable circumstances. Eskom and who ever are behind this unbundling and price fixing shout be behind prison bars for stealing consumers funds, they themselves are criminals	Marius	employed individual
	2026-09-07 08:56:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No to solar roof tax. Started as aiding a dire situation of Eskom's shortcomings and now customers are penalised. Eskom trying hard to retain customer base. The result is extra cost for customers. Senseless! Household should also be allowed to source electricity from independent generators not only from the state. Separate tariffs by Eskom and municipalities adds extra financial burden on customers. This is uncalled for. In essence, all infrastructure belong to government and applying differential spheres of government ownership exposes users of electricity to double billing. Unscrupulous!	Ntombizodwa	student
	2026-09-07 09:17:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's crazy that consumers that helping fix the electricity issues in the country are being "fined" for doing so.	Gayo	business owner
	2026-09-07 09:20:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	retired
	2026-09-07 09:38:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	"When the state does everything for you, it will soon take everything from you." "The problem with socialism is that you eventually run out of other people's money" "Every family should have the right to spend their money, after tax, as they wish, and not as the government dictates. Let us extend choice, extend the will to choose and the chance to choose." — Margaret Thatcher These quotes being so apt for South Africa. Governed by communists with corrupt tendencies, who have driven our economy into poverty, through incompetence, lack of work ethic, greed, corruption, theft, violence, blackmail, propaganda, indoctrination and need for more control. And even sadder still is the fact that there is not 1 political party who is not involved, in how our country has turned out to date. Cry the beloved country!	Elaine	employed individual
	2026-09-07 09:53:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pay for what you use. Domestic solar power owners still pay for what they use, there is no FREE RIDING. Illegal connections are FREE RIDERS. Easier to bill the honest person than the illegal parasite. WARNING: Have they thought about it that if Domestic solar power owners decide to disconnect from the grid, how much they are going to receive then, much less than what they will in with "sun tax". Watch out for the revolution. Eskom made so much profit in the last 2 years, why do they want more money, the ANC is bankrupt, we channel the money to them to keep them alive, a "bail out" as they are so good with seen in all state entities. How many qualified skilled people do the muncipalities have, in the case of a break down, how many days will people be without power, with DSO we keep things running. 2026-09-07	Merle	retired
	2026-09-07 09:56:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Extortion of the ratepayers	Shuan	
	2026-09-07 10:54:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This whole thing is to cover up or recover from the governments own incompetence. All of this is due to the government inability to keep the lights on. The ANCaner government inherited a stable and functioning electrical system with expansion plans, but through incompetence, corruption, fraud and blatant theft the public was left to make a plan in order to have reliable electricity and now you want to punish the public for your own short comings and greed.	Steven	
	2026-09-07 11:13:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We've been plagued with load shedding. The municipal billing system cannot be explained by the municipality. I have been billed ridiculous amounts with no explanation for electricity and water. I am currently having difficulty with a very high bill despite submitting meter readings religiously. High electricity billing is explained away with average usage billing over three months. I live on a pension and barely make ends meet. Given this contemplated new system, I believe there will be further exaggerated billing even if it by a private entity. The department failed to keep an obligation in providing electricity, hence loadshedding. Having taken the initiative to ensure electricity security, which ultimately puts less pressure on the electricity grid at great cost, I am now being punished further with higher bills. Whom is it that benefits from this? I guess it will be tenderpreneurs in cahoots with the suppliers and municipalities generating wealth at the expense of you and I. Looting, only this time it is legal. We have already paid for service delivery with no services delivered.	Bhavesh	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 11:21:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Otto	self-employed
	2026-09-07 11:24:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-07 11:32:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elana	
	2026-09-07 11:46:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zaan	
	2026-09-07 12:31:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	self-employed
	2026-09-07 13:03:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No Government overreach.	Pieter	
	2026-09-07 13:06:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaheem	employed individual
	2026-09-07 13:45:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carolyn	retired
	2026-09-07 13:46:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	"Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: We invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Christiaan	employed individual
	2026-09-07 13:58:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roelie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 14:12:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must prioritise internal fraud and corruption and mismanagement. Eskom must employ qualified persons. Eskom must not penalise consumers to pay for it's shortcomings.	Adri	employed individual
	2026-09-07 14:19:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	self-employed
	2026-09-07 15:17:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users should not be subjected to any fixed or special charges as they have incurred them already in investing in solar and have aided the country in adding to renewable power. The fact that municipalities and Eskom have, and largely still continue, to mismanage funds received for electricity and infrastructure should not now try to penalise existing or future homeowners who invest in solar to protect themselves. Users must pay only for what they use. Not what Eskom or governments misuse.	Les	retired
	2026-09-07 15:34:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rikus	
	2026-09-07 16:02:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N	
	2026-09-07 16:06:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So we as home owners that have installed solar systems will be charged because we do not use the eskom provided power most of the time and only when the batteries run flat? This is like saying if you usually shop at pick n pay, but they dont have stock, so you go to checkers..... you must pay more because you only using them when your normal shop runs out? This is ridiculous. We have freedom of choice. So if there is nobody home all day and my house uses no power, but then we use at night must we also pay extra? People need to think before they come up with dumb shit like these rules they want to implement	Zarryn	employed individual
	2026-09-07 16:21:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Cherry-Ann	self-employed

	2026-09-07 17:54:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stefan	self-employed
	2026-09-07 19:03:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This could lead to municipal collapse a the poor who already struggle to buy electricity and b the owners who at great expense bought solar solutions will be penalised with undue municipal expenses c Both might seek solutions that would be detrimental to municipalities d Why should macro electricity consumers be empowered to buy megawatts at much lower tariffs from Escom competitors?	Annelise	retired
	2026-09-07 19:23:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This whole notion of taxing solar users is so ridiculous, I really wonder if I even need to waste words on it – nevertheless I will: 1 The "free-rider" label: what total rubbish! Solar households cut peak demand, defer grid upgrades, and lower wholesale prices, yet the policy ignores these benefits while penalising lower volumetric usage. 2 The fact that municipalities and Eskom have, and largely still continue, to mismanage funds received for electricity and infrastructure should not lead to government trying to penalise existing or future homeowners who invest in solar to protect themselves 3 Solar users should not be subjected to any fixed or special charges as they have incurred them already in investing in solar and have aided the country in adding to renewable power 4 Solar power equipment installed/used reduces ESCOM's and Private Electrical supplier's development costs 5 Private citizens installed solar to counteract the inefficiencies in Eskom's supply chain and for environmental reasons 6 We were forced to get our own power as the municipality and Eskom could not provide - so we invested in the planet and to reduce our own cost, which can be done in a free market 7 Ultimately this is all caused by the Governments inability to provide basic services at a fair cost 8 Last but probably the most important: only 2 taxyears ago, SA citizens were encouraged by Government to go solar. How? By tax incentives given that year! Hallo Government, can you remember that??? What idiots are we dealing with here? Why do you waste the time and energy of thousands of citizens with this garbage idea??	Gert	retired
	2026-09-07 19:47:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-07 21:30:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual the powers that ve are targeting the middle income tax payers. We are already taxed beyond reasonable limits, yet they not want to penalize those of us who have paid a substantial amount of our hard earned and taxable income on installing our own reliable source of power! They did not create the sun! They also encouraged every tom, dick and Harry to install solar power to 'ease the load' and now they want to turn the tables! Corrupt governance and poorly run municipalities! We, as citizens of South Africa, are sick and tired of your bullshit!	Julia	retired
	2026-09-07 23:25:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	unemployed individual
	2026-09-08 01:05:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government first encourages the implementation of solar systems by householders and then wants to punish them financially. Disgraceful. This paper encourages corrupt and inept municipalities to treat residents in their towns and cities like an ATM. Solar power implementation blossomed because of Eskom and Municipal failures to keep the lights on. Additionally, the disgusting increases in electricity tariffs that Eskom was allowed to force onto South Africans, mainly to cover the failures of a bloated and overpaid staff, drove solar implementation. Now, to keep gouging electricity users, the floodgates will open and additional taxes will punish those who were almost forced into rooftop solar. No no but he'll no!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-08 04:33:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angelo	
	2026-09-08 06:14:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-08 06:16:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-09-08 07:14:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First the ANC eedjits ask us to help save electricity because their incompetence, corruption and mismanagement messed up Eskom. Now that the taxpayers have done that, at great expense and having to pay off loans, now they give give this shit attitude of telling us we must pay a "sun tax" penalty. They need to go soak their heads. Just because they can't use their common sense, and want to augment their back pockets, once again these bunch of crooks want to break the taxpayer. Privatisation of the energy sector is the only way forward. A VERY BIG NO TO THE ANC AND THEIR INCOMPETENT, CORRUPT MISMANAGEMENT OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN TAX PAYER'S MONEY.	Irate	retired
	2026-09-08 07:34:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kerryn	self-employed
	2026-09-08 07:42:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marnell	
	2026-09-08 08:11:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar The Paper proposes shifting network cost recovery away from volumetric (cents-per-kWh) billing toward mandatory, high fixed monthly capacity and connection charges applied to all grid-connected customers, under an "anti-free-riding" rationale. Only customers who disconnect entirely from the grid would escape these charges. Over the past decade, millions of households and businesses committed private savings to rooftop solar and batteries specifically because the state-run grid failed to keep the lights on. Converting the tariff structure to heavy fixed charges penalises exactly the customers who invested in self-generation and energy efficiency to reduce their draw on that grid. It lengthens solar payback periods, discourages further private decarbonisation, and falls hardest on low-volume and frugal households who have the least capacity to absorb a large fixed bill regardless of consumption. 2. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency The Paper creates a dual consumer structure: "eligible customers" — initially large industrial and commercial users above a demand threshold such as 1 MW — will be free to buy directly from the wholesale market or from private traders, while all other households and small businesses remain "captive" to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution tariffs. Municipalities currently rely heavily on the margin earned from bulk sales to their largest commercial and industrial customers to cross-subsidise indigent households, free basic electricity, and other services. If those customers are permitted to exit municipal supply while ordinary ratepayers cannot, municipal revenue will fall sharply just as the fixed costs of maintaining ageing distribution networks remain unchanged. The result will be concentrated onto captive residential ratepayers in the form of higher tariffs, degraded maintenance, and accelerated municipal financial distress — on top of the municipal Eskom-debt crisis that already exists. 3. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation Under the Paper, Eskom Generation will participate in SAWEM as a legally separate commercial entity, but it will continue to control the large majority of the country's dispatchable baseload generation capacity for the foreseeable future. The proposed safeguards — transitional vesting contracts, NERSA bid oversight, and a Market Surveillance Unit — are reasonable in principle but have not yet been demonstrated to be adequate against a dominant incumbent. International experience with unbundled electricity markets shows that dominant generators and speculative trading desks can exploit dispatch and bidding rules to engage in economic withholding (bidding above cost to force higher clearing prices) or physical withholding (holding back capacity to trigger scarcity pricing). Where this has occurred elsewhere, the resulting price spikes have been passed straight through to retail consumers via pass-through tariff mechanisms. 4. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA The National Transmission Company of South Africa (NTCSA) is designated under the Paper to simultaneously perform four roles: Transmission Network Service Provider, System Operator, Market Operator, and Central Purchasing Agency (holding legacy state off-take contracts). While the Electricity Regulation Amendment Act envisages full independence from Eskom Holdings within five years, the NTCSA will remain an Eskom Holdings subsidiary throughout the market's launch and early operation. Concentrating grid ownership, system dispatch, market clearing, and legacy contract administration inside one entity that is still owned by Eskom Holdings creates a structural conflict of interest at the heart of the new market. The NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure — whether or not it is ever acted upon — to favour Eskom Generation's dispatch, protect legacy IPP off-take arrangements, or delay third-party grid connections relative to competitors. A market cannot be regarded as genuinely competitive while its referee remains a subsidiary of one of the largest players. 5. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt The Paper anticipates launching an advanced wholesale market — including mandatory imbalance and settlement penalties — within the 2026/2027 timeframe, while municipal distribution debt owed to Eskom remains unresolved and many municipal distributors do not currently meet baseline creditworthiness and prudential requirements for market participation. Financially distressed municipalities that fail these prudential tests risk being excluded from the new trading platforms altogether. This would entrench a two-tier electricity system: well-supplied metros and eligible customers trading competitively on one side, and power-starved, financially failing rural and smaller municipalities left behind on the other — worsening exactly the service-delivery inequality the reform is meant to address.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-08 08:43:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree with shifting network cost recovery to billing toward mandatory, high fixed monthly capacity and connection charges applied to all grid-connected customers, under an "anti-free-riding" rationale. This will simply make more customers disconnect from the grid . Many households and businesses committed private savings to rooftop solar and batteries due to state run entity (Eskom) failure and were inadvertently forced into another form of taxation. Now that thats been achieved the state wants to double dip becuase of the unintented consequence of its maladmisntration of the electricy sector, namely less consumption by ts formerly best consumers. This is penalizing this group of customers twice for something that was not in their contrl but in the States control, hardly fair ane equitable treatment! Converting the tariff structure tofixed charges penalises those who invested in self-generation reducing their draw on that grid and actually saved eskom. These tarrifs will lengthen solar payback periods, and impacts frugal / amrginal households the most.	Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-08 08:57:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. A Penalty on Private Initiative: Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure.	IRMA	business owner
	2026-09-08 09:16:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Eoghan	
	2026-09-08 09:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-08 10:14:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Resona	retired
	2026-09-08 10:21:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Being a pensioner, who is also a taxpayer, I feel that the government has not done acceptable maintenance for years. Kusile has gone well over the original budget. Cut down on the size of cabinet and get value for money on the work that ministers are supposed to oversee. Why do we have so many hidden "taxes" in RSA but nothing changes. It is always the responsible citizen that is punished. For years civil disobedience was encouraged. We have to realise that you cannot get everything for nothing.	MAUREEN	retired
	2026-09-08 11:23:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You didn't pay for my solar pannels!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-08 12:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power is a gift from God. Why tax us on that? Unfair to raise basic connection fees for those who partially use municipal or Eskom electricity Some market competition makes good business sense	Ina	retired
	2026-09-08 13:22:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	self-employed
	2026-09-08 13:42:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-09-08 15:36:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cannot supply demand, so when people help out and demand drops you decide to penalize them. Typical, Want your bread buttered on both sides,	Rachel	retired
	2026-09-08 16:03:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to steal from us. You crippled our country's electric grid forcing us to get solar energy just so we could cook food for our families and now you want to tax the sun. The sun is a free gift from God. And you cannot tax something that doesn't belong to you	luanne	unemployed individual
	2026-09-08 18:25:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hanli	self-employed
	2026-09-08 19:36:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-08 20:35:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This legislation is none other than pure fear of competition; protection of monopolistic legally protected business. Eskom now endeavours to punish ratepayers and industry after having compelled them to provide own electricity at their own expense whilst escalating electricity unit prices more than triple inflation to sustain Eskom dismally failure in ensuring stable, sustainable electricity delivery. Headhunt competent and effective management or privatise Eskom.	Johanna	
	2026-09-08 20:57:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joe	

	2026-09-08 22:50:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ebrahim	
	2026-09-09 06:26:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I is so unfair to tax people who are trying to save electricity using alternative power. Are they taxing us because they are losing out. If people use alternative ways to get power , they fund it themselves so what right do government have to tax us. They are always looking fir ways to fill their coffers. Everything they do is for themselves and nothing is for the people.	Erefaan	retired
	2026-09-09 07:29:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		sassa	
	2026-09-09 09:20:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annelize	unemployed individual
	2026-09-09 09:37:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	retired
	2026-09-09 11:09:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state as it is run at the moment, together with Escom, both have the audacity and an arrogance combined with a lack of humanity to want to penalize individualists and businesses making their own plans to better things that the government was and still is not capable of doing.	Ansie	retired
	2026-09-09 12:12:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years we have been charged a "basic " monthly fee (to shore up the 30 year disintegration of the contantly failing metro grid) and we're forced into the extra high cost of solar power. Eskom's is now unhappy that despite repeatedly forcing enormous price hikes on us (directly and indirectly) they are complaining that their paying consumers are using less and the millions of non-payers more. We already carry their debt in tariffs and other charges. "Sun Tax" NO!	Joy	retired
	2026-09-09 12:24:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	GOVERNMENT DOSEN'T SUPPLY THE SUN! Taxes are a FEE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED. Government doesnt provide electricity as a reliable service on an ongoing basis and people have made arrangement to bridge the gaps. Our Government is a PARASITE!	Helmut	
	2026-09-09 13:19:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	
	2026-09-09 14:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another tax! I'm not voting for the DA again, ever.	Lean	business owner
	2026-09-09 16:27:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Eloise	employed individual
	2026-09-09 16:33:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hardus	retired
	2026-09-09 18:23:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geraldo	unemployed individual
	2026-09-10 07:11:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	
	2026-09-10 10:35:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has South Africans in a stranglehold. We are paying more and more for electricity while the entity posts obscene annual profits. It doesn't exist to make profits and pay its staff enormous salaries. Its purpose is to provide cheap and abundant electricity to us, the South Africans who live and work here (if they are lucky enough to find employment). Eskom has long since lost sight of its mandate. To add insult to injury Eskom now wants to punish those who were forced to install solar power to take care of their needs because of its own abject failure to do so. The only reason there are not solar panels on every house in the country is that the owners can 't afford it and have no alternative but to pay Eskom's extortionate rates for a supply of electricity that, in many parts of the country is unreliable to the point of being non-existent. How much more proof do we need that Eskom is not the solution to our energy needs because it has no wish to serve South Africans but only to entrench its dominion over us and make money for itself and the state.	Rosemar	retired
	2026-09-10 11:13:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar investment is the direct consequence of the years of underpermance of Eskom who seemingly turned profit. This thanks to ongoing solar usage hiding its supply inadequacy. Also, the state encouraged solar take on through subsidies & even solar geyser installation to rdp housing. Shouldn't such users now have recourse to Eskom instead? Further, it hasn't resolved illegal consumption or answered & resolved its administrative, labour & operational incompetence distorting revenue projections. It's incomprehensible that a state utility boasts a profit then seeking to increase its unit costs to the detriment of residents standard of living & subsistence.	Anil	
	2026-09-10 11:39:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-10 11:51:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emilio	employed individual
	2026-09-11 05:27:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chalmers	retired
	2026-09-11 10:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Department seeks to alter the status quo retrospectively which is not within its powers. I installed my solar system a few years back at great cost. I also went onto prepaid electricity for which privilege I had to pay City Power R2 150.00. This was to save money and to have a system that worked when City Power did not. By way of example: I bought a Toyota Landcruiser years ago which I operate with my EB code (light duty) driver's licence. Years later the authorities tell me that I must now get a heavy duty vehicle licence for which I must go to an approved driving school for a dozen lessons at my cost. This is "not on" and is retrospective in nature. One cannot legislate retrospectively. This direction is permissible only in respect of future/new Landcruiser drivers.	David	retired
	2026-09-11 11:29:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the principle of imposing unavoidable fixed electricity or network charges on consumers irrespective of the amount of electricity they actually consume. I accept that electricity infrastructure has to be maintained and that consumers who make substantial use of the electricity network should contribute fairly towards the cost of providing that service. However, it is fundamentally unfair to penalise consumers who have invested their own money in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency in order to reduce their reliance on the national grid. These consumers have already invested substantial private capital in reducing their demand on the electricity system. Their reduced consumption should be recognised as a positive contribution to energy security and the reduction of pressure on the national grid, rather than being characterised as "free riding". I particularly reject the principle that a consumer should be compelled to pay for a service or infrastructure that they make little or no use of, simply because that service remains available to them. Should any fixed connection or network charge ultimately be considered necessary, such a charge must not be an arbitrary amount determined by Government, a municipality or a state-owned utility without demonstrable justification. Any such charge should be independently regulated and transparently calculated on the basis of the actual and efficiently incurred cost of providing the relevant service or maintaining the relevant network capacity. The methodology, assumptions and underlying costs should be publicly disclosed and subject to meaningful public and regulatory scrutiny. There must also be clear safeguards against such charges becoming a mechanism for recovering the costs of inefficiency, wasteful expenditure, poor management, excessive staffing, inappropriate procurement or other costs that are not reasonably attributable to providing the service to the consumer. Consumers should not be required to fund inefficiency simply because the service provider has the ability to impose a charge. South African consumers have experienced repeated increases in the cost of essential services while being expected to accept that those increases are necessary to sustain financially inefficient systems. The answer to declining electricity consumption cannot simply be to transfer the resulting revenue shortfall onto consumers through ever-increasing fixed charges. Government and state-owned utilities should instead be required to demonstrate that their costs are efficient, necessary and properly managed before those costs are recovered from the public. I therefore reject any policy that effectively makes consumers financially liable for electricity they do not consume, particularly where they have invested their own resources to reduce their dependence on the grid. If a charge is imposed, it must be demonstrably necessary, proportionate, transparent, independently regulated and based on efficiently incurred costs — not an amount determined at the discretion of the service provider or Government to compensate for its own inefficiency or revenue shortfalls. The policy should encourage energy independence, private investment in renewable energy and reduced demand, rather than creating financial disincentives for precisely the behavior South Africa should be encouraging.	Gina	
	2026-09-11 14:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Celia	retired
	2026-09-11 14:06:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natasha	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:24:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government does NOT own the sun, so how can they charge us for using the sun? This is completely insane, just because they want to put more money in their pockets?	Roelien	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:40:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The gov must stop over reaching by taxing the citizens more and more. I see a revolt on the horizon.	Nicky	
	2026-09-11 14:53:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theuns	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:56:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These proposed amendments are unfair to ordinary households that have been forced to go solar just because the government cant govern due to their shear incompetence. If the government fails to think carefully, they may force a people's revolution.	Muhammad Yusuf	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:07:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	it's disguissting	Aton	business owner
	2026-09-11 15:13:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Andre	retired
	2026-09-11 15:13:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-09-11 15:16:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:25:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun is free and cannot be controlled by any government. Years ago we were told to install solar as eskom could not supply. Now eskom is so expensive and make more turn over than previous years while producing less electricity. Government is broke and wants to charge everyone for their failure	Leonard	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:30:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get rid of the corruption inside Eskom. Start treating people as customers and treat them fairly in an open free market. How can you tax people utilizing solar, people paid their own money to invest into free energy. If someone wants to buy electricity from Eskom, they buy what they can afford and use. Charging a sun tax or some type of penalty is just criminal (Just another sign of corruption). Maybe Eskom should start disconnecting illegal connections throughout the country, and fine them that steal. Eskom should stop trying to steal honest people money, because Eskom has failed the citizens of South Africa to provide reliable and affordable electricity.....	kevin	employed individual

	2026-09-11 15:31:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lauren	
	2026-09-11 15:33:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	
	2026-09-11 15:36:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alvin	
	2026-09-11 15:36:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Revenue has been squandered to the extent that money to maintain the infrastructure has been stolen. Poor management and inefficiency have allowed the generating capacity to fall behind. These have required the pouring of good money after bad necessitating ever increasing tariffs that stifle the economy from private people to most levels of business. The Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper seeks to perpetuate this attitude instead of focussing on growth and efficiency which will increase revenue and demand without having to suck more revenue from domestic consumers who are already struggling to afford the costs of electricity.	Steve	retired
	2026-09-11 15:37:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	retired
	2026-09-11 15:37:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-11 15:42:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dianne	retired
	2026-09-11 15:42:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Dennis	
	2026-09-11 15:42:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	capital. ? Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	James	retired
	2026-09-11 15:46:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is simply unconscionable that Eskom seeks to punish consumers who were able to assist the power utility reduce and eventually eliminate "load shedding" (itself a deceitful and self-serving name for rolling blackouts) by installing private rooftop solar SSEG systems. This punishment, in the form of vastly increased cost overhead, has significantly increased the fixed portion of the power tariff for such users, resulting in net increases in excess of 35%, far above the 12.8% approved by NERSA for 2024/2025. Such users put *LESS* strain on the grid, not *MORE*, and they help reduce demand and also protect the grid, so the whole "Fixed charges" narrative is deceitful. Moreover, Eskom is significantly overstaffed (recent estimates say by around 60%) compared to other similar power utilities around the globe, but instead of earnestly pursuing organisational efficiency, Eskom chooses the easy route, namely squeezing conscientious consumers for more money. This approach will likely see an increasing number of such consumers go off grid completely, and Eskom will consequently collect even less revenue, and have increased electricity theft and illegal connections. All in all, the downsides for Eskom of the proposals contained in this document far outweigh the positives it is intended to achieve. The law of unintended consequences will quickly scupper these plans and a radical rethink is therefore required.	Patrick	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:49:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deborah	business owner
	2026-09-11 15:50:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		E	
	2026-09-11 15:51:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	
	2026-09-11 15:53:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Before government looks at yet another way of extracting more money from electricity consumers, perhaps Eskom, municipalities and the ANC-led government should first get their own finances and organisations in order. The answer to years of financial mismanagement cannot continually be to make ordinary consumers pay more. Eskom and municipalities need to address the fundamentals: eliminate corruption and wasteful expenditure, improve productivity, hold management and non-performing employees accountable, and ensure that staffing levels, salaries and benefits are justified by actual performance and operational requirements. The Auditor-General's latest reports continue to show serious problems with municipal financial management, accountability, consequence management and financial sustainability. Eskom itself continues to carry substantial employee costs while acknowledging the need to improve workforce productivity and organisational performance. It is hardly reasonable to expect households and businesses to carry an ever-increasing financial burden while state entities and municipalities continue to struggle with poor management, weak accountability and financial inefficiencies. If government wants consumers to contribute more towards maintaining the electricity grid, it should first demonstrate that the money already being collected is being managed efficiently and responsibly. Fix the management, corruption, waste and accountability problems first. Then come back and ask consumers for more money.	Theron	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:54:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melanie	retired
	2026-09-11 15:55:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and buy prepaid electricity and consume +- 200kWh per month. At great expense I installed 2 panels, a battery and inverter, all because Eskom could not supply constant electricity. With the additional charges I will be forced to pay a much much higher rate per kWh. The government are just sitting thinking up ways to rip off the tax payers and the people who pay for electricity. They are incompetent.	Janette	retired
	2026-09-11 15:55:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Forcing fixed charges on solar users is tantamount to a penalty, since there are already charges levied on pre-paid purchases and the price per kw/h is also higher. These charges are there as service/network fees, so their reasoning for wanting to raise fixed fees for solar users (pre-paid) does not make sense. Penalising solar users after forcing them to go the solar route due to Eskom's incompetence, incapacity and mismanagement (read corruption) is disgraceful. All civilised countries offer incentives to people who want to install solar systems. In this country we penalise them	S	retired
	2026-09-11 15:56:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Fuck Eskom	Spencer	business owner
	2026-09-11 15:56:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption and poor management caused this problem. Do not expect consumers to face the bill. It will not happen.	Andries	retired
	2026-09-11 15:59:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government couldn’t and still can’t supply electricity reliably to the whole country, forcing ordinary citizens to use their hard earned money to rent/ buy solar systems. They paid tax on it, and still buy electricity every month, so there is no “free ride”. Had there been no load shedding/ load reduction, Solar energy would’ve never been used. Every government in the world can do “scheduled maintenance” without shutting a single house down and actually reward people for going Solar, but this government is clearly greedy!	Natasha	retired
	2026-09-11 16:01:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is another way for the Government to gain more control, allow more corruption disguised as "the law" and allow "chosen" 3rd parties (pre-approved high end governmental officials) to buy up South Africas resources and re-sell it to the public at an enourmous cost, which obviously would be a "minimal" charge in the beginning and increases as soon as the fish is on the hook	Amanda	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:03:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Champion	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:03:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Am planning to go completely off grid. Have installed a 10kva generator and extra solar panels will now install two more batteries. Bye bye Electricity Dept.	Dennis	retired
	2026-09-11 16:03:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-11 16:05:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthoy	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:07:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:07:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		paul	retired
	2026-09-11 16:09:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I had to get solar installed because Eskom could not reliably provide electricity to my home. I had to take out a loan that I could not afford to provide my special needs family with stable electricity.	Wynand	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:12:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is now becoming ridiculous with their proposed laws and tariffs. They cant keep the lights on and when the consumer HELPS by installing solar, the consumer gets penalized. This is all a money making scheme to make the fat lazy bastards filthy rich.	Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:13:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another way found by the ANC to steal everyone's money.	Pierre	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:15:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-11 16:17:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This corrupt ANC government with their cadre deployment have caused the dereliction of Eskom and all the other SOE'S. They have no right to want to punish people for taking the initiative at their own expense to install solar. They have no right to charge for the solar energy. Eskom should be privatized, so that it can be run efficiently and all the current corrupt employees gotten rid of. The number of employees has gone up over 1000% in the last 30 years while their efficiency has gone down 1000%. Eskom is an incompetent delinquent service provider. They should rather be looking at other models around the world where they credit solar providers for their input. The municipalities are no better and should be handed over to competent individuals to root out corruption and be run more efficiently.	Craig	retired
	2026-09-11 16:19:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The anc and eskom created 2 problems and now suffer the consequences. anc allowed municipalities to default to eskom eskom allowed the grid to be sabotaged to leverage cost increases. Suffer the consequences of your bad management. Dont now pass the buck to the consumer AGAIN.	Lynton	
	2026-09-11 16:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudi	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:20:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that the Minister thinks that it's ok to financially burden the people who gave the grid the relief it needed to prevent further overloads and load shedding . My Mom is 81 with Parkinson's and dementia. She does not understand when we say " There is no electricity because it's load shedding." She insists we must wash her blankets; heat her food in the microwave at ungodly hours or put the heater on. What about the elderly and patients who do their dialysis at home or are reliant on other machinery for survival at home?? All of us had to find the solution. Many of us are still paying for the solar installations after taking out loans. Have they even solved the problems with the coal mafia?!!! They are also accountable for investigating all the corruption within the management of ESKOM on behalf of the paying consumers but constantly turn a blind eye. If and when they enforce these new regulations, they will force many of us to look for ways to get off the grid and that when we do, we actually find it at an affordable rate. Ha la la! to Eskom and the Minister of NO Electricity and zero energy.	Rajni	employed individual

	2026-09-11 16:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the government wants to capitalise on something that they should have managed and maintained in thefirst place. They mess up, the public makes a plan and they want to cash in even though it was not their idea. This is theft in my opinion. You failed ANC, you are USELESS and everything you touch turns into failure but you want to penalise us, the citizens of this country for your incompetence and lack of success and foresight.	Stephany	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:25:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's incompetent management by not investing in the future bigger demand,. Poor or no maintenance by incompetent managers, supervicers and workers. Last but maybe the most importent eskom were captured by criminals and nothing were done about it. I rather disconnect from the grid and will then pay nothing not a cent towards any eskom costs. Eskom is the reason we had to spend thousends on solar so go to hell	Johan	retired
	2026-09-11 16:25:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Perhaps it would help if Eskom stopped paying outrageous bonuses (particulary to its management) for incompetence, corruption and mismanagement.	Graham	retired
	2026-09-11 16:26:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bill	retired
	2026-09-11 16:28:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marietjie	retired
	2026-09-11 16:30:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government wants a fight with public ratepayers over this, they will get one, and it will prove to be very expensive for the government. Solutions have been proposed to resolve the situation involving ESKOM and its financial issues, involving unbundling and private sector funding. Explore that and get it moving. Try to bill us for your incompetence and you expect a battle royal that will end badly for ESKOM & the government of the day.	Donovan	retired
	2026-09-11 16:32:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, particularly the apparent policy direction of penalising households and businesses that have invested their own money in solar generation to reduce their dependence on Eskom and the national grid. South Africans were repeatedly encouraged to invest privately in alternative electricity generation because government and Eskom failed to provide a reliable electricity supply, with load shedding causing enormous financial losses, disruption and damage to households and businesses. Citizens responded by investing hundreds of thousands of rands of their own money in solar panels, inverters and batteries, thereby reducing demand on the very grid that Eskom had failed to maintain. It is therefore fundamentally unjust, economically irrational and ethically unacceptable to now characterise these consumers as “free riders” and seek to recover Eskom’s lost revenue from them through increased fixed network or capacity charges. Consumers should not be made financially responsible for the consequences of years of state-owned utility mismanagement, inadequate planning, corruption, operational failures and unsustainable governance. The proposed framework effectively risks socialising the consequences of Eskom’s failures while privatising the cost of fixing them onto citizens who have already paid to protect themselves from those failures. It also creates a deeply troubling regulatory precedent: government encouraged citizens to invest in self-generation, and after those investments reduced electricity consumption, the regulatory framework now seeks to restructure charges to recover the revenue that those very investments displaced. Such a retrospective change in the regulatory bargain raises serious concerns regarding rationality, proportionality, legitimate expectations, procedural fairness and the constitutional requirement that exercises of public power be lawful, reasonable and procedurally fair. The ethical problem is equally serious: households that acted responsibly, invested their own capital and helped stabilise the electricity system should be incentivised, not punished. Before imposing additional costs on consumers, government should first demonstrate that Eskom and the relevant public institutions have exhausted reasonable measures to address inefficiency, financial mismanagement, municipal debt, corruption, poor procurement, operational failures and high administrative costs. A policy that protects the financial position of an inefficient state monopoly by increasing the financial burden on citizens who have invested in energy independence is not genuine market transformation; it is effectively a mechanism for transferring the consequences of institutional failure onto the very people who have been forced to compensate for it. I therefore believe the proposed approach should be fundamentally reconsidered and that any future electricity-market framework must prioritise accountability, genuine competition, consumer choice, cost efficiency, and protection of consumers who have independently invested in electricity generation.	Dewald	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:33:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So i spent a fortune on a Solar system to help Eskom cope with load shedding. Now they want to charge us exorbitant fees as a punishment. Its insane. Bunch of thieves in the night. ??	Nicolaas	retired
	2026-09-11 16:33:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deryck	retired
	2026-09-11 16:38:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just more confirmation that the useless highly paid top Escom employees are completely useless at the job they have been raking i. Enormous salaries while the ordinary citizens battle and starve to feed their families!! They should hang their heads in shame.	Caroline	retired
	2026-09-11 16:39:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mira	retired
	2026-09-11 16:40:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	
	2026-09-11 16:42:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This sounds rather alarmist to me. Saying that households without solar will be “trapped” into paying skyrocketing tariffs is a prediction, not a fact. Before accepting that claim, I would like to see the actual figures and evidence showing that this is what will happen.	Alton	retired
	2026-09-11 16:44:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. I demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs. Without a clear, bankable, and expedited regulatory framework for private transmission investment (ITPs), transmission bottlenecks will persist for years, causing market congestion costs and higher balancing fees to be passed onto end-users.	Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:46:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun does not belong to the ANC, the only things the.ANC can claim as theirs is chaos, fraud and corruption.	Francois	retired
	2026-09-11 16:46:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support any of Eskoms proposed "solar penalties or fixed charges". We are already paying for a service that is failing. Yes I have solar but I took out a loan to get it. I am not an affluent household. Regardless of poor, wealthy or rich this will affect everyone. Get rid of the "top" management who contribute nothing but get paid alot. Both in Eskom and Goverment.	Jenny-Lee	retired
	2026-09-11 16:46:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-11 16:48:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stoppit!	Arno	
	2026-09-11 16:49:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:51:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The concepts of this proposed bill are in direct conflict with the basic principles of free market, support for the poor and citizens rights to choose how to ensure that they have access to contineous electricity. By allowing large consumers to bypass municipal electricity supplies put these municipalities at risk of not being able to reover their costs, which will result in higher rates for ordinary citizens who are already struggling with the increased costs of living - primarily because of the states failure to ensure that South Africa can refine crude oil.	Patrick	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:52:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't want to pay for Eskom theft, waste and mismanagement.	Helen	retired
	2026-09-11 16:54:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:56:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free and fair market competition against Eskom would immediatly sort out the diabolical service and extortionate pricing dished up by Eskom	Mike	
	2026-09-11 16:57:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm just not going to pay any more than I currently am. After the recent electricity price hike I stopped using my washing machine in favour of hand washing my clothes in the bath so my electricity spend remained the same. All I can say is screw you, if you think I'm paying more you can think again, I am resilient and good at making alternative plans, so are all other South Africans. The only way to salvage Eskom is to start getting some brand loyalty by treating people better so they actually want to use the grid services. Time to wise up.	Candi	
	2026-09-11 16:58:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to transfer from wholly State owned to private sector participation.	david	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:59:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens already pay taxes for water and electricity. Yet they still have to make provision for solar at great personal cost to secure power due to government failures. This is a personal cost and government has absolutely no right to attempt at Sun Tax or any kind of tax when they have not contributed to the costs in any way. This is purely criminal and typical of draconian overreach. Time to get rid of all governments and politicians who definitely do not have citizens best interests. Enough is enough!	Danielle	retired
	2026-09-11 17:00:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	retired
	2026-09-11 17:00:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 17:00:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual, if one applies any normal logic of fairness to the proposals, it comes up far short . Also as usual, soak those who they can for as much as they can.	Trevor	
	2026-09-11 17:01:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	retired
	2026-09-11 17:01:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposals are too absurd for words. Eskom's incompetence in failing to provide power and absurd charges for electricity to consumers via Municipal power charges over the years, resulted in either not receiving sufficient power or , in desperation, having to instal solar panels to obtain some input of power to their households, businesses etc. To expect unfortunate consumers to "share" the (increased cost?) of Eskom power is too ludicrous for words. Is it not apparent to the public at large that the ESKOM recently announced publicly with much great fuss that it had made the biggest profit in its history!! This announcement was made despite the staggering accumulated capital losses over many years!! Do its board and accountants not understand the principles applicable in such cases? Like everything else in SA, cadre deployment as opposed to qualifications & skills apply!	David	Non-profit
	2026-09-11 17:03:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The governent needs to break away from monopoly and privatize eskom	Hamish	
	2026-09-11 17:05:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MJ	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:05:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, we were forced to solar due to Eskom's inability to consistently produce electricity. Now we are forced to pay yet again for their incompetence and corruption, where their salaries and bonuses outperforms our very small salary increases. This remains unfair	Bert	retired

	2026-09-11 17:06:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is NO right to charge a sun tax! We, the 'people' did not cause the problem. Eskom thieves did that. When we had loads heading, there was no proportional rebate for hours/days on non delivery My insurance policy was raised due to the probability of electronic equipment damages Solar residents and businesses 'rescued' Eskom when they could not provide enough power. We reduced the overload by not using power. We are individuals/ corporations should jot have to pay extra, not have to pay access fees. Charge me a fee to permanently disconnect me from the grid but then I need not pay eskom or a municipality an access fee. They stole us blind and now want us to pay again. The ANC must get the hell out of our lives and the government. What would Mr Nelson Mandela say about this .... I am positive he would be so ashamed of the ANC and the corruption and theives	Richard	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 17:08:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-09-11 17:08:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	retired
	2026-09-11 17:09:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar equates to protection of entrenched thievery, out of control enormously inflated salaries to an oversized workforce largely incapable of delivering designated tasks, functions or comprehension of what is required in order to become sustainable STOP THE CRAZINESS!	Kobus	retired
	2026-09-11 17:11:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 17:12:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reasons for Solar Power are two-fold; 1: Unreliability of grid power 2 Cost if such power We, the Solar Users of SA are actually saving you money and effort in keeping the grid alive, by not being totally dependent upon Eskom. Penalising us for the loss of income you experience, is absurd! To expand on this - in equal terms the Post Office should then penalise us for using e-Mail or Telkom penalising us for using cellphones!!!	Neels	retired
	2026-09-11 17:15:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Helene	business owner
	2026-09-11 17:18:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After they begged us to help them by installing solar panels we are going to be penalised. This is absurd given the fact that the grid is completely unreliable. In my area we are currently having power cuts once or twice a day almost every day. They should be giving us a rebate on the fixed charges for all the hours we are disconnected.	Diomedes	retired
	2026-09-11 17:22:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		RUBIN	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:24:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		jn	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:24:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erik	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:25:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state created the problem by forcing the entire nation into hours and hours of loadshedding thst crippled the nation. Forcing citizens to make other plans to keep their lights on. Now you want to penalize the same population you harassed before. You generate less power, charge massive tariffs still crippling people but want to make up your behavior with charging for sun use now. Set charges is not morally acceptable as before we even use power you bind people into your corrupt web. We reject outright as we would never had been put in the position to implement expensive solar options had you fulfilled your mandate to provide cost effective power.	Krystella	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 17:28:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. Opening a wholesale market while Eskom still dominates generation, and while households stay “captive” to municipal grids, is not reform, it is a two-tier system. Large users will buy cheaper power; ordinary households and small businesses will pay the residual grid costs, plus high fixed network charges that punish rooftop solar. That is an anti-free-riding tax on people who invested their own money to keep the lights on. Municipalities will lose industrial sales that fund free basic electricity and local services. Until NTCSA is fully independent, fixed charges are capped, and retail choice is extended beyond big industry, this paper will raise bills, not reliability.	Jaime	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:28:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed tariffs are there to fund a dysfunctional electricity provider. I shall not pay for ineffective and inefficient business practices. I've already paid for my solar and will not pay for anyone else's mismanagement.	Mariette	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:28:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Always interfering with individuals positive initiatives.You can't tax the suns energy. I will get off the grid and use an inverter generator to supplement my electricity if need arises. Increase pv and battery bank. Then no need to interact with thieves who want to generate more income to plunder blatantly	Vijay	retired
	2026-09-11 17:29:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colette	retired
	2026-09-11 17:29:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom broke its service delivery contract with the consumer long ago. They were supposed to provide a necessary, affordable service to the public as one of the largest electricity generators and providers in Africa. In a service contract, the client pays for services delivered. Eskom failed to deliver reliable, necessary and affordable electricity to its clients when it failed to maintain the power plants, build new power generation capacity as they were warned to do, and allowed corruption to take over. When a contract's terms have been breached, the client has the right to source alternative services. Which is exactly what we as a country have done. If we provide our own power due to non-performance and contract breach, we have NO FURTHER OBLIGATION to Eskom. Therefore they have no right to fine/ bill/ or whatever they want to call it, the public for anything. You pay for the service you use. If you don't use, you do not pay. It is a logical and accepted business principle!	Annalize	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:30:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom have an absolute cheek to want to implement this. They needed help when they could not provide. Government encouraged people to get Solar to ease strain on the grid and now want to penalize those same people for helping!	Kerry	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:31:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, screwed up, up until 1994, S.A. had one of the cheapest electricity rates in the world, then the A.N.C came along & screwed every state owned enterprise up, expecting the tax payers to foot the bill. This proposed bill is unconstitutional, not fit for purpose.	John	retired
	2026-09-11 17:32:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom caused this problem not the consumer. No power for hours/days forcing consumers to seek alternative power. I have paid vat on my solar, the sun is free and doesn’t belong to Eskom. Eskom and Goverment need to STOP stealing our hard earned money.	Jackie	retired
	2026-09-11 17:33:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Murray	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:36:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Seems Eskom wants to invite retaliation by whatever means we as the people see fit. Solar was there to plug the deficits of their incompetence. Now they seek to enrich themsleves at the cost of the people of South Africa. Enough is enough! Time to act if this goes through.	Kyle	
	2026-09-11 17:37:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BERN	
	2026-09-11 17:37:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom caused this problem not the consumer. No power for hours/days forcing consumers to seek alternative power. I have paid vat on my solar, the sun is free and doesn’t belong to Eskom. Eskom and Government need to STOP stealing our hard earned money.	Daniel	retired
	2026-09-11 17:38:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Over the last number of years it has become patently clear that the present Government can't run Escom. I know what it was like to run Escom efficiently and how it is being done at the moment. Let it go. Let the private sector run electricity as an independent bussiness. Without any restrictions. In an open market fashion. Stop wanting to be greedy and ride on the back of private initiative. Just let it go. Sell it off and walk away.	Marius	retired
	2026-09-11 17:38:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-11 17:39:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Seriously. Stop loading your incompetencies onto the users. It’s time you bore the brunt for the problems you have created.	Cyndy	
	2026-09-11 17:41:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Elektrisiteit is reeds te duur	Elise	
	2026-09-11 17:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More and more avenues are being found to let the poor and middleclass citizen just pay more and more taxes as it is already a hard living way for all . Stop taxing the citizens and get your house in order	Deon	retired
	2026-09-11 17:42:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	retired
	2026-09-11 17:46:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just don't believe what the government is trying to do. Electricity tariffs are high and municipalities are going bunk. Dept. of Electricity and Energy are trying to recover their debt from consumers. Don't see logic in fixed monthly fees whether you use the grid or not. Currently, municipalities cannot cope with service delivery and electricity goes off regularly in our areas, no skilled staff and contractors stop work (or do private jobs charging consumers a fortune). Why should Ordinary households and small businesses be “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits?	Billy	
	2026-09-11 17:46:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Trying their utmost to tax the living day light out of hard working residents. Incompetent and the residents must pay for it.	Leon	retired
	2026-09-11 17:46:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is an abuse of business practice. People who have solar are actually helping the country because the sun is free so therefore reducing the use of fossil fuels. We should not be penalised but rather incentivised.	Denise	retired
	2026-09-11 17:46:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More and more avenues are being found to let the poor and middleclass citizen just pay more and more taxes as it is already a hard living way for all . Stop taxing the citizens and get your house in order	David	
	2026-09-11 17:47:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom wants to introduce solar fines for residential properties, so who is going to pay for all the townships, solar geysers that the municipality installed, do they also need a COC for their houses. Everybody must be penalized under the same rules. There are a lot of township houses with solar geysers, in a lot of townships all over the country, they should all be scrutinized under the same escom rules.	stephen	retired
	2026-09-11 17:47:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annette	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:48:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Leave us alone...get off our backs	Lee	retired
	2026-09-11 17:49:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	.	Stephen	employed individual

	2026-09-11 17:51:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, below the national breadline, i use my electricity Very selectivly. I feel its my right to save where i can , and how i can. I DONT STEAL. But i am very selective!!! In the use of my electricity.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-11 17:51:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elzabe	retired
	2026-09-11 17:51:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruben	
	2026-09-11 17:54:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom couldn't keep the lights on forcing the individual user as well as the corporate customers to install solar in order to remain productive and profitable. Eskom's incompetence brought about their own demise.	Guy	retired
	2026-09-11 17:59:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ludicrous, The ANC are taxing us on the sun, looters the lot of them	Hayley	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:59:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to penalise solar users seeing that their actions have saved us from more loadshedding. It is also unfair to add costs onto those of us who cannot afford to have solar installed.	William Rohan	
	2026-09-11 18:01:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a consumer I should be charged for consumption. When Eskom could not meet my consumption needs I had to buy elsewhere. I am still paying for that other source of electricity so cannot afford to start paying Eskom for not consuming.	Bill	
	2026-09-11 18:02:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar should not be charged the people who do have solar have use there own money to buy there systems and have nothing to do with eskom or the goverment, the only solar system that they can put regulations is the system that is conacted to eskom grid. Yet for non solar users even the current prize is way to much specially consider that nuclear is cheap . Eskom need to short it self out and fix its own problems all so it need competition. Eskom got people with way to big salary and corrupt Contractors.normal people is all ready suffering get other company that can produce 60% cheaper electricity nuclear	Izak	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 18:03:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom could not supply enough electricity so private households had to get their own solar electricity. Even government encouraged households to buy their own solar and offered a rebate to these owners. Now, Escom wants to punish these owners after the households who got their own electricity took the pressure off the grid. Instead of showing some appreciation to these people, Escom wants to punish them. Now greedy Escom apparently shows a massive profit and gives employers huge bonuses and yet Escom is still not satisfied. They want MORE AND MORE. Please understand the public does not have unlimited funds. We are already suffering to make ends meet. Rising fuel costs, groceries, municipal costs, electricity, mortgage, medical costs, clothing etc etc. Where must we get all the money when we get measly increases yearly?	Georgia	retired
	2026-09-11 18:04:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abrie	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:05:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This anc government created the power problem through corruption and incompetency, those that had the means were sick of blackouts and unreliable power had to find alternatives like generators and solar power. Out of necessity we we were forced to find alternatives without any help from this corrupt regime! We also had to install water tanks because jbw are virtually bankrupt because of incompetence and corruption. They dare not tax us further because if their failures!??	Colin	retired
	2026-09-11 18:07:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philippus	
	2026-09-11 18:13:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In a "free" and "democratic" country we should not have to be penalized for trying to save costs by becoming more self sufficient in generation of electricity.	Jaundre	business owner
	2026-09-11 18:14:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This fixed charges is double dipping as the infrastructure "fixed" charges are already incorporated into rates. With electricity cost escalating from 44c per kw to more than R4 per kw, it has become unsustainable and unaffordable. Eskom has not been restructuring or looking at cost cutting. Eskom has also been supplying huge power consumers with fixed price contracts at below cost. This to the detriment of the general public	Tinus	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:14:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They asked us to use less and now you are at fault and incentive us to get solar	Jj	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:15:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vandra	retired
	2026-09-11 18:17:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely uconstitutional and just not right to penalise those that have solar at home and businesses. Solar is a move to cleaner and cheaper energy for consumers and less green house gases for the environment. Why should we be penalised with high fixed charges? Government needs to explore the taxi industry, r100bn industry to get more tax to fund infrastructure projects for eskom, not just bleed the consumer. Electricity has increased bu 100% over the past 5 years!!! Unsustainable and daylight thievery!	Vimal	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:20:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Enough is enough now - Eskom high tariffs are killing the citizens!!! No more crazy increases!!	Jacquie	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC bleeds all government owned companies dry. Then they want to penalise those who make another plan to survive in this beautiful land. The ANC is a CANCER!!!	Shandre'	retired
	2026-09-11 18:21:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Willie	business owner
	2026-09-11 18:22:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom can not fine or charge me a fee on solar as the sun do not belong to hem!	Derek	retired
	2026-09-11 18:22:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-11 18:24:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denis	retired
	2026-09-11 18:24:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They mad who's fault is it that they can't supply Sa with reliable electricity?! its not our fault so what do we as South Africans do we overcome and adapt , and now that people that can afford solar has made a back up plan for when escom can't supply they want to punish them for escoms mistake of poorly maintained power stations and corrupt management not a chance, fix your problems supply the service and stop finding ways to steal money from people that made alternative plans because you couldn't ! But hey we live in South Africa where its always someone else's fault !	Andries	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 18:24:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frikkie	retired
	2026-09-11 18:27:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ate	retired
	2026-09-11 18:32:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	business owner
	2026-09-11 18:34:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally unacceptable. Installed panels to overcome lousy electricity network. We were supposed to cut down on consumption. Now we get penalised for that? Also, not really enforceable, as usual	FH	retired
	2026-09-11 18:35:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges in particular the thieving capacity charge are unaffordable for SASSA pensioners and the Witzenberg municipality does not care a damn, they say pay it or get electricity cut off. That to me is oppressive and unacceptable so remove the service charges for SASSA pensioners. As for ESKOM, you messed up over the years and caused loadshedding and financial distress for South Africa so why should we have to pay for that?! Pay for that yourselves and see how you like it. Enough of the thieving nonsense now.	Brian	retired
	2026-09-11 18:36:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	retired
	2026-09-11 18:37:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am told by people living in nearby townships that they are paying nothing for electricity, water or rates. That means an Eskom employee, innumerate and illiterate, who sweeps the floors, on a starting salary of about r20000 a month has electricity for free, whilst a poor person on minimum wage or unemployed or state pensioner, living in a previously white area, has to subsidise them. Obviously there needs to be at least a basic rates tax implemented in every township for every household, even if it is only about r150 per month. Multiply that by 40,000,000 and some income becomes available for expanding the grid, without an intolerable burden on low earners. Since the ANC has only one interest, getting votes, this will not be a popular decision. You can fool most of the people some of the time and some of the people most of the time, but you cannot fool all of the people all of the time. Huge numbers of skilled people are leaving the country right now, the goose that lays the golden eggs is leaving. The cash cow is shrinking. Time to face reality	Jane	retired
	2026-09-11 18:39:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-11 18:40:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Muhammad	
	2026-09-11 18:48:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reduculess	Coert	
	2026-09-11 18:51:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:51:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		K	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:52:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-09-11 18:53:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MR M G	retired
	2026-09-11 18:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While restructuring the energy market is vital for South Africa's energy future, the current trajectory outlined in this document places an unfair, dual-pronged financial burden on ordinary South African households. Reconfiguring tariffs to impose heavy fixed connection levies regardless of usage disincentivizes clean energy adoption and penalizes proactive investment in energy security. Grid cost-recovery mechanisms must be fair, transparent, and balanced, rather than functioning as a punitive tax on self-generation. Ordinary citizens cannot serve as the default safety net to keep failing municipal distribution networks afloat through skyrocketing tariffs, inflated basic service charges, and heavier cross-subsidies. The Department and NERSA must institute strict regulatory controls to guarantee that wholesale trading, wheeling, and market restructuring do not leave everyday households footing the bill for shared grid infrastructure. A transformed energy market must encourage private initiative while protecting vulnerable and non-solar households. Taxing rooftop solar to protect outdated revenue models while allowing industrial users to exit municipal networks without safeguarding residential consumers will lead to severe socio-economic strain.	Anton	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 18:57:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were given TAX incentives to instal a solar system now we are facing being taxed for using the sun and out solar system. This will only force many to go off grid totally and the difference between the so called tarrifs to going off grid makes the latter viable.	Colin	business owner

	2026-09-11 18:58:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracy	retired
	2026-09-11 18:59:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was corrupted by the ANC and is dead. I dont want to be taxed to death to keep paying for corruption. Let Eskom die and IPP's build new infrastructure from the ground up. I am gatvol of paying thieves and vultures.	Angus	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:00:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Brendan	
	2026-09-11 19:01:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theodorus	retired
	2026-09-11 19:02:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PHTHESSA	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:03:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nasier	business owner
	2026-09-11 19:04:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay already to much tax and sola panels solved the Eskom crisis and now they do not have money to steal or pay unqualified people that ran this organization in the ground,	FRANCOIS	
	2026-09-11 19:04:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	retired
	2026-09-11 19:07:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:10:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so so tired of Eskom (and the useless government) - their continual machinations to impoverish the nation is just sickening. All about corruption and greed at the end of the day.	Lyn	retired
	2026-09-11 19:11:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-09-11 19:12:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to penalise SAns for being energy independent. They are the reason we have solar on the roof.	Petro	retired
	2026-09-11 19:14:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired
	2026-09-11 19:14:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Jonathan	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-11 19:17:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fiona	
	2026-09-11 19:18:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicolette	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:18:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom announced it made a big profit (30.3 Billion) but is producing less electricity and sales have dropped. The public went to great expense to become semi- independent because of load shedding, cable theft and vandalism and helped Eskom with reducing load shedding are now being punished FOR USING THE SUN WHICH IS FREE AND DOES NOT BELONG TO THE ANC. This is just another government scheme to exhort money from paying customers to sponsor their corruption. The CEO & CFO get a massive bonuses and for doing nothing. Go to the squatter camps and you will find the free-riders with the illegal connections	werner	
	2026-09-11 19:19:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-09-11 19:19:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sergei	retired
	2026-09-11 19:19:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	retired
	2026-09-11 19:26:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Johnny	retired
	2026-09-11 19:29:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM comments about "fair share", but how about them when they were asking homeowners to install solar. They were then getting the "free ride" in people's being able to keep the lights on, shops, factories, etc. up and running. The hypocricy is astounding.	David	retired
	2026-09-11 19:31:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are already struggling to keep head above water, and the sun does not belong to Eskom. People went the solar route because Eskom could not (and still can't deliver). Then there's the corruption - we can't keep funding theft and still get nothing in return.	Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:31:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		christo	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:32:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:34:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Avril	retired
	2026-09-11 19:42:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	everything they tried just show how incompetence they are in the government. All the hard working people is just their milking cow!	Madelein	
	2026-09-11 19:43:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicus	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:45:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:45:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:46:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill. Share this post to make sure your neighbours aren't celebrating a fake victory while the real law is being wr	Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:49:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	retired
	2026-09-11 19:49:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ENOUGH, Enough, ENOUGH!!!!! Sick and tired of idiotic taxes and penalties to pay more and more to absolutely useless service providers and entitled fat-cat politicians who can't live their lavish all-funded lives without a continual inflow of taxpayer's money!!! Next there'll be taxes on toilet paper usage and heaven knows what else!	Ian	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Francois	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:51:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-11 19:51:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jacqueline	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:52:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Izak	

	2026-09-11 19:52:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is trying to penalise consumers after they were forces to install solar due to decades of blackouts as Eskom couldn't provide stable power. The government has no right over the sun and does not own the sun. The is over reach by all means and they are looking for suck more funds from people. The public should not be fitting the bill for decades of miss management, corruption and looting. Start cutting the huge salaries of the exco at Eskom.	Riaan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:53:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzanne	
	2026-09-11 19:57:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree that when Eskom fails, that they should be bailed out at the expense of the consumers, who then pay the price of this failure. The consumers had no alternative but to seek alternative sources of power, as Eskom was not in a position to supply power to the community. Stop bailing out Eskom, do not punish the community and allow competition. If Eskom cannot compete with the competition, then leave them drown	Willem	retired
	2026-09-11 19:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lida Munro	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 19:59:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	
	2026-09-11 19:59:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		K	
	2026-09-11 20:01:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	business owner
	2026-09-11 20:03:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cadres who are proposing these charges are the ones that destroyed one of the world's best electricity producers before they came to power and would have supplied electricity for the entire nation as cheaply as Eskom had been doing. They inherited a world class electricity supplier and destroyed through short-sighted, uneducated and criminal intent.	Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:04:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free. I paid for my own solar. I do not need Eskom. Personal choice. The second reason is I was forced due to corruption and degeneration of our state entities to use solar because of blackouts. We were encouraged to do so and could apply for a rebate.	Beverley	
	2026-09-11 20:06:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM could not supply us with electricity. Tax breaks were given to those who installed solar. Now they want to punish us?	Rudene	retired
	2026-09-11 20:08:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Thank you for the opportunity to comment on yet another scapegoat ESKOM wants to use manipulating consumers, over taxed consumers because of their religion. " Load shedding" wether true or not, forced many consumers and businesses making alternative arrangements as a way of survival. Many had to install solar systems because many people are working from home, business had to either install solar systems or generators as a way of survival because we are the engine of the economy, the taxpayers, and not the public sector including the SOE's and SOC's financed by our money. Government are not in the position of manufacturing of any good's apart from the poor service delivery for many years. Municipalities are part of the non manufacturing sector and also ESKOM who suppose to supply the services required which they could not do. It is not the performance of ESKOM that prevented the total collapsing of the grid, wether load shedding true or not, but the investments of private sector that must bear the weight of both the Public and Private sector. The recent profit declared by ESKOM is not because of better management but because of private investment. ESKOM, as with the ANC terrorists movement lied to the people of South Africa for many years about service delivery because of, as we all know, corruption and lawlessness where current legislation was never adhered to by the incompetent politicians because they think they are Engineers! It all bounce back to one truth, incompetent employee's including the CEO's because they are all political appointments! The only reason why this proposal are been tabled is just to waste more taxes by claiming more taxes. The taxes on the fuel price, licences for various "services", taxes on several food and agriculture products, like water and boreholes, VAT, property taxes, income taxes, business taxes, etc. must be relook because surely somehow somebody are playing a very dangerous game known as the looting of our taxes where our money just disappears between politicians. Considering the fact that elderly people must survive with a R 2400.00 grant compares to the luxurious vehicle and mansions politicians own, plus their salaries and perks, the people of South Africa will no longer be fooled. It is time to get a new government, wise leaders and not wicked politicians who are lying to us, the people of South Africa! I always conclude my comments with the Truth the Word of God. Daniël chapter 12, the seal's to be kept sealed till the times of the end. The seals are opened in Revelation chapter 6, the four horse's, death, violence, slavery and poverty, lies, lies as explained in 2 Thessalonians chapter 2, the Apostasy. The fifth seal Revelation chapter 19! The black horse in Revelation chapter 6 is the current ANC apartheids movement who allowed the other three horse's into our country and the people are no longer blind. No to any additional taxes or any more laws forcing the people into severe economical pressure because of mismanaged, looting of God's money and crime within the SOE's and SOC's!	Derek	business owner
	2026-09-11 20:09:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chareen	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:10:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Small residential roof top solar installations saved the grid & ended load shedding & will now be punished. This is unacceptable!	Jennie	
	2026-09-11 20:16:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to install Solar power due to Msunduzi Municipality being totally unreliable in providing power, which cost us in food going off due to defrosting of our deep freeze and we were penny pinching. Now you the Municipality has the idea to penalise us because we took self preservation action, because we needed Power when Msunduzi could not provide electricity, with 4x kids studying and a husband who lectured, did Research, edited MSc, PhD's and articles for peer reviewed scientific journals at night, and who by the way is still working at 86!! I think you have a cheek and are cowards, because you forced the Pietermaritzburg Residents to install part Solar Power to survive when you could not supply electricity because of your ineffectiveness!!!	FRANCES	retired
	2026-09-11 20:16:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oloff	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:16:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alwyn	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:17:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Jurgen	retired
	2026-09-11 20:18:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tendayi	retired
	2026-09-11 20:20:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minie	retired
	2026-09-11 20:21:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What next?? Levy for fresh air?? This useless ANC government fucked up Escom, arrogantly refused to listen when they were cautioned. Now the idiots are attempting to penalise us for turning to the sun in a last ditch attempt at keeping our lights on. VOETSEK ANC VOETSEK	David	
	2026-09-11 20:21:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It sounds so ridiculous to just see or hear "sun tax". How dumb can one be to introduce this?! If they can show they own and maintain the sun(impossible), then and then only will I consider paying fees for having solar. I have put up solar to avoid these criminals sitting at Eskom and Municipalities who doesn't care about the public paying fare fees for actual service delivery, but to rather line their pockets with our money as they think its their right. Meanwhile knowingly letting the system collapse because of their greed and not even knowing why they sit in their positions. Taxing me and milking the taxpayer with laughable suggestions like for the sun which is free for all? You dear sir can go to the hot place. I am not funding your greed and never will wether I have solar or not!	Marc	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:22:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samkeliso	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:23:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:23:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	YOUR president told everyone to get solar to ease the burden on Eskom, now you are hitting back with not only penalty chathes but also sky high electricity costs, the average man on the street can't afford anymore. This is absolutely disgusting. Back off and let us be. We suffer enough. Higher food prices, exhorbitant petrol costs, johs getting scarcer. You can't get blood from a stone. Soon, every penny will dry up and then where will you pay your bloated salaries from?	Gys	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:25:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mathys	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:27:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM has let everybody down by NOT providing electricity during load shedding, and now wants to punish the consumer for doing what was necessary to provide electricity to their homes	Barry	
	2026-09-11 20:28:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Johann	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:28:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:31:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frikkie	
	2026-09-11 20:32:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced us to invest in solar when the grid was unreliable because of ANC corruption.	Gilbert	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:34:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why can they waste electricity by leaving street lights on all day, expecting us ratepayers to foot the bill.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-11 20:36:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jana Goedhart	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:36:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory low caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Client with solar should be given credit for supporting the shortage of electricity on their own cost, not punished for having solar.	George	
	2026-09-11 20:36:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:36:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:37:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed the entire nation when all was exposed to extended periods of load shedding. Eskom did very little to come to the rescue of the "suffering" citizen. The President of South Africa called for citizens to invest in solar. So did the Treasury/Minister of Finance/SARS . With time more and more private solar installations resulted in Eskom discovering that there is no longer any need for load shedding. Now the prudent consumer is penalised. Eskom failed the SA citizen. Eskom should be privatised in its entirety.	Andre	unemployed individual

	2026-09-11 20:37:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judy	retired
	2026-09-11 20:39:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:43:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are sick of paying for incompetent government. Everything in this country are just becoming nothing… we are starting to pay heavy rates for something that should be for all available… but we need to pay the feeding government…	Francois	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:45:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any proposal that effectively introduces a “sun tax” on households that have invested in solar power. How ridiculous is it that South Africans who have spent their own hard-earned money on solar and batteries — often because we could no longer rely on Eskom — could now be penalised for using less electricity from the grid? We made a significant private investment to generate our own electricity, reduce our reliance on Eskom and reduce our demand on the national grid. We did this at our own expense and without asking government to pay for it. I understand that a grid-connected household still uses the network and that reasonable network costs must be recovered. But there is a massive difference between a fair network charge and punitive fixed charges designed to recover revenue from people who have reduced their electricity consumption. It is completely backwards to encourage South Africans to invest in renewable energy and then penalise them once they actually do it. We should not be punished for becoming more self-sufficient. If anything, households investing in solar should be encouraged. We are helping reduce pressure on the electricity system — not creating the problem. I therefore strongly object to any tariff structure that unfairly targets solar households or shifts excessive costs onto ordinary residential consumers. We have already paid for our solar systems. We should not now be punished for using them. Please record my submission as a formal objection to any proposed measures that would unfairly penalise residential solar users.	Juanne	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:47:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You could not have given this country and its citizens a bigger slap in the face than imposing a fee for a situation you created. Live a week in this country as a low or middle class citizen and experience for yourself the utter destruction you have brought on families and businesses. You yourself are the tools creating humanitarian crises.	I	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:49:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lize	
	2026-09-11 20:54:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Do NOT support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper Eskom stop been corrupt, Eskom reported a group profit after tax of R30.3 billion for the financial year ended 31 March 2026	Normen	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:54:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steven	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:55:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frances	retired
	2026-09-11 20:56:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J C	retired
	2026-09-11 20:57:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Josef	retired
	2026-09-11 20:59:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-11 21:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why charge people for electricity they organize/produce from another source e. g. The sun. Maybe it's time to let eskom pay for their own inefficiency. If they, that is government and eskom didn't steal so much, weren't so very corrupt, didn't mismanage so badly. Eskom would deliver proper fulltime electricity, then nobody would have to find alternatives to keep the economy going. That's what government should be doing but hasn't for the past many years. So the question is, when will the government, eskom etc. start paying for the bad situations and stop making the people pay for it?	Dion	
	2026-09-11 21:06:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzette	retired
	2026-09-11 21:07:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	retired
	2026-09-11 21:08:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-11 21:08:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zime	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:09:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I’m concerned this change should not be implemented because it effectively punishes people who invested in rooftop solar to reduce pressure on the grid and lower their electricity costs. If fixed charges keep rising, households can do everything right by generating their own power and still face almost the same bill, which undermines the whole point of encouraging solar. This approach also feels unfair to ordinary users because it shifts costs away from heavy grid users and onto everyone else, including families trying to become more self-sufficient. Instead of supporting energy security and private investment, it risks slowing down rooftop solar adoption and making electricity even less affordable.	Jon	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:10:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria Cristina Giamp	retired
	2026-09-11 21:15:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Stephanus	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:15:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	retired
	2026-09-11 21:25:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sole reason that we installed solar because ESKOM supply was unreliable and inefficient and could and have to go for days without power. Now we are being penalized for the foresight of looking after ourselves.	Lance	retired
	2026-09-11 21:28:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-09-11 21:28:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can supply reliable affordable electricity and the municipalities can’t maintain there side of the infrastructure	Thomad	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 21:28:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roderick	business owner
	2026-09-11 21:29:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper and will definitely not approve any "Sun Tax" The use of private capital for solar investments cannot be penalised with punitive fixed grid fees. Consumers may not be held captive. Municipalities must be barred from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection and wholesale market reforms must be kept transparent to ensure they don't force everyday households to foot the bill for grid infrastructure.	Jen	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:29:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Domingos	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:42:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wanda	business owner
	2026-09-11 21:44:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a failing business, corrupt to the core and trying to recover what they have lost by legalizing their overcharging of consumers for a infrastructure which the public has already for ten times over.	Louisa	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:47:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding FORCED us to install solar power (grudge purchase and a deteriorating asset) Now to be penalized for it with excessive billing is completely unfair practice. I say NO	Tony	
	2026-09-11 21:55:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escoms failure to come to the table resulted in solar panel replacement. Excessive charges are not the answer. I dont know the answer now but I'll pray about it.	David	retired
	2026-09-11 22:00:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Tobie	business owner
	2026-09-11 22:01:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have paid for an expensive solar system because of the inability of municipality’s supply of electricity. Why should we now be penalised	Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-11 22:02:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper represents the most consequential restructuring of South Africa’s energy landscape in decades. At its core, the policy navigates a fundamental conflict: introducing free-market competition and cost-reflective tariffs versus protecting municipal financial viability, rooftop solar investments, and VERY vulnerable captive consumers.	|Johannes	retired
	2026-09-11 22:11:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper represents the most consequential restructuring of South Africa’s energy landscape in decades. At its core, the policy navigates a fundamental conflict: introducing free-market competition and cost-reflective tariffs versus protecting municipal financial viability, rooftop solar investments, and VERY vulnerable captive consumers.	Constan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 22:19:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilane	
	2026-09-11 22:20:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired

	2026-09-11 22:22:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose Eskom's proposed solar tax / fixed network charges for rooftop solar users. South Africans didn't install solar to avoid paying their fair share - we installed it because Eskom failed to keep the lights on. We spent our own after-tax money, often R100k+, to keep our homes and businesses running during loadshedding, which actually helped reduce pressure on the grid for everyone. Now to be punished with extra daily fixed charges, expensive engineer sign-offs, and a R9,000+ smart meter just to stay connected is backwards. It is not a "compliance fee" - it is a tax on self-reliance. This will not save Eskom. It will push more households and businesses to go fully off-grid, which means even less revenue for Eskom, which means even higher tariffs for those who cannot afford solar at all. You will be squeezing the poorest customers hardest. If Eskom wants grid stability, make registration simple, free, and permanent - a basic CoC from a qualified electrician and a simple online registration. Don't add a monthly penalty for people who solved a problem Eskom created. We should be accelerating rooftop solar, not taxing it.	Charl	
	2026-09-11 22:38:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		R	
	2026-09-11 22:39:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ella	retired
	2026-09-11 22:39:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	
	2026-09-11 22:40:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lou-Wandre	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:44:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	self-employed
	2026-09-11 22:45:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Does not make sense to penalize solar consumers.	Christi	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who move to solar and alternative energy should be encouraged not penalised. Of we were in step with global trends the government should be subsidising green initiatives. The government does doesn't ever do anything in the interests of its citizens. Eskom is a dinosaur and should be allowed to die. We need forward thinking leaders who consider the global impact of climate change and do everything in its power to discourage reliance on fossil fuels. I object to being held hostage by Eskom and the municipalitys.	Gaye	retired
	2026-09-11 22:52:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adolf	retired
	2026-09-11 22:53:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shiroma	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:55:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jay	retired
	2026-09-11 22:58:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moosa	retired
	2026-09-11 23:05:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not budget, plan or provide electricity. The ANC government and Eskom encouraged people to move to solar to reduce the load of grid. The load shedding that was implemented were terrifying with business closing down, people dying and now they want to penalise us, once again the taxpayer needs to pay and once again there is no consequences for Eskom. We will not be taxed again for their incompetence. We already paid tax and VAT on the solar. They need to stop telling the people of South AFrica that you can get it for free because someone is always paying.	Nadia	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:09:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:12:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthys	business owner
	2026-09-11 23:14:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we fund the grid if we installed solar because grid failed us? The current goverment firts told us to install solar to help with load shedding, now we have to pay more to help pay for a dysfunctional power utility.	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:16:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-11 23:18:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	retired
	2026-09-11 23:21:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as the people cannot afford the high electicity tariffs. As pensioners it is impossible to live in SA with the burden of taxes and tariffs. Why do the authorities want to punish anyone for installing solar solutions, with their own capital!! Pensioners should pay a lessor tariff and profit making businesses should carry the load.	Stephen	retired
	2026-09-11 23:25:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	
	2026-09-11 23:30:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are only interested in protecting their revenue stream from tax paying citizens. In return we get poor service delivery. I paid tax on all equipment installed on my private property. Now they want to punish me for providing my own electricity and buying less of their product. Not to long ago ,eskom begged consumers to invest in rooftop solar in order to reduce the load on the grid by providing a tax rebate on the solar panels. Now they are making a 180 degree turn by calling those tax paying citizens free loaders, and threaten us with fines and disconnecting our eskom connection . This is the only company in the world that encourages customers to use less of their product and then wants to punish you for doing exactly what they told you to do	Jean	self-employed
	2026-09-11 23:33:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When is this government going to stop skrewing us over to line their own pockets and start to run this country with honesty and integrity.	David	retired
	2026-09-11 23:35:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzette	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 23:41:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will not register or pay more tarrifs	Ralph	retired
	2026-09-11 23:52:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government asked citizens to use electricity sparingly, now they are penalizing the already tax burdened citizens to pay more for alternative measures, which already cost a lot to invest in.	Riaan	
	2026-09-11 23:57:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johan	business owner
	2026-09-12 00:15:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally wrong that people who installed solar to protect their supply of electricity from the continual loadshedding that Escom created should now be penalised because they took available corrective action ,at a high personal cost, to ensure they had power at all times and that their home appliances did not get damaged because of the surges caused by Escoms failure to supply good power to it's consumers. ESCOM CREATED THE PROBLEMS through poor maintenance and the consumers suffered the consequences. ESCOM also failed to ensure municipalities supplying paying users actually paid ESCOM the money received from customers. ESCOM also failed to control the theft if electricity by no paying users.	Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-12 00:20:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Koos	retired
	2026-09-12 00:31:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We has to invest a lot of money because Eskom was not abile to provider the necessary power as it is suppose to do. The elecctricity market small be opened to private and competition small be created. Monopoly are like dictatures	Massimo	self-employed
	2026-09-12 00:34:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stu	self-employed
	2026-09-12 01:05:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Us using less units helps eskom ,which burns less coal and less diesel which helps our entire ecosystems. Helps emissions. ESKOMmust stop misusing its funds and gang mentality and work with the people of south africa not against us for profit as it falls under essential services.	Glen	self-employed
	2026-09-12 01:10:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ntaote	employed individual
	2026-09-12 01:32:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederik	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 02:58:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill. You've (ANC) single handedly dismantled and destroyed one of the world's best electricity producing stories with greed and incompetence. Shame on you!	Kim	
	2026-09-12 03:03:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Roberto	business owner
	2026-09-12 03:05:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not fair to put all this charges on taxpayers, already as a middle class citizen, we can't barely make it until month end. We can't even afford to keep our geysers on the whole day. Where else most of township houses and informal settlements are connected illegally and nothing is done about it. It is not fair for a honest South African citizen who pays all their municipality bills and even buy this already expensive electricity. By imposing high chargers, it doesn't help because now the government is forcing people to have other means of helping themselves by going off the grid because they couldn't keep the grid on. This will push the same customers away and to connect illegally because they can't afford to buy electricity. Eskom and municipality should fix illegally cconnections first and have a standard rate for everyone that is affordable for every household and stop sucking from taxpayers who can't even afford anymore.	Innocentia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 03:08:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gene	self-employed
	2026-09-12 03:10:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Just another name for hidden tax so that the corrupt enterprise can remain afloat. Instead of doing wat struggling private enterprises do and down size and restructure. Stealing money does nothing to resolve the crisis ESKOM is in and has been for some 20years.	Dennis	business owner
	2026-09-12 03:14:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us consumers don't pay or buy electricity due to the high cost .Escom or city power is incompetent and they just don't care to treat the citizens with dignity.We want City power to employ more real meter readers and install real meters that we can trust.as for prepaid i suggest lowering the tarrifs	Ronald Michael	retired

	2026-09-12 03:20:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	retired
	2026-09-12 03:24:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sjoerd	business owner
	2026-09-12 03:42:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terence	
	2026-09-12 04:03:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop ESCOM corruption, like paying R75000 for a broom !! Then you will have plenty money to make electricity. If you enforce any additional payments, I will have my feed switched off and just use my own power.	Dirk	retired
	2026-09-12 04:14:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	James	self-employed
	2026-09-12 04:20:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		sipho	self-employed
	2026-09-12 04:32:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support fixed high grid costs and overcharging those with no solar power to recover costs	Zelmarie	retired
	2026-09-12 04:42:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Katherine	retired
	2026-09-12 04:49:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-12 05:19:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government forced people to get solar due to their own incompetence and now want to punish them because they are not getting enough money to steal.	Justin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:20:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-12 05:29:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar started being used because Eskom was incompetant to supply what was needed, why do you want to tax them now? Be more comprtant with funds you are getting.	Johanna	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:31:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill. STOP LOOTING AND STEALING THE COUNTRY BLIND	H	retired
	2026-09-12 05:31:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom abuse their monopoly on power generation and now want consumers to pay for their own incompetance	Gabriel	retired
	2026-09-12 05:47:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom production is not increasing. The people investing in solar saved the country from having loadshedding forever and now are expected to pay the price for saving Eskom.	Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 05:47:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Municipal Official / Councillor		Rajendra B	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:48:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penny	
	2026-09-12 05:50:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No person or entity has any rights over sun light. Thus one can not enforce any laws or pose any penalties over how an individual or entity harvests the sun rays for self gain. That said, I simply do not support any proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. I think it’s extortion and criminal.	Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:51:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marle	self-employed
	2026-09-12 05:53:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nathanael	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:58:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its wrong to penalise the consumer for the mismanagement of Eskom. There is no reliable supply and we are already paying way to much for electricity. Its also irrational to penalise solar users that generate their own reliable green energy. To impose fixed charges and sun tax you are just milking the consumer as years of theft and corruption made the SOE bankrupt. Now you just want to make a law to finance your corruption and mismanagement which cannot possibly be right. I do not support this and it should never be a law of total control over SA citizens	Patricia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:00:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:02:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:02:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 06:03:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many consumers were forced into debt by encouraging them to convert to Solar. Consumers previously had a well established and functional electricity network that could keep up with demand. Then the new Government came into power and the electricity network collapsed, having a huge detrimental impact by stunting economic growth. Consumers were forced to plunge themselves into debt, which many of us are still in the process of paying of. The majority of consumers could not go off the grid completely as their households are not that affluent to cover the costs, so they remained grid tied. Now the Government and Eskom have realised they shot themselves in the foot. Eskom is the only company in the world that encouraged consumers to use less of the product they sell. Of course, as a result their revenue has shrunk significantly. In a desperate effort to recover lost income and sustain the gravy train, consumers must now be punished severely for Government and Eskom’s failure to render sufficient energy services. So whether consumers had to take on a huge amount of extra debt in an effort to supplement and sustain their energy needs or whether consumers just could not afford the transition to a grid tied system and chose to stay on Eskom supplied power, consumers have no escape. We are trapped in a corner from where we cannot escape those looting our hard earned money by all kinds of new taxes they impose on the consumer. It seems their creativity of thinking out new taxes to burden and exploit an already crippling population under a preposterous tax burden seems without limits and boundless. If they only use their creative skills to implement measures to cut down on their own luxury lifestyles and curb corruption. But like always, the consumer stands at the end of the line; the consumer SHALL pay.	Rienie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 06:03:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:04:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tyrone	retired
	2026-09-12 06:04:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill just a way for the government to keep making money but they can't supply. With solar they are losing revenue.	Warren	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:12:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik Christoffel	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:12:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not own the sun. Their prices the community already can afford. And keeps going into their pockets and the consumer keeps paying price . They tell us to get off the grid which ao many have and now they want to charge them for something they cant control.	Heidi	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:14:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are 2 issues at stake. I live in an old suburb where the electricity infrastructure is old and we have many power failures as the infrastructure has not been upgraded. Thus when there is a power failure, we may sit without electricity for a minimum of one day and even longer over weekends. Tshwane has also stopped paying overtime and this also contributed to longer not having electricity. Another issue was the impact of load shedding on the old and outdated infrastructure in the area. The second issue was load shedding and therefore had to install a basic solar system. I am retired and is working from home to make a living and is struggling financially. The consequence of not having electricity is that I can't generate income.	Matthew	retired
	2026-09-12 06:16:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 06:18:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary Ann	retired
	2026-09-12 06:20:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allow private companies to supply electricity and take away the monopoly that eskom holds. The mindset to make a profit and still introduce such a hefty increase is obsurd. Greed at the highest level	zak	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:20:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		christopher	retired
	2026-09-12 06:22:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not exploit ordinary citizens who are desperate to survive financially....Escom rates are no longer acceptable.	Preath	retired
	2026-09-12 06:26:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Farook	retired
	2026-09-12 06:26:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hamish	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:26:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges - you do not own the sun, our solar panel or the infrastructure surrounding these installations. You are busy with illegal "policies" and everyone will stand up against your unlawful activities. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. You and your teams are responsible for losing as many users as you have already. Lay off some of your staff that get paid to do nothing and leave the consumers alone. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Dewald	employed individual

	2026-09-12 06:28:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-12 06:28:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hanlie	retired
	2026-09-12 06:30:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Drew	
	2026-09-12 06:32:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-09-12 06:34:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gcinokuhle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:34:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This may seem to be the only solution but it's a cop out. Get creative! Where is your integrity? Robbing from the middle and lower income homes. It's the easiest and least creative solution. On top of that it will have a direct negative effect on the very people you were designed to serve. Driving them further into poverty and desperation.	Shannon	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:38:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-12 06:38:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private homes and Businesses were forced by Eskom and this Government to invest their hard earned money into installing Solar systems. Why should we pay for their inefficiencies and incompetence. We have done this for 32 years - enough is enough.	Kenneth	retired
	2026-09-12 06:40:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	
	2026-09-12 06:41:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quintin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:44:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the Department of Electricity and Energy's roadmap for the South African Wholesale Electricity Market. While framed as competition, it imposes punitive fixed grid charges on rooftop solar owners under an "anti-free-riding" pretext, punishing households who invested in clean energy and shifting costs from consumption to unavoidable monthly fees. Large industrial users above 1 MW may exit municipal grids for cheaper private power, leaving ordinary households and small businesses as captive ratepayers forced to absorb municipal revenue shortfalls and legacy cross-subsidies through higher tariffs. Separating wires from retail further layers costs without guaranteed benefits. With Eskom Generation still dominant, market power and wholesale volatility risk unstable retail prices for those least able to protect themselves. This is not genuine reform—it is a regressive transfer of risk onto solar investors and ordinary consumers. Protect households, preserve fair volumetric pricing, and reject policies that privatise gains while socialising losses.	Deon	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:46:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	retired
	2026-09-12 06:48:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fiona	retired
	2026-09-12 06:51:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jack	retired
	2026-09-12 06:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:53:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keegan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:55:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a single parent who is barely managing as it is with two children. Working three weekends in a month to just make ends meet and now this.. Every is switched off in my house hold and im still paying through my teeth for electricity and its not ended. This has to stop whike I have illegal shacks across me getting everything for free.. im infuriated!!!	Nirashnee	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:55:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Larna	retired
	2026-09-12 06:55:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners should not be penalised for installing solar. While still connected to the grid, the units purchased should include a fee for all users that is linked to usage, similar to the petrol levy. Having a separate levy irrespective of usage penalises the user for trying to cut back on costs by installing solar.	Allan	
	2026-09-12 06:55:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terry	
	2026-09-12 06:56:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we be penalised? People who can afford solar is living greener and providing for themselves. Why must we fund their extremely high salaries and bonuses? Each month it is more difficult to make ends meet especially for our older people.	Louisa	retired
	2026-09-12 06:58:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:58:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benjamin Lavin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:59:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop punishing people who are trying to reduce their ridiculously overpriced Eskom electricity usage!	Ashley	business owner
	2026-09-12 06:59:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	retired
	2026-09-12 07:01:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:08:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:10:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	retired
	2026-09-12 07:10:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	retired
	2026-09-12 07:11:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-12 07:13:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:14:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		F	retired
	2026-09-12 07:16:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom, due to internal corruption and mismanagement, could no longer provide enough electricity to meet demand (which led to many businesses closing and great personnel loss to citizens) , consumers and businesses were encouraged by Eskom to install solar systems to alleviate pressure on the grid. This was done at great personal cost to consumers and businesses. Now, when Eskom is struggling to maintain its exhorbitant profits, it wants to penalize solar users, while the equally useless and complicit NERSA does nothing to protect consumers. We demand that NERSA and government place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. We insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. And we require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. If ESKOM and NERSA continue along this route of penalizing consumers, two thing will happen. Solar users will disconnect from the grid and Eskom will receive zero revenue, and normal, non solar electricity consumers will simply stop paying their bills as they become too unaffordable , as we have seen with the enourmous electricity debts experienced in areas like Soweto etc. What then will Eskom and municipalities do when they are receiving no money from their cash cows?	Chris	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:18:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is a absolute joke. Whys have we installed Solar in the first instance - because the Goverment and Eskom failed to supply power, leading to load shedding and leaving us losing clients . Now all of a sudden they want to penalise us????	Andre	
	2026-09-12 07:19:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's incompetence forced us to help ourselves dish out huge capital expenditures. They cannot keep on pressurizing the overburdened man in the street. All buck stop in our pockets and it becomes unbearable. It raises alarms if this is the only way the Department structure their income. They are killing us financially, a disgrace!	Elize	retired
	2026-09-12 07:19:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	"Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Lorelei	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:20:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	

	2026-09-12 07:21:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They should welcome and promote the use of solar. If it reduces Eskom's revenue, then maybe they can shut down some coal-fired power stations.	Jason	retired
	2026-09-12 07:21:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adam	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:22:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:23:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:23:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Demand mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. Require full public transparency and real-time reporting of day-ahead and intra-day market bidding data to enable independent civil oversight. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation.	Cindy	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:24:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must address the root cause: overstaffed, overpaid, incapable workforce. and arrogant executive.	albert	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:30:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duidlief	retired
	2026-09-12 07:30:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-09-12 07:31:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-09-12 07:31:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	retired
	2026-09-12 07:32:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	
	2026-09-12 07:32:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be subjected to their failure and corruption over the years, now they want to hold the public to ransom which they are doing at present with the high yearly increases as it is, We need to stop them in their tracks by standing up to this nonsense, One way is to vote the ANC out of power,	Bernie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:33:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ockert	retired
	2026-09-12 07:35:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:36:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jay	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:39:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hansie	retired
	2026-09-12 07:39:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-12 07:40:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laetitia	retired
	2026-09-12 07:40:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		IAN	
	2026-09-12 07:41:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I fully support the open market competitive electric supply approach so industry can grow. I do not see why the local homeowner/captive user, needs to fit the bill. We, the 'captive user' went through great expense, which included solar registration expense just so we could keep the lights on in our own homes, since eskom was unable to provide a stable, reliable service. Eskom, needs to cut costs and compete. Start with getting rid of the 'dead wood'. Floors and floors of pen pushing adminstration doing nothing except collecting salaries. Get rid of them, hire more engineers and send them out to upgrade and run the business, you/eskom claims to be in. We, the tax payer/captive consumer are fed up with eskom's inefficiency and incompetence. Do the business right or get out of the way. Its a business not a 'slush fund'. We see you!	Ashruff	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:41:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:42:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm absolutely our Lord in heaven never ever intended for us to pay for the sun. It's time for us south African to man up and stand shoulder to shoulder against these tarrifs invented by Eskom DO NOT PAY THEM.	Bruce	retired
	2026-09-12 07:43:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	
	2026-09-12 07:43:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Iam concerned that things are getting forced on us to pay for your neglect. Solar is Free to everyone, why penalize us. Electricity is getting so expensive. Where is my freedom to choose... I do not support this policy at all.	Anthony	retired
	2026-09-12 07:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is daylight robbery! The government is squeezing the life out of its citizens in taxes, etc. Retirees can hardly afford anything anymore and our pensions don't increase! We've worked hard all our life to contribute to this beautiful country and now people live with stress and can hardly afford to eat!	Maria	retired
	2026-09-12 07:44:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sabine	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:47:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These people brag about profits at the cost of residents. If it was not for rooftop solar there would still be load shedding, since load shedding is officially finished there is at least half the amount of power interruptions as there was in load shedding, but now there is no announcement and often power interruptions are for days so residents loose fridge contents and have no ability to cook so additional costs for food and or fast food and of course teh new trick Load reduction To my information rooftop solar is about one third of total demand so load shedding stopped due to this additional electricity availability so not the improvements by Eskom This is unethical, unfair and shows there is no accountability Often streetlights and robots are not working because they are simply switched off for municipalities	Christoph Reiser	retired
	2026-09-12 07:47:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that I have had to invest a great deal of my monthly budget by installing solar, in addition to still paying Eskom for their erratic power supply to keep my home business running to compensate for the complete incompetence and reckless theft which has crippled Eskom and these failing municipalities should not now mean they can recover further losses from me. By tracking down and removing the myriad illegal connections, as well as by forcing corrupt and mismanaged municipalities to pay their outstanding power bills and to replace incompetent and dishonest staff could and would recoup the huge losses Eskom suffers. But this government is incapable of enforcing or managing in any effective way. Charge more, throw more bodies at a problem, that's their simplistic solution every time. If anything, this will persuade me to finally disconnect completely from Eskom and go totally off grid.	Irmgard	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:47:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stanley	retired
	2026-09-12 07:48:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to high tariff costs and as I have lived in different suburbs within Jhb and CT, seeing how tariff pricing differs per suburb is disturbing enough without being more financially burdoned by further pricing hikes and penalties. The issue is that Government failed to uphold failing infrastructure and all consumers have suffered year after year with high increases but low or sporadic supply. Just because Eskom stabilized supply in the last year, doesn't mean that outages and issues will not occur once again. Government have pilfered money that should have gone into ensuring stable electricity supply. More people have solar or other power generation because Government failed their duty. Why is this me as a consumers fault?	Tina	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:49:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marike	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:50:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liret	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:52:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 07:53:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	Why do they want to do this if the world is promoting a clean air environment . So we must invest in clean air . So one of these investment is solar.	Hugo	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:55:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-12 07:59:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:00:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP this stupid ideas, this again is to get funding to go where? Steal, corruption! We csnnat afford corruption and to fund these corruption snd illegal activities we just get tax added to our accounts, FORGET IT I WILL NOT PAY When loadshedding started you Government and ESKOM initiated the idea of installing these, we did to assist ESKOM now I am getting penalised for adgering to you request, HOW STUPID DO YOU THINK we are?	Erns	employed individual

	2026-09-12 08:02:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	
	2026-09-12 08:02:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:04:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalizes energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonization.	Joao	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:05:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-09-12 08:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This move by Eskom has been long foreseen by me and is a direct consequence of allowing municipalities to boost their income by a product where they operate as a middleman, which is actually a criminal act in my view. This whole electricity/energy generation problem in the world at this stage except China and India, is because of a incredible fraud run by governments, NGOs , so-called "climate scientists" and influencers like Al Gore and Greta Turnberg fooling people and being believed religiously as the truth about carbon dioxide. We basically have only ourselves to blame for this foolishness and being exploited by it from all sides.	Jakobus P H	retired
	2026-09-12 08:07:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not punish private solar investments with high, fixed monthly grid fees. Going green to help the country should be rewarded, not penalized.Protect Everyday Consumers: Do not let municipalities hike electricity tariffs on non-solar homes to make up for lost revenue when big industries move off the grid. Ordinary households must be legally protected from footing the bill for municipal financial losses. Transparency First: Ensure that wholesale market trading rules are completely transparent. Everyday families must not be forced to cross-subsidize major corporations or absorb hidden grid costs.	Diane	
	2026-09-12 08:08:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rennie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:09:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am not sure what this will accomplish, as in the Overberg district, we already pay massive amounts for availability of electricity, water availability.... This is killing most of the residents trying to make a honest living. We are paying more than we should, we are subsidising debts written off amounting to millions of rands... Signing the petition, but feel it will not change anything	Lisa	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:09:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the bullying of the anc and it hate towards orrinary south africans and their ways to steel from the community who they stollen to the brim through corruption and looting the tax payers money. Also their poor abillity to build but only destroy what they got for free.. 32 yesrs of black apartheid forced me to look out and provide for myself. So i do not support the anc or their constructive ways of corruption and theft of South Afircans of all walk of life. You can't encourage South Africans to be energy sufficient because Eskom couldn't keep the lights on, and now that people are energy sufficient and don't need to rely on the grid, you want to penalise them. Makes no sense, you need to reform the entire energy sector and make it fair and equitable for all, the prices we pay already are sky high and ludicrous. There are reports that Eskom has too much electricity than what is needed, and yet we still need to pay exorbitant prices.	johan	retired
	2026-09-12 08:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was a diligent payer of e toll and came short. SA today is lies, lies , lies. Eskom could not provide and we had out of desperation, to look after ourself. Now they wish to penalise the population. It simply is not right. May i use stronger words? Bunch of crooks!	Isak	retired
	2026-09-12 08:10:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilma	retired
	2026-09-12 08:13:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-12 08:14:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is so typical of this corrupt and inefficient ANC Government of ours. They and Eskom caused the so called "Solar problem" and now they want to penalise the people who have been forward thinking and have made plans to provide their own energy. This has come at great cost to these people, and many have had to take out loans to get a solar system up and running so as to improve the quality of their lives which were being disrupted by the lack of constant electricity. We are a big part of the reason as to why the ESKOM grid is now stable - ESKOM consumption is down significantly as Solar Power increases and it is totally unfair to expect the remaining consumers to pay for the mistakes and dishonesty of the people who created the problem.	Roberto	retired
	2026-09-12 08:14:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as Residents & as Pensioners are really struggling with people at Eskom that are keep on looking for increasing Electricity prices. We are on pre-paid AND we getting less & less UNITS when we purchase with all the Eskom AND City Power increases.	Ebrahim	retired
	2026-09-12 08:16:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's clear the government and organisations are working for supra national interests like WEF. To bring about agenda 2030 you will own nothing and be happy and our existence will be taxed to the extreme .. months case these leaders be it snc da or eff are committing treason	Emma	
	2026-09-12 08:17:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-09-12 08:18:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ed	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:19:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom produces less power and increased rates. The World Bank found ESKOM to be 40% overstaffed. The poor have to chose between electricity, food and education. What a shame.	Hein	
	2026-09-12 08:21:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ewald	retired
	2026-09-12 08:22:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lara	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:23:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed new laws, this is just another way ESKOM/Government is making the already struggling consumer pay for their incompetents, continually allowing corruption/fraud and totally over inflated salaries. The government and all of the SOE's are over staffed and over paid, the private sector can no longer allow this to carry on regardless.	Ken	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 08:24:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Don	retired
	2026-09-12 08:25:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The government is actually just being abusive with this law because they have not bothered to be innovative and prepare for the future. Now citizens must pay for it, and will still never see improvement despite high taxes. Taxes go up inversely to delivery which is unseemly	Alu	
	2026-09-12 08:29:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:29:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anina	retired
	2026-09-12 08:31:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are so tired of being taxed, tariffed and charged to death by an incompetent ANC government, that gives nothing to the 1.5% of SA Taxpayers who shoulder 61% of SARS revenue, while Eskom gets awarded 20-30% increases yearly by Nersa. Over the past 10 years, the average residential electricity price in South Africa has increased by 134%, while cumulative tariffs over the last 18 years have skyrocketed by 1 172% - outpacing inflation more than six-fold	Karlien	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:35:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leslie	retired
	2026-09-12 08:38:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All because of an incompetent and corrupt ANC government....	Arno	retired
	2026-09-12 08:40:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been and is an unreliable supplier of electricity, forcing us to find alternative solutions to keep power on - now they want to charge us. it illogical and ridiculous. They must fix the corruption and they will have enough money.	Shane	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:41:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Lizane	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:42:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I can not afford the higher prizes.	Santjie	retired
	2026-09-12 08:42:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. The public should not be held liable for Eskom's corruption and lack of planning. Solar users were encouraged to buy solar (of their own expense) to help lessen the loadshedding and now are being asked to pay again for helping eskom in the first place. NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. A tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes must be put in place (without starting the bottom tier price at the current top price as eskom has been pushing through extra price increases over the last few years by alternating these price plans). An independent socio-economic impact assessment must be done on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Tanya	
	2026-09-12 08:45:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:45:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We try and try to come out on our income but they want to steal all we have and more to support their dishonesty and incompetance	Patricia	retired
	2026-09-12 08:47:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's about time that Eskom was privatised, the current corrupt ANC government and its cadres put an end to stealing hard earned money from the south african taxpayers and its citizens. The President has recently stated that about R1 trillion would become availableto allow the building of businesses and the creation of jobs to reduced the high rate of unemployment, how will this be possible if one can't afford the price of electricity to create jobs, are they f..king mad. It's about time that the voting south african taxpayers removed the corrupt ANC and its cadres from power.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 08:48:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired
	2026-09-12 08:49:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This paper is pushing Eskom into an extinction fast. Their mismanagement of practically every aspect of energy usage beggars belief, and they are using the cowardly, repressive route of making their over-priced mess extends its life and government/management's lifestyle through rent seeking. If you can't provide the service, get out of the way and let someone who can run the show. There are plenty of competent people of all races here. One cannot take an approach of mindfully leading a critical entity, and a country, to extinction through extorting the poorest. And this after celebrating a large profit through over-charging consumers who have no option. Eskom would not exist without this level of protection. Perhaps it shouldn't if it can't provide solutions to the utter mess and theft of its own making.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 08:53:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Navitha	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:55:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charlotte	self-employed

	2026-09-12 08:56:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandra	retired
	2026-09-12 08:56:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The new bill seems to be grossly unfair on solar users as well as on those even more vulnerable that can't afford solar. To replace the income to municipalities from the lack of funds coming from solar users is just so unfair and so abusive of the most vulnerable. We should all encourage and support renewable energy and the relief this brings the grid, and should not expect those who can't get there yet to subsidise the state with price hikes. This is so not on, and a terrible sign of abusive governance that must be stopped !	Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:56:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:59:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	
	2026-09-12 09:00:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-12 09:03:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom/metro infrastructure have proven to be unreliable (loadshedding & infrastructure maintenance decline). Their business model is to abuse it's dominance to monopolistically exploit it's captive market (you & me). Escom is a public company, who have just made a massive profit and are using you & I to cross subsidise them against non paying municipalities	Bruce	retired
	2026-09-12 09:03:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the greed, theft and corruption! Change the governance system and allow our beautiful country to thrive in peace and prosperity for everyone!	Ceciel	
	2026-09-12 09:08:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Ange	business owner
	2026-09-12 09:09:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is for free the anc doesn’t own or have power over the sun ☀️ only God does. The anc by their laxness and incompetence forced us to lay out large amounts of money for solar. We have been carrying the non electricity payers too long. It is ridiculous to think that we should be charged for paying for solar and then being charged for electricity which the anc are not capable of supplying.	Lynn	retired
	2026-09-12 09:09:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adèle	retired
	2026-09-12 09:09:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-12 09:10:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Errol	
	2026-09-12 09:12:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andile	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 09:16:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom doesn't have to capacity to provide power to everyone. Now that we are helping ourselves by setting up solar systems at home, they want to benefit from that! Eskom/ Government must not be allowed to tax us for using the sun.	Lettie	retired
	2026-09-12 09:17:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Government should first clean out its (criminal) financial mess, before trying to get even more out of the private individuals. The more power is taken off the grid, the more it will be prepared for growing consumption in a growing economy.	Gustav	retired
	2026-09-12 09:20:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a joke. We have to pay to suppport and now that we support they want more. There is enough growth in electricity needs. Grow up	Renaud	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:20:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Too disgusting for words.	Sharon	retired
	2026-09-12 09:23:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How the heck can the government tax us for using the sun???? stop the criminality first.	Betty Pelissier	
	2026-09-12 09:23:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		WJ	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:27:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Olivia	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 09:29:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	
	2026-09-12 09:32:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clare	
	2026-09-12 09:32:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a global in justice to destroy tje middle class trying hard to keep head above water this agenda to destroy us is agenda 2030 our freedom is being annihilated we are being dehumanized all because of wanting control this is wrong People wake up	Charmelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:33:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where is the competition commission in this? We need the private sector to also supply electricity.	Martin	retired
	2026-09-12 09:34:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-12 09:36:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-12 09:36:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-12 09:37:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is NOTHING less than an attempt at robbery of the long-suffering South African Citizen and must be resisted and we must all refuse to comply.	Hugh	retired
	2026-09-12 09:38:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-09-12 09:38:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I saw a article in a newspaper where where Eskom laments about loss of income because of solar users. Now they want to guarantee income through legislation instead of good governance and effective management of operation and this is not only evil but also the end of freedom in trade. Since the ealy 1900's Eskom was funded through government and the selling of their product. And the grid was included in their price structure. Municipal basic electricity charges was to pay for streetlights and consumption.	Cornelius J	retired
	2026-09-12 09:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:45:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Paul	
	2026-09-12 09:45:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Load shedding and begging from Eskom to use electricity sparingly basically forced me to install solar, money which I would far rather have used for other things. Now they want to penalize us solar users for following their requests. I still use the grid for heavy consumers but am using less, so I must now pay double. **** them!	Alex	
	2026-09-12 09:45:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No sun tax. Eskom dropped the ball due to fraud and incompetence. It cannot now penalize those who were able to remove the burden from Eskom by penalizing them. Rather embrace the fact that the burden has been lifted and mobilize to once again be the best power provider. Stop the fraud which has driven this company into the ground and stop penalizing all those who rely on it for light.	Aileen	retired
	2026-09-12 09:46:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	retired
	2026-09-12 09:47:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		coenraad	retired
	2026-09-12 09:49:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Soné	
	2026-09-12 09:51:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 09:53:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annalize	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:55:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Alda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corrine	
	2026-09-12 10:04:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You have no right to change us a so called fixed charge on ailing infrastructure that has NEVER been upgraded in over 30 years. This is another government scam to line their pockets.	Deborah	retired

	2026-09-12 10:04:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-12 10:05:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:05:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		P	retired
	2026-09-12 10:10:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petra	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:12:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	House owners have spent a lot of money to install solar after it became evident that Eskom could not keep the lights on 24/7 for everybody, residential and businesses. Owners also dod so after the Government gave the incentives that an amount can be reclaimed from tax as a rebate. The goal posts cannot be changed now because Eskom and the Government failed to prioritise the expansion of electrical infrastructure due to the population explosion that the Government encouraged. The Sun is nobody's property, why should responsible citizens be penelised in choosing the better and cleaner electricity option. The Government is already taxing the ordinary citizens to death - siesa man. Enough!	Wayne	self-employed
	2026-09-12 10:14:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodneu	retired
	2026-09-12 10:21:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Katinka Meiring	retired
	2026-09-12 10:21:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:21:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:22:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to go the solar route as the government failed to supply sereveses! So now the government want to punish the consumer for their own Failures???	Victor	retired
	2026-09-12 10:22:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	retired
	2026-09-12 10:24:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norah	retired
	2026-09-12 10:29:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		jem	
	2026-09-12 10:32:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 10:32:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Peter	
	2026-09-12 10:33:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 10:34:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arrie	
	2026-09-12 10:36:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemary	retired
	2026-09-12 10:37:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-12 10:41:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicole	
	2026-09-12 10:43:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-09-12 10:46:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	retired
	2026-09-12 10:47:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Valerie	retired
	2026-09-12 10:47:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The concept of forcing consumers to invest in solar, on account of non-delivery by ESKOM, and then penalizing them on a 'no free ride' principle is, at best, totally disingenuous. Where is the 'free ride' in a significant investment in solar? It will also not achieve anything, those who can will continue to invest and leave the grid entirely. The fact that retail consumers will not be able to partake in a competitive market, in contrast to large industrial users, clearly demonstrates the total disregard that the government has for its citizens. That should lose them elections!	Alexander	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:49:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired
	2026-09-12 10:50:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Attie	retired
	2026-09-12 10:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:51:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This corrupt bastard ANC looters and thieves must now stop this bullshit. People were forced by these same shameless thieves and criminals to install solar due to the constant breakdowns and loadshedding due to the looting of Eskom by these self-same rubbishes in Government.	Stuart	retired
	2026-09-12 10:52:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ottilie	retired
	2026-09-12 10:56:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC under Zuma thought it a good idea to use Eskom to loot, steal and capture for their benefit. And let the ordinary South African pay for it. 15 Years later, that decision is now showing the real destruction it caused. Eskom under the ANC will not change. We need a new government to fix this problem. So we South Africans made a plan to save ourselves from Eskom. We did whatever we could to escape the prison of the ANC. Now the ANC want to penalise us for looking after ourselves. The ANC don't care about South Africans. They just want to keep the gravy train going, and don't care how they do it. They are a mafia organisation and need to be removed from government.	Richard	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:56:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa must be capable of giving choice to all for living as economically as possible	Nazir	retired
	2026-09-12 10:57:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-09-12 10:59:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We're being punished for buying more electricity every month but forgetting electricity prices goes up every year. So we get less we have to buy more to survive during the month. Now we put solar because there is no guarantee that eskom can provide electricity they're unreliable and they try to fine us for something we put on our property. The municipality is also trying to get us to register so they can introduce a surcharge every month for buying less electricity of which we're already getting punished for buying more electricity. They're are just out to make money whilst they can't provide the basic services instead of fixing their broken system they rather come after us and our money trying tax us.	Arrione	
	2026-09-12 11:02:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not provide any part of a solar electricity system so who gives them the right to tax anyone who finances a system . They are just generating more money to steal	Barry	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charge a fair market related connection free for being connected to the grid to keep the distribution network maintained but only if a Municipality has a clean audit.	Jaco	
	2026-09-12 11:03:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Leonie	Leonie	retired
	2026-09-12 11:08:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pay as you use, fee must be all-inclusive.	Hendrik	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:09:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The CEO of Eskom paid himself a bonus of 11 million Rand... 30 billion in profit the last finacial year... This is beyond unfair, its stealing instead of providing a basic service at a fair price. They created the problems they have and now the country needs to pay even more. Next step is disconnecting from Eskom all together.	Jacobus Gideon	
	2026-09-12 11:09:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay extra? Eskom does not own the sun! Eskom is so corrupt. They are wasting billions on housing schemes which have never been completed and standing empty. They have stolen millions at our expense. They take bonus etc. Why don't they pay back all the Billions that have gone due to corruption. Years back Eskom gave you rebates for saving energy. Like solar and geyser blankets and bulbs etc. Now they want to charge us for their very bad management et.	Jill	retired
	2026-09-12 11:13:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	unemployed individual

	2026-09-12 11:18:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They have no shame, they must continue down this path, and as we saw more and more households move to solar due to loadshedding, they will force more and more households to go 100% off grid and require zero grid connection. If they think they not making money now, it will come a time where they will be making no money at all from households	T	
	2026-09-12 11:20:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		noreen	
	2026-09-12 11:21:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	PRIVATISE ESKOM !!!!!! Keep the government out of services which can be supplied by the private sector. This model have worked for the USA. Why not here in RSA.	G C	retired
	2026-09-12 11:23:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:24:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		George	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:26:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Willian	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:28:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed amendments are outrageous. How can government expect residents to be expected to fork out the proposed amounts? Livelihoods are at stake! Just looking at the unemployment rates of our country. How can the proposed amendments improve the Livelihoods of the people? This should not even be a consideration. Scrap the proposed amendments!	Hans	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolute madness. First we were encouraged to go for solar and clean energy due to their incapacity to uphold the electricity needs of SA, now they want to punish us for investing thousands of Rands in solar systems. They are now worried where the extra money would come from to pay their huge bonuses and over the top salaries.	Christo	retired
	2026-09-12 11:30:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All these changes are done to tax the residential ratepayer more and to cover up the mismanagement of the past. Taxpayers cannot afford to pay any more.	Eric	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:34:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Victor	
	2026-09-12 11:37:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly, the SA govt and Eskom failed to provide us with a reliable electricity supply, forcing us to take loans and dig deep to invest into solar. An investment is something that yields long term results, now instead of us benefitting from our investments the Govt is penalizing us for their failure. Billions are lost everyday in this country through blatant theft and corruption. Rather, they should focus their resources on plugging these holes, jailing the criminals and take the heat off us ordinary, law abiding South Africans.	Muniera	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:38:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beate	self-employed
	2026-09-12 11:39:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:46:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lillian	retired
	2026-09-12 11:46:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Recoup money from corrupt government officials that has cost the taxpayer billions. Leave those who have funded their own alternative solutions to energy supply alone.	Gary	
	2026-09-12 11:48:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Francois	retired
	2026-09-12 11:48:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	David	retired
	2026-09-12 11:51:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	retired
	2026-09-12 11:51:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Susan	retired
	2026-09-12 11:52:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	* Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. * Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. * Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Leslie	retired
	2026-09-12 11:55:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's absurd to further burden solar users (many have taken out bank loans to fund their solar systems) by making them pay any additional rates. These people are battling to afford the loan repayments as it is. Solar users have spent huge private funds to lessen the burden on the grid. This cancels out any benefit they might still receive from the grid network. After all, they are still paying Eskom for the extra electricity that they use. Many were forced to do this by Eskom not being able to provide reliable power in the first place. Penalising and taxing them further now is not only grossly unfair, but doesn't make send on any level.	Pieter	
	2026-09-12 11:55:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmion	self-employed
	2026-09-12 11:55:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital.	Inger	
	2026-09-12 11:57:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom screwed up forcing customers to organise their own additional electricity, now that we are helping ourselves and Eskom, they want to punish us	Christoph	retired
	2026-09-12 11:58:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wim	retired
	2026-09-12 12:01:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moses	business owner
	2026-09-12 12:01:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the usual SA sob story. The State stuffs up the electricity system so we all invest in solar , then we must still pay fixed TAXES (call it what it is) to prop up their crumbling ESKOM . It's time to do our own thing with solar, get off the grid and let the incompetent supplier sink.	Evan	retired
	2026-09-12 12:01:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 12:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerald	business owner
	2026-09-12 12:06:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government allowing Eskom to hold every household in this country to Legislated theft is disgusting. I am not a "freeloader" and calling me a "Freeloader" is nothing short of defamatory. My Solar installation cost me R280 000, which I was forced into doing because of Eskoms inability to run consistently with out regular load shedding and I had a sick wife at home who required 24hrs power availability. Sun Tax ... what a joke, next it will be a personal oxygen tax with GST added!!!	Gary	retired
	2026-09-12 12:10:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced into spending thousands of Rands to purchase solar installations to limit the inconvenience of load shedding now they want to penalise us .	Charles	retired
	2026-09-12 12:14:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manfred	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:16:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Madeleine	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:16:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Due to the corruption and bad management I have had to install solar panels as the breakdowns of the grid which is almost a daily occurance, and sometimes takes 2 or 3 days to restore. Firstly, Eskom must root out corruption and use the money saving to do proper maintenace. Impossible to run a business with pathetic power supply whic causes me to lose money and which in turn gives the government less tax for me to pay. Unfortunately half of my tax payments will also be stolen.	Christopher	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:21:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid (“wires”) from electricity sales (“retail/trading”), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-12 12:22:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morga	retired
	2026-09-12 12:22:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robyn	retired
	2026-09-12 12:33:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the ANC is trying to destroy our electricity grid and thereby our economy. Just stop it. You've done enough damage already.	Donn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:34:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way we as consumers are forced to pay for Eskom's inefficiencies	Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-12 12:36:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		francesca	employed individual

	2026-09-12 12:38:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a residential solar owner and I stand fully opposed to this Position Paper, particularly the proposed "anti-free-riding" fixed capacity charges — the so-called Sun Tax. I invested a significant amount of my own money to install solar. That was not a choice made to dodge grid costs; it was a direct response to Eskom and the government's own failure to guarantee reliable electricity. I took on that cost and risk entirely myself, with no subsidy or support from the state. To now be penalised for it, through heavy fixed charges I cannot avoid regardless of how little power I draw, is unacceptable. No one has the right to tax the sun. It belongs to no one and it is free — taxing households for using it is no different from taxing us for the air we breathe. Solar households already carry the full cost of maintaining, repairing, and eventually replacing their own systems. We don't ask Eskom to contribute a cent toward that upkeep, despite reducing the load we place on the grid. Framing that reduced usage as something to be "recovered" from us is neither fair nor logical. 1. Stop the Sun Tax — Do not penalise private investment in solar with punitive fixed grid fees. This investment fills a gap the state itself created. 2. Protect captive consumers — Municipalities must be barred from hiking tariffs on non-solar households to claw back revenue lost to industrial or off-grid defection. Ordinary households have no alternative supplier and shouldn't be left to absorb costs created by others' decisions or by the state's failure to keep up with demand. 3. Transparency first — Electricity is already unaffordable, and property rates and municipal charges keep climbing with little to show for it in service delivery. Any reform of the wholesale market needs to be transparent about exactly who is paying for grid infrastructure, and not quietly shift that burden onto ordinary households, solar or not. Households who invested their own capital to compensate for a supply crisis they did not create should be supported, not punished. I call on the Department to withdraw the proposed fixed capacity charges, explicitly prevent municipalities from shifting recovered costs onto captive consumers, and commit to full transparency before any tariff reform goes ahead.	Cindy	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:40:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:51:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Even though my house is completely off-grid I stand with every South African who stands to get screwed by this new ESMTP paper. Enough is enough! The public should not be forced to pay for ESKOM's past and present failures, mismanagement and corruption. Moreover, you cannot tax sunlight as it belongs to God alone and is given to us for free. Voetsek ESKOM.	Dalene	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:52:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Callie	
	2026-09-12 12:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:54:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A grid tied residential solar installation was only necessary because the government (they are still all SOE's and I include the local municipalities) could not provide or transmit reliable electricity. This despite having had my contributions for more than 20 years. To penalise a grid tied solar residence now would be kicking citizens after pushing them to the floor. Come up with a more equitable solution that doesn't penalise citizens for being less of a burden to the state - no one in government seems to acknowledge that the only reason that Eskom is in its current operational state is because they have to supply less electricity due to all the large and small solar installation Stop pretending that there is "free electricity", it has to be generated at a cost. Cross subsidies for indigent/poorer households should not be managed by incompetent municipalities trying to fleece their tax base and should rather be ring fenced finance separate from any commercial operation. Our problems are not unique, look to the rest of the world for best practice and stop the binary myopic view of South Africa through a political lens.	Eduard	
	2026-09-12 12:56:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephanus	
	2026-09-12 12:59:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to be penalized for installing solar at my cost due to the fact that Eskom is unable to supply power at a reasonable cost. They can't fix their problems now I must pay for it.	Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 12:59:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mardie	
	2026-09-12 13:02:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petro	
	2026-09-12 13:03:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Marthinus J.	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:04:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of bad management and corruption it is outrageous to add a further burden on solar panel systems which we have had to pay for plus other fixed charges. There will be even more illegal connections.	Margaret	retired
	2026-09-12 13:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Murray	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:06:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	retired
	2026-09-12 13:09:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These proposals betray abdication of government from equity in treating all sectors of the electorate. The ESKOM excessive costs arise from abysmal governance, including yielding to unsustainable and unjustifiable remuneration to ESKOM employees, poor exploitation of resources, failure to take timeous steps to avoid expensive repairs and constant back-pedalling from identified remedies. This amounts to endorsement of incompetence and victimisation of the innocent.	Claude	retired
	2026-09-12 13:09:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Theresa	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:12:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mike	
	2026-09-12 13:12:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again we who bear the Tax burden of this country also have to pay for government corruption & incompetence! STOP STEALING!	Lesley	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:13:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already burdened with all kinds of taxes, high cost of essential foods and high fuel and gas. What more does the so-called Government want to squeese out of apart from blood - our souls? The pensioners, of which we form part, and Government grant pensioners, are the ones losing out on a descent life.	Babs	retired
	2026-09-12 13:14:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has mismanaged electricity production since 1994. When they inexplicably could not supply electricity, those that could afford it purchased enough to meet some of their needs. Now Eskom wishes to punish us for arranging electricity they could not supply. Because of huge private generation Eskom needs to provide less. Why charge the consumer for helping them in time of need? This is government arrogance.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-12 13:18:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pieter	
	2026-09-12 13:20:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has mismanaged electricity production since 1994. When they inexplicably could not supply electricity, those that could afford it purchased enough to meet some of their needs. Now Eskom wishes to punish us for arranging electricity they could not supply. Because of huge private generation Eskom needs to provide less. Why charge the consumer for helping them in time of need? This is government arrogance	Erika	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:22:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom overhead is too high. They have the highest staff budget dividend by giga watt hour cost. They have no incentive to offer value for money. They must reduce their costs and become more productive. Punishing users when they could not produce arrogant and selfish.	Jurgen	retired
	2026-09-12 13:23:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:24:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederic	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:25:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Erika	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:31:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glenn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:31:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will not pat any solar tax, I will not pay any penalties, I will pay absolutely nothing. Eskom, govermont and the Municipalities are power drunk, they absolutely do not care about the people. They are broken and need to be fixed.	Schalk	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:35:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephanie	
	2026-09-12 13:36:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I regard the electricity transformation paper as an exploitation of hardworking, dutiful taxpayers, designed to sustain the exorbitant salaries and bonuses of Eskom and municipal employees. Rather than serving the public interest, these officials appear primarily concerned with maintaining their own luxurious lifestyles.	Catherina	retired
	2026-09-12 13:37:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desiree	
	2026-09-12 13:42:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So sick and tired of the government bleeding the consumers dry, no money avaiable to repair anything in this country, but they have money for parties, nonsensical celebrations and individuals travelling all over the world on our dime.	Maria	retired
	2026-09-12 13:44:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I who has purchased solar panels at a big expense because of loadshedding must now be penalized. Eskom must become a private enterprise and be able to dictate their prices by what the market will dictate. They have taken our tax money for too long. They must take their chances on the open market and sink or swim. There will be others that will be able to provide at a competitive price.	stella	
	2026-09-12 13:44:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lance	retired
	2026-09-12 13:44:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The counter-argument (which many solar owners share) It feels like a penalty for reducing your dependence on a failing utility. It undermines the financial case for solar that government previously encouraged. It hits middle-class households that invested their own money to solve load-shedding and high prices, while cross-subsidies and inefficiencies elsewhere remain largely unaddressed. In some municipalities the fixed charges appear disproportionate to the actual incremental cost of serving a low-usage solar customer. The new electricity pricing policy and the move toward SAWEM are supposed to create cleaner cost-reflective tariffs, but the transition is messy and, for many residential solar owners, painful right now.	Ben	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:45:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How typical!!! Can't be trusted to provide a continual supply of electricity, but want to charge everyone exorbitant prices for doing so! WHAT IS BEING DONE FOR FUTURE EXPANSION?? If you can hardly produce enough electricity NOW to keep up with demand, what is happening in regard to future supply, with ever increasing housing needed for the burgeoning population, and new businesses??? Oh .... and I almost forgot the vast power required to supply upcoming data center(s)??!!! For anyone with more than two brain cells, its quite clear to see that there is no apparent planning for any future expansion by ESKOM!! So before you start ripping off the public again with these dumb ideas, get off your stupid fat asses and tell us what your future plans are, because load shedding will become a reality once again, much worse than before, even with the constant stealing of our money that pays your exorbitant salaries and unnecessary bonuses!	Carol	retired

	2026-09-12 13:46:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This represents extreme economic discrimination. People are not to be punished for investing their own, hard-earned money in solar.	Deon	retired
	2026-09-12 13:46:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Quintin	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:47:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All these issues highlight the inefficiencies of Eskom and the municipalities. Why is there a price increase if Eskom made a profit of R30billion ? What happened to all the bail-outs that the taxpayers made to Eskom? What about all the write-offs of municipality debts by Eskom? All these monies are indirectly from the taxpayer's pocket and now they want to take more "tax" from those who pay their accounts!	Philip	retired
	2026-09-12 13:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilbur	
	2026-09-12 13:50:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		clive	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:51:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Sid	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:52:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-12 13:55:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 13:58:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is all a result of total inefficiency...lack of taking responsibility..corruption and theft...How long do we have to wait before action is taken to get rid of people who have no concern for anyone but themselves.	Marge	
	2026-09-12 13:58:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:59:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I installed solar due to Eskom being unable to deliver reliable power. I have yet to recover this investment. Now there is a proposal to tax me based on a sunk cost i have not recovered from to ostensibly maintain their own infrastructure regardless of how much i use. Wear and tear is use driven not expansion driven. User pays principle should still apply. If this continues i will move completely off-grid.	Etienne	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:00:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject any “sun tax,” punitive fixed charges targeted at solar users, or registration regimes that function as barriers or revenue grabs. The sun belongs to no one. South Africans who invested in solar did so because Eskom failed them. Stop punishing private solutions to a public failure. Focus on fixing generation, transmission, and governance instead of extracting more from those who adapted. Legitimate, non-discriminatory network charges for actual use of the grid are one thing; taxing sunlight and self-reliance is another.	Norman	
	2026-09-12 14:02:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After state-failure in the energy generation sector, it’s clear that regulated privatisation of the market needs to occur. Many private consumers have helped to reduce demand on the system through expensive installations of solar power. It seems very unjust that these private individuals should now be penalised for their investment through high fixed charges. Moreover, penalising the remaining non-solar consumers because of Eskom’s inefficiency is also unjust.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:07:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-09-12 14:08:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tsek ANC and Eskom! Just steal, steal, steal anyway possible!	Lungelo	
	2026-09-12 14:09:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dion	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:10:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom pays their staff huge salaries not to do their job and expect the poorer sectors to pay penalties.	Sheena	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:15:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom had never given me anything for free. They are responsible for the electricity crisis. The sun is free to use. ...use it! Object to any and all eskom plans.	milo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:20:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaji	retired
	2026-09-12 14:21:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-12 14:22:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		oswald	retired
	2026-09-12 14:23:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To me this is sheer corruption. Passing on gross inefficiency and bad management, if not downright corruption of a monopoly power onto the captive consumer. Both fixed and variable costs are inherent costs of the business and cannot simply be passed on to the customer willy nilly to cover up inefficiencies. It should be borne by the company itself. In a real competive market world the company would be forced to close or go into liquidation.	Martin	retired
	2026-09-12 14:29:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Cecilia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:30:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	
	2026-09-12 14:51:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steven	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:52:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar was purchased whilst the government failed service delivery. Now that the incompetence has been removed and loadshedding has disappeared, now they want to penalise an already burdened taxpayer because the incompetence has just moved elsewhere. This cannot be the solution to the problem.	Dujon	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:59:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection Ensure wholesale market reformers do not leave every day households footing the bill for good infrastructure	Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-12 15:00:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magiel	retired
	2026-09-12 15:04:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and our government are milking the consumer in place of taking accountability for their own incomitance. The private sector is filling that space with solar from their own pocket to survive. In this case I support ZERO tariffs, increased base charges or additional taxes on those citizens who has put in place solar solutions. Instead, we should actually be thanked.	Naas	
	2026-09-12 15:05:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absurd to expect consumers to pay Eskom for their inadequacy, corruption and abnormally high salaries for some of their employees. Most solar users started using solar energy because they saw no alternative option since they could not rely on Eskom's grid. They spent a fortune (and many people probably borrowed the money!) to sustain themselves through difficult times. Had they not done that, Eskom would have struggled more with even more downtime of the grid. They could only provide what they did because solar users lifted the burden for Eskom. Let everyone pay for exactly what they use of the grid. And do not let major companies (who can probably afford the expense!) get away with paying less than the average home user. A vast majority of home users do their best to save electricity, because of the expense. Why do they now have to be 'penalized'? People should rather be given incentives to use electricity sparingly, like it used to be. And let those that don't care a hoot, and use it without restriction, then pay more per unit, like it used to be.	Riana	
	2026-09-12 15:07:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magiel	retired
	2026-09-12 15:08:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicola	
	2026-09-12 15:10:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	
	2026-09-12 15:11:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Regardless of what the customers/consumers are promised the end result will again be a case of them financing corrupt and nonpaying municipalities for not delivering affordable services and fullfilling their mandated obligations Another big concern is: By doing these 'reforms' they assure that they can force payments/ or fines.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-12 15:15:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:16:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:21:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerald	retired
	2026-09-12 15:27:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Estelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:34:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-12 15:51:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-09-12 15:58:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First things first.. make Eskom more efficient and reduce the number of “jobs” at this bloated parastatal. Then cut wasteful (and corrupt) expenditure. Then let’s redo the numbers..	Mark	
	2026-09-12 16:01:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many years ago Eskom also sold electricity to other country consumers. Eskom became unreliable and believe this market may have cancelled and withdrawn support. Instead of telling South African Consumers Storeys about keeping the availability of the Electricity supply even though the particular consumer has now installed SOLAR . The reason is forgotten that because ESKOM was not reliable and they due to their incompetence trying to now increase and get revenue by any means. I believe they must employ more competent people and look for other customers to foot the loss of revenue due to SOLAR	Ben	retired

	2026-09-12 16:07:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margie	retired
	2026-09-12 16:07:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-09-12 16:08:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Tanja	retired
	2026-09-12 16:09:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom was designed to provide cheap and reliable power. It is now doing neither. It's past time to get the state out of the way and let the market dictate the cost of electricity.	Ryan	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:11:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carrick	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:14:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tell the Department of Electricity and Energy: 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Cecile	retired
	2026-09-12 16:15:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		a	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:18:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mismanagement and neglect on the ANC's part of the infrastructure they received in perfect working condition, doesn't equal that we as the people of South Africa keep paying for their mistakes and corruption. The right to be free to choose to life off grid or have solar power supplement power at no cost to the government, is our way of taking care of ourselves in a system that is broken.	Alicia	
	2026-09-12 16:20:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is pricing itself out of the market, at the expense of a declining captive customer base. It's not sustainable, an creates a lot of unnecessary hardship to citizens of the country	Hennik	retired
	2026-09-12 16:22:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	According to me the Government has no say over the following 4 things: - Sun - Wind - Rain - Air that you breathe The only reason that Eskom can claim 483+ days without loadsheddind is because of Solar and Wind generation. In my personal capacity I have already saved - 23.4ton CO2 - 619kg sulfur dioxide - 13.3 tree's - 7720kg coal due to my solar installation. This surely contributes the the Government commitment to achieve global targets.	Leon	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 16:23:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	
	2026-09-12 16:23:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariana	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:26:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is done to get easy money from pensioners. No concern for the elder, only line the pockets of the criminals	Andries	retired
	2026-09-12 16:28:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-12 16:29:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mart	retired
	2026-09-12 16:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired
	2026-09-12 16:36:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is becoming unaffordable as it is and as a South African we have no alternative supplier of electricity. Why should an individual who installs his own alternative electricity like solar, to make his monthly spend more affordable be punished. In turn, if an individual relies on the only electricity supply available, why penalties or subsidies imposed to fill the coffers because the state owned power supplier is looking after its own pocket.	Graham	retired
	2026-09-12 16:37:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Willem	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:41:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous why should people be punished for going independent from the State/Government/Municipality. We live in a free country it should be my choice on whether I want to go off grid with water and or electricity. I should not be paying extra for going off grid at all and neither should the people who cannot afford to go off grid. It is Government's poor planning that has placed them in this electricity conundrum and their lack of planning and foresight should not be at the financial burden of the public.	Ashley	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:44:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manuela	retired
	2026-09-12 16:50:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lana	retired
	2026-09-12 16:52:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-09-12 17:00:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Warren	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:09:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lucia	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 17:18:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gisela	retired
	2026-09-12 17:22:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Trying to reward Solar ingenuity with another indirect form of taxation. This in the face of corrupt and inefficient service delivery. Also a form of increasing the tax burden of the productive part of society.	Mike	
	2026-09-12 17:24:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxpayers are being forced to cover for eskoms failings.	Thayin	
	2026-09-12 17:32:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am too tired to argue anymore. Government cannot keep making 10% of the country pay on behalf of 100% of the people. This is another attempt at exactly that. Solar systems were installed to assist Eskom when they did not have the supply that was demanded and it was installed to provide power when the large world renowned parastatal was too incompetent and corrupt to provide power. They only have one job: make electricity. To add a tax on it is an insult.	Jannie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:40:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Berna	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:49:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		T	
	2026-09-12 17:52:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	retired
	2026-09-12 17:53:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-09-12 17:55:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Investigate prosecute and punish the looters. Confiscate assets and convert back to funds to support the grid network. Anything else is just continuing theft and buddy protection!	Alf	retired
	2026-09-12 18:00:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please start to figure out a FAIR way to include solar system owners in your planning. There is absolutely no reason why ordinary ratepayers should start to pay up for Eskom's decades-long mismanagement. No problem to pay a small connection fee in case my system fails, but I DO NOT want to be paying unfair fees or penalties to help Eskom sort out its bad , self-inflicted current status	Sally	retired
	2026-09-12 18:01:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is because of roof top solar power that there is no more load shedding. Stop stealing and corruption. Kosile is still not operational and more than 2x over budget.	Corlia	retired
	2026-09-12 18:05:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:10:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is daylight robbery. It was Eskom's corruption and ineptitude that drove the (expensive) drive to solar. Now the 'goverment' seeks to penalise the very people that got Eskom and the country of the hook. Disgusting, but I guess this is just another outcome of bankrupt socialist dogma.	Barry	business owner
	2026-09-12 18:11:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:11:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am against the imposition of penalties and tariffs and charges for using solar.	KAMALASAGRAN	retired
	2026-09-12 18:11:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired

	2026-09-12 18:11:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hard working citizens making an honest living should not be punished for goverment’s corruption and incompetence! SA has gone from one of the cheapest electricity producers to one of the most unreliable and expensive at the cost of ratepayers.	Venessa	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:14:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronelle	
	2026-09-12 18:21:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		david	retired
	2026-09-12 18:44:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Marie	
	2026-09-12 18:50:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Olinka	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:51:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed policy is grossly unfair to ordinary households and small businesses, since the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto these captive residential households and small businesses, driving up standard retail tariffs.	James	retired
	2026-09-12 18:54:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	retired
	2026-09-12 18:56:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	they want to steal from the people that are already playing high electricity tariffs. Not fair.	Jose	employed individual
	2026-09-12 19:07:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Numerous households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-12 19:11:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 19:14:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-09-12 19:16:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liana	retired
	2026-09-12 19:23:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		EJ	retired
	2026-09-12 19:32:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lukas	retired
	2026-09-12 19:34:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karl	retired
	2026-09-12 19:35:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	
	2026-09-12 19:46:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	
	2026-09-12 19:48:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-12 19:52:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rabe	
	2026-09-12 20:04:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is a free GOD given resource to keep us warm and alive. The energy from the sun belongs to all people on earth and definitely not to Escom or any other Governmental entity. Back off Escom thieves. Solar does not belong to you. Rather start getting rid of deadwood personnel and pirates/thieves in your workforce. Reduce manpower and exorbant salaries.	Lourens	
	2026-09-12 20:16:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	retired
	2026-09-12 20:16:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruggero	
	2026-09-12 20:25:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	retired
	2026-09-12 20:26:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has just been bragging about the billions profit that they've made and now they want more money for doing nothing. Take a hike.	Jill	
	2026-09-12 20:27:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How do we stop the communist regime from destroying every democratic principle of the free market. We now have to pay yet again more incompetence and corruption tax.	Mariud	business owner
	2026-09-12 20:36:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It costs the same to maintain and provie an electricity connection to a non solar house as it does to to a house with solar panels. Such solar panels were only installed due to the incompetence and embezzelment at Eskom, or why would individuals spend so much .only to obtain electricity which should have been available if the people at Eskom were doing their jobs properly. Why should individuals pay more and more so that theft and tenderpreneurship can contine to milk money from Eskom, when Eskom would have enough money if it wasn't being stolen all the time	Pike	retired
	2026-09-12 20:38:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-09-12 20:40:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederic	retired
	2026-09-12 20:52:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	GWEN	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 20:53:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Likewise it is unfair to put the burden of lost revenues from industrial and off-grid defection on non-solar homes. Everyday households should not be left footing the bill for grid infrastructure as a result of wholesale market reforms.	Brenda	retired
	2026-09-12 20:55:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tanja	employed individual
	2026-09-12 20:59:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having spent a small fortune of my own money on installing solar and battery back-up for my home, when Eskom was unable to ensure regular electricity supply and the unit cost of electricity was increasing steeply, I am deeply offended that Eskom now wants me to pay inflated costs to help them get out of the hole they dug for themselves! There can be NO JUSTIFICATION for this approach!!!!	Geoff	retired
	2026-09-12 21:02:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		STEVEN	
	2026-09-12 21:09:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	
	2026-09-12 21:13:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	retired
	2026-09-12 21:13:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 21:14:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the current cash cow doesn’t give out milk, then it means their financial model needs to change. They created the energy crisis and consumers resolved it. They made themselves obsolete, now they should find reasonable alternatives.	Mangaliso	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:26:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cathie	retired
	2026-09-12 21:34:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-12 21:48:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I’m against this approach. People who invest their own money in solar are not the problem, they are actually reducing pressure on an already struggling electricity system and taking some responsibility for their own energy needs. If the grid needs sustainable funding, then the solution should be a fair, transparent tariff model that reflects the actual cost of maintaining the network, not punitive charges that effectively punish people for generating their own electricity. And the answer cannot be to make ordinary households who cannot afford solar carry an ever increasing burden either. We need an energy system that encourages investment, competition and reliable supply, while protecting consumers. I’m all for paying a fair share for infrastructure I actually use. I’m just not in favour of turning private investment in alternative energy into another revenue-raising mechanism. Fix the system, make the costs transparent, and don’t punish people for trying to become less dependent on it.	Kulie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 21:48:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is disturbing that the government can go this far...one would think that by having solar we could actually help to lessen the load on the grid, but this yet again shows the extreme of the incompetence	Tsepo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:55:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom/Municipality should:- 1. Stop theft, fraud & Corruption across all sectors. 2. Bill consumers who are currently not being billed or disconnect their power. 3. Increase tariffs for (heavily discounted) large scale users since those are wealthy (and mostly foreign) corporations.	Mohammed	

	2026-09-12 21:58:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-09-12 21:59:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Almarie	retired
	2026-09-12 22:02:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	B	employed individual
	2026-09-12 22:08:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People are warning less. Any salary increase, if there is one, is not inflation related, where in earth are people expected to find the money to pay for all of this.	Carol	
	2026-09-12 22:18:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 22:52:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Imran anver	self-employed
	2026-09-12 23:02:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to any tariff or policy that imposes disproportionate fixed or network charges on households and small businesses that invested in rooftop solar or battery storage. These consumers did not cause South Africa's electricity crisis. They responded to load shedding and unreliable supply by investing their own money in private generation. Their investments added capacity, reduced demand on Eskom and helped keep homes and businesses operating. Any tariff change must therefore be evidence-based, rational, proportionate, non-discriminatory and subject to meaningful public participation. It must comply with the Constitution, applicable electricity legislation, PAJA, NERSA procedures and relevant municipal legislation. Fixed charges and cost causation A fixed charge may be justified only to recover the efficiently incurred cost of maintaining a connection and providing network services. It should not be used primarily to replace lost electricity-sales revenue. Tariffs must distinguish between: • customer and metering costs; • demand and capacity costs; • energy and bulk-purchase costs; and • separately identified social or municipal policy costs. Each cost should be recovered through an appropriate and transparent charge. A blanket fixed charge that ignores actual usage and network demand may unfairly penalise solar users, low-use households and small businesses. Costs and benefits of solar Any cost-of-supply study must consider both the costs and benefits of distributed generation. Solar and batteries may reduce bulk-energy purchases, technical losses, peak demand, emergency procurement and pressure on the grid. These benefits must be quantified rather than ignored. Before approving a new charge, NERSA or the relevant municipality should publish: 1. A cost-of-supply and cost-allocation study. 2. The proposed revenue requirement and network costs. 3. The methodology used to allocate costs between customer classes. 4. The impact on solar, non-solar, low-use, prepaid and small-business customers. 5. The extent to which the charge replaces lost revenue rather than recovering network costs. 6. The avoided energy, capacity and network costs resulting from private generation. 7. The treatment of municipal surpluses, cross-subsidies, losses and unrelated expenditure. 8. An affordability, investment and socio-economic impact assessment. Fairness and private investment Large customers increasingly have access to private generation, wheeling and bilateral procurement, while households and small businesses generally have fewer alternatives. Costs must not simply be shifted to these more captive consumers. Consumers were encouraged to reduce reliance on Eskom and participate in electricity generation. A tariff that materially undermines the value of their lawful investments risks discouraging future investment in solar, batteries, energy efficiency and demand response. Any new tariff should therefore be technology-neutral, based on objective costs and phased in gradually. Existing investments should receive transitional protection where necessary. Objection and alternatives I object to any charge that: • is designed to neutralise the financial benefit of solar or batteries; • recovers lost municipal revenue rather than legitimate network costs; • shifts costs from large customers to captive consumers; • ignores the benefits of distributed generation; • conceals unrelated municipal expenditure in electricity tariffs; or • is introduced without adequate disclosure and consultation. Legitimate network costs should be recovered transparently and fairly from all network users. Less punitive alternatives include properly designed capacity or demand charges, time-of-use tariffs, transparent service charges, fair export compensation, incentives for batteries and demand response, and separately funded social subsidies. Conclusion South Africa does not have a solar-user problem. It has an electricity-system and municipal-finance problem. Households and businesses that invested in solar did not cause the crisis. They used their own capital to protect themselves from unreliable supply, add generation capacity and reduce pressure on the national grid. They should not be punished for doing what public policy sought to encourage. Any proposed charge that is not demonstrably cost-reflective, transparent, rational, proportionate and non-discriminatory should be rejected. References 1. Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996. 2. Electricity Regulation Act 4 of 2006, as amended. 3. Promotion of Administrative Justice Act 3 of 2000. 4. Municipal Systems Act 32 of 2000. 5. Municipal Finance Management Act 56 of 2003. 6. National Energy Regulator Act 7 of 2004. 7. NERSA electricity tariff methodologies and municipal tariff guidelines. 8. Department of Mineral Resources and Energy, Integrated Resource Plan 2019. 9. Eskom integrated and annual reports. 10. CSIR statistics on distributed generation and load shedding.	Carl	retired
	2026-09-12 23:02:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESKOM could not supply enough power we were encouraged to instal rooftop solar at great personal expense. We were even offered a tax incentive. Now suddenly we are being forced to pay government as though they own the sun. I am tired of paying for mismanagement and incompetence.	Deryl	retired
	2026-09-12 23:03:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-12 23:16:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joannè	retired
	2026-09-12 23:45:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable to manipulate legislation so that it forces more money out of citizens, empowering the power provider, and not the users.	sTiv	self-employed
	2026-09-12 23:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	
	2026-09-12 23:57:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	retired
	2026-09-13 00:03:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	self-employed
	2026-09-13 00:10:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Sijabule	employed individual
	2026-09-13 00:53:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	

	2026-09-13 01:25:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the direction of this policy. South Africa needs electricity-sector reform. Eskom's generation monopoly needs to end, private investment must be encouraged, and genuine competition should be welcomed. But reform cannot mean allowing large consumers to escape the system while ordinary households are left carrying the costs. My biggest concern is the treatment of residential consumers and those who have invested their own money in solar. Solar should be incentivised, not penalised. A household that generates its own electricity is reducing demand on Eskom and the national grid. Where possible, surplus power should be fed back into the grid. Calling this "free-riding" and recovering costs through increasingly unavoidable fixed charges sends exactly the wrong message. Government should be encouraging South Africans to invest in renewable energy, not making that investment financially unattractive. There is also a serious risk that ordinary middle-class households become the "captive" consumers left to carry the cost when large commercial and industrial customers obtain cheaper electricity outside municipal systems. The middle class is particularly vulnerable. Many households earn too much to receive meaningful assistance but cannot afford to become completely independent of the grid through solar, batteries and other infrastructure. If municipalities lose revenue from large customers, the answer cannot simply be higher tariffs and fixed charges for households that have nowhere else to go. Municipal electricity distribution requires structural and financial reform. And while we debate how to extract more money from consumers, South Africa continues to underutilise its enormous renewable-energy potential. We have abundant solar and wind resources, including significant offshore wind potential identified through research dating back years. We need more generation, better infrastructure, better management and genuine competition. We do not need another mechanism for consumers to pay for systemic failure. I support electricity-market reform, competition and the unbundling of Eskom. But I strongly oppose any implementation that penalises private renewable generation or leaves ordinary residential consumers carrying the financial consequences of municipal and electricity-sector failures. The citizen generating their own electricity should not be treated as a problem. They should be treated as part of the solution.	Robbyn	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 01:40:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lionel	retired
	2026-09-13 01:47:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Elsa	employed individual
	2026-09-13 01:55:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If everyone uses the grid, it collapses and cannot handle the load, only to be told that if we don't use the grid, they aren't making enough money to support the grid. It is a lose-lose situation. Since people have been implementing their own solar systems, Eskom has been more stable, so they cannot say that they can handle the load and then complain when people try to find their own solution, and then to punish them for doing so by attempting to find ways to force cash out of them. Eskom doesn't pay for the equipment and installation of these solar systems, so how are they able to charge people for the use thereof, over and above what was already paid!	Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-13 02:09:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is a huge financial burden on us and as a consumer Electricity has become beyond affordable.	Dave	self-employed
	2026-09-13 02:22:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicole	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 02:56:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not have the best interest of consumers at heart and only view us as cash cows for the elites sake in very difficult economic times.And in effect they are pricing themselves out of the market which would be to their own detriment.	Lodewickus Johannes	
	2026-09-13 03:49:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has forced us to buy solar due to their loadshedding. In fact the government at one time encouraged households to install solar by giving them discounts. We are paying exorbitant electricity prices plus line fees and higher tariffs for when we use more electricity and nowcthis. Totally unacceptable. You cannot eat your cake and still have it. Eskom has made a profit in the last 2 years and they also pay there employees higher than market rates. They also have too many employees. Get real and respect the fact that they are driving all prices up. If there was a second energy supplier I would not use Eskom. We were without poeere for over 23 hours last week. This company was established to give better lives to South Africans and now they are robbing us blind due to their incompetence. No more. I would rather go over to solar completely and cut out Eskom totally	Audrey	retired
	2026-09-13 04:45:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terry	retired
	2026-09-13 04:54:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to install Solar because Escom could not supply at their request to take pressure off the grid and we are now been penalized.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 04:57:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-09-13 05:22:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You seriously CAN'T be contemplating penalizing people for not using your product when alternative FREE option available!!!!	Patrick	self-employed
	2026-09-13 05:28:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising/Taxing houshold for years of corrupt and malmananged municipalities is not the answer to rising costs. Fix your municipalities and remove corrupt people in power of these industries so they function and comsumers will not have to pay obsurd prices for services.	Phillip	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:47:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalizing private solar investment with mandatory fixed charges. Protect non solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal shortfalls. Stop making south Africans lives difficult in this economy where most of our citizens are unemployed .	Thaniah	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:11:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-09-13 06:12:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:13:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-09-13 06:13:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Adi	retired
	2026-09-13 06:15:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:21:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a tax dressed as business. If municipalities want to do business, then do business. If they want to increase taxes then call it what it is and tax citizens more. This proposed amendment is punishing those who provided the solution to unreliable electricity supply. The thousands of small solar factories have increased the capacity of the grid to such an extent that eskom and municipalities are now panicking that they will be out of business. Buy the power from these consumers sell it to others who need more, develop business models that align with current technology rather than trying to force an outdated and redundant approach to survive through taxation. This proposed solution is lazy leadership, be better!	Ibrahim	business owner
	2026-09-13 06:23:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. I Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Kaylene	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:27:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Keagan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:27:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carla	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:29:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:31:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another case of a culture that kills, steals and destroys...	Leo	
	2026-09-13 06:35:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No 1 has the right to force charges on you for paying for yourself to supply energy ect..at your own cost and God gives everyone the sun and wind for free.!!! Stop over charging people on basics..that already battle to keep head above the water!!!	Bonita	retired
	2026-09-13 06:36:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any proposal that would impose additional fixed monthly charges, tariffs, or levies on households because they have installed solar energy and consequently use less electricity from the grid. For years, South African households experienced an unreliable electricity supply and load shedding, forcing many to invest their own money in solar panels, batteries, and other renewable-energy solutions to secure a reliable supply. These households did not cause the electricity crisis; they responded to it. It is therefore unfair to penalise households for becoming more energy independent. Solar energy reduces pressure on the national grid, reduces reliance on fossil fuels, and contributes to addressing the global climate crisis. Government policy should be encouraging this transition, not creating financial disincentives for households that have proactively invested in renewable energy. Households already pay charges associated with having a grid connection. If additional charges are proposed, government should clearly demonstrate what additional costs they represent and why existing charges are insufficient. Reduced electricity consumption should not become a reason to impose higher unavoidable monthly costs. The principle is also simple: a business should not penalise customers because they buy less of its product. It should improve its service, control its costs, and remain competitive. Electricity providers should likewise focus on efficiency, reliability, transparency, and competitiveness rather than recovering lost revenue by imposing additional costs on consumers. I therefore call upon the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Reject punitive fixed charges on households that generate their own solar electricity. 2. Reject additional tariffs designed primarily to recover revenue from households using less grid electricity. 3. Recognise and encourage household investment in renewable energy. 4. Prevent households from being subjected to multiple or escalating charges for maintaining an electricity connection. 5. Ensure that electricity-sector reform does not unfairly transfer systemic costs onto ordinary households. South Africans who invested in solar energy should not be punished because their investment has enabled them to use less electricity from the grid. Renewable energy should be encouraged as part of the solution, not treated as a threat to revenue.	Phadiel	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:37:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They will always find a way to let South Africans pay somehow due to their greedyness and corruption. So go …. yourselfs ANC	Juanita	retired
	2026-09-13 06:39:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can Eskom tax the sun? We must be the only country in the world where you pay tax to use cleaner energy!!!!! Eskom employees and the ANC tenderpreneurs stole all the money - now ordinary people need to save Eskom… and pay sun-tax!!!	Stella	employed individual

	2026-09-13 06:39:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	
	2026-09-13 06:41:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 06:45:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we be punished for failures by Eskom, the municipalities and government.	John	retired
	2026-09-13 06:45:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Irene	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:47:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sibylle	
	2026-09-13 06:49:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Muhammad	retired
	2026-09-13 06:50:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-13 06:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:51:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ROXANNE	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:53:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any proposal that would impose additional fixed monthly charges, tariffs, or levies on households because they have installed solar energy and consequently use less electricity from the grid. For years, South African households experienced an unreliable electricity supply and load shedding, forcing many to invest their own money in solar panels, batteries, and other renewable-energy solutions to secure a reliable supply. These households did not cause the electricity crisis; they responded to it. It is therefore unfair to penalise households for becoming more energy independent. Solar energy reduces pressure on the national grid, reduces reliance on fossil fuels, and contributes to addressing the global climate crisis. Government policy should be encouraging this transition, not creating financial disincentives for households that have proactively invested in renewable energy. Households already pay charges associated with having a grid connection. If additional charges are proposed, government should clearly demonstrate what additional costs they represent and why existing charges are insufficient. Reduced electricity consumption should not become a reason to impose higher unavoidable monthly costs. The principle is also simple: a business should not penalise customers because they buy less of its product. It should improve its service, control its costs, and remain competitive. Electricity providers should likewise focus on efficiency, reliability, transparency, and competitiveness rather than recovering lost revenue by imposing additional costs on consumers. I therefore call upon the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Reject punitive fixed charges on households that generate their own solar electricity. 2. Reject additional tariffs designed primarily to recover revenue from households using less grid electricity. 3. Recognise and encourage household investment in renewable energy. 4. Prevent households from being subjected to multiple or escalating charges for maintaining an electricity connection. 5. Ensure that electricity-sector reform does not unfairly transfer systemic costs onto ordinary households. South Africans who invested in solar energy should not be punished because their investment has enabled them to use less electricity from the grid. Renewable energy should be encouraged as part of the solution, not treated as a threat to revenue.	Maureen	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:58:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natali	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:59:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a joke, imagine charging the sun. Eskom you've failed miserably and it's long past time to get your house in order. GET YOUR HOUSE IN ORDER!	Denise	retired
	2026-09-13 07:02:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption and poor governance forced the implementation of solar power. Solar power was actually promoted when there was load shedding. They get totally unwarranted fat bonuses , they should limit the bonuses as the management does not warrant it. Now that there is no more load shedding most definitely not because Eskom has come to the the party but because solar has been implemented at consumers costs,. They now make a complete turnaround and punish the very same people that got them out of trouble. The very same people that they are targeting will now go off grid and they will be left with non payers mainly. Their incompetence doesnt alow them to see further than their nose. Privatize Eskom and you will see the dead wood being thrown out	Temmy	retired
	2026-09-13 07:03:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Individuals have used their own money to build infrastructure because Eskom failed because of bad management. Rather than taxing people more they should do what all other struggling businesses do, cut unnecessary costs and increase efficiency. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. People are already struggling to pay the current costs of electricity. This will just make the cost of living higher and push more people into poverty. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Companies can claim electricity costs as a deduction but everyday households have no relief from high costs as above, this will push more people into poverty.	Leanne	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:04:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing the people who keep the government running with additional forced payments is NOT going to work for the country. Why must we pay for Eskoms mis management?	Ziggy	
	2026-09-13 07:07:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption and poor governance forced the implementation of solar power. Solar power was actually promoted when there was load shedding. They get totally unwarranted fat bonuses , they should limit the bonuses as the management does not warrant it. Now that there is no more load shedding most definitely not because Eskom has come to the the party but because solar has been implemented at consumers costs,. They now make a complete turnaround and punish the very same people that got them out of trouble. The very same people that they are targeting will now go off grid and they will be left with non payers mainly. Their incompetence doesnt alow them to see further than their nose. Privatize Eskom and you will see the dead wood being thrown out	Allen	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:09:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	
	2026-09-13 07:10:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilmur	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:10:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	
	2026-09-13 07:11:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Silvana	retired
	2026-09-13 07:12:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Virginie	retired
	2026-09-13 07:13:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The paying public are being forced to pay for a service that was destroyed by an entity that "milked" the system by paying obscenely exhorbitant salaries and putting precious little back by way of maintenance and investment. It is unbelievable that Eskom has the audacity to claim that they have lost revenue due to the growth of clean energy yet in the same breath it is announced that they have posted a 30 billion Rand profit. We, the public, are taken for fools by an organization that is run by a bunch of people who are driven by greed and corruption.	Russell	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:16:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennilee	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:17:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses spent considerable money on rooftop solar, battery systems, and energy-efficient upgrades to protect themselves against load shedding, only to now face higher fixed monthly connection fees.	Kelly	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:20:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 07:22:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun Tax is unethical and unacceptable.	Matthew	
	2026-09-13 07:26:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to install solar when Eskom could not cope. We were even offered discounted systems to install solar with the opportunity to take out loans to assist with the installation. Now we are penalised for doing it. This is not a democratic country!	Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:27:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:31:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People that have spent large amounts on solar should not be penalized and non solar households being penalized is even worse. Eskom should find ways of increasing their sales and making their product more attractive to the masses	Keith	retired
	2026-09-13 07:31:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Niall	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:32:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	retired
	2026-09-13 07:32:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-13 07:32:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanne	
	2026-09-13 07:42:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		leatitia	retired

	2026-09-13 07:48:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nikki	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:49:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:49:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges are are double taxation. The supply lines to my property should be covered by my income taxes and I should only be charged for my consumption. This cross subsidised electricity causes the poor to skip these fixed line cost and the burden is carried by the farmers at a great expense. The so-called poor hides their actual income by living in areas automatically classified as poor but when you look at their spendable income, you realise that they are actually middle class households and visa versa. Your geographical location of your property becomes a liability. This has to end. We are supposed to be equal according to the Constitution.	Deon	
	2026-09-13 07:50:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-13 08:02:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	DO NOT penalize me for getting solar because of continuous power outages! I spent a lot of money to avoid being left in the dark and will not be punished for doing so!	CAROL	retired
	2026-09-13 08:05:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spent a lot of money to avoid continuous power outages. I will not be punished for doing so!	CAROL	retired
	2026-09-13 08:13:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	cannot find the words to complain about the corruption!!!	MIKE	
	2026-09-13 08:14:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another way the government will use to break the ordinary man on the street and force them into poverty	Herman	
	2026-09-13 08:15:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elvia	retired
	2026-09-13 08:16:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deborah	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:16:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-09-13 08:18:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already paying a monthly basic electricity levy of R500 for streetlights that do not work. I was forced to install solar systems because the corrupt ESKOM outfit could not supply consistent power (30 years ago ESKOM was rated the best run company in Africa). This mismanagement was obviously brought about by the corrupt ANC cadre deployed government over a period of 30 Years. Obviously, government employees living in government compounds do not have to put up with this "Kak", that is why they do not give a "shit". I will totally refuse to pay any additional "solar, fixed line tariffs, cross subsidies, etc.". The local population voted for this corrupt ANC government, so it's about time they start paying the real price of electricity costs as well.	Frank	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:23:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-13 08:25:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-13 08:26:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is the government's incompetence to supply clean and cheap electricity becoming a financial burden on the taxpayer that invested personal money to fix their unreliable electric feed	Francois	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:27:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lance	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:30:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wim	retired
	2026-09-13 08:30:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jac	
	2026-09-13 08:33:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are sick of being scammed by this ANC government. If Eskom was operated correctly, electricity would be half the price. This is another way to steal from the citizens.	Niel	retired
	2026-09-13 08:36:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronica	
	2026-09-13 08:36:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		roger	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:41:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		TRACY	
	2026-09-13 08:43:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an individual earning only commission and or fees it is difficult to budget as your income fluctuates. So increasing electricity rates leaves a burden. No power leaves a burden of not being able to work and having more fees on top of higher fees runs you to the ground and not having money to live. Solar started due to eskom not being able to deliver. Yet we paid more somehow even when we had no power for days on end. How did that work and where did that surplus go. Not our fault. Solar was for energy security. It still is die to break downs. Thus not providing should also be illegal then as we pay more in those times as well. We cannot continue to meep paying and not have power to work or even people employing people and cannot operate. Charging other continuously without supplying is also a crime. People reverted to energy security for non supply and high rates being unsustainable. This is just another way to govern steel and tax more for not being able to provide cheap energy yet you want the economy to boom but fail to see if you deliver on cheaper running costs people will have more to spend, businesses can thrive and employers can employ more and generate more taxes automatically. Wake up government! Your killing your own steeling pool even further	Jaco	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:48:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eneth	retired
	2026-09-13 08:50:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		don	retired
	2026-09-13 08:58:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties I do not believe that any residential rate payer should pay any extra charges for having installed solar panels , inverter and battery backup (not to mention the exorbitant cost of the latter) so that thet are not left without electricity during loadshedding, frequent outages with extended repair times. Also, rate payers should not have to pay any registration fees which essentially is yet another "EsKom Scam".	Les	retired
	2026-09-13 08:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is finding all sorts of ways to penalize the public instead of.perhaps investing in this project, reduve the load and keep South Africa powered. Plenty of South Africans live in poverty and cannot afford to pay this and will end up in the dark. This is takimg away our human right to elictricity, eating hot meals and keeping warm in winter and cool in summer. Government is one sided, our way or the highway instead of supporting the nation.	wayne	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:59:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynette	
	2026-09-13 09:00:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Nomahlubi	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mikayla	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 09:03:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You couldn’t supply stable electricity for years that forced the citizens to supply their own electricity at great cost You have no right to tax solar	Trevor	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:03:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:09:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:10:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This typical flip flopping by government is disgusting!!! The President, about a year or two back, offered substantial tax relief to install solar to “help” them. Now that we have installed it, they want to charge us to use it. Not a chance in hell will a be charged by government fir installing my own power generation!! ANC must fall, in fact be buried!!	Burt	retired
	2026-09-13 09:13:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are fed up of the inability of municipalities to maintain infrastructure despite high tariffs. If they have the ability to make alternative arrangements like solar then why the hell should they be punished. This is totally unacceptable. Fix the problem which is poor infrastructure management of municipalities and not punish the consumers who are proactive.	Saira	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:17:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reduce the exorbitant salaries paid to 'so called' executives of millions of rands of taxpayers money & give something back to the hard working consumer instead. This government have become MONEY GREEDY & passes EVERYYHING on to the consumer. These huge yearly electricity increases that always get approved by NERSA (I wonder what their salaries are ??) have become rediculous & could be avoided if this government would WAKE UP to the fact that SOLAR ENERGY FARMS are the answer ....This country has an abundance of sunshine, so why don,t they use it.	Brian	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:18:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Require an independent, external ombud mechanism to adjudicate grid access disputes, connection queue allocations, and dispatch fairness without regulatory delay.	Cara	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:21:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. This proposed policy is an affront to democracy and is turning South Africa into a "master versus slave" state.	Antoon	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:22:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:23:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please!! We are already struggling to make a living!! Electricity costs more than our monthly groceries!! We are cutting on every part of our power use daily as it is!! We will start using gas and candles, if our power usage gets any higher. We do everything in the same for years now, but the cost is higher every month!!	Zelda	retired
	2026-09-13 09:25:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Egene	retired
	2026-09-13 09:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This typical flip flopping by government is disgusting!!! The President, about a year or two back, offered substantial tax relief to install solar to “help” them. Now that we have installed it, they want to charge us to use it. Not a chance in hell will a be charged by government fir installing my own power generation!! ANC must fall, in fact be buried!!	Burt	retired

	2026-09-13 09:26:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government turned SA into a failed state on all departments. As a result the lawlessness at the Union Buildings filtered down to grass root level. Solar systems were installed at huge costs to literally keep the lights on in South Africa, including the Union Buildings. Now this same lawless regime want to punish those who kept the lights on. Eskom falsely claim to have been turned around and is again a reliable electricity supplier, whilst still generating less power than 15 years ago. The lawlessness at Eskom resulted in vast networks trading in stolen power cables, so no matter what Eskom generate, the distribution network is becoming more and more unreliable. Punishing those who kept the lights on is the same as biting the hand that feeds you. It is well documented that the bloated staff compliment at Eskom earn about 30% more in wages compared to anywhere else in the private sector. Eskom must reduce staff and have all employees reapply for their positions, at a 30% reduced wage. If Eskom want to compete it should do so on equal footing with competitors.	Leon	retired
	2026-09-13 09:34:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:36:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danielle Naude	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:37:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:53:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current government is not capable of running anything effectively. They have messed up the electricity supply and now want ratepayers to make up for their losses.	Graham	retired
	2026-09-13 09:54:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": I strongly object to the introduction of punitive fixed grid fees targeting households and businesses that have invested in rooftop solar. This policy penalises private capital investment in clean energy, undermining national climate commitments. By imposing unavoidable capacity charges, the state discourages innovation, energy independence, and resilience. The Constitution guarantees the right to property and freedom of trade; punitive levies on lawful private investment violate these principles. Requested Relief: Remove all proposals for fixed monthly "anti-free-riding" charges. Instead, incentivise distributed generation through fair net-metering and transparent grid maintenance contributions. Protect Captive Consumers: The Position Paper's framework unfairly burdens ordinary households who cannot afford solar or off-grid systems. Allowing large industrial users to bypass municipal distributors while shifting costs onto residential consumers entrenches inequality. Municipalities should not be permitted to balance their books by hiking tariffs on captive households. This approach risks deepening energy poverty, contradicting the constitutional obligation to provide affordable basic services. Requested Relief: Explicitly bar municipalities from passing industrial revenue losses onto non-solar households. Establish equitable cost-sharing mechanisms that protect vulnerable consumers. Transparency First: Wholesale market reforms must not proceed without clear safeguards for everyday households. The Position Paper lacks transparency on how grid infrastructure costs will be allocated. Without explicit protections, households risk becoming the default payers of last resort for systemic inefficiencies. Constitutional public participation requires that reforms be explained in plain language, with full disclosure of financial impacts on ordinary consumers. Requested Relief: Mandate transparent tariff methodologies, publish detailed cost allocation models, and ensure independent regulatory oversight before implementation. Therefore, in conclusion: The proposed reforms, if enacted without amendment, will: - Penalise clean energy investment, - Entrench inequality between industrial and household consumers, and - Expose ordinary South Africans to unaffordable electricity costs. I therefore request that the Department withdraw or amend the Position Paper to align with constitutional principles of fairness, transparency, and public participation.	Duncan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:56:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	retired
	2026-09-13 10:01:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Voetsek with your continuous campaign to tax the public for your corruption, cadre deployment, destruction of our state entities, pilfering of state, parastatal & municipal coffers! Voetsek ANC!!	Mark	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:02:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole reason we are forced to spend a fortune getting solar is because of ESKOM's collapse. Only to be held hostage with fixed ESKOM penalty fees.	Heidi	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:02:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	retired
	2026-09-13 10:03:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Albertus	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:03:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudia	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:04:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced many people into investing in solar due to their thievery and incompetence to deliver a stable supply. Now it seems we are to be punished by the very suppliers who could not supply same.	Sally	retired
	2026-09-13 10:10:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:13:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Greg	business owner
	2026-09-13 10:23:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This prnalizes private individuals who have made a significant personal investment to protect themselves from lad-shedding. I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Nicola	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:25:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kimayne	
	2026-09-13 10:28:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	retired
	2026-09-13 10:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pensioners 60 + should be exempted from paying tax as they paid their fair share already. Residents should not be held hostage by governments greediness. We are already RAPED financially as is. Government have NO humanity in them at all.	Louis	
	2026-09-13 10:31:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:31:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marisa	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:34:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iee	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:36:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aleksandar	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:37:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar power to avoid loadshedding & to assist the grid overall & should not be taxed anything for this initiative.	Lloyd	retired
	2026-09-13 10:37:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	retired
	2026-09-13 10:41:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudia	retired
	2026-09-13 10:44:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrea	retired
	2026-09-13 10:44:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are law abiding South Africans being charged such high tariffs to counter losses caused by ESKOM's inefficiency and corrupt activities? (Electricity prices have increased 2000% since 1994 and if ESKOM wasn't so corrupt we would only be paying around 53c per kwh right now, based on inflation since 1994.) Free and unlimited electricity, for those who SHOULD be paying, is where you should start to drastically improve Eskom's income. As well as the exorbitant debts incurred by Municipalities through mismanagement of their adequate yearly Budgets... Taxing and Fining those who install Solar to get off the unstable grid is just another sign of the inefficiency plaguing South Africa's failing Infrastructure.	Lynda	retired
	2026-09-13 10:45:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Esçom cannot supply continued power to all the residents of this country and the private individual's taxes etc only go to state coffers ....pilferring of State funds	Dries	retired
	2026-09-13 10:46:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sune	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers should not be penalised if Eskom cannot provide reliable power to the members of the public, as was the case in the past. Residents have had to find a way to provide for themselves. Government and Eskom must reppair, replace or rebuild the capacity to proide power to the country.	Bob	retired
	2026-09-13 10:49:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gray	retired
	2026-09-13 10:51:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemarie	
	2026-09-13 10:56:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sisipho	
	2026-09-13 11:01:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	

	2026-09-13 11:02:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-09-13 11:04:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners are forced to install solar systems because of: 1 The expensive price of electricity supplied to homes 2 Unreliable municipal supply of electricity 3 Load shedding Punishing your own consumers for your company's mismanagement is not only unfair, but will lead to a death spiral of Eskom's income generation and worsen the financial viability of Eskom. Every year less electricity will be sold, at a ever higher prices, to the municipal consumer and force more people to move away from electricity provided by Eskom.	JJ	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:06:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I BOUGHT MY SOLAR SYSTEM BECAUSE OF THE NON RELIABLE ESKOM AND MUNICIPALITY SWITCHING MY VENDING OFF EVERY MONTH..I BOUGHT MY HOME..INSIDE MY PROPERTY I DO WHAT I WANT.. NO MONEY WILL BE GIVEN FOR MY SOLAR...UNIXIPALITY GIVES NO SERVICE IN THAT REGARD.SO ACCORDING PRIVATE LAW..NO SERVICE NO MONEY...I WILL STOP PAYING ANNYTHING TO THEM IF THIS GOES INTO A UNLAWFULL LAW WHICH THEY MAKE.LOTS OF EVERY DAY.	Herman	retired
	2026-09-13 11:08:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the cANCer wants us to pay for them not doing their jobs.	Ronald	retired
	2026-09-13 11:12:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Surprise	retired
	2026-09-13 11:15:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another example of the absolute criminal mindset by those who are a part of the criminal BEE movement. Very typical of the criminality now a daily part of all who belong to the Association for Nationwide Criminals (ANC) under the leadership of Crime Boss Ramaphosa.	Johan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:17:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WILLIAM	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:21:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Géne	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:24:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:25:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should be removed from governments absolute control. It is a public service utility and as such should be run on a non profit base with governments input limited to infrastructure development with proper oversight and the recoup of taxpayer monies over the lifespan of said project to finance new developments.	Jakobus P H	retired
	2026-09-13 11:29:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-13 11:33:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marinda	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:33:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly the sun does not belong to the government or ESKOM or any SOE. Solar is the solution to Global warming and furthermore the cost come from the individual or industry entity to install it. Corruption and eligal connections in mainly townships is robbing Eskom of its income. Corrupt municipalities further contribute to non payment. Therefore solar users are not the problem.	Ben	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:35:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If mines paid the same for electricity that a normal consumer/ratepayer pays then ESKOM would relieve much of the financial burden they are trying to pass on to the regular consumer. Also, stop penalising solar, it's private investment due to governance failures. Fix the system instead of expecting the consumer to keep paying for government failures!	Clint	
	2026-09-13 11:38:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Warrick	
	2026-09-13 11:39:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Feroz	
	2026-09-13 11:43:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is clear that it is always about how Eskom can manipulate the system to benefit themselves, never the consumer!	Robyn	
	2026-09-13 11:49:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Phillip	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:50:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	+-20 years ago eskom subsidized solar panels because they couldn't provide the service, and the public - in desperation - made a plan, and suddenly now they want to claw back for their incompetence and poor management. Feels like this new bill is just using the already highly taxed public to keep the trough topped up.	Shona	retired
	2026-09-13 11:53:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christoph Reiser	retired
	2026-09-13 11:54:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karel	
	2026-09-13 11:59:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		W	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:07:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	retired
	2026-09-13 12:08:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding was created by Eskom & ANC Policies, corruption and inaction. Househols and businesses were forced to look for alternatives, such as, roof-top solar systems which were then installed. Now Eskom sits with excise supply, they may claim that they have sorted out the system and brought about stability, utter crap! To now introduce a tax to penalize those who solved the problem, it not feasible.	Alan	
	2026-09-13 12:12:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Billy	retired
	2026-09-13 12:16:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I write in my capacity as a private citizen and paying electricity customer to register my objection to the Draft Revised Electricity Pricing Policy in its current form, and to set out the grounds on which I believe it fails the people it is meant to serve. 1. The context in which this policy is being introduced Electricity tariffs in South Africa have risen by more than 900% since 2007, against cumulative inflation of a small fraction of that figure. Over the same period, the reliability of supply collapsed, and households and businesses were left to fund their own solutions to a crisis they did not create. Any policy that proposes a further move towards "cost-reflective" pricing over five years must begin by acknowledging that citizens have already paid, repeatedly and heavily, for costs that were not efficiently or prudently incurred. The draft does not adequately acknowledge this, and it offers no assurance that the trajectory of the past two decades will not simply continue under a new label. 2. Municipal debt and the burden on compliant customers The Minister has stated publicly that between one and 2.5 percentage points of the tariff paid by compliant customers currently exists only because Eskom cannot recover what municipalities owe it. In other words, households who pay their accounts in full have for years been made to underwrite the failures of municipalities that do not. The draft policy states that bad debt, theft and inefficiency will no longer be recoverable through tariffs. I welcome that principle. But a stated principle is not a safeguard. I therefore submit that the final policy must: prohibit, in binding and enforceable terms, the inclusion of any municipal arrears or unrecovered debt in any tariff approved by NERSA, with an explicit obligation on the Regulator to reject applications that include it; require that the removal of this component be reflected as a visible reduction in the next tariff determination, not absorbed elsewhere in the tariff; make the ring-fencing of municipal electricity revenue a legal requirement with consequences for non-compliance, rather than an aspiration. A citizen pays for the electricity they consume. What a municipality does with that revenue is a matter between the municipality and the State. It is not, and must never again become, the paying customer's liability. 3. Households that invested in their own generation Hundreds of thousands of households installed solar and battery systems at considerable personal expense. They did so not as a lifestyle choice but because the national utility could not keep the lights on. These households reduced demand on a failing grid at precisely the moment it was most needed, and in doing so they did the State a service. The draft proposes that such customers "contribute towards the cost of maintaining the network" through network charges, alongside net-billing arrangements. I object to any structure that, in practice, penalises self-generation through fixed or capacity charges that recover from solar households the revenue lost because they no longer buy as much electricity. To ask people to pay a premium for having solved a problem the utility created would be manifestly unjust. I ask that the final policy: guarantee that network charges for prosumers are strictly limited to the demonstrable, audited cost of the grid services they actually use; prohibit fixed charges designed to recover lost sales volume from self-generating customers; set export credits under net billing at a rate that reflects the genuine value of that electricity to the system. 4. The impact on poor and vulnerable households The years of load-shedding fell hardest on those who could least afford alternatives. The Minister has now conceded in Parliament that no targeted study has measured the impact of tariff increases on poor households. It is not acceptable to move towards cost-reflective pricing without that evidence. The proposed increase in the Free Basic Electricity allocation is welcome, but it has not been costed, and the existing allocation is widely diverted by municipalities away from its intended recipients. I request that the policy be finalised only after a published affordability impact assessment, and that the delivery of Free Basic Electricity be made auditable and enforceable. 5. Accountability The decline of an electricity system that was once among the most reliable in the world is the result of identifiable decisions by identifiable people. No pricing policy can be credible while the cost of that decline continues to be socialised onto customers and no meaningful accountability follows. I ask that the policy explicitly exclude from recoverable costs any expenditure arising from mismanagement, irregular procurement or negligence, and that the Department report publicly on the consequences imposed for such conduct. Conclusion I do not oppose transparency, nor do I oppose the principle that tariffs should reflect only efficient and prudent costs. I oppose a policy that states these principles while leaving the mechanisms to enforce them undefined, and that risks shifting yet more cost onto the citizens who have already borne the consequences of the sector's failure. I respectfully request that the draft be revised in line with the points above before it is finalised. I would welcome written acknowledgement of this submission. Thanks.	Daniel	self-employed

	2026-09-13 12:21:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid (“wires”) from electricity sales (“retail/trading”), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units.	G	self-employed
	2026-09-13 12:26:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laszlo	retired
	2026-09-13 12:29:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Nicholas	self-employed
	2026-09-13 12:31:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-13 12:36:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	retired
	2026-09-13 12:37:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-13 12:37:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JOE	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 12:38:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to be totally privatised over a +/- 10 year period. A minimum of 10 generators, each of whom would hold a percentage of the distribution network equivalent to their generating capacity, to allow freedom of consumer to buy from their choice. Municipalities to be excluded from the distribution which is to be handled by the network	John	retired
	2026-09-13 12:42:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denny	retired
	2026-09-13 12:43:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rod	retired
	2026-09-13 12:56:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	business owner
	2026-09-13 12:57:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilton	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:03:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The undersigned strongly opposes the measures outlined in the Position Paper, specifically regarding the introduction of fixed capacity charges and so-called "anti-free-riding" mechanisms targeting distributed photovoltaic generation. Policies designed to penalize self-consumption through punitive fixed fees present severe technical, legal, and economic flaws, as evidenced by regulatory failures observed in international markets. 1. The Fallacy of the "Anti-Free-Riding" Narrative and Systemic Benefits of Distributed Generation Classifying prosumers as agents avoiding network costs ("free riders") ignores the net, measurable benefits that distributed generation provides to the electrical grid: Capital Expenditure (CapEx) Deferral: Localized generation reduces congestion on transmission and transformation lines during daytime peak loads. As demonstrated by empirical studies in liberalized markets (such as Australia and various US states like California), distributed solar defers the need for costly peak-capacity grid upgrades. Reduction of Transmission Losses: Energy consumed in situ eliminates the line losses associated with long-distance transport from centralized power plants. 2. The Regulatory Error of Fixed Capacity Charges (International Precedents) Imposing heavy fixed capacity charges to recover utility revenue shortfalls caused by lower volumetric consumption creates perverse incentives and undermines the energy transition: Price Signal Distortion: A high proportion of fixed costs decouples the utility bill from actual consumption behavior. This destroys the economic incentive for energy efficiency, demand flexibility, and the adoption of energy storage systems (batteries), which are critical pillars for future grid stability. The California and Australian Precedents: Similar attempts to impose punitive fixed fees or retroactive penalties on residential solar (such as the Net Energy Metering reforms in California or debates over residential demand charges in Australia) triggered intense consumer backlash, legal challenges, and a severe slowdown in private investments in clean energy, frequently forcing regulators to backtrack in the face of economic inefficiency. 3. Retroactive Effect and Violation of Legal Certainty Many consumers planned and executed substantial capital investments (CapEx) relying on a regulatory and tariff framework based on volumetric consumption. Altering the tariff structure punitively post-facto violates the principle of legal certainty and legitimate expectation, penalizing retroactively those who proactively advanced national decarbonization targets. Conclusion We urgently request the complete removal of any punitive measures or discriminatory fixed tariffs targeting photovoltaic system owners. Grid sustainability must not be pursued by penalizing efficiency and energy autonomy; rather, it requires market evolution centered on flexibility, the remuneration of balancing services provided by storage systems, and an efficient rationalization of traditional operators' operational expenditures (OpEx).	Stefano	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:04:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eben	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:06:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Stephen	retired
	2026-09-13 13:06:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heidi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 13:06:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faith	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 13:10:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a rate payer I had to invest in solar due to Escom and government's inability to plan and maintain. I t is madness to expect us to pay for their failure. Will government adhere to their own plan since were I stay all the properties where border officials stay had solar systems installed.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 13:11:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and municipal power tariffs are grossly inflated due to corruption, fraud and mismanagement led by ANC and its cadre deployment. This Act needs to allow all consumers to generate their own power and not to "pay" for ANC and municipality "sins" of the past. No fixed charges, only power supplied at lowest possible costs with Eskom competing on level footing with commercial and residential lowest costs produced.	Les	retired
	2026-09-13 13:11:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Liza	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:21:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	
	2026-09-13 13:24:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once AGAIN the ANC government wants to fill THEIR COFFERS with the public paying for solar that the RESIDENT / OWNER ETC ETC installed. The ANC DESTROYED ESKOM..... fix that !!!!!!11 but there is NO MONEY.	Cheryl	retired
	2026-09-13 13:29:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	retired

	2026-09-13 13:32:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	**PUBLIC COMMENT: PROPOSED ELECTRICITY MARKET REFORM AND THE TREATMENT OF ROOFTOP SOLAR CUSTOMERS** I support the development of a reliable, competitive and financially sustainable South African electricity system. However, I strongly object to any tariff structure that effectively penalises residential and small-business consumers for investing their own money in rooftop solar and reducing the amount of electricity they purchase from the grid. I accept that a customer who remains connected to the electricity network should make a reasonable contribution toward the genuine cost of maintaining that connection and the distribution infrastructure used by that customer. However, there is an important distinction between paying a fair grid-access charge and imposing large fixed charges on solar customers in order to replace revenue that Eskom or municipalities have lost because those customers now purchase less electricity. **Consumers should pay for services they receive, not compensate electricity suppliers for electricity they no longer need to purchase.** A household that purchases and installs solar panels, batteries and an inverter has invested private capital to reduce its dependence on the electricity system. That household has also reduced demand on the national generation system, particularly during periods when its solar system is generating electricity. Government policy should encourage such private investment rather than financially penalise it. 1. Fixed charges must be demonstrably cost-reflective If a grid-connected household creates an identifiable cost for the distributor, that cost should be transparently calculated and recovered fairly. A fixed charge should therefore reflect the reasonable cost of providing and maintaining the customer's connection, metering and network capacity. It should not become a mechanism for recovering historical losses, inefficient expenditure, municipal revenue shortfalls, cross-subsidies unrelated to that customer's grid usage, or revenue lost because consumers have reduced their electricity purchases. If the proposed tariff is genuinely based on the cost of providing the grid connection, Government and NERSA should be required to publish the calculation demonstrating this. 2. Solar customers should not be treated as "free riders" Describing households that have invested substantial amounts of their own money in alternative generation as "free riders" is inappropriate unless those customers are actually receiving grid services without contributing toward them. Many solar customers continue paying connection charges and purchasing electricity from the grid when required. They have simply reduced the quantity of electricity they purchase. Reducing consumption is not free riding. A consumer who installs more efficient lighting, a solar geyser, insulation or energy-efficient appliances also reduces electricity purchases. A solar installation is another form of private investment that reduces demand. Consumers should not be penalised simply because their investment has been particularly effective. 3. The policy risks creating a perverse incentive South Africa has spent years encouraging additional private generation because the country has experienced severe electricity shortages and load shedding. Thousands of households and businesses responded by spending their own capital on solar generation and battery storage. Introducing substantial unavoidable charges after consumers have made those investments sends the wrong message: **Invest in reducing pressure on the electricity system, and once enough people do so, the tariff structure will be changed to recover the revenue that the electricity supplier has lost.** That creates regulatory uncertainty and damages public confidence in future government energy initiatives. 4. Electricity distributors should not be guaranteed their previous sales revenue The transition to distributed generation inevitably changes the traditional electricity business model. The solution cannot simply be to transfer the distributor's declining electricity-sales revenue onto consumers through ever-increasing fixed charges. In virtually every industry, technological change requires businesses and institutions to adapt. Electricity distributors should likewise become more efficient and restructure their operations rather than being protected indefinitely from changing consumer behaviour. A regulated monopoly should not effectively be guaranteed the same revenue regardless of how much of its product consumers actually purchase. ### 5. Households must not become captive ratepayers I am particularly concerned about a future market in which large industrial customers are increasingly able to procure electricity competitively while ordinary households and small businesses remain captive to municipal or Eskom distribution networks. If large electricity users are permitted to leave or substantially reduce their contribution to the traditional electricity supply model, the resulting revenue shortfall should not simply be transferred to residential consumers and small businesses through escalating fixed charges. That would socialise the financial consequences of market reform onto the customers with the least bargaining power. 6. Rooftop solar provides benefits to the electricity system The tariff methodology should recognise not only the costs associated with solar customers but also the benefits they can provide. Distributed solar can reduce daytime demand, reduce generation requirements, reduce transmission of electricity over long distances and potentially defer certain network investments. Where customers export electricity into the grid, there should furthermore be a transparent and reasonable mechanism for compensating them for electricity supplied to the system. Any cost-of-service study used to justify solar tariffs should therefore calculate **both the costs and benefits of distributed generation**. 7. Consumers should have the right to genuine energy independence A household generating electricity entirely behind its own meter, using privately owned equipment on private property, should not be charged for electricity that it generates and consumes itself. Government and regulators should clearly establish the principle that: **Electricity generated and consumed behind a customer's meter is not electricity supplied by Eskom or a municipality and should not attract an energy charge.** Where the customer uses the public network, reasonable network charges may apply. The distinction is fundamental. 8. Proposed safeguards I therefore request that the final Electricity Pricing Policy and electricity-market framework expressly provide that: 1. Fixed network charges must be independently demonstrated to be cost-reflective. 2. Solar customers may not be subjected to punitive charges merely because they purchase less electricity. 3. Behind-the-meter generation and consumption must not attract an electricity energy charge. 4. Tariffs must recognise both the costs and benefits that distributed generation creates for the electricity system. 5. NERSA should require distributors to publish the methodology and calculations supporting fixed charges. 6. Residential and small-business customers should be protected from being forced to absorb revenue lost when large customers migrate to private electricity traders. 7. Feed-in/export tariffs should be transparent, fair and periodically reviewed. 8. Consumers should be permitted to reduce their reliance on the grid without being financially penalised for doing so. Conclusion South Africa needs a financially sustainable electricity grid, and consumers who use that grid should contribute fairly toward its genuine costs. However, **cost recovery must not become revenue protection**. Households that have invested their own savings in solar generation should not be used as a new r	RICHARD	business owner
	2026-09-13 13:32:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		H	business owner
	2026-09-13 13:32:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eric	retired
	2026-09-13 13:33:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom MUST cut its costs BEFORE any increases in charges - Lets get rid of all these highly paid but basically incompetent managers before they try and penalize people who have invested in Solar	Dave	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:35:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	
	2026-09-13 13:35:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marlon	
	2026-09-13 13:38:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally unfair.	Fayaz	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:38:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Once again the ANC government is trying to milk the paying public. Electricity costs have sky rocketed in the last 30 years due to Eskom gross mismangement.	Dieter	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:41:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karin	business owner
	2026-09-13 13:41:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair extortion.	Gavin	retired
	2026-09-13 13:49:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is very unfair towards consumers and ratepayers. It is not necessarily true that ALL people who installed solar, could afford it. Many had to get loans, but due to ESKOM AND GOVERNMENT POLICIES AND PLANNING, we suffered many losses and had no choice to install solar. WE paid , and are still for these installations, NOT Eskom or Government This is pure Communistic leaning behavior	Joni	
	2026-09-13 13:50:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is horrifying that Eskim is able to abuse the people of South Africa to such a degree and to make an offer of change that continues the abuse is shocking. The man on the street doesn't benefit in any way at all. It is time for change	Sue	
	2026-09-13 13:52:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goal should be to reduce electricity pricing, allowing individuals and businesses to push power back to the grid for consumption. You cannot tax the sun or rain for that matter. Less Tax and lower costs = business growth and expansion which in turn = more jobs and a wider tax base. It's not hard. You need more power from various avenues to reduce the burden on the state and drive costs down.	bruce	

	2026-09-13 13:58:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Those crooks are blaming and penalising those who took action for their incompetence and crime. They fatten themselves, their families, and their friends with public money instead of taking up and developing the country's power supply. While private producers should be encouraged to produce more, they do the opposite. Penalise them for keeping the lights on by reducing the load on the grid.	Didier	business owner
	2026-09-13 14:06:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-09-13 14:08:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathy	retired
	2026-09-13 14:09:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dr Pieter	retired
	2026-09-13 14:10:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its entirety. This policy is not reform—it is exploitation. The government seeks control, and unfair policies that strip citizens of free will. It is a corrupt attempt to penalise households for solving a problem the state itself failed to fix. It is simply another way for government to be corrupt and steal money from ordinary citizens. We needed solar because the government could not provide reliable electricity. Families invested their own money to secure power when the grid collapsed. Now, instead of supporting self-reliance, the government wants to punish those who made alternative plans with punitive fixed grid fees and capacity charges. I specifically reject: 1. The Sun Tax: unavoidable monthly levies on solar households, penalising private capital and discouraging clean energy adoption. 2. Tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, forced to subsidise industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. 3. Market unbundling that allows large mines and factories to bypass municipalities, leaving ordinary homes to carry the financial burden. 4. The erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. 5. The lack of transparency in wholesale reforms, which risks leaving everyday citizens footing the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is an overreach. It discourages clean energy, undermines private investment, and traps households in spiralling costs. It is fundamentally unjust to penalise citizens for taking initiative when government failed to deliver electricity in the first place. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Ensure transparency so reforms do not burden ordinary households. The government has become a burden, seeking only to extract money and consolidate power. Citizens do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, transparent policies that protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Natasha	business owner
	2026-09-13 14:19:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-13 14:26:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who could afford solar were backed into a corner because Eskom could not supply reliable electricity. The government did not consider the effect of their lack of maintenance and expansion of the power grid for a growing population, and now wish to punish consumers across the board for it. South Africans are at their limits with unnecessary costs and the enormous cost of living in South Africa. The effect has already been huge in terms of industry not having sufficient power, crippling the economy, and with shrinking revenue, the ANC seeks to punish citizens for its decisions.	Gina	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:39:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Consumers who generate their own power are an asset to the grid. Their production reduces wear on the system and is deferring otherwise costly maintenance from taking place. Whatever they feed back to the grid is used up immediately by their direct neighbours. Transmission distances are short, losses are minimal, and efficiency is high. The facade will not stand. Whom the Lord sets free will be free indeed!	Fabian	
	2026-09-13 14:40:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingo	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:41:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject all propositions in the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. This policy is exploitation. The government seeks control by proposing unfair policies that strip citizens of free will. It is a corrupt attempt to penalise households for solving a problem the state has so far failed to fix. It is simply another way for the government to act in a corrupt manner. We needed solar because the government could not provide reliable electricity. Families invested to secure power when the grid collapsed. Now, instead of supporting self-reliance, the government wants to punish those who made alternative plans with punitive fixed grid fees and capacity charges. I specifically reject: 1. The Sun Tax: unavoidable monthly levies on solar households, penalising private capital and discouraging clean energy adoption. 2. Tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, forced to subsidise industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. 3. Market unbundling that allows large mines and factories to bypass municipalities, leaving ordinary homes to carry the financial burden. 4. The erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. 5. The lack of transparency in wholesale reforms, which risks leaving everyday citizens footing the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is an overreach. It discourages clean energy, undermines private investment, and traps households in spiralling costs. It is fundamentally unjust to penalise citizens for taking initiative when government failed to deliver electricity in the first place. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Ensure transparency so reforms do not burden ordinary households. The government has become a burden, seeking only to extract money and consolidate power. Citizens do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, transparent policies that protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Helene	retired
	2026-09-13 14:47:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing the consumer only serves to alienate the consumer. Eskom failed in its constitutional responsibility and mandate to provide reliable, reasonably priced electricity to the nation which has prompted the nation to seek alternatives to the failed system that Eskom is responsible for creating. Eskom's antagonistic attitude towards the consumer, and particularly the consumers who at their own cost in installing rooftop solar generation, have bailed Eskom out of its inability to provide sufficient generation, will prompt more consumers to find alternatives to being held ransom to Eskom's antagonistic monopoly. Eskom's antagonistic approach is only going to accelerate its demise as those who can, and do fund Eskom will rather invest in their own solutions.	Dennis	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:48:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JACOBUS	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:49:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	business owner
	2026-09-13 14:57:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	
	2026-09-13 15:01:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	retired
	2026-09-13 15:03:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the paying consumer be penalised for Eskom and municipalities incompetence to get the outstanding money owned to them. That is the main reason for this government action	Riaan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:08:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:10:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	
	2026-09-13 15:12:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who have houses and pay for electricity are penalised where municipalities allow mass theft from their voting population to stay in power. This is not about anything other than taxing the rich, not about economic recovery, growth and reduction of wasteful expenditure	Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:12:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper completely. This policy is exploitative and rob consumers of their freedom. Instead of rewarding forward thinking households, they are punished, exploited and faced with governmental corruption. Over-extended households that are trying to make their lives liveable amidst massive governmental failures are faced with a corrupt, over-reaching, unhelpful government. To compensate for the failures of our government to provide affordable, reliable electricity, citizens must to be allowed to harness free, natural solar energy to survive and get on with their lives. Households use their own hard-earned cash to harness energy from the sun (the only reliable source of energy in South Africa) and should be allowed to do so without penalty. It is a basic human right on this planet to have access to sunlight – no government, elite cabal or trillionaire – owns the sun! I fully reject any sun tax in any shape or form or any levies and penalties to households that exercise their god-given right to harness energy from the sun. The burden of living in this collapsing, exploited country and the capital outlay for solar are punishment enough. I fully reject tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, who are forced to subsidise government corruption, industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. I fully reject any bypassing of municipalities by mines, companies and factories that leaves the financial burden to ordinary households. I reject the erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. I fully reject the lack of transparency within wholesale reforms that leaves everyday citizens to it the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is governmental overreach and highly exploitative. It discourages the use of clean and sustainable energy, undermines private investment, and hold households captive in a loop of ever-increasing costs. It is fundamentally unjust and inhumane to penalise citizens for being forward thinking and for taking the initiative to fill the gaps left by and ineffective and corrupt government that fails to provide electricity to tax payers and citizens. I call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Reform in a transparent and affordable way that will not further burden ordinary households. The government is a liability and a burden to citizens. They only care about their own pockets and ways to extract money and to control citizens. We do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, affordable and transparent policies that will protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Marne	
	2026-09-13 15:16:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matete	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 15:20:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trudy	retired
	2026-09-13 15:38:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is all due to corruption and manufactured crises	Rene	
	2026-09-13 15:47:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	self-employed

	2026-09-13 15:53:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is once again government over reach, cant supply effective electricity and now wants to collect more from people that are generating the lack of electricity	Raphael	self-employed
	2026-09-13 16:00:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKom screw up and we, the tax payer have to again absorb their corruption, theft etc. The minister of Electricity has soo many skeletons in his cupboard. Another Cadre screwing up and the tax payer has to cover his incompetence and lavish lifestyle. ENOUGH ALREADY.	Barry	retired
	2026-09-13 16:07:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please it's too much, hidden tax, extra tax through connection charges etc. You want the country to grow, stop penalising those trying to support growth and relieve the grid as well as become more sustainable. Go make real money through proper service delivery not by crippling the people you serve.	Sandra	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:09:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESCOM allowed corruption and stealing,now they want the public to pay the price!!	Marié	retired
	2026-09-13 16:12:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You have no right to demand a fee for the use of the sun because you don’t own the sun. You the ANC Government inherited a functioning electricity supplier which you raped and caused loadshedding. Generators became expensive to run so homeowners had to source other solutions like solar. Eskom charges exorbitant rates and gets annual increases to pay bonuses to execs and to support a bloated workforce. None of the funds are used to improve electricity supply. Now you want to introduce an additional tax to generate more income to allegedly consume on anything other than electricity. You lot are sick and unlawful in all your dealings. I do not approve this new tax.	Des	retired
	2026-09-13 16:16:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verna	
	2026-09-13 16:20:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Objection to Unfair Financial Burden on Households (Anti-Free-Riding Policy)I strongly object to the proposed "anti-free-riding" policy and the shift toward high, unavoidable fixed monthly capacity charges.Unfair Penalization: Citizens who invested their own hard-earned capital into rooftop solar did so to secure reliable energy during a crisis. Forcing a heavy connection levy on solar owners regardless of consumption is a punitive tax on self-sustainability and green energy transition.Paying for Mismanagement: These high fixed charges appear to be an attempt to force captive consumers to subsidize years of state utility mismanagement and infrastructure neglect, rather than creating a fair, efficiency-driven energy market. 2. Objection to the Unfair Protection of Heavy Users at the Expense of CommunitiesThe policy to accelerate market unbundling by allowing large industrial consumers (1 MW+) to bypass local councils and buy cheap wholesale power is highly discriminatory.Exploitation of Vulnerable Consumers: Allowing mines and factories to leave the municipal grid strips local councils of their primary revenue "cash cows."Socio-Economic Injustice: Ordinary households who cannot afford solar or off-grid systems will be trapped. Municipalities will inevitably increase basic service charges and skyrocketing tariffs on lower-income and middle-class communities to balance their books. It is entirely unfair that large corporations get cheaper power while ordinary citizens bear the financial deficit. 3. Objection to Tariff Disparities Across MunicipalitiesThe current and proposed structures fail to address the gross inequities in how tariffs are applied across different communities.Lack of Standardization: It is unjust that different communities pay vastly different rates for the exact same basic human need—electricity.Inefficient Municipal Overheads: Forcing households to pay heavy cross-subsidies to keep failing, mismanaged municipal distribution networks afloat without addressing corruption, billing errors, and technical losses within those municipalities is unsustainable and legally indefensible.Conclusion & DemandThe Department of Electricity and Energy must revise this paper to ensure equitable access to affordable electricity for all South Africans. Energy market transformation must not happen on the backs of struggling, captive household consumers while shielding major industrial polluters and mismanaged institutions from financial accountability	Liza	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:23:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashley	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:25:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kari	retired
	2026-09-13 16:29:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-09-13 16:33:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	
	2026-09-13 16:51:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 16:51:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These proposals by ESKOM are outrageous and most probably unconstitutional. Private and business rooftop solar is one if not the most important reason that there is no more load shedding. The problem with ESKOM's finances is still corruption and in particular a staggering bloated workforce being paid outrageous salaries. Fix these issues before punishing the South African public and businesses once again.	Ean	retired
	2026-09-13 16:54:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joa	
	2026-09-13 17:04:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have invested considerable funds to set up a private solar panel & battery system to alleviate the problems caused by an incompetent ESKOM that gives rise to frequent power supply interruptions, some of which last for periods of up to 4 days. It is intolerable that we should now be indirectly penalised for having taken advantage of private solar power at great personal expense.	Ian	retired
	2026-09-13 17:04:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 17:10:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desmond	retired
	2026-09-13 17:31:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-09-13 17:39:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom & government can get lost. They have crippled every SOE & the economy wholesale. They can seriously look at lowering costs for infrastructure & supply of electricity. Start with the overemployed percentage of highly paid employees & contractors. Plus all other corrupt practices & siphoning of funds, & BEE tax (hiked prices for connections with tenders & supply of goods/services). I will seriously look at going off grid as an option. I will recover that money in 2-3 years easily, based on the system I have. Talk about digging a hole ever deeper - Eksdom idiots.	Tibor	retired
	2026-09-13 17:46:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wannie	retired
	2026-09-13 17:48:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rooftop solar users must be protected from fixed tariff and be allowed to disconnect from the grid and not pay for rid maintenance , alternatively feedback should be provided for.	David	retired
	2026-09-13 18:06:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Daniel	retired
	2026-09-13 18:09:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moray	
	2026-09-13 18:12:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	self-employed
	2026-09-13 18:25:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Outragous that citizens continue to be penalized and burdened with the incompetent managment of state-owned enterprizes. The private sector's investment into SOLAR directly impacted and alleviated Load-shedding, that saved ESKOM's dismal failure. Now they turn around and punish those who bailed them out. The audacity is astonishing. This bill cannot be allowed to go forward as it flies directly in the face of boni mores, and the government's "position" of serving its citizens. First audit, and account for aggregious expenditure within state structures, that lost money can fund the energy grid gap.	CHRISTO	employed individual
	2026-09-13 18:37:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The harder Eskom pushes to increase tariffs or penalties, the harder the public and private sector will push to become completely independent. Eskom will lose more customers. No business or service provider can survive losing chasing away more and more customers and putting higher burdens on the remaining customers. Think this through. One step forward, 1000 steps backwards... Stop trying to fool the public.	Rian	self-employed
	2026-09-13 18:45:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the tax payers money was used effectively, over the years, and not squandered and unaudited, we would not be in this crisis today. Basic human rights have been violated across the board where the municipalities cannot provide basic utility needs (ie: water and power). Experienced town planners were pushed aside years ago to "train" upcoming tradesmen thus not effectively planning for the underprivileged communities. The public had no choice but to provide for their families. Borehole water and solar power were born. These installations are not without a hefty price leaving millions of citizens at the hands of the poorly managed grid and water outages. If common sense prevailed (a few years back), the municipalities could have funded solar and borehole service providing companies. They could have still enjoyed funds coming in while helping millions of families. They just took the easy way out and stole the tax payers money. China and private entities scored billions of rands by selling these services. I rest my case.	Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-13 18:45:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ramani	business owner
	2026-09-13 18:47:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kirk	employed individual
	2026-09-13 19:10:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizaberh	retired
	2026-09-13 19:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We would not be in the situation if ESkom was reliable .. and not another corrupt company ..	Leslie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 19:16:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Phillip	business owner

	2026-09-13 19:21:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and their thugs cannot provide essential services so they have no right to charge us when we address our needs ourselves h	Sharon	
	2026-09-13 19:31:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill. . Business should pay the same rate especially huge corporations as they have a huge income.	Jane	retired
	2026-09-13 19:39:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monique	employed individual
	2026-09-13 19:40:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy argues we are not paying t fair share of fixed infrastructure costs. We already pay a mandatory fixed monthly charge regardless of how much electricity we actually draw.	ANNA	retired
	2026-09-13 19:51:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again Eskom and big business is trying to solve all their financial problems on the backs of hard working ratepayers of South Africa.	Jacqueline	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-13 20:18:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-13 20:20:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Small home owners who installed solar and thus relieved grid pressure during years of load shedding and now propose being penalised. Outrageous	Roberta	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:28:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	retired
	2026-09-13 20:33:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thapelo	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:36:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Privatise eskom	Johann	retired
	2026-09-13 20:37:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corne	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:44:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maxwell	retired
	2026-09-13 20:49:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brandon	
	2026-09-13 20:50:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annemarie	retired
	2026-09-13 20:52:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESKOM could not supply power to my house my partner works from home and needed power, we invested in Solar. Amd now I need to be penalised for it? I do not agree with that.	Willem	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:56:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom literally forced the public to invest in solar options due to their inability to supply electricity constantly (without loadsshedding). It is a shame that they want to burden citizens who opted to install solar systems to protect their own interest after Escom failed to supply electricity to the country reliably.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-13 21:06:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick	self-employed
	2026-09-13 21:08:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tshepo	
	2026-09-13 21:09:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Eugene	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:18:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar because Eskom and the corrupt govt had been loadshedding us to the point of destruction. I still pay for my “pay as you go” box…a runaway price that seems to increase on a whim. Those of us on solar should be rewarded instead of penalised. You can never win against these crooks.	Denise	
	2026-09-13 21:21:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mogamberry	retired
	2026-09-13 21:26:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:46:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has killed the goose that lays the golden eggs and now wants to suck the remaining customers dry. What will happen is that more households will cut themselves from the grid and Eskom will be left with fewer customers. This is draconian. Stop punishing your customers. Eskom will be the loser in this conflict.	Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 21:51:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		willem	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:53:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because the government is so corrupt the electricity grid should be in private control anyway.	Colin	
	2026-09-13 21:54:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Our businesses can not stand the unprecedented price hikes and fixed tariffs that are being imposed and increased at exorbitant rates. This is causing the consumer to search for alternative electricity supply, gisting the consumer hundreds of thousands of rands, as the eskom is failing to deliver a basic service such as uninterrupted electrical supply at a reasonable price. Eskom has urged consumers for years to reduce electricity usage. When consumers were unable to reduce their electricity usage any further, consumers had to find alternative means to run their homes and businesses. Now Eskom wants to charge excessive fixed rates and electricity prices to increase revenue to fund maintenance etc. While Eskom begged consumers to use less to save the grid. Consumers effectively saved the grid by having massive financial expenses to support the grid and now Eskom wants to penalise consumers for saving the grid. In what world does that make any sense.	Anodi	business owner
	2026-09-13 22:03:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morgan	
	2026-09-13 22:11:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. Fees are astronomically high already. Increasing Tariffs at this rate will bankrupt those who can't afford these fees. Leaving them unable to pay in the future in any case. Then what? Who's going to pay then? Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Amanda	employed individual
	2026-09-13 22:26:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-09-13 22:27:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-13 22:33:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	retired
	2026-09-13 22:39:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I as a rate payer pay for the incompetence of the people elected to have my interests at heart?	Etienne	retired
	2026-09-13 22:45:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The reason for this corupt intended act by escom is their mismanagment and their incompetence to manage and collect their debtors accounts and the way they increased the salaries way above the inflation rate. The average employee salary according to certain sources is R1148000 per annum. That is way above the normal rate . And twice the amount of employees needed for their generated power output. Thus causes their panic rates. They themselves and their policy are to blame for their problem by using only black suppliers with overatted prices and their blackouts and incapability to generate the required electricity volume. They are the reason people became self reliant with solar systems. We will not and can not pay this new intended tax. My advice FIX your own shit !!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 22:50:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to do its job and follow its mandate to provide power to citizens, not charge ratepayers for using solar when power was not available from Eskom. The proposed tax is illegal and frankly shocking. No country in the world would stoop this low to compensate for their complete failure.	Louise	Non-profit
	2026-09-13 23:35:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the Sun tax!	Koot	self-employed
	2026-09-13 23:39:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	ASHLEY	business owner

	2026-09-13 23:41:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is where I struggle with the argument that solar users now need to “contribute their fair share”. Most solar households are not completely off-grid. We remain connected, we still buy electricity when needed, and we already pay towards the system in various ways. On top of that, homeowners pay rates and taxes, water, sanitation, refuse removal and numerous other charges — while fuel and the general cost of living continue to climb. Then remember how we got here. South Africans were actively encouraged to install solar. Government even introduced a SARS rebate specifically to encourage rooftop solar, reduce pressure on the grid and help ease loadshedding. So households took their own money — often hundreds of thousands of rands — and invested in systems that reduced their dependence on Eskom and reduced demand on an already struggling grid. Of course, if we remain connected to the grid, there should be a reasonable contribution towards maintaining that infrastructure. But there has to be a point where enough is enough. You cannot fail to provide reliable electricity, encourage citizens to spend their own money solving the problem, benefit from the reduced pressure those households place on the grid, and then progressively change the tariff structure because those same customers are now buying less electricity from you. We didn't stop contributing. We simply invested our own money so that we wouldn't have to depend on a system that couldn't reliably supply us in the first place. At some point the question has to be: how much more is the ordinary South African taxpayer expected to carry?	Cindy	employed individual
	2026-09-13 23:44:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of trying to keep hold of their monopoly, Eskom should rather take hands with the people of SA who can help themselves and also the community by generating their own electricity as well as surplus that can be put back into the grid for others to use. Spend time and money to rather develop a solid solar feedback system in all municipalities rather than all these other political / greedy games.	Charl	self-employed
	2026-09-14 00:49:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is my private property, I have the right to decide how I want to generate my electricity. We cannot support a company that wants to force us to make use if their low budget electricity supply. Fraud is ESCOM's main financial income. Now they want to penalties us because they won't be able to steal our money. We don't want your electricity.	Ansie	retired
	2026-09-14 01:12:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are being used as cash cows, already subsidizing, informal settlements etc.	Moon	retired
	2026-09-14 01:45:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 01:53:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 02:04:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to everything proposed	Jacob	self-employed
	2026-09-14 02:17:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilma	retired
	2026-09-14 03:24:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kosie	business owner
	2026-09-14 04:05:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner on a fixed pension. Thanks to the unreliability of the energy supply in NMBM, I would love to buy a split fridge (with a small solar panel for the frequent days that the electricity is off). However, I really cannot afford to do so if these proposed charges kick in. I'm only worried about ensuring food doesn't deteriorate, but what about diabetics whose insulin has to be stored in a fridge? Please consider all of us - the "little people" - who vote politicians into power supposedly to look after OUR interests (not your personal agendas) - when you are introducing new legislation. READ THE BILLS and THINK about the effect on us - don't just rubber stamp it for your party. SHOW US YOU CARE!!!	Rona	retired
	2026-09-14 04:07:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Utter nonsense, the goverment wants to make the ordinary residents suffer for their mismanaged of funds.	Collin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 04:28:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As in the past, thee ANC has too much say about what happens to electricity generated. The public must have more say about the subject.	Vic	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 04:36:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its current form. South Africans have already endured years of load shedding, rapidly increasing electricity prices and unreliable service. Many households and businesses responded by spending their own money on solar, batteries and energy-efficient systems because the state and electricity providers could not provide a reliable service. It is completely unacceptable to now introduce a structure that can effectively penalise those same people through high mandatory fixed network charges simply because they remain connected to the grid. If a customer consumes less electricity because they invested in their own generation, their bill should reflect that. A fixed-charge model that removes much of the financial benefit of reducing consumption turns private investment and efficiency into something that is punished rather than encouraged. I am equally opposed to creating a system where large industrial and commercial customers can access competitive electricity markets while ordinary households and small businesses remain captive customers. If competition is genuinely intended to reduce electricity costs, then that competition and consumer choice should ultimately be available to everyone — not primarily to the largest electricity users while residential consumers are left behind to carry an increasing share of municipal and network costs. Municipal financial problems must also not simply be transferred onto responsible, paying electricity customers. Electricity tariffs should pay for the efficient generation, transmission and distribution of electricity. They should not become an open-ended mechanism for recovering municipal revenue losses, historical debt, inefficiency or failures elsewhere in local government. I support genuine competition, private generation, investment in the grid and breaking the dependence on a single electricity supplier. What I do not support is calling something “market reform” while protecting captive customers from competition and shifting more unavoidable costs onto households and small businesses. Any reform should guarantee reasonable limits on fixed network charges, transparent and independently regulated tariffs, fair compensation for electricity exported to the grid, protection against stranded costs being dumped onto residential customers, and a clear path allowing households and small businesses to benefit from electricity market competition as well. South Africans should not once again be expected to pay for the failures of the electricity system after already paying out of their own pockets to protect themselves from those failures. I therefore object to the proposal in its current form and believe it should not proceed without substantial amendments protecting ordinary consumers, small businesses and private renewable-energy investment.	Jacques	
	2026-09-14 04:43:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Steven	self-employed
	2026-09-14 04:57:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PATRICK	retired
	2026-09-14 05:02:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carien	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 05:09:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaco	self-employed
	2026-09-14 05:29:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die staat en staatsondernemings is die grootste drywer van tarief verhogings ver bo inflasie teikens. Daardeur word almal verarm om hulle belaglike skulde wat hulle aangaan te finansier.	Francois	retired
	2026-09-14 05:38:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	
	2026-09-14 05:43:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thea	retired
	2026-09-14 05:54:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Initially residential homeowners were given a tax incentive if they installed solar panels due to Eskom desperately needing to ease load shedding, now that we have all gone ahead and spent the money and they are no longer getting their cut, now it is a problem. The sun does not belong to the government and it is a substantial capital outlay to install a residential installation, with many owners having financed their systems. Eskom wants their cake, the bakery and the flour mill, when it is their complete and utter mismanagement that landed them in this situation in the first place. My own municipality has already changed their fee structure so just to have access to the grid costs me over R500.00 per month, luckily I put a prepaid meter in, so they cannot suddenly change my unit charges because I have solar. I run my system as optimally as I can so R1000.00 worth of prepaid electricity can last me up to 3 months, particularly in the summer months. However, my capital outlay was close to R500 000.00, now essentially they want to punish us, when they couldn't wait to during the loadshedding years for us to help ease the pressure on the grid. The inflationary costs of the price of units from Eskom is having a profound effect on household budgets and municipalities, in our case, the salary and wage bill accounts for more than 52% of revenue earned, perhaps that is where most municipalities should start to cut costs, same can be said about Eskom	Suzanne	retired
	2026-09-14 05:55:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Xanti	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:03:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-09-14 06:03:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natasha	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:08:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:09:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I as I believe many ordinary South Africans feel that because of miss management of municipalities we are in this situation. I understand that here is a lot of electricity theft also happening which doesn’t help but this is a result of the president set by the government. We need to have leaders we can trust and that deal my action. Electricity has gone up so drastically over the last decade in this country and yet we are still in this mess. By charging more money you won’t save this sinking ship.	Simeon	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:13:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private capital and household solar investments should not be penalised through punitive fixed grid fees. Such measures discourage innovation and undermine the very transition we need. Municipalities must be barred from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes simply to offset lost revenue from industrial defection or off-grid adoption. Ordinary households should not be forced to subsidise structural inefficiencies. Wholesale market reforms must be designed with clarity and accountability, ensuring that everyday households are not left footing the bill for grid infrastructure through hidden charges. These principles are essential to building a fair, sustainable, and inclusive energy future. I urge policymakers to adopt reforms that balance municipal revenue needs with consumer protection and investment incentives.	Leon	retired
	2026-09-14 06:24:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A binding, published transition roadmap must be issued that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. NERSA must implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. I demand mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. There must be full public transparency and real-time reporting of day-ahead and intra-day market bidding data to enable independent civil oversight. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation. A clear, standardized licensing and remuneration framework capital for grid expansion nust immediately be published.. I require transparent, non-discriminatory grid allocation rules that prevent transmission capacity hoarding by non-performing projects. Insist that re-dispatching and congestion management costs caused by network delays be borne by network service providers rather than passed on to retail consumers through balancing surcharges.	Yvonne-Ann	unemployed individual

	2026-09-14 06:29:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to look into alternatives for electricity due to mismanagement in Eskom. To be charged again after investing is basically double jeopardy. This should be considered illegal.	Anesh	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:29:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	
	2026-09-14 06:35:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		louis	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:40:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You would think the Government would be happy that people use less electricity because of solar power, this helps them to provide a steady electricity supply to the country because the struggle to keep the lights on , but NOOOO. Now you will be punished if this bill goes through.	Clarissa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:43:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous. Eskom has just declared a major profit for the past financial year yet they want to impose more taxes and higher tariffs, leaving us end users more and more poor every year	Carien	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:45:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stuff government control of God's free gifts to mankind.	PJ Du	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:47:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-14 06:50:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gretel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:51:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For Eskom it is all about money!!! Millions, millions in their own pockets. We all know the salary of the CEO and all of his buddies!! Fixed charges and solar penalties!! You must be mad!!!! Who will feel it the hardest??? We!! Just, normal, ordinary people!!!! A residential electricity consumer. WE CAN'T AFFORD IT ANYMORE!!!	Monica	retired
	2026-09-14 06:52:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:52:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diraloko	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:54:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure	Carien	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:00:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced paying residents into solar with all the load shedding and high tariffs. They should rather concentrate on generating more revenue from those getting free electricity while staying in well built houses that can clearly afford to pay electricity.	Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:01:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary	retired
	2026-09-14 07:02:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	
	2026-09-14 07:02:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have invested the capital to ensure our stable electricity supply. Government has not right to penalize us for supporting the solar economy, job creation and growth in our country. They can stop stealing money and join us in the capital development of our country	Sheldon	
	2026-09-14 07:03:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Herman	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:03:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:05:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-09-14 07:07:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	retired
	2026-09-14 07:09:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goverment wants to make you pay for where they fail. Consumers cannot keep on paying for there mistakes. The load on them is unbearable.	Oscar Rolf	retired
	2026-09-14 07:13:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laura	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:16:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The comrades stole all the eskom money and broke it due to their ineptitude. Therefore their comrade pals who don't pay electricity can just either suffer the loss put their hands in their pockets.	Allan	retired
	2026-09-14 07:19:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liselle	retired
	2026-09-14 07:20:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannes	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:21:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. The state even encouraged this because they were unable to deliver reliable electricity. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Rikus	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:24:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Even if they try to push the losses to the consumer, that will fail because the majority of electricity users do not pay for electricity anyway so how will they collect that income if users do not pay. Its laughable, as the small amount of users that do pay will just move to Solar, if Electricity becomes too expensive	Eugene	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:27:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government must stop punishing the people for their incompetence. People must be allowed to use available alternative energy sources and not be punished for doing so. No, No, No to sun tax	Ismail	retired
	2026-09-14 07:30:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is rapidly becoming a luxury - then to balance the books we are hit with excessive fixed charges and punished for investing in our own solutions.	Patrick	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 07:32:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Owners of Residential Solar Power systems have personally invested large amounts of capital to ensure their own stable electricity supply. Government cannot and has no right in penalizing us for taking iniative in investing in a more reliabe and stable solar economy. They should rather embrace Solar Power owners for their iniative in alleviating the strain on the electrical grid. Current Solar owners are also preventing these people from enriching their pockets. We are also assisting in laying a Safe and Sound foundation for the fuure with people investing in Solar Energy.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 07:33:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They should be fiscally prudent and we should not bear the brunt of their mistakes they they have caused and continue to make	Nellie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:33:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Vanessa	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:33:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner we cannot afford the additonal charges. We invested in solar due to Eskom's unreliability and to save cost.	Cooban	retired
	2026-09-14 07:34:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government stuffed it up, the private sector made their own solutions, now we are getting punished for their inability and corruption.	Robert	
	2026-09-14 07:34:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	retired
	2026-09-14 07:41:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Open up the energy generation sector . Keep your threats to yourself. start doing your jobs . Get someone competent to run the sector.	clement	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:41:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Enrico	retired
	2026-09-14 07:42:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marlene	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 07:44:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the sun ta . Those invested in sar should be allowed to without heavy levies. Go and charge something to all those non-paying communities and get something from there. Go after the corrupted individuals and recoup some of the monies.	Lazola	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:45:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Was forced to put in solar due to the unprecedented number outages in eastern Johannesburg due to lack of maintenance and failing infrastructure .Now they want to penalise us for their failure!	Isobel	retired
	2026-09-14 07:45:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the ANC Government are trying to impleyment a ridiculouse Bill that will cost solar panel users to pay for some benefit which is absoluletly free - 'sun shine'! If we aren't careful they will devise a Bill whereby they can charge us for the air we breath!	Richard	retired
	2026-09-14 07:48:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose any policy measures that unfairly penalise households and businesses that have invested private capital in rooftop solar generation. These investments have helped reduce pressure on the national grid, improve energy security and support South Africa's transition to a more sustainable energy future. Imposing excessive fixed charges or connection levies on solar users effectively creates a "Sun Tax" and discourages responsible investment in clean energy.	Nicci	employed individual

	2026-09-14 07:49:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		magdalena	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:50:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Eskom increase costs they simply make it easier for people to stop using Eskom because it makes alternative energy sources like solar more attractive and affordable. Eskom needs to fix their internal spending and processes first before increasing prices! When they run a leaner machine with less operating expenses and wasted expenditure they can keep prices affordable and gain market share again.	David	
	2026-09-14 07:50:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-14 07:51:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free, you cannot tax Gods creation just because you are unable to provide energy due to your incapacity to not steal, plunder and break infrustructures.	B	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:51:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spend my own capital to install Solar when Eskom was unable to provide reliable electricity and even now that they say there is no more load shedding there is regular outages in our area so a household cannot rely on Eskom. I should not be expected to pay heavy fees because I helped with a solution. Households with solar should rather get a rebate in some or other form	Johanna	retired
	2026-09-14 07:55:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Armand	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:55:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ansa	
	2026-09-14 07:58:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unbelievable and outrageous. The average household gets squeezed like blood from an already dried up rock. no wonder the cANCer is losing votes with stunts like this.	Charles	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:58:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-09-14 08:00:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper because it fundamentally fails ordinary South African households. While it grants large industrial users the freedom to shop for cheaper power as "Eligible Customers," everyday citizens remain trapped as "Captive Customers" under rising municipal tariffs with no real choice of supplier. Furthermore, it offers no clear, accessible mechanism for residential solar owners to sell their excess energy back into the market, risking price gouging by private consortiums and imposing punitive financial penalties that will ultimately be offloaded onto already overburdened consumers.	Daniel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:01:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	
	2026-09-14 08:01:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I wonder what the position.is in terms of solar systems feeding back into the grid. Will that be compensated or allowed? Surely it cannot be accepted but not compensated? Perhaps it should be a legislated tariff buy back (as opposed to municipallities dictating as they olease) ? Perhaps that can offset the fixed grid-tie fee.	Louis	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:01:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:03:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I honestly think this is abuse from Eskom and the government. All their services are unreliable and costly to natural persons. When people try to find alternatives, this is seen as another way to introduce new tax to fund a failing state. These people MUST, allow at least for excess generation from solar to be exported to the grid, generate excess electricity, and attract investors who have no confidence, just like millions of South Africans, on reliable energy production. Quite frankly, this is ANNOYING to say the least. Under this government, the cost of living, even for the middle class and high income earners is an issue. We pay taxes to fund a broken government that continues to borrow money without accountability, and non of them feel the pressure of just a natural persons, because, they use our funds for their own benefit. It's a messed up state of affairs, and actually does not consider millions of South Africans. We are tired of speeches, but want accountability and consideration from the people that hold power.	Siyabonga	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:04:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We spent a lot of money buying solar systems because Eskom couldn't provide us with electricity. Now that a lot of people & businesses have solar and system can cope, we are being punished with extra charges. What will Eskom do if all the solar systems are switched off and Eskom has to supply electricity to everyone again. A total collapse of electricity again. What's wrong with these people, they just want more money for corruption	Glynis	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:06:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Will the government subsidize the consumers where solar systems have been procured and installed at the cost of the consumer? I doubt it. Consumers have installed solar due to a failing Eskom infrastructure and their failing management. I wonder how many of the top Eskom board and management members have solar systems? My tax money well spent, I think not. Eskom is unable to supply reliable power. SSEG installations give the consumer back the same lifestyle they had before the power issues. Ability to heat water, run lights, power to work from home and bring in an income. Everytime there is a power failure or load shedding, consumers are forced to travel and pay for meals while their uncooked meals at home spoil. Then there are the elderly and sick that rely on power to run medical appliances that supply oxygen. Others may rely on power to supply machines for sleep apnea. Many homes reply on power for security systems as we live in a country where some of our cities are listed as the most dangerous cities in the world. People rely on power to deliver water from tanks as we live in a country with unreliable water systems. Water leaks, droughts, lack of maintenance etc. SSEG systems also offer protection against power dips and power surges that have damaged many homes and appliances in Port Elizabeth in the past, and other cities too I am sure. In my suburb the power is very erratic and can't be relied on due to frequent phase issues. Phase issues damage appliances with motors. Again, SSEG installations offers protection against phase issues. The local NMBM are slow to react and many times, people are left with out power from a day to three days. We are experience power issues when the winds affect the power lines. We tend to have high wind speeds at the coast.	Tim	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:07:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax"! Stop penalising individuals for your own shortcomings and insufficient services! Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees! Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Isolde	retired
	2026-09-14 08:11:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Katherine	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:13:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Wendy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:13:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	
	2026-09-14 08:13:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is running out of money due to corruption, incompetence and a bloated workforce and they now want to continue milking the user rather than fixing the issues mentioned.	Blane	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:14:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has become a liability to the people and voters. Unbindle and privatise Eskom.	Dan	retired
	2026-09-14 08:16:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	
	2026-09-14 08:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natalie	
	2026-09-14 08:21:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People used their money, some borrowed to relieve themselves from the suffering of not having electricity. The solar panels are on top of their roof or in their properties that they already paying rates for. There is absolutely no reason for people to fund failing eskom and municipalities.	Vusi	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:21:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Solar power and inverters are needed for a small business to keep its doors open. I do not agree with increased taxing because of the theft and incompetence of the ANC and its cadres	Friks	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:22:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan Loots	
	2026-09-14 08:22:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get the required funds you require from those who consume electricity but do not pay for it	haydn	retired
	2026-09-14 08:22:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that Eskom could not supply consumers with electricity, forcing the consumer to find alternatives (solar) and invest heavily to "take over" where Eskom was failing. and now that the municipalities are losing income from these (now solar) customers is a free market force. they should look at rather providing a service the customers are willing to pay for (Roads, water security, infrastructure, business support etc.) to fund these developments. That is normal buisness principals. It's obscene to steal from "captive" customers who do not/did not have an opportunity for alternative suppliers!	Paul	retired
	2026-09-14 08:23:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having been trained and worked for Eskom (Escom)for half my carreer,I have an understanding of how the business ran. The advent of consistent load shedding created the lucrative market for Solar. In many cases it was totally at the owners cost. The unbundling and open market selling of power to large consumers was proposed +/- 40 years ago . It never happened. With the present leadership of this as with other semi and government organizations lack of economic success leads to one conclusion . Reduction of services at greater expense. To change the rules does not solve the problems	Garry	retired
	2026-09-14 08:23:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Hil	
	2026-09-14 08:23:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarel	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:24:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janice	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:26:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:27:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is crazy to make people who are trying to solve the energy crisis by buying at their own expense solar and generating electricity, reducing the overall load on the grid and then they have to pay for this. This defeats the entire purpose of solar energy. If you want to make the country energy secure, you need to allow people to find alternative means of procuring electricity. If the municipality has set budgets on getting income from electricity and then this drops, that should be amended and they should restructure their budget to account for this.	Chantal	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:30:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	retired
	2026-09-14 08:31:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM have created the problem themselves of there being insufficient power for businesses and households alike. Every South African has suffered - one way or another - due to lack of electricity. Homeowners have taken it upon themselves to minimize Eskom power outages, with no cost to ESKOM, and ESKOM then has the cheek to place tax on their own incompetencies. I doubt there is any other country in the world that would let their electrical power dictate power usage. It is time ESKOM had some competition - I would support them, even if it cost more!	Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:32:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Eskom has failed the consumer over and over again, and because of the amount of corruption we had no choice as to go off grid. We paid for the solar NOT Eskom! They failed dismally and we totally lost confidence in their so-called attempts to be a service provider. If they had any common sense, they would have also become a solar provider.	Warren	self-employed

	2026-09-14 08:33:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Used my hard earned cash to put in solar due to Eskom not being able to supply electricity. I'm NOT going to be penalised for their inability to do their job.	Carolyn	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:33:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:34:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaunine	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:35:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariselle	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:35:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-14 08:35:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This incompetent "government " must stop making rules to steal money and start doing their work that they are elected to do!!!!	Jan	retired
	2026-09-14 08:35:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Elodi	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:37:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melanie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:38:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The mandatory charge on rooftop solar is very unfair. When power was short, I purchased a rooftop system, a considerable outlay, and reducing the draw on ESCOM's power, and am now being penalised for doing so.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 08:40:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom did not pay for my solar installation and I considered solar energy as a free energy source, not to be regulated by any government agency!	Daniel G	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:41:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		frikkie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:41:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost to put in solar is not cheap and was paid privately with no assistance from Eskom so they have no right to penalise. In fact if they supplied power as they should no one would go for solar - we should be suing Eskom for non delivery - not the other way around.	Perry	
	2026-09-14 08:45:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am deeply convinced that the government is actively pursuing and allready have acitively taken up a policy position against the majority of citizens of our country under the guise of 'reform(s)'. This strategy in itself has provided the mechanism to institute and control all elements of especially economic financial importance. The absolute basis of control and thus corruption. AS EVIDENCE speaks for itself.	Jacobus	
	2026-09-14 08:46:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		V	retired
	2026-09-14 08:47:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-09-14 08:48:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:50:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rupert	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:50:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do you want to drive even more people completely off-grid? Because that's what this will achieve, placing more of a burden on the poorer, captive customers.	Charl	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:51:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:52:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Delecia	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:52:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just a front to further fund the corrupt officials causing municipalities to fail.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:52:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Im telling the Department: • Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	N	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:53:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:53:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESCOM has not kept abreast with the growing demand due to infrastructure growth, has had many failures due to negligence, lack of maintenance, and allowing syndicates and criminals to pillage the Parastatal. The imposing of a Tarriff/Penalty on consumers, who really have little option of maintaining a consistent supply of electricity, and a means to curb the effects of price hikes which are way beyond any inflation figures, is not only unfair, but also downright illegal, and I would believe against the constitution in some way.	John	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:55:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will this stop? Once we get one thing blocked, they create another loop hole to tax us. And all of this because of their own incompetence, and the corruption in the system. The only thing that will bring an end to this is if we vote them out. And even then it will take years to rectify the more than 30 years of destruction.	Gerda	
	2026-09-14 08:57:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will have the effect of driving more customers completely off-grid, thereby placing more strain on Eskom, state finances and, ultimately the poorer people. If you have this, so-called pro-poor policy, this is the wrong way to go about implementing it.	Charl	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:57:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to suck everything and everyone dry. You, ESKOM, broke everything, it is not the consumer that needs to pay for this. Everything is always apartheid's fault. Its not. You cannot provide a decent consistent service, so people need to make a plan to keep living. Fix your crap.	Wouter	
	2026-09-14 08:58:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cedric	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:59:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chant	retired
	2026-09-14 09:02:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom and Government asked consumers to ramp up solar installation during those dark years of Load shedding, so we all made a plan. Now they want to punish us for helping them, Eskom is "IRRELAVANT" they can penalize us all they want. People will simply make a plan to go "OFF GRID". Their business plan I'm afraid is "doomed"!	LANCE	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:04:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	
	2026-09-14 09:05:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar at huge expense because of the grid/generation failure by Eskom which helped Eskom end loadshedding now we are expected to just pay more and more for helping. The time is coming where all solar users should swich off their solar for a day watch how fast the grid collapes. They have also made going totally off grid almost impossible and very expensive.	Mandy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:06:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	
	2026-09-14 09:07:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingeborg	
	2026-09-14 09:09:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In our case , we use solar purely as a back up when we have power interruptions. we still rely on the grid for our electricity and don't see why Solar uses should be penalized due to the greed of the Electricity suppliers. Who see this as an opportunity to profit more. Solar uses help to keep the wheels of the economy turning , when the power goes down and should be encouraged and applauded.	Roger	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:10:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		saeed	retired
	2026-09-14 09:10:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. A few years ago you offered households tax incentives to go solar because Eskom could not produce sufficient power, now you want to penalise those people that did so. There is absolutely no logic in it and we should not get penalised because Eskom did not think this through properly.	Neville	retired
	2026-09-14 09:10:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The crux of the problem is the extortionate pricing by Escom. The basic input costs of Escom have been progressively increased on an artificial basis to fund various failures by government, Bee and the Coal Mafia. All this is state sanctioned. These costs are then passed down to consumers who are captive by definition. Additionally the various electricity suppliers (municipalities and Escom) write off Billions of unpaid (indigent) electricity bills and the funding once again comes from the few electricity users that actually pay their electricity accounts. So the proposed fixed charge is really only a corrupt method to fund more corruption. It will become cheaper to disconnect completely from the grid and then how will the municipalities and Escom fund the corruption and cross subsidise the indigent? The solution is to produce electricity cheaply (yes, it is possible to actually more than halve the price of electricity) by eliminating the corruption. My guess is that this will stop the large scale move to solar PV.	Warren	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:11:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-14 09:11:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous that Eskom should be allowed to charge the public extra because they installed solar systems. The public only installed solar because the Government allowed Eskom to be raped by individuals so that they could increase their personnel wealth. Government should look at how other countries run their national grid, Australia actually refunds house owners who generate more power and is this additional power is fed back into their national grid. If this was done Government could phase out coal fired power stations. I fail to see how this is going to be implemented and monitored because 99% of municipalities are to incompetent. Again, it's the rich get richer and the poor get poorer. Remove the ANC from Government.	Andy	retired
	2026-09-14 09:12:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Andrew	retired

	2026-09-14 09:13:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to provide the very reason for their existence and had loadshedding, they were offering specials and promoting private purchase of solar to go off grid. At enormous expense, we did this and in our case, we are totally off grid, so don't even use Eskom as a "battery back up" like most cases. Regardless, people spent money trying to work around Eskoms failures and are being penalised for it. Eskom needs to start by stamping out the cartels and internal corruption, where they could save a lot of money. They could also charge users reasonably and have an insanely high average salary for pretty poor performance, Solar users should not have to pay a penalty for Eskoms shortcomings	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:14:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:14:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:14:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourens	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:17:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lukas	retired
	2026-09-14 09:18:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Craig	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:19:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:20:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it inconceivable that Escom is showing a huge profit and still wish to milk the middle class ratepayers as well as individuals who went to great expense to install solar. I also object to what Joburg City Power is doing - reversing prepaid to post paid for solar owners	Helena	retired
	2026-09-14 09:20:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. First we are forced to find costly alternatives to survive, then when we do, we are punished for it. SA is no longer a democracy serving the people, only the selcet few rich politicians, while you are taking food out of the mouths of people. ALL these people in power position calling the shots forget that they took oaths of office to serve, but you have turned SA into a prison, trying to control every single move of the people. The country belongs to us all, so does the sun - wake up you conniving, thieving hypocrites! We serve One higher and you WILL reap what you sow!	CHANDRIKA	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:22:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Collin	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:24:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees.	Pierre	retired
	2026-09-14 09:26:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	They just want to steal more money, because of their incompetence to maintain and improve ESKOM. Get rid of BEEE.	Jan	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:28:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You Eskom created this mess, we basically had no option but to get solar, now you want to punish me for improving your ability to produce power, let's be factual here, if everyone removes solar from our roofs, you will be in serious trouble, loadshedding will once again be an everyday occurrence. We are not stupid, you can call it all these fancy names you want, at the end it is nothing short of bullying tactics, be very careful of a public revolt, you may find yourselves on the same pathway Telkom did in the 2004/5 period, wake up and stop punishing us for your incompetence.	Jakkie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:32:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolutely crazy,these people are killing the tax payers!! Spend a lot on solar to reduce my municipal bill !!!	Christo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:33:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have gone to the expense of installing solo system as the municipal grid is unreliable and expensive	basil	retired
	2026-09-14 09:37:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First we get asked to use the facility to get solar, now that we get the solar you want to penalize us... The Presudent begged us, to help with the ESKOM GRID We did..you want to charge anybody charge him. Simple as that. You can't beg us to help, we help and then you want to harm us for helping, What you are doing is giving us an ultimatum. Now use the grid screw us with high prices, throw away the solar or screw us with high charges being connected to the grid even though we we use it less. Right then we should go totally off grid..what then?	Sandra	retired
	2026-09-14 09:37:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Retief	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:38:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:39:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We paid ourselves to put up solar panels years ago and Eskom can't charge for the sun. Stop this nonsense.	Natalie	retired
	2026-09-14 09:40:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:40:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	
	2026-09-14 09:40:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	retired
	2026-09-14 09:41:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government had encouraged people to go solar and now they want to penalize us for doing just that/ Installing solar comes at a huge cost and its not acceptable that we get penalized in helping Eskom to meet with countries power needs.	Siva	retired
	2026-09-14 09:45:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is so grossly outrageous and unfair - nothing but a swindle! What they prepose is preposterous and incredible, to say the least. The cost of living is overbearing and this places a further burden on our household expenses. As a pensioner, I simply cannot make ends meet or cope with further charges and will, in need, have to sell my house.	Gilberto	retired
	2026-09-14 09:45:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-14 09:45:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	
	2026-09-14 09:45:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heidi	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:47:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mark	retired
	2026-09-14 09:48:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annelita	retired
	2026-09-14 09:48:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay for Eskom infrastructure as Tax payers, Tax is an ongoing payment to fund Govt. Utilities including Eskom, then we pay Eskom for the electricity we consume, the 2 are independent, if we consume less or don't consume, we are still funding the infrastructure through taxes. The ANC Govt. has wasted/misappropriated Billions of this Tax money which could have been used to fund the infrastructure. The government should be held accountable for their failure to serve & we as tax payers demand this, we refuse to be further taxed or burdened for the governments inadequacy & incompetence.	Nigel	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:49:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Dee	
	2026-09-14 09:49:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has just published their financial results which reflect a huge profit but they are still not prepared to leave residential concerns alone. They want to penalise us because they were incompetent, corrupt, over staffed and could not supply. The sun is not their ownership so they cannot penalise residents to pay more for something they do not control. What about residents with jo-jo tanks who have had them installed because of the current water supply situation. Will we now be subjected to penalties from Rand Water because we have made an effort to ensure that we have water? There is also the issue with regards to solar water geysers. Will that be another concern when Eskom realise that these units also use the sun.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-14 09:50:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brad	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Pierre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:55:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa has not had a reliable energy supply for decades. Individuals who can take pressure off the grid by going solar should not be punished for using private funds to invest in their own renewable energy. The state should do everything possible to allow individuals with a surplus of renewable energy to be able to channel it back into the grid for general consumption or to support low income households.	indira	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:56:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	
	2026-09-14 09:59:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, Eskom (an SOE), due to mismanagement and corruption , has come up short , to provide the necessary power it is compelled to, has now come up with what can only be a ludicrous taxation for the country's people, who are already over taxed. This is a desperate attempt to obtain ill gained funds. Everybody should reject it outright. Do not support it in any way.	Ian	retired
	2026-09-14 10:00:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa has not had a reliable energy supply for decades and as individuals we have taken the pressure off the grid by going solar (as was requested by government with a SARS tax relief model) and should not be punished for using private funds to invest in their own renewable energy. The state should do everything possible to allow individuals with a surplus of renewable energy to be able to channel it back into the grid for general consumption or to support low income households and not penalise those with solar.	Gordon	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:02:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must stop the corruption within itself and recover all the money which it has lost due to corruption and bad management. Alkso on all the money it has spent on housing projects etc which has gone to the dogs. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Why did Eskom years back gave us e rebate on saving electricity when you installed solar etc. They even handed out geyser blankets and energy bulbs and now they want to penalize us. I am pretty sure that if no one in Sa had solar Eskom would be 100% worse off. They should be thanking all who put solar in as it was Eskom fault that we had to pay for solar due to them	Patrick	retired
	2026-09-14 10:02:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sergio	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:07:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:08:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to mismanagement of Escom over the past years, they now want to impose another tax as a way of increasing the coffers of Escom, which will to pay the senior managers a higher salary. We, as a householder, cannot rely of receiving regular electricity. Therefore we spent a lot of money putting solar on the roof, especially as we work from home and require a regular electricity input.	Suzanne	retired

	2026-09-14 10:09:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Janus	retired
	2026-09-14 10:09:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is nothing but another forced pay gate.	Wayne	
	2026-09-14 10:12:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		KHALIL	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:12:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:13:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any provisions or implementation measures under this policy that would impose punitive fixed electricity charges, undermine household investment in solar power, or shift the financial burden of electricity market restructuring onto ordinary consumers. Electricity reform must deliver affordable, reliable power and accountable service providers. It must not become a mechanism for protecting Eskom and municipal revenue at the expense of households already struggling with the cost of living. My objection rests on the following grounds: 1. Do not penalise solar investment or electricity savings. Households and businesses that invest their own money in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency should retain a meaningful financial benefit from reducing their electricity consumption. I reject any approach that treats reduced consumption as misconduct or automatically characterises solar users as “free riders”. A legitimate contribution to maintaining an available grid connection must be transparently calculated, independently scrutinised and proportionate to the service and capacity provided. It must not become a disguised penalty for buying less electricity. 2. Protect households that cannot afford alternatives. Consumers who depend entirely on Eskom or municipal electricity must not become the default source of replacement revenue when large customers move to other suppliers. I object to tariff increases, basic service charges or additional cross-subsidies imposed simply to recover revenue lost through customer migration. Government must establish enforceable affordability protections, particularly for low-income households, pensioners and other vulnerable consumers, before implementing changes that expose them to higher costs. 3. Require evidence before approving additional charges. Before any new tariff structure is adopted, the public must receive clear, independently assessed calculations showing its effect on actual monthly household bills across different income levels and consumption patterns, including homes with and without solar. Every proposed charge must identify the costs it recovers, explain how those costs were allocated and demonstrate that consumers are not being charged twice for the same service. General claims about “cost reflectivity” or “financial sustainability” are insufficient. 4. Make Eskom and municipalities accountable. Consumers must not be treated as an unlimited source of funding for avoidable losses, inefficient procurement, poor revenue collection or mismanagement. Any request for additional revenue must be accompanied by measurable efficiency improvements, transparent expenditure reporting and consequences for financial failures. Municipal funding challenges require a credible funding plan. They must not be resolved through unaffordable electricity bills imposed on households with nowhere else to turn. 5. Ensure that competition benefits ordinary consumers. Market reform must include a clear, measurable pathway for households and small businesses to benefit from competition. It is unacceptable for large buyers to gain access to cheaper supply while ordinary consumers face escalating charges and diminishing choice. I therefore call on the Department to revise the paper to include explicit safeguards against punitive solar-related charges, unjustified revenue replacement levies and disproportionate cost transfers to captive consumers. These safeguards must guide subsequent tariff decisions and implementation, with transparent regulatory oversight and meaningful public consultation. Record this submission as a formal objection to proceeding without these protections, and publish a reasoned response explaining how these concerns have been addressed. South Africans deserve electricity reform that improves affordability and rewards responsible investment. I reject any outcome that protects institutional revenue by making households pay more regardless of how responsibly they use electricity.	Ricardo	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:15:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Find better ways to make the non-payers using electricity to pay their share instead of penalising the payers. Find better ways to make electricity affordable to all South Africans	Candice	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:15:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frazer	
	2026-09-14 10:16:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way to steal from us	Joyce	retired
	2026-09-14 10:17:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Justin	retired
	2026-09-14 10:17:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:19:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantal	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:20:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes Jacobus	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:23:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As I'm sure many have mentioned - turning the sun's power into power for your home, is not free at all...much has been invested to assist Eskom with grid strain when they needed the assistance...at NO COST to Eskom, but rather, individual households. Private initiative should NOT be punished!	Mark	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:23:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to supply electricity and we suffered Outages, the government encouraged us to harness sun energy at our own cost and without subsidies. The South African consumer stepped up and did the best they could to keep households and businesses running in order to maintain employment. I refuse to be penalised now for doing the best I could to assist the grid. Eskom is just another failing SOE!	Pamela	retired
	2026-09-14 10:24:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop wanting to penalizing people for using free energy from the sun. this will just make it worse for everyone.	Clinton	
	2026-09-14 10:24:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Choekie	retired
	2026-09-14 10:26:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	retired
	2026-09-14 10:27:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ryan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:30:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Johann	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:30:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to unethical, corrupt and incompetent Eskom, decided to go clean electricity route. Were forced into this. Why should I now foot the bill for their shortcomings?	Riaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:32:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dee	retired
	2026-09-14 10:32:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be penalised for failure of Government to provide services such as electricity which we in any case pay for to the max. God blessed us with the sun but we must pay to use it now!!	Oom Gar	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:32:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must residents be held liable for the incompetence, greed and corruption of Eskom. Solar is costly and was paid for by private citizens to HELP ESKOM overcome their incompetence . I rest my case!!!!	Brendon	retired
	2026-09-14 10:33:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly reject this tariff hike. Like my own, most South African households are already struggling under a high cost of living, and a tax burden for which we receive very little in return. A further hike in electricity prices will push vulnerable families into energy poverty, forcing many to choose between food and basic power. Private housholds should not be penalized to fund Eskom's historical mismanagement, operational inefficiencies, and spiralling debt. Instead of continuously raising tariffs, the government must prioritize the rooting out of corruption, improving generation efficiency, and accelerating public/private partnerships in renewable energy.	Etienne	retired
	2026-09-14 10:34:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nigel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:34:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rhoda	retired
	2026-09-14 10:38:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to turn to solar which is extremely expensive to install, because of load shedding due to Eskoms inability to maintain generational power. Why are we now being punished in this way?? Completely unacceptable to all.	Paddy	retired
	2026-09-14 10:41:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another planned corrupution initiative. I strongly reject these proposed sanctions. Like my own, most South African households are already struggling under a high cost of living, and a tax burden for which we receive very little in return. A further hike in electricity prices will push vulnerable families into energy poverty, forcing many to choose between food and basic power. Private households should not be penalized to fund Eskom's historical mismanagement, operational inefficiencies, and spiralling debt. Instead of continuously raising tariffs, the government must prioritize the rooting out of corruption, improving generation efficiency, and accelerating public/private partnerships in renewable energy.	PAUL	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:43:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No to SUN Tax Eskom is as disingenuous by proposing fix grid charges on roof top installations but gave no refunds for poor administration of public funds causing massive debt and low economic growth during load shedding. The only reason ESKOM has no load shedding at present is Solar energy. ESKOM is having its Icarus moment by deceptively trying to impose a SUN TAX on households. As a monopolist ESKOM has no commercial plan. They cannot control price and quantity. NO, NO and NO. There is no confidence in ESKOM. Rather change its name to DEBTKOM.	Marius	retired
	2026-09-14 10:45:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The eskom/city power electricity is continuously being interupted due to lack of maintenance, spares and general incompetance. I put solar in order to avoid the interuptions of power. Why should we be penalized yet again by the State which cannot guaratee 100% power. It is just another way to yet again milk the consumer.	Simon	business owner

	2026-09-14 10:48:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:48:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the ANC took over the government, we had the cheapest electricity in the world which must now be the most expensive, why? It's not a factor of power only being available to a few, that's a political untruth. Today we do need to provide much more power but then we've built new power stations, at ridiculously overpriced amounts, and due to extreme incompetence now wish to balance the debt and current costs by simply passing the same to the paying public. Reduce the staff, starting at the top, and employ qualified experienced engineers and bring back a reliable affordable source of power. Where towns wish to go off-grid this must be encouraged and where the public wishes to back-feed power this too must be encouraged such that we work together for the benefit of the country as a whole,	Glen	retired
	2026-09-14 10:50:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Josua	
	2026-09-14 10:50:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Anscha	
	2026-09-14 10:51:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-09-14 10:51:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:55:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support.	Abed	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:55:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because ESKOM failed to provide electricity adequately the public were forced to make alternative arrangements. Now they are earning less income and want to penalize the public again who had to make a plan	Noelle	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:56:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have reached my fill of everything just becoming exponentially unaffordable to live these days. Charges keep going up and services keep declining. There is very little, if any, accountability from my municipality, CoJ, about anything. I am seriously considering cutting any supply off permanently from City Power and getting a substantial generator instead.	Mandy	retired
	2026-09-14 11:01:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:02:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is ridiculous !	R	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:02:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should not have monopoly, and should not dictate the price of electricity that they frequently increase due to their poor management. I support alternative suppliers like Solaref that can supply power for less than two Rand per kilowatt-hour. It will force Eskom to get their act together. Consumers should not pay for the distribution grid if not used, it should be part of Eskom running cost. Municipalities must not find a way to recover distribution costs in their monthly levies. There must be free competition between Eskom and alternative clean suppliers.	Louis	retired
	2026-09-14 11:05:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:09:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already taxed to death, subsiding the numerous informal settlements in our area. We're barely surviving with the cost of our amenities, poor service delivery are adding to our woes, with constantly being without electricity and water. Eskom showed a huge profit in the last financial year, so should compromise instead of burdening the small percentage of taxpayers who pay for services.	KRISHNAN	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:11:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has made a lot of money this year. There is no need to raise prices any further or introduce new taxes and levies. They are penalising the ordinary man in the street. Their staff have had several consecutive years of above inflation pay increases and bonuses, putting them way above other sector salaries. This needs to be stopped. Further the massive corruption and fraud taking place in the sector must be stopped. Then there will be sufficient and affordable electricity for everyone.	Debbie	
	2026-09-14 11:12:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a case of double jeopardy. We in fact did Eskom a favour .we were forced to go the solar route because Eskom was not in a position to generate enough power & we were experiencing numerous outages. We had to make provision for the solar/ inverter route at our own expense & now we are being punished for doing so. Eskom would have been in a much worse position if so many people did not install solar panels to take the pressure of it. Eskom should in fact be paying us for literally bailing them out of the predicament which was created of their own making, to start with. There is no justification for charging solar panel users. Any excess generated & being fed back to the grid is also a bonus for Eskom in terms of easing the pressure on it.	Aatmaram	retired
	2026-09-14 11:13:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Errol	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:17:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No one should try to control me from spending my hard earn money of which the government already takes his "fair" share y trying to save a small amount of money by installing a home solar installation because Eskom can not guarantee me a steady flow of electricity at a reasonable market related price and now because they are loosing revenue must now penalize me from generating my own electricity of which I maintain it and not the government or municipality.	Shawn	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:17:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tertius	retired
	2026-09-14 11:19:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anari	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:21:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Mark	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:21:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Firoz	retired
	2026-09-14 11:23:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Dirk	retired
	2026-09-14 11:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilary	retired
	2026-09-14 11:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:26:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any provisions or implementation measures under this policy that would impose punitive fixed electricity charges, undermine household investment in solar power, or shift the financial burden of electricity market restructuring onto ordinary consumers. Electricity reform must deliver affordable, reliable power and accountable service providers. It must not become a mechanism for protecting Eskom and municipal revenue at the expense of households already struggling with the cost of living. My objection rests on the following grounds: 1. Do not penalise solar investment or electricity savings. Households and businesses that invest their own money in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency should retain a meaningful financial benefit from reducing their electricity consumption. I reject any approach that treats reduced consumption as misconduct or automatically characterises solar users as “free riders”. A legitimate contribution to maintaining an available grid connection must be transparently calculated, independently scrutinised and proportionate to the service and capacity provided. It must not become a disguised penalty for buying less electricity. 2. Protect households that cannot afford alternatives. Consumers who depend entirely on Eskom or municipal electricity must not become the default source of replacement revenue when large customers move to other suppliers. I object to tariff increases, basic service charges or additional cross-subsidies imposed simply to recover revenue lost through customer migration. Government must establish enforceable affordability protections, particularly for low-income households, pensioners and other vulnerable consumers, before implementing changes that expose them to higher costs. 3. Require evidence before approving additional charges. Before any new tariff structure is adopted, the public must receive clear, independently assessed calculations showing its effect on actual monthly household bills across different income levels and consumption patterns, including homes with and without solar. Every proposed charge must identify the costs it recovers, explain how those costs were allocated and demonstrate that consumers are not being charged twice for the same service. General claims about “cost reflectivity” or “financial sustainability” are insufficient. 4. Make Eskom and municipalities accountable. Consumers must not be treated as an unlimited source of funding for avoidable losses, inefficient procurement, poor revenue collection or mismanagement. Any request for additional revenue must be accompanied by measurable efficiency improvements, transparent expenditure reporting and consequences for financial failures. Municipal funding challenges require a credible funding plan. They must not be resolved through unaffordable electricity bills imposed on households with nowhere else to turn. 5. Ensure that competition benefits ordinary consumers. Market reform must include a clear, measurable pathway for households and small businesses to benefit from competition. It is unacceptable for large buyers to gain access to cheaper supply while ordinary consumers face escalating charges and diminishing choice. I therefore call on the Department to revise the paper to include explicit safeguards against punitive solar-related charges, unjustified revenue replacement levies and disproportionate cost transfers to captive consumers. These safeguards must guide subsequent tariff decisions and implementation, with transparent regulatory oversight and meaningful public consultation. Record this submission as a formal objection to proceeding without these protections, and publish a reasoned response explaining how these concerns have been addressed. South Africans deserve electricity reform that improves affordability and rewards responsible investment. I reject any outcome that protects institutional revenue by making households pay more regardless of how responsibly they use electricity.	MORNE	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:26:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:27:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		hymine	retired
	2026-09-14 11:28:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-14 11:32:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Paul	employed individual

	2026-09-14 11:34:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	retired
	2026-09-14 11:35:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		claire	retired
	2026-09-14 11:39:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper - Thank you for sharing this. From a consumer and business perspective, it is concerning that we cannot rely on Eskom to provide a consistent and reliable electricity supply. If a reliable service and electricity supply had been available at reasonable, market-related pricing, many consumers and businesses would not have needed to invest in alternative solutions such as solar. It is therefore concerning that consumers who have taken proactive steps to secure their own electricity supply and reduce their reliance on the grid could now face additional charges or financial penalties as a result. I do not believe this is fair or justified, particularly given the circumstances that have driven consumers and businesses to invest in alternative energy solutions in the first place.	Sadia	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:39:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whether captive residential consumers are genuinely protected will depend not simply on NERSA's regulatory mandate, but on its willingness, independence and capacity to enforce meaningful limits on municipal charges. The Position Paper does not yet provide that guarantee	Robert	retired
	2026-09-14 11:45:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:45:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mandi	
	2026-09-14 11:48:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It took three years to have my solar system registered by Eskom. What was not quite clear to me was how this 'Time Of Use' tariff (Homeflex) would be worked out and invoiced by Eskom. I get credited ONLY that portion of energy exported (pushed back to the grid) that is equal to what I imported (used from the grid), the energy exported above that amount Eskom gets for free. On top of this there are now a number of additional charges that were never charged on the HomePower tariff. Here they are: - Service and Admin charge @ R5.74 per day. -Network Capacity Charge @R9.08 per day. -Generation Capacity Charge @R0.71 per day. -Ancillary Service Charge @R0.20045/kWh. -Network Demand Charge Charge (yes, the word charge is twice) @R0.2868/kWh. -Legacy Charge @R0.2478. Compared to the fixed charges I used to pay with the HomePower tariff the HomeFlex fixed charges are four to five times higher and sometimes come 80% of my monthly bill. This is made worse with the way the 'Time Of Use' tariff is divided in the day. There are 'Peak', 'Standard' and 'Off-peak' hours in the day which also fall either into 'High Season' (Winter) or 'Low Season' (Summer). The times are such that it is almost impossible to export energy for which one gets credit. The biggest portion of energy exported Eskom gets for free! Needless to say that I am highly dissatisfied with the way renewable energy generators who are grid tied are treated. I am going as far as saying that this practice is unethical, unequal, complete lack of transparency, opportunistic and potentially unconstitutional.	Manfred	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:49:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		FRANCOIS JOHANNES	
	2026-09-14 11:51:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It sounds like desperate cries for survival. Or is it simply greed? The only problem with the proposals is that more and more people are being driven away from the Eskom system. In the long run, there will be no support left for Eskom. You should have started looking at lowering your tariffs long ago to survive in this environment. Solar Power is here to stay.	Jag	
	2026-09-14 11:52:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ralph	retired
	2026-09-14 11:54:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Time has come to admit were the problem is. We can not run a country with the ANC in charge they have proven over 35 years they are only there to put there incomitance in place and put the burden on the tax payer and the paying clients. They tell all it is Positive transformation but it is stealing and putting our beautiful Country as one of the worst in the world. All the state run institutions are bankrupt. What happen with Spoornet, SAL, Denel, Iscore, Eskom, Airforce, Amy.... ? Just to name a few. Not one Municipality is in the green from budget point of few in South Africa. I remember growing up how my Town public places was looking nice and clean. Playing in playparks in my residential area good maintained and green grass. Now it looks like dump sites no one cares to maintain it but we pay much higher rates and taxes s way back. We have 10 times more workers getting 10x more money as before but our service delivery is in "shit to say it bland" We do not build anything in South Africa anymore nothing. We have the mineral recourses but we export that at cheap rates and get all the bad products back from places like China. Not the quality we were able to build was at much higher quality. 30 Year Nissan build cars in South Africa and then they closed down permanently. I can see a lot more closing down. Big Business (exc Nestle) - closing doors in South Africa because it is not worth keeping it here (No power and big cost to run it in South Africa). Labor is to expensive. Government say they created more work only in the government instances. So allot of workers not being efficient is not work creation. Once being a Country to be recon with when it comes to military is now the laughing stock of the word. Rase Laws and the so call BEEE is killing our country faster than ever before. The money coffer is running empty they stole in 35 years more that what was made in 150 years. Det per household is the highest every. Government get more for every rand I am working for but they want more. I earn less every year but they want more. If only the real tax payer was able to vote then we would have a much better Goverment. Goverment should be run by the business trying to bring growth to South Africa not by people trying to transform. What are they transforming from a country that everyone was proud of to a Second Zimbabwe. Speak to the people the realy people that was part of the struggel and they will tell you they wish they can go back. Why is that..... Where in the word do you have a country with a government as big as South Africa. Not even USA with nearly double our amount of people and we are having a bigger government sector. So the issue is we have to many people in the government and state owned companies. Eskom was in 1995 nearly on top of the list of power generation capable country in the word. With Sanctions against us like no other country, but we were self sufficient and even giving power and fuel cheaper to our neighbouring countries now we can not even sustain ourself. Why because we have 3 x more employees and 3 times less capacity capable. Sasol on of the best ground braking in the word. Can not produce our own we import like all other countries, Pay more but do less. that is the ANC moto. Then they still turn around and say the privilege group is suppressing the masses. Sorry this is a lie and they know it. The ANC privilege few is stealing on daily bases and the so call commission of inquiry that comes to spending money to investigate corruption for months on end to prove, Money that we as a country do not have from each hardworking person that are only trying to make a living for themself and there children. Small businesses employing millions of people closing down and becoming part of the lower class as the ANC wanted and then we still being treated as the privilege group. Stop laying to the masses and start doing the right stuff. Creating our own products in South Africa that are cost effective as it was in the Sanction times. Export our products (Like the G5 and G6 and Rooivalk, Ratel and much more). We had the capabilities and know how and then we change the goverment. All Schools and Universities is under ANC control and we have the highest drop outs in years. Less competent workers as ever before. Work less people are the highest ever and can I say it... less tax paying people ever but we the big expensive Goverment want more because the money is running out now. So they run after the Class C shools because they want the get there hands on the School boards and the money. They want us the people that are trying to keep out Country afloat to pay now heavy fees to have electricity after they forced us to go solar. to safe the grid from collapsing. Now they have 30000 people that need salaries but doing nothing to still get paid every month doing nothing more efficiently. I want someone in control that does not make policies to benefit anyone except benefit growth in this country. With Economic growth comes work for people and with hard work comes growth for each and every one. Question that should be ask why was cities working and growing in the 70 80 and early 90. Now it looks like Cities are part of scatter cambs. Inter Citie bussiness are moved out and Cities look old and abandent. Damage and broken. No parks for Children. Grass is long and not maintained. Roads look better if it was ground scraped. But we pay for all of these to be maintained. So we pay for someone elses salarie to sit and do nothing every single day..... Concern Citizen	Concern	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:54:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is merely another tactic by our corrupt municipality and Eskom and government, to bleed those of us paying a hefty price for electricity. SA is suffering under an ideology that says that if you think for yourself/ your community, you will be punished. They believe that we should not have anything if a lot of other people do not have anything. I am glad I am in my twilight years - one thing I shall be grateful for, is shuffling off my mortal coil, and leaving this place and not having to watch while the government steals from me. If we were paying and the funds were going to development, that would be good. The problem is that they go straight into the pockets of the politicians and their connected cabal. So very sick of it all!!!!	Liz	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 11:54:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Escom Management allowed the SOE to degenerate into a bankrupt entity, why should the consumer now pay the price in order for the entity to survive ??	Martin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:55:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panels are installed because escom is unreliable. We should not have to pay twice for the unreliable nature of escom.	Tracey	
	2026-09-14 11:58:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	retired
	2026-09-14 11:59:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-14 12:00:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	I am absolutely against penalties on personal solar producers.they have made a plan to have their own power at a very high cost and cannot now be penalised for it.This goes against personal freedom.This whole bill is against personal freedom of South African citizens.	Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:01:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-14 12:02:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Eskom should not have the authority to penalize consumers for lifting the strain of their failing infrastructure. Their strategy is bullying and should be unconstitutional.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:02:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No to this it is ridiculous that we must pay for making the load on the grid lighter. We spent money to help and now we must pay a penalty.	Riana	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:02:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The wheeling rate offered by Eskom is a disincentive for residential owners with roof top solar to feedback so they won't. If there is only a reliance on the grid for emergencies then the solution is the usage tariff. Network availability charges is a system open to abuse by Eskom and municipalities. Why should residential users anywhere be burdened with "schemes" to fix municipal problems, solve the problem, get non payers to pay to solve the municipal problems. Failing to do this will merely enlarge the problem and create a downward spiral	Anthony	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:03:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Win	retired
	2026-09-14 12:05:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Anna	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:07:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	
	2026-09-14 12:07:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to up our game here in South Africa and make it possible for those with solar to 'sell ' excess power back onto the grid. Instead of penalizing those who have solar to get Eskom out of debt why not use their extra power to help.	Candice	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:07:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maree	retired
	2026-09-14 12:08:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom had loadshedding, they did not pay us any compensation for out inconvenience. We had load shedding of up to 12hrs a day in Midrand when we had stage 6 (and Higher). We could not keep our freezer frozen to keep food for long periods. Eskom did not reimburse us for our losses we incurred. We took out a loan to install solar, and yes, it made our lives a bit easier during the dark stages. In this light we also contributed to Eskom by alleviating the burden for them to supply. Now barely one year later, when Eskom celebrates their 365 days without loadshedding, now they want to recover their clients. Sorry Eskom, you were unfaithful and not trustworthy since 2006. That means for 15 years we were inconvenienced and had to suffer under Eskoms inability to maintain their infrastructure. Eskom need to make friends not enemies. Eskom need to make use of this opportunity to partner with solar users, and us stored battery capacity for peak periods to lessen the peak demands on Eskoms generation capacity. Smart meter technology can be used to "buy" power from the residents or reduce the KW/h used from the grid with the KW/hrs supplied to the grid.	Gehard	
	2026-09-14 12:11:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM's incompetence and the biased allocation of contracts have caused ESKOM to loose billions as well as non-reliable power provision. Now the ANC government wants to punish us for still using their broken electricity provider or for being pro-active with solar. An ABSOLUTE NO to this ill adviced piece of legislation. I cannot see how the government are going to enforce this in the townships where they had installed thousands of solar geysers a few years ago. As it is they are unable to collect payment for electricity use in these areas.	L T	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:13:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I di not wish to pay a penalty for having installed solar. Escom was unable to supply electricity and forced consumers to alternative energy solutions.	Jacob	retired
	2026-09-14 12:14:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:16:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maree	retired

	2026-09-14 12:17:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yusuf	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:18:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petro	
	2026-09-14 12:20:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We struggled with power cuts for years and still are. When we try to solve the problem, at our own expense, the Government want to penalize us and even encouraged us by giving us a tax rebate when we put up solar. Now they want to penalize us and charge us more for a problem they created for themselves. This is not fair and as a retired couple we cannot afford higher Municipal costs!	Ann	retired
	2026-09-14 12:21:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lester	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:24:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	
	2026-09-14 12:25:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allison	retired
	2026-09-14 12:26:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marie Emma	retired
	2026-09-14 12:26:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Don	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Most people installed solar in order to counter Eskom's failure to provide. This lightened the load on the grid, but now the government basically want to penalize people for taking matters into their own hands since the government failed to deliver.	Isabella	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:30:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The governments incompetence in managing all SOE's (ESKOM/TRANSNET/SA POST OFFICE etc.) as well as the biased allocation of tenders/contracts have caused SOE to loose billions as well as non-reliable supply of services and providing power. Now the ANC government wants to punish us for using their over priced and broken electricity provider or for being pro-active with solar. Absolutely NO to this ill advised piece of legislation. The government will not be able to enforce this in the townships where they had installed thousands of solar geysers a few years ago because all the Municipalities are unable to collect payment for electricity use in the township areas.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:32:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frans	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:34:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	they could not provide services then even advertise that people should not use there services, and then when people do make alternative plans they penalize them for it.	FRED	
	2026-09-14 12:34:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	THEY ARE PENALICING US FOR YEARS OF FAILURE.	ANTHONY	
	2026-09-14 12:34:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The paper introduces an explicit "anti-free-riding" policy. The state's logic is that because you generate your own clean power, you aren't buying enough units to fund the grid. To counter this, the government is shifting tariffs toward unavoidable, high fixed monthly capacity charges—forcing you to pay a heavy connection levy regardless of how little power you draw.	Elna	retired
	2026-09-14 12:36:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilna	
	2026-09-14 12:38:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-09-14 12:38:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-14 12:40:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	
	2026-09-14 12:40:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	I don't agree on this Sun Taxes. They don't control the sun further more Excom is not reliable anymore as they cause our appliances to blow and therefore insurance do not cover if something goes wrong. Also we get all of cut offs. Also criminal always steeling the cables and there we suffer. Going of the grid is a lot better than to trust Excom. The never guarante when power comes back on and many people are suffering because they cut power. They only restore power back on when the feel like it. I don't support this nonsense what they are doing	Brian	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:43:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom exists, ultimately, to serve South Africa's population and economy. Part of that role should be to provide affordable, abundant and reliable electricity to households and industry, supporting economic growth and improving living conditions. If the electricity market has fundamentally changed, then Eskom's model must change with it. The answer should not simply be to impose additional taxes, levies or charges on the population to preserve a model that technology and the market are already changing. Government policy should encourage people and businesses who can reduce their reliance on the state to do so, while using the resulting capacity and resources to improve electricity access and affordability for those who cannot. South Africa already has significant rooftop solar generation. Why are we not investing aggressively in the grid, metering and technology required to allow this excess capacity to be used efficiently and cheaply? For example, if I generate surplus electricity at my home or business, why should I not be able to allocate or sell that electricity through the grid directly to my domestic staff or other nominated households? The technology should increasingly make this possible. Policy and regulation should facilitate it rather than stand in its way. Instead of treating distributed generation as a threat to the existing model, South Africa should use it as an opportunity: allow those who can generate electricity to do so, create an efficient market for their surplus capacity, and use the national grid to extend the benefit of cheaper electricity to those who need it most.	Garth	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:53:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the "anti free riding" principle and the shift from consumption based billing to mandatory fixed network charges. These charges are not cost reflective, they are targeted. In City Power's area a residential prepaid customer pays R241.50 a month in fixed charges from 1 July 2026, while a postpaid customer on a single phase 80 amp connection pays R1,483. Same street, same transformer, same wires, six times the fixed charge. A household that installs grid tied solar is not allowed to stay on prepaid and is moved to the higher structure automatically. The charge follows the meter, not the cost of the network. Ratepayers have paid above inflation increases for years while infrastructure visibly deteriorates, and no licensee is required to prove that network revenue was spent on the network. Rooftop solar owners are not free riders. They reduce peak demand and losses, and they funded their own generation out of taxed income because the state could not supply them. I ask for three things. A statutory cap on fixed charges based on an independently audited cost of supply study. Removal of any rule that forces customers with own generation onto a higher fixed charge tariff. Ring fenced network revenue with published annual maintenance spend, so that no increase is granted without proof of what the last one bought. I support competition and unbundling. I object to a reform that gives choice to the largest users and sends the bill to households.	An	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:00:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is riding the wave and saying they are doing so well, it was actually due to the private solar installation's that the lights are staying on as Eskom could not cater for the needs of the people and the supply needed. you cannot "tax" or charge or even fine people for finding alternatives if Eskom could not keep up and supply, and now you want to charge them for using the Sun. stop the looting and theft and recover your costs from there, not from tax payers	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:02:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-09-14 13:04:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Carine	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:11:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		De Bruyn	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:12:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	
	2026-09-14 13:13:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:13:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation	Ina	retired
	2026-09-14 13:16:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges and solar penalties are absurd for several reasons, the most ridiculous of this been 1) The "free rider" term used for ratepayers that used their own capital to mitigate the total collapse of Eskom by this corrupt regime is absurd, given who created this mess. The "free riders" are the deployed cadres of this regime, who looted, pillaged, destroyed and annihilated a world class entity handed to them. The looters, miscreants and criminals who destroyed Eskom have to this day not been brought to book. Now we the ratepayers who made a plan, and are contributing to the stability of the grid due to the pressure that has been removed from the grid, must now be punished and pay for your theft. 2) As ratepayers we already pay fees for access to a grid that is vandalised every other day. We are taxed to death so that you can keep on guzzling at the (money) trough. You are destroying the paying citizens by a thousand financial blows every single day. Eskom is just a continuation of the state capture, you carry on regardless, you just not care. This is NOT sustainable, as Andre de Ruyter so rightly said.	Sandra	retired
	2026-09-14 13:19:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is provided for free by nature. Are we going to be taxed for the rain water we harvest? Provide a proper, working, affordable service. Then people will not have to find alternative power sources.	Corlene	
	2026-09-14 13:26:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is once again passing the buck!! If businesses and private citizens had not installed solar panels when the energy grid was overloaded -due to disastrous management - and taken pressure off the grid it would have collapsed.	Kerry	retired

	2026-09-14 13:29:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is violating people's right to basic services. During the periods when Eskom repeatedly failed to provide a reliable electricity supply, South Africans were strongly encouraged to invest in solar power, become more energy independent, and, in some cases, feed excess electricity back into the grid. Now, there appears to be a double standard: people who took that advice, invested their own money in alternative energy, and reduced their dependence on Eskom are seemingly being penalised for doing exactly what they were encouraged to do. That raises a serious constitutional question. If citizens have invested in their own energy security because the public electricity provider could not reliably meet their needs, should they now be financially punished for becoming less dependent on the grid? Eskom's policies should be scrutinised carefully against the constitutional principles of access to basic services, fairness, and equality. Perhaps it is time for this matter to be tested in the Constitutional Court. South Africans deserve clarity on whether an entity that failed to provide a reliable basic service can then penalise citizens for finding their own solutions.	Lynni	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:30:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	retired
	2026-09-14 13:33:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:36:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Stephanie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:41:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why can we not make use of rooftop solar installations to feed into the grid? In Sweden my son has rooftop solar and backup battery. It is attached to the grid and he has a smart meter. In summer he produces more power than he uses and this is credited to his account, in winter he uses up these credits as obviously not much electricity is being generated by his system. This is a sensible solution for everybody. Here we have an aggressive power company who encouraged us to install solar to help them out when they couldn't produce power and now are intent on punishing us.	Jenny	retired
	2026-09-14 13:43:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government does not own the sun. Who on this earth gives them the right to tax self generation of power. They did not generate enough power to please the people in the first place, so why should some be held accountable for that. They must stop playing god and think they own everything.	Erika	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:46:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How much lower can they stoop to grab more and more money in solar penalties from the ratepayer? First we were obliged to fit solar power because ESCOM was so unreliable and so corrupt - and now we are facing punitive costs as a result.....	Maureen	retired
	2026-09-14 13:48:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:57:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free and so should our right to choose our power source be !!!	Antony Hector	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:00:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Antony Hector	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:00:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People Wake up to the fact that the underlying problems such as municipal collapse and fixed charges are caused by unresolved fraud and non arrest of the guilty parties. Tarrif hikes and fixed charges are designed to facilitate more theft. We must demand arrest and prosecution of the guilty parties AND RECOVERY of the stolen money	Logan	retired
	2026-09-14 14:07:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:10:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As indicated by others, we bought solar, changed to LED lighting that is not cheap, changed to gas appliances, considering a solar geyser - all at a cost where we pay VAT, so government is getting more than our am savings!!! All of these interventions are to use and pay less for a product that we all need and to "help" Eskom overcome their inability to supply power to all - with a focus on consistent supply, every time there is an outage I have to worry about our frozen and refrigerated food spoiling before we can eat it. These extra charges are just like the petroleum industry demanding the introduction of extra charges if South Africans all started to use bicycles to travel!!! I use less power because of the above interventions - Yet we are all being punished for using less - be it solar owners or not!!!	Barbara	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 14:14:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	
	2026-09-14 14:22:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Farook	retired
	2026-09-14 14:23:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	retired
	2026-09-14 14:23:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If our own country cannot provide basic services and one saves or goes into debt to purchase solar for their own residential usage on a small scale, and that has taken some stress off grid usage, I feel it extremely unfair that we should be penalized for that.	Nichola	retired
	2026-09-14 14:24:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If we had decent service consistently no one would have invested in other options	lindsay	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:24:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Anyway to squeeze the already burdened SA population. Eskom was damaged by poor governance, not by the citizen.	Marco	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 14:26:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-14 14:27:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	as an aging pensioner this all terrifies me, life is already so difficult, and complicated! This will be unaffordable for so many, that Eskom will go out of business through this insanity.	SANDY	retired
	2026-09-14 14:29:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Incompetency and jobs for pals in ESKOM is rapidly on the way to bankrupt homeowners and small businesses.	Walter	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:32:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Craig	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:33:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die argument teen "sonbelasting" en gedwonge netwerkkoste Sonkrag-eienaars het reeds vir hul eie stelsels betaal. Dit is onbillik om hulle daarna met ekstra vaste heffings te straf omdat hulle minder van die netwerk gebruik. 'n Vaste netwerkfooi kan selfopwekking ontmoedig. Huishoudings wat bereid is om in sonpanele, batterye en omsetters te belê, verminder druk op die nasionale netwerk. Straf hulle, en die aansporing om van die netwerk af te beweeg verdwyn. Die koste van swak netwerkbestuur moet nie op gewone huishoudings afgeskuif word nie. As Eskom en munisipaliteite inkomste verloor omdat groot verbruikers en huishoudings hulself van die netwerk begin losmaak, moet die oplossing nie wees om die oorblywende "gevange" verbruikers al hoe meer te laat betaal nie. Dit skep 'n bose kringloop: hoe duurder elektrisiteit word, hoe meer mense probeer hulself van die netwerk losmaak. Hoe minder mense betaal, hoe hoër word die koste vir dié wat oorbly. Die armes en middelklas word die swaarste geraak. Huishoudings wat nie tienduisende rande vir sonkrag en batterye kan bekostig nie, het geen maklike uitweg nie. Hulle word dus die gevange verbruikers wat toenemend vir die netwerk betaal. Groothandelmarkhervorming moet nie huishoudings die rekening laat betaal nie. Meer mededinging in elektrisiteitsopwekking kan positief wees, maar netwerk- en infrastruktuurkoste moet billik versprei word en nie hoofsaaklik op gewone huishoudings afgewentel word nie. Private investering in sonkrag behoort aangemoedig, nie gepenaliseer, te word nie. Elke huishouding wat self in energievoorsiening belê, neem 'n deel van die las van die bestaande stelsel af.	Sonja	retired
	2026-09-14 14:34:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-14 14:34:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President of South Africa on National Television during the 2023 load shedding debacle of Eskom that citizens must stop complaining about it and rather find their own solutions, and the Government even paid a once off R18 000.00 or allowed it as a tax deduction to encourage homeowners to install solar. Now a lot of people did just that and many businesses to and now Eskom suddenly sit with to much capacity and therefore no load shedding, but also less income and money to squander and steal. If all solar installation get switched off South Africa would face an immediate electricity blackout. The story about fix grid charges for rooftop solar properties is also a joke, as it are these that helped Eskom to go from skunks to smelly all rosy again. Everyone that ever build a home knows that you had to pay to get electricity, water, sewerage and telephones lines to your property. It was not a free service. Furthermore Eskom has not in 30 years clean a single high voltage transmission tower or line as all those assets in the form of Helicopters and specialised equipment most probably where sold, so why do they now suddenly worry about an anti-free-riding principle, if they have not done any maintenance and upkeep since not long after the 1994 elections. They had massive increases in electricity charges over the last 30 years , and South Africa is quite possibly in the top 10 countries in the world faced with dramatic electricity cost increases to such an extend that a lot of heavy industry had closed down. Yet when they were the sole electricity supplier they could not care less about grids and maintenance but now that people start to use alternatives that reduce demand for their over prices electricity they want to penalise those who did exactly as President Ramaposha told them to do under the previous load shedding. People will just go off grid and tell them to remove their electricity connections if they implement a monthly grid connection fee. It will be more sensible to invest in a small generator for those days your solar is struggling due to bad weather to top up your batteries than pay the thieves in charge a grid connection fee.	Jasper	
	2026-09-14 14:36:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a 76 year old pensioner , following Eskom' s request for assistance regarding their inability to supply the national grid , took the decision to install rooftop solar on our home , now the same overstaffed , incompetent , mismanaged cabal want to punish us for " helping them " . There are millions of illegal connections country wide , also over 117 billion rand outstanding from municipalities. Sort out your internal problems before targeting a R 3000 income per month pensioner.	Nolan	retired
	2026-09-14 14:38:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-14 14:39:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans have dealt with poor maintenance and corruption in eskom for years. We were constantly told to use less power to protect the grid. Now we have to pay for using less? That is extremely unfair. Fixed fees will unduly burden ordinary consumers in an already difficult economy. Currently if you cannot afford to pay a certain amount you can in theory switch off a geyser or turn off appliances to use less power. Fixed fees take that option away. Access to electricity is a right and eskom is walking over the people it should serve. Rather eskom and the municipalities should look at their own spending and address corruption, which is where most of the money is lost. Stop punishing consumers. We are already struggling enough as is.	L	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:39:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-14 14:42:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	
	2026-09-14 14:43:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:45:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should not be penalized for taking preventative measures to ensure constant electrical supply and at the same time, lessening the burden on the grid by using solar generated power.	Kathleen	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:51:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No, no, no. We went to the expense of installing solar, with proper licenced electricians, for safety, and now we must be penalised? To be more green and off the grid? It is your ANC government through corruption, inefficiency and lack of maintenance that caused this problem. Of load shedding. Now we citizens are expected to pay for it? We are tax payers and rate payers, we expect decent, qualified public workers, with high standards. It is 2026 for Heaven's sake. We are supposedly not classed as 3rd world anymore. But what we got was cadre employment, tender rigging and corruption. We citizens say enough is enough. We are not going to take this anymore. Come November 4th, we will show you.	Avril	business owner

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	2026-09-14 14:51:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NO to more costs to subsidise escom greed and incompetence NO NO NO NO	S	
	2026-09-14 14:57:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a law-abiding citizen, I invested in a rooftop solar system to cope with constant power outages after Eskom repeatedly asked the public for assistance. Now, it feels as though law-abiding citizens are being punished for stepping up to help. It is entirely unjust to target household solar users while millions of illegal connections go unaddressed and municipalities owe an estimated R119 billion to the utility. Eskom needs to resolve its severe internal management problems, curb electricity theft, and collect its outstanding debts before squeezing humble citizens and pensioners in this country, who simply tried to keep their lights on.	James	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:57:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It remains disgusting that an organization who were ultimately responsible for consumers looking for alternatives to interrupted power supply, now insist on wanting to penalize these same consumers for taking the mentioned alternative actions. The very bases has come with us for years of theft, money laundering and poor or non-existent management at Eskom, now being thrust back on the society through greed to raise further funding in order to continue the blatant theft and money laundering that is the original reason for the financial woes of ESKOM. The protection of the poor consumers is also proving to be inadequate and one cannot but wonder if this body has also been taken over by the same syndicates who have been using Eskom as a channel for steeling public money for years.	Gordon	retired
	2026-09-14 15:04:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay sin, income, provisional, vat, PAYE amongst many other taxes. the one alternative we choose to spend the little money we've saved up, in order to get relief from the broken systems that we're allowed by Eskom to over charge us for a basic right to electricity is also being bid to charge us another tax. Diabolical if you ask me, the sa economy is now begging the little working class to seek relief by migrating, cz honestly why do we work if all our money goes to the government??	Mandisa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:07:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is Eskom's problem, not the consumers. If you people hadn't replaced competent staff with your DUMB BEE staff, this problem wouldn't exist. The fact that you are forcing everyone to take their own initiatives, resulting in residents relying less on Eskom, doesn't give you the right to look for other unethical ways to screw South Africans. If you don't provide service, YOU DON'T GET PAID!!! If the ANC wants to act like a tyranny, it will not end well.	Greg	
	2026-09-14 15:14:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am deeply concerned about the potential impact of the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper on ordinary South African households. As a citizen and consumer, I believe our energy policies should make electricity more affordable, reliable and accessible - not place an increasing financial burden on households that are already struggling with the rising cost of living. I am particularly concerned about the potential introduction of higher fixed charges and other costs that could penalise households that have invested in alternative energy solutions such as solar, while households that cannot afford solar may face increasing electricity costs and municipal charges. South Africans should not be placed in a position where they are financially disadvantaged regardless of whether they invest in solar or remain dependent on the grid. I support a fair and sustainable electricity system that encourages responsible energy use and investment in alternative energy, while protecting ordinary households from excessive costs. I therefore urge the Department to carefully consider the financial impact of these proposed changes on households, pensioners and people living on fixed or limited incomes, and to ensure that any changes to the electricity market are transparent, affordable, equitable and in the best interests of South African consumers. Please take the concerns of ordinary citizens seriously before implementing policies that could have a long-term impact on household finances.	Ailsa	retired
	2026-09-14 15:16:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tinus	retired
	2026-09-14 15:19:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Less Govt and more freedom dammit - Why can't these people just look at what works and try to copy it. Argentina and El Salvador, Poland and Hungary are all wonderful examples of how democracy and the free market can work and how corruption and crime should be adressed. How much longer are we going to tolerate these fools that are in power. Very rich, i know, coming from a functional munincipality, but the rot creeps in everywhere and this is why I believe that even the competent centres should be held to account. My vote is thus NOT for the party who runs Cape Town, but for a party that will hold them accountable and also step in should they ever become another version of these corrupt demons we have in power now.	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:22:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Althea	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:22:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-14 15:25:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost of electricity is ballooning every year. People are voting with their investments to invest in solar, and now the same revenue is expected to be sourced from a decreased customer base. If people want to go off grid and escape the high fixed rates being set up they must be free to do so. Those who don't have solar and are dependent on the grid for power must pay a fair rate and not an exorbitant one. Taxes for other services by greedy municipalities should not be gleaned from power payments. We are tired of the state capture taking place under the ANC who has taken so much from citizens for over 30years. It needs to stop!	Marianna	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:30:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		monica	retired
	2026-09-14 15:35:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges are not acceptable. I have an erf and I pay more for 'availability of electricity' per month than I do for the electricity I use in my home. I aim to go solar altogether because in extreme weather events we are not guaranteed any connections and I run my business from home and need to be online. For those who can diversify their energy production and needs we should be encouraged - to reduce strain on the grid and enable other areas with little power to become more power sufficient.	Melissa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:36:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deryck	retired
	2026-09-14 15:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ismail	
	2026-09-14 15:41:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The South African consumer has been abandoned. There is no compensation for the crippling financial losses caused by relentless load shedding—no relief for the heightened security risks, the spoiled food, the cold water taps, or the destruction of electrical equipment from power surges. Citizens have been forced to fend for themselves, taking desperate measures to survive. This collapse is the direct result of the cANCer government’s incompetence and its blatant disregard for constitutional obligations to the people of South Africa. Alternatives had to be pursued at enormous personal cost—solar power among them. Yet, instead of acknowledging failure, the government now seeks to impose punitive fees on those who dared to find solutions, masking its own policy disasters behind unjust charges.	George	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 15:45:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely nonsense that ESKOM could not provide because of corruption, overstaffing, over paying the caders, causing loadshedding, costing the country billions if not trillions, and then to come and say, effectively, pay again, because you made plans to overcome our inadequacy.	Pienaar	retired
	2026-09-14 15:45:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just a new tax to target the poor and helpless. Typical gangster behaviour	Dennis	retired
	2026-09-14 15:46:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amelia	retired
	2026-09-14 15:51:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria E M	retired
	2026-09-14 15:56:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erick	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:57:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sabine	
	2026-09-14 16:03:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government must stop abusing South African citizens who are already in distress because of law income and unemployment	Walter	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 16:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donovan	
	2026-09-14 16:06:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:12:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Waldo	
	2026-09-14 16:14:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This roadmap is riddled with situations that will cost the average homeowner more for electricity, with little guarantee the costs will ever go down. There is too much scope for adding in extra tariffs for the same service, just costing us more. Stating solar users are free-riding is nonsense! You already charge a daily connection fee!! So they are paying to stay connected. - PLUS: IT "mandates a shift away from pure per-unit consumption billing toward higher mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges" - THIS IS NONSENSE, YOU ARE ALREADY CHARGING FOR BOTH CONNECTION AND CONSUMPTION!! Letting only businesses choose alternative power providers just means the average household is going to get hit with extra costs. PEOPLE ARE ALREADY STRUGGLING TO PAY FOR ELECTRICITY!	Richard	
	2026-09-14 16:14:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar or any other form of electricity is free of charge and provided by God! If you force us on either side to pay more to you we will simply find a new alternative. You cant win in this. Humans are not your cows to milk as you please. Those days are coming to an end. Do you not read history? People always win in the end against oppressive regimes and power-hungry "rulers". Empires like yours always fall in the end. Get ready for a tough ride!	AbdulRahim	
	2026-09-14 16:20:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After living through the nightmare of loadshedding and avoiding it by paying a substantial amount on solar, I must now continue to fund Eskom's inefficiency and corruption? No! It's corruption at a new level.	Cheryl	retired
	2026-09-14 16:26:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think that the only solution to the country's energy delima is to open the market to anybody that can supply energy to be able to sell it in an open market. Infrastructure needs to be funded by our already sky high taxes and not by consumers. Relying on centralised power production can only work if rates are low and subsidised. The proposed solutions will only put further pressure on the middle class with no actual solution proposed. Give it to the private sector to find solutions and keep the government's sticky fingers off this. Control is not the answer, freedom is. Cobus	Cobus	business owner
	2026-09-14 16:27:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nigel	
	2026-09-14 16:45:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:56:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danielle	retired
	2026-09-14 16:58:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		E	retired
	2026-09-14 16:59:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired

	2026-09-14 17:00:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary	retired
	2026-09-14 17:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since when should I be forced to pay for the use of the sun. By us using solar we allow the mass users to use the electricity. This money is going to the council for what, so they can steal the money or are we meant to support the mass users who want everything but pay for nothing!!!	Ursula	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:03:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People had to pay a lot to ensure that they have solar electricity, since Eskom could not provide enough. A lot are still paying monthly for their solar power. There is no way Eskom or any other entity should get money from Solar(sunlight is not provided by Eskom/municipality). The middle man is also taxed so severely to provide for people that do not want to/ cannot work. It is not citizen's fault that Eskom failed to provide due to corruption. They should not foot the bill for Eskom collecting less . The problem was due to Eskom not providing in the first place.	Juliana	retired
	2026-09-14 17:08:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Michele	retired
	2026-09-14 17:12:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tamyrin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 17:20:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	
	2026-09-14 17:24:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable for people who have laid down capital, borrowed money or made other plans to get solar installed largely due to Eskom's own failing to now be charged exorbitant prices just to have Eskom power available.	Richard	
	2026-09-14 17:24:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sholto	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:24:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These unfair charges on solar users would force more homes to go completely off grid: I'd rather invest in further solar & battery power than be unfairly charged for something that I don't use. Rather allow solar systems to safely feed back into the grid to bolster the energy availability during peak business hours, and remunerate them at a fraction of the generatorion cost, to offset the costs of maintaining the infrastructure.	Justin	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:27:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-09-14 17:28:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Myles	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:31:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I pay to install a solar system at my house, why should I pay to be connected to the grid I do not use? The cANCer doesn't own the sun. They steal and build nothing. We are through with this cANCer corruption.	Henk	
	2026-09-14 17:32:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:35:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My directives: 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:39:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Vaste koste en sonkragboete	Marie	retired
	2026-09-14 17:39:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Your people stole escom to the point of bankruptcy, now you want to rob is too.	Rines	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:43:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Timothy	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:44:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tony	retired
	2026-09-14 17:46:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-14 17:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	God does not charge us to use the sun and neither will you. I am against this, all of it. Go and find something constructive to do to make money that actually contributes towards society.	Jason	business owner
	2026-09-14 17:49:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are sick and tired of being penalised and taxed for government's corruption and incompetence	Gail	retired
	2026-09-14 17:50:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are in the current position because of all the incompetent people that the ANC have placed in important positions. All they have done very well is to be corrupt. Why should the innocent be punished for the failure of incompetent people. I believe that all those that spent huge amounts to survive and also save the country from collapse should be rewarded not taxed!!!!	Owen	
	2026-09-14 17:57:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Maybe they government must make sure that every household pay their electricity bill then they don't have to table all these ridiculous papers. The sun is free. I am totally against the whole proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper,	Martie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:04:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	self-employed
	2026-09-14 18:04:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a criminal enterprise and responsible for the destruction of south Africa's economy. Load shedding and intermittent power supply is the reason major industries was forced to re-locate or shut down. The public and their effort to become less dependent on Eskom is one of the reasons that Eskom have now become more reliable with their power generation. This reason and the fact that major electricity users and smaller businesses have shut down have become the saviour of Eskom. Ramokgopa has in a statement on 31 August '26 boasted that Eskom has suddenly made a profit of 30,3 billion Rand for the past financial year. On top of this so-called profit Eskom wants to penalise their paying customers - or was this profit just another lie? Get your act together and get the municipalities to start paying for their usage. I want to see a forensic Audit done on this Mafia Enterprise.	Steve	retired
	2026-09-14 18:09:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mantis	
	2026-09-14 18:15:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is to blame for all electricity users that has installed some sort of solar alternative, due to the fact that Eskom was unable to supply continuous and reliable electricity to their customers. Now Eskom wants to "tax" ALL users due to the fact that we made an alternative plan. You are acting like a socialist bunch of imbeciles. You had ONE job!	Mornè	
	2026-09-14 18:15:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christiaan	retired
	2026-09-14 18:17:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:18:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nobody has the right to claim exclusivity to the Sun, and therefore attempting to levy financial gain from individuals who make use of Solar installations is tantamount to a crime against humanity.!!!	Clem	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:23:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gerhard	self-employed
	2026-09-14 18:29:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Connie	retired
	2026-09-14 18:30:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of Eskom inability to supply electricity, we had to install solar panels at great cost and now they want to punish us for their failings!!!	Rita	
	2026-09-14 18:36:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Justin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:45:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dinesh	retired
	2026-09-14 18:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not right to expect any of the public to now pay for government's lack of proper management and planning over the years, but especially not those who made their own plans by installing solar at great cost to themselves, yet also not those who could not afford to do so	Barbara	
	2026-09-14 19:01:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What NEXT? A breathing/air tax. They have gone rogue!	De'angelo	retired
	2026-09-14 19:09:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gaithree	retired
	2026-09-14 19:30:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devi	
	2026-09-14 19:37:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Eskom forced households to explore this option after long loadshedding outages. A loss of 6% sales, cannot be used to justify these new rules. Eskom to get there house in order, and offer bigger discounts to households. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	At	retired
	2026-09-14 19:39:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We don't have solar, but we are already KILLED by horrendous fixed charges so that government fat cats can STEAL EVEN MORE!!!	Hester	employed individual
	2026-09-14 19:45:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We all know that every piece of legislation that comes from the government is yet another looting scheme and this is no exception. More taxes, more money in the cadre coffers.	Daniel	business owner
	2026-09-14 19:49:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First they encourage one to go solar and now they want to punish you for their incompetence. Sickening	Leon	retired

	2026-09-14 19:57:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corrupt government cannot simply increase electricity price because they ran Eskom into the ground, households are already cash strapped, another mandatory fee will sink most households.	Henry	business owner
	2026-09-14 19:57:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paulo	
	2026-09-14 20:08:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abdulwahab	
	2026-09-14 20:15:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom had a serious capacity breakdown which forced customers to seek alternative energy provision. Eskom caused the breakdown and once homeowners attempted alternatives, Eskom now seeks to penalize and regulate solar owners under the guise of COC .Free enterprise is provided in the Constitution and parastatals should not force tax provisions and regulate solar owners in a free market system.	Shaun	self-employed
	2026-09-14 20:16:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	leonora	
	2026-09-14 20:25:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Qondumuzi	business owner
	2026-09-14 20:30:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sally	self-employed
	2026-09-14 20:34:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom brought this on themselves when they could not supply electricity to consumers. Even now we experience constant power cuts. If we didn't have solar we would be in the dark. We should not be penalised for Eskoms inability to keep the lights on.	Arthur	
	2026-09-14 20:37:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-14 20:39:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should fix their in-house problems like high overheads, too high salary bill and incorrect accounting to be able to become more profitable and reduce charges to consumers. If they can deliver electricity cheaper than what it cost individuals to generate their own power (that was the original reason why Eskom was established), they will have no reason to lose their paying customers.	Andries	retired
	2026-09-14 20:42:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It would be very unfair to charge those with solar power which was acquired at great cost to the user. The purchase was made because Eskom was unable to meet the demand and was even encouraged by way of Sars rebates.	Claire	
	2026-09-14 20:44:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	employed individual
	2026-09-14 20:52:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom should be expected to compete in an open market and not be propped up by all sorts of special treatment; incompetence should not be rewarded. In particular; people who have have gone to the trouble and expense of protecting themselves against loadshedding should not be penalised. One wonders how much all the private solar installations assisted and are still assisting Escom in avoiding loadshedding. In view of Escom's proven incompetence it might turn out to be very unwise to do anything to discourage, amongst other things, private solar installations; they may in future be what helps keep the country's economy going.	Louis	retired
	2026-09-14 20:57:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marnu	
	2026-09-14 20:59:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-09-14 21:08:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom is their own worst enemy, they over price their the cost of electrity and waste the money they get on over paying their staff. The Department of electricity and enery : 1 must stop suntax : don't penalise consumers with punitive fixed grid fees. 2 Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non solar homes to cover lost revenue fromindustrial ond of grid defection. 3 Ensure whaolesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Keith	retired
	2026-09-14 21:15:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ninette	employed individual
	2026-09-14 21:18:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Nevendran	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 21:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Marina	
	2026-09-14 21:33:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar because the Government aka ESKOM could not provide a service and still cannot guarantee up-time and never will be able to. The result is, if you cannot provide an essential service then do not cry when the consumers respond by taking their business else where and / or make a plan to become self sufficient. It is the basics of business. The Government / ESKOM got themselves in the mess due to cronies, corruption, theft, mismanagement and incompetence. How must that now become the consumers problem? You can only "tax" the people so much and what will you do when they stop paying because there is no more money?	Brian	
	2026-09-14 22:08:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neli	employed individual
	2026-09-14 22:31:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-09-14 22:54:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Idiots	Malan Hefer	
	2026-09-14 22:57:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	With loadshedding being the norm a few years ago, the consumers had to find alternatives for themselves - one being solar power. Now we are penalised for solving Eskom's problem they created themselves?	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-14 22:58:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government and Eskom forced and promoted citizens to assist with load shedding by installing solar panels. The ANC was so desperate that they gave a tax rebate to those who installed solar panels. Now that Eskom has made somewhat of an improvement due to a reduce load on Eskom electricity which inturn has impacted on Eskoms earnings they want to again penalise their citizens. This is another type of taxation due to all the Government corruption. Why are the municipalities in so much debt and in huge arrears on their Eskom accounts. Again huge corruption and looting happening at municipalities. ANC brought this upon South Africa and only the corrupt and affiliated ANC structures should be held responsible	Stephen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 23:20:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The government has little to no regard for small businesses and households. Affordable electricity is essential for economic growth and a decent living standard. The incompetence and corruption within Eskom and municipalities should be addressed first. Stop punishing captive consumers for finding alternatives to Eskom.	Bettina	retired
	2026-09-14 23:38:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jay-Jay	self-employed
	2026-09-15 00:17:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing the captive consumers for being loyal customers of Eskom via fixed charges and in addition to that, unsustainable tariff hikes will only drive those customers in desperation to make even more debt to "rent" solar solutions. Leaving Eskom literally with the part of the population too poor to afford buying electricity at full price...thereby also escalating the illegal power connection problem amongst other things. On the flip side, asking a fixed charge to residents that have gone totally off-grid is unconstitutional as you cannot charge someone for NOT buying a certain product. Corruption within the power supplier's higher management should be rooted out 1st. How many poor households could be supplied with subsidized Electricity tariffs just by using "half" of the Eskom CEO's last pay raise?	Japie	employed individual
	2026-09-15 00:27:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheralyn	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 01:35:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth Dorothy	employed individual
	2026-09-15 04:12:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patricia	
	2026-09-15 06:00:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-15 06:11:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Delyse	retired
	2026-09-15 06:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government is greedy. They must be stopped.	John	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 06:37:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vinesh	retired
	2026-09-15 07:02:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 07:03:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay phenomenal amount of tax, yet crucial infrastructures aren't maintained or updated for South African's needs. It's unethical & criminal to further tax South Africans who pay taxes monthly & those who invested into solar systems due to our government's inability to make the necessary provisions to avoid load shedding. The cabinet ministers or various departments should rather be fined from their exorbitant salaries for under performance & lack of making provisions for foreseeable issues. It shouldn't be ordinary, innocent South Africans paying the price. It needs to be extracted from the Salary of those in Government! Payback must come from those who put us in this mess in the first place.	Susan	employed individual
	2026-09-15 07:07:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-09-15 07:08:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moray	retired
	2026-09-15 07:08:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ann	retired
	2026-09-15 07:13:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's inability to provide reliable electricity forced many South Africans to invest heavily in solar. Now, instead of rewarding those who took responsibility for their own energy security, consumers are being penalised with additional fixed charges. People should not be punished for adapting to years of poor service and ongoing mismanagement.	Riaan	employed individual

	2026-09-15 07:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cyril	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 07:18:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our country can not afford this type of penalty imposed on its citizens. Ot is time to think of our population as opposed to super large corporate entities like Eskom. Put the people first.	Fernando	retired
	2026-09-15 07:52:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-09-15 08:22:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reginald	retired
	2026-09-15 08:29:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-15 08:32:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hi, Why do you not follow the model where you exchange the excess generated power from residential PV systems during the day for 0.10 of what has been generated and sell that to other clients? You are missing out on a lot of almost free generated electricity but will rather punish them instead of partnering. Regards, Ignatius	Ignatius	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:32:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have paid for my Eskom infrastructure to my premises for over 35 years. This is long past amortized now. Eskom's failure to supply regular power forced the change, it was not willing, so I had to invest in my own infrastructure. Eskom is now just a small supplier withing my portfolio. What they trying to say is that similarly, we should have paid Telkom a fee because Cellular became available. They too need to adapt and restructure their business to cater for the usage.	Dean	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:34:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	
	2026-09-15 08:34:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I have paid for my Eskom infrastructure to my premises for over 35 years. This is long past amortized now. Eskom's failure to supply regular power forced the change, it was not willing, so I had to invest in my own infrastructure. Eskom is now just a small supplier withing my portfolio. What they trying to say is that similarly, we should have paid Telkom a fee because Cellular became available. They too need to adapt and restructure their business to cater for the usage.	Dean	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:35:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dylan	
	2026-09-15 08:39:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-15 08:45:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for solar out of my own pocket so I can supply myself with enough electricity which Eskom couldn't do in over 30 years. Now they want to charge me for their incompetence. HELL NO. HELL NO.	Nadine	self-employed
	2026-09-15 08:45:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Imran	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:49:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom could not supply a trustworthy power supply, that is why I have invested a lot of money in solar so that I have power when Escom can not supply power.	Anton	retired
	2026-09-15 08:51:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		rob	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:57:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses, as it will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Consumers cannot pick up the tab for Eskom's years of mismanagement.	Karin	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:06:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leroy	retired
	2026-09-15 09:09:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norbert	retired
	2026-09-15 09:12:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Elijah	self-employed
	2026-09-15 09:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Norbert	retired
	2026-09-15 09:15:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I belive that Eskom should be sole supplier of electricity and that those that have photovoltaic panels supplying partial power to their homes should pay a service fee for grid stability as most of their storage are lipo batteries that place a sudden load when charginging after a power break. Eskom should build new coal fired powerstations with scrubbers to reduce toxic emissions. China is doing this successfully. So far no country has had required grid stability with solar/PV support. PV also results in spatial pollution and could result in desertification of land masses that were fertile before covered with pv.	Jeeva	retired
	2026-09-15 09:18:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna	retired
	2026-09-15 09:19:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When is the endless draining of ordinary citizens going to stop? Cut the management of Eskom first, (who buy the way take huge bonuses) and replace with competent qualified management. This would start a great saving. The whole situation is ridiculous - the bottom line is always, take from whomever we can /fill our own pockets first , and then limp on until the next finaincial problem. Citizens have tried their best to eleviate the electricity problem and now are being penalized for it. This is a crisis of "tax and financial drain" as many South Africans are losing faith in the management of all Government entities. They have all got themselves in a mess and their only way out is to take high financial charges from the ordinary citizen again!! - the country will not last a few more years unless better governance is put into place.	Julie	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:19:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a basic electricity fee that should be used for maintenance. This would be making us pay double if not more.	Carmen	
	2026-09-15 09:24:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beryl	self-employed
	2026-09-15 09:26:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	retired
	2026-09-15 09:39:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicky	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:41:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-15 09:51:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I had to get solar because you are too fucking useless to provide reliable electricity. Now you want me to pay again for solving your problem.	Eugene	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:56:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alta	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:19:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	The sun existed BEFORE the ANC or the beginning of man. How DARE this corrupted utility tax me or my clients for buying at great cost, a reliable source of electrical energy? THEY ARE NOT A LEGAL ENTITY TO TAX ANYBODY! There are unprosecuted corruption cases rife throughout ESKOM. The only ones in prison are the poor buggers who cannot afford legal wheelers and dealers who get the rich out of jail for "fees". AND we must fund this? I refuse under the POPIA act to divulge my client's capacity, they tried that a while ago with huge pushback. Fact: Eskom is corrupt. Eskom is State Owned. ESKOM IS TOP HEAVY And over staffed on the ground. (10 staff to plant one single pole WITH a crane truck)!!!! Fact: The sun is free. It belongs to our universe, not ESKOM NOR NERSA. Go steal from the politicians, NOT US WORKING CLASS, we've taxes enough already.	Eric	
	2026-09-15 10:20:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Krishna	retired
	2026-09-15 10:27:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun existed BEFORE the ANC or the beginning of man. Fact: Eskom is corrupt. Eskom is State Owned. ESKOM IS TOP HEAVY And over staffed on the ground. Fact: The sun is free. It belongs to our universe, not ESKOM NOR NERSA. Go steal from the politicians, NOT US WORKING CLASS, we're taxed enough already.	Claudio	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:43:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	
	2026-09-15 10:53:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are now subject to a new tax. The very people who saved and incompetent, corrupt and inefficient Eskom. We are already one of the most countries in the world, more tax?? How are we, as South Africans meant to invest in our economy to lower the highest unemployment rate in the world, when our disposable income goes to tax, more tax and more tax? If it wasn't for solar, our grid would have collapsed, and now we get taxed for this. Not right at all.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-15 11:05:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-15 11:15:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sam	
	2026-09-15 11:16:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The truth of the matter is, if Eskom was supplying electricity consistently many consumers would not have been forced into alternative energy solutions. Solar and alternative energy solutions come with a significant upfront cost. The consumer cannot be forced to pay any amount of money to Eskom i.e. penalised simply because they are off grid or partially of grid. Eskom created their own issues by not maintaining the infrastructure suitably to meet the demand.	Jess	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:25:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BRIAN	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:35:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The increased energy tax on consumers will accelerate the downfall of Eskom at the expense of all users in SA. More and more consumers will move off grid from Eskom and Eskom will be left of less and less paying consumers, deepening its doom loop towards destruction.	Gert	

	2026-09-15 11:36:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhardus	
	2026-09-15 11:52:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Amanda	
	2026-09-15 11:55:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom terifs are always increasing exorbitantly yet our salaries are increasing very slow... They maintain their plants, all know is price increase. We need competitive market where we cann chose who we want at what price.. Around 2015 a R100 Electricity was about 100+ units now R100 gives you 39 units or less, if they increase then.... We work government our kids and ourselves dependent on our low salaries no overtime nor enough incentive's.. Ur child can't qualify for nsfas	Tumi	employed individual
	2026-09-15 11:55:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We Were encouraged to go solar at great personal cost to help out Eskom when it did not have enough electricity. It is therefore wrong to penalize us now. Work out the problems in the municipalities when it comes to spending. T o much goes for salaries and much is lost with fraud.	Christina Marie	retired
	2026-09-15 12:00:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	they literally begged us to install solar power. fortunately, i could not afford to install solar power and now they want to charge you for the sun power. it is free. what happens when it is overcast, will they give you a credit. you cannot trust anything the ANC and DA tells you. our country is in shambles.	wenzel	retired
	2026-09-15 12:01:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	End the “Sun Tax” – Don’t punish households that invest in solar with excessive fixed grid fees. Protect Non-Solar Consumers – Municipalities shouldn’t increase tariffs on households to compensate for customers moving off-grid. Keep Reforms Fair & Transparent – Ensure electricity-market changes don’t shift the cost of grid infrastructure unfairly onto ordinary households.	Desray	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:01:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Damned if you do, damned if you don't. They don't have the capacity to provide, but want to penalise those who provide for themselves. Are they going to raise taxes from all those free RDP houses with solar panels on the roof? Didn't think so....	Catharina	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:02:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity must be privitised as far as possible.	A;bert	retired
	2026-09-15 12:03:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The catastrophic failure of the ANC mafia regime to act as responsible custodians forced businesses & private households to use alternatives. This were all imported with customs duties, sold with VAT & installed at cost also with tax components. The same entity that was mismanaged into dereliction now demands further compensation. This is a hard no until legitimate infrastructure management is in place to ensure a semblance of proper service delivery at a cost that does not further the economy.	Kelvin	
	2026-09-15 12:12:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	retired
	2026-09-15 12:12:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can we pay more because we have solar.I installed solar wih my hard earned money.You cant have us pay because you could not give us a constant service.	Edward	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-15 12:24:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I EMPASIZE ALLLL OF THE ABOVE, ALL, ALL, ALL!!!! Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. You hit me with higher tariffs an I will ditch Your electricity totally, You will then get nothing out of me. I will not be held hostage by Your corruption!!!!	Antoinette	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:26:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	If I don't want eskom yelectricity why must I pay for the service and line fees.	George	business owner
	2026-09-15 12:28:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edwina	
	2026-09-15 12:36:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed network charges.	Tim	retired
	2026-09-15 12:42:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:42:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Howard	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:43:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Guillaume	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	retired
	2026-09-15 13:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-15 13:29:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Please stop stealing more from the hard-working citizens of this country. We can barely make it through a month, but still you want to take more.	Ronel	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:31:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-15 13:32:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-09-15 13:35:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ivana	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:37:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:42:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In a country where we have so much wind and sun to use in the generation of power, there is no excuse for Eskom or the government to continue punishing consumers for installing solar by finding other ways to make them pay for a service they can't adequately provide. What needs fixing is the corruption and mismanagement. Neither of these problems is the consumer's fault so I don't see why we should have to pay the penalties for these failures.	Noah	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:51:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andy	
	2026-09-15 13:55:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's inability to provide power forced consumers to invest in alternatives. Now we are being punished for investing in our own properties. Their incompetence should not be rewarded.	Dirk	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:55:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	retired
	2026-09-15 13:57:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Julius	business owner
	2026-09-15 14:05:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First, we were punished with loadshedding which damaged businesses and jobs. It literally put our lives at risk with failing security systems, lack of road lighting and non-functioning traffic lights. It also affected those with medical needs, so we spent inordinate amounts of money to balance these scales, first with generators and then with various renewable energy solutions, which, ironically, were subsidized by Eskom in the early days. Our failing electricity infrastructure is through no fault of the consumer, but a combination of the failures of ESKOM through lack of foresight, planning and corruption as well as SAPS' inability to maintain law and order in preventing infrastructure theft - also due mostly to corruption within their ranks. So the entire failure sits within the government structures, not within the general populace. There was always enough money for ESKOM, but it has been looted and exacerbated by their absolute inability to collect their outstanding revenues, so now, the compliant society is punished again with added charges, instead of targeting their own corrupt underbelly and non-compliant users? EKOM has just posted a R30,3 BILLION profit, which just highlights my point above. There is sufficient money, if it is not looted first. Focus on stabilizing the supply, collecting your revenue and targeting your looters and then no adjustments are necessary.	Colin	self-employed
	2026-09-15 14:12:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First, we were punished with load shedding which damaged businesses and jobs. It literally put our lives at risk with failing security systems, lack of road lighting and non-functioning traffic lights. It also affected those with medical needs, so we spent inordinate amounts of money to balance these scales, first with generators and then with various renewable energy solutions, which, ironically, were subsidized by Eskom in the early days. Our failing electricity infrastructure is through no fault of the consumer, but a combination of the failures of ESKOM through lack of foresight, planning and corruption as well as SAPS' inability to maintain law and order in preventing infrastructure theft - also due mostly to corruption within their ranks. So the entire failure sits within the government structures, not within the general populace. There was always enough money for ESKOM, but it has been looted and exacerbated by their absolute inability to collect their outstanding revenues, so now, the compliant society is punished again with added charges, instead of targeting their own corrupt underbelly and non-compliant users? EKOM has just posted a R30,3 BILLION profit, which just highlights my point above. There is sufficient money, if it is not looted first. Focus on stabilizing the supply, collecting your revenue and targeting your looters and then no adjustments are necessary.	Jannie	retired
	2026-09-15 14:13:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While I appreciate that the energy market needs to be restructured, I don't believe that this Policy Paper has been well thought it. Or perhaps it has and they intend to push everyone over the edge of their budgets. My opinion is that Eskom should be unbundled, and IPP's given equal opportunity to provide energy into the grid, so that true market competition forces begin to ease the burden on the consumer, and corruption is reduced as a result. My concern is that the Policy Paper looks to punish solar users for assisting Eskom by reducing load on the grid, and looks to punish the non-solar user via municipalities hiking tariffs to recover lost revenue	Duncan	business owner
	2026-09-15 14:33:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay very high costs and taxes all around. Government needs to find ways to supply power at lower costs. that way they will get more business.	Hassan	employed individual
	2026-09-15 14:50:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		I	
	2026-09-15 15:17:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of Eskom's corruption and lack of ability to supply power we had to go through the expense of solar Now because of their lack of intelligence they know want to penalise us	VINCENT	employed individual
	2026-09-15 15:18:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kim	business owner
	2026-09-15 15:24:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carlos	retired

	2026-09-15 15:32:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential consumer supplied directly by Eskom, I support a fair contribution toward legitimate network costs. However, households that invested significant private capital in solar and battery systems should not be subjected to disproportionate fixed charges that undermine those investments. Any network charges should be transparent, cost-reflective, and based on actual infrastructure costs rather than recovery of lost electricity sales revenue.	Syntyché	employed individual
	2026-09-15 15:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The audacity of the Department of Energy to set up the consumer (solar or dependent on the grid) for even more price hikes is unbelievable, especially after years of economic damage done by loadshedding and corruption. Healthy competition is supposed to benefit the consumer, not cripple it. It is due to massive government corruption, huge government salaries, poorly maintained infrastructure and a government with weak policies that has failed its people leaving them without employment, that South Africa sits in this economic situation. Change the leaders. Insist on integrity and substance in what politician and governments say, not window dressing statements. Furthermore industry - often owned by the wealthy - should not be favoured in the electrical tariffs it receives compared with the average household. And if we are trying encourage people to work from home, how is this tariff that will hit captive consumers the hardest, not going to damage small home based industries and lower employment even more. Furthermore, why are solar users penalised - for thinking ahead?	Justin	
	2026-09-15 15:52:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean-Pierre	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 15:52:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Songindaba	employed individual
	2026-09-15 15:55:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Leana	self-employed
	2026-09-15 16:05:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ivan	retired
	2026-09-15 16:13:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-09-15 16:28:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-15 16:33:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-15 16:35:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-15 16:46:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	
	2026-09-15 16:54:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Busi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 16:54:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		michael	self-employed
	2026-09-15 19:21:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-15 19:36:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens should not be gels responsible for a failed state business	Elize	
	2026-09-15 19:43:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hartmut	retired
	2026-09-15 19:50:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-15 19:54:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		paul	retired
	2026-09-15 20:39:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ravisha	retired
	2026-09-15 21:09:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	employed individual
	2026-09-15 21:22:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To the SA government : Refrain from decisions to enrich yourselves and dumping the poor citizens of South Africa into unfair expensive living conditions. Solar power should be free!!!	Ralie	retired
	2026-09-15 22:25:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-09-16 02:32:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the days of loadshedding/blackouts Eskom/the government encouraged private installations of solar. Also to assist with decarbonisation. At great cost private citizens installed solar systems. NOW THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO PENALIZE US WITH MONTHLY GRID TIED TARIFFS FOR INSTALLING SOLAR! It is unfair and ridiculous. I object to this government abusing us in this way. I will go off-grid completely if a monthly grid tied tariff is introduced. Another customer lost!	Glenn	retired
	2026-09-16 04:58:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Judah	student
	2026-09-16 05:40:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Martina	employed individual
	2026-09-16 06:12:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregory	retired
	2026-09-16 06:22:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	retired
	2026-09-16 06:23:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SJ	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 06:23:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have saved what little money we had extra to pay for our solar to ensure we have electricity while the Eskom could not come up with a solution for their failure to supply electricity to the country. Local municipality made it even worse by failing to maintain the fragile infra structure. Government went as far as to rebate some solar cost for individuals that installed solar out of pocket. Now the feel the pinch because so many people had to look for alternative power This is just another scheme to steal from hardworking citizens of SA	Alta	employed individual
	2026-09-16 06:37:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	employed individual
	2026-09-16 06:56:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Braam	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 07:05:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Doug	self-employed
	2026-09-16 07:51:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadine	self-employed
	2026-09-16 08:16:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the thieving	Sam B	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:31:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is all of there own doing they dug the hole they in and still digging it deeper with all these un thinkable plans.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-16 08:41:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I urge the government to: Stop penalising private capital and solar investment through punitive fixed grid fees. Protect captive consumers by preventing municipalities from imposing excessive tariffs on non-solar homes to recover revenue lost from industrial and off-grid customers. Make wholesale electricity-market reforms transparent and ensure that ordinary households are not left paying the bill. South Africans need fair, affordable, and transparent energy policies that encourage investment rather than punish consumers who seek reliable alternatives.	Abdul Maalik	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:42:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The living God, creator of the heavens and earth gave every one the sun, why does the South African government think that they can penalize its citizens that have, for the majority, gone into debt to generate clean, safe and sustainable power where the government has failed to provide a service. If generating solar power was such a threat to the governments gravy train, that they are continuously plundering for their personal benefits, why do they allow for the technology to be accessible. They again want a certain sector of the citizens to pay for an aged and dilapidated grid, that they will never correct, and put those households and business under more financial strain than they are already. Does anyone really believe that the government will charge every single house that uses electricity and get that right. That means that the rich, middle class and lower class down to informal settlements all need to pay the same penalty, I think not. This entire proposed paper is there to simply keep a cash cow going for the thieves in government and their mafia in the procurement and tender processes, feeding their own pockets. The citizens of this country need to stand together and not pay one cent to this scheme, just like the majority did to the e-toll scheme.	Basil	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:56:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please address the theft by those in charge and stop making us pay for their inefficiency and lack of accountability.	Michelle	
	2026-09-16 09:09:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ERNST	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:23:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has shown that it does not know how to manage resources effectively. Eskom is defunct and unreliable. Even with people paying for the maintenance and ongoing upgrades of the grid. Eskom has failed to provide adequate service. Home owners and businesses have been forced to make alternate power arrangements in the form of solar. The argument of erratic demand is rubbish. Most solar users have a very specific demand pattern when they are connected to the grid. Eskom should look inward at the incapable management and workers and fix their internal systems before penalizing people for a problem they caused.	Roston	employed individual

	2026-09-16 09:26:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can the government one day "incentives" the public to go green and invest in solar and the next day want to tax them for their investment? Inflated salaries and bonussas in government departments and state funded companies along with the widely publicized corruption and theft is the reason why the average South-African citizen keeps paying the price. Everyone is getting gatvol!!!	Barend	self-employed
	2026-09-16 09:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another option for them to steal from the taxpayer. They will find any way to make people pay so they can steal. I am against paying for anything GOD has freely given us. Go steal money from those not paying tax but earning an income.	Bernadine Christine	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:37:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:42:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douw	self-employed
	2026-09-16 09:59:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am a home-based, specialised mining auditor with international clients, and for the past 17 years, because of ESKOM's incompetent management of electricity supply and load shedding (in direct contravention of its "monopoly licence"), I have been forced to spend increasing amounts of my own, and my business's, money on solar and battery power to ensure a continuing power supply, so I could maintain contact with my international clients. I am outraged that the Government is proposing to penalise me with extra charges because I could not rely on ESKOM to give me a continuous power supply. The Government, through ESKOM, is trying to bully me, and thousands of other small business owners, into paying for the Govenbment and ESKOM's incompetent, corruption-riddled manangement of power supply. Remove ESKOM's monopoly and allow the free market to supply power to the country. Let the Private Sector take over the Grid and make financial arrangements for the Govenrment to subsidise the Private Sector those parts of supply for the indigent (the "free" power for the poor).	Arend	self-employed
	2026-09-16 10:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kerry	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:10:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	JANINE	self-employed
	2026-09-16 10:19:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claire	retired
	2026-09-16 10:44:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was tempted to install Solar to help with heavy grid reliance, but these charges are going to make it completely unaffordable to be either partially or completely grid tied. These skyrocketing tariffs and charges need to come to an end.	Shaheed	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:48:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is engaging in self destructive methodology. The more they want and take, the more customers will move entirely off the grid. Then what will they do? Tax the sun?	Samantha	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:59:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aviva	
	2026-09-16 11:08:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	
	2026-09-16 11:18:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With all of the raised and very valid concerns in the picture, it is clearly premature to effect this restructuring. Eskom and local municipalities clearly do not have any of their ducks in a row yet to conduct this reatructure in a proper, fair and ecnomically sound way. The consumers at the bottom of the line will carry the worst brunt as usual, when we have been forced to take measures into our own hands to secure more reliable power generation, now we're going to be penalised for that. It is completely unfair and unjust for rate payers to pay for the incompetence, corruption and bad planning on the part of the public sector.	Andrea	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:19:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses as it will will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Once again the honest ordinary household and small business is the target of unscrupulous government actions.	Annolien	retired
	2026-09-16 11:25:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is unacceptable that this expense be added to the already existing burden of trying to make a living in existing hard times., while politicians live in comfort of feeling no pain.	Maggie	business owner
	2026-09-16 11:30:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hein	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:39:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No trust remains in this government, constantly just trying to get ratepayers to pay for their theft and incompetence.	Rolf	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:44:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that this expense be added to the already existing burden of trying to make a living in existing hard times., while politicians live in comfort of feeling no pain.	Freddie	retired
	2026-09-16 12:11:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to penalize the overburdened by government consumer	Herklaas	retired
	2026-09-16 12:12:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-16 12:16:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felix	employed individual
	2026-09-16 13:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	self-employed
	2026-09-16 13:20:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was a state of the art energy producer renowned across Southern Africa just four decades ago. Since then wholescale corruption at all levels, infrastructure collapse, mismanagement, and years of lies, have corroded what was once a perfectly running, efficient, and affordable service. It is an injustice that ordinary residents, - who have used their saving to instal solar panels just to cook, use a fridge, heater and have lights, - should have to bear the costs of Eskom mismanagement. The extra costs for poorer citizens will add unnecessary living expenses to their already tight budgets. The minister of energy should hang his head in shame!	Jean	employed individual
	2026-09-16 13:44:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Furthermore, the mention of the electricity grid being under stress/strain would cause the conclusion that less electricity being drawn from the grid would be better and even safer for all, especially when users/consumers have a separate power/generating supply other than the main grid. It causes one to think what the big idea is around these parts of the world.	Christiaan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 14:00:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is crazy! What a damned cheek!! Having spent a fortune providing solar to my residence because of the mismanagement and corruption at Eskom, how dare they even suggest "penalties" through some sort of grid tax! I despair!!	Annabel	retired
	2026-09-16 14:05:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		June	self-employed
	2026-09-16 14:12:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax"	Ignatius	retired
	2026-09-16 15:10:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronique	
	2026-09-16 15:19:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alida	retired
	2026-09-16 15:27:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government took something that worked well and ran it into the ground by stealing the what they could. Now the consumers have to pay for the government's failure.	Loki	
	2026-09-16 15:53:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not provide sunlight or the equipment to turn sun into electricity , so how can they tax something they are not providing .Eskom also encouraged people to go the solar route when they were unable to supply sufficient electricity	Barry	business owner
	2026-09-16 16:10:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-16 16:16:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duane	employed individual
	2026-09-16 16:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nico	retired
	2026-09-16 16:51:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I respectfully oppose the adoption of the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) framework in its current form. The proposed market design fails to safeguard affordability for households and small businesses, while simultaneously threatening the financial stability of municipalities that rely on electricity surpluses to cross-subsidize indigent communities. Allowing large users to bypass municipal distribution networks undermines the constitutional obligation to ensure equitable access to basic services. Furthermore, the SAWEM paper does not adequately address Eskom’s entrenched market power. Without strict oversight and transparent governance, Eskom Generation could distort competition, leaving consumers exposed to higher tariffs and slowing the transition to renewable energy. The absence of clear provisions for environmental protection and just transition principles raises serious compliance concerns, as the framework risks locking South Africa into costly and polluting generation technologies. For these reasons, I urge regulators to reject the SAWEM proposal in its current form and to initiate a more transparent, consultative process that prioritizes affordability, municipal sustainability, and alignment with South Africa’s just energy transition commitments.	Bert	employed individual

	2026-09-16 17:15:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has proven itself to be an unreliable supplier. Now it will be an unreliable supplier and an even more expensive one. It is the only company I know of tells its customers not to use its product (reduce consumption). Now that we are, they realise the drop in their revenue needs to be catered for by other means. I fail to see why the public is held ransom for their inability to effectively and efficiently run that organisation. They allowed rampant theft by suppliers and employess for many years which cost billions. Furthermore, with electricity being one of the key inputs in many organisations, this cost will merely be passed on to the consumer (who will already be paying a higher cost for power). This will further create an atmosphere of negative sentiment when it comes to a business friendly South Africa. This will have an adverse effect on foreign and local investment, with the ripple effect being a further increase in unemployment. I would like to know what the SARB has to say as to how this affects their inflation targets - and their stance on resultant interest rates.	Keith	retired
	2026-09-16 17:31:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angus	retired
	2026-09-16 17:31:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is it that those of us who are too 'wealthy' to get any sort of grant have to always bear the cost of the inefficiency of the government departments? After working all my years and still paying tax, 'they' still want to fleece those of us who are watching our pennies so as not to be a burden on others and to meet our obligations!	Bernice	retired
	2026-09-16 17:46:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. 4. Electricity and water tariffs have increased dramatically over the past few years, while residents continue to experience service delivery failures and power supply challenges. It is difficult to accept additional levies and fixed charges, especially when many people have invested significant amounts in solar systems to reduce their dependence on the grid. If I use electricity from the grid, I fully expect to pay for the energy I consume. However, charging households substantial fixed fees regardless of consumption feels unfair, particularly when consumers are already carrying the cost of backup power and renewable energy systems. Citizens should not be expected to absorb the financial consequences of poor planning, mismanagement, or inefficiencies within government and utility providers. People who invest in solar are helping to reduce demand on the network. Instead of being penalized with additional charges, there should be a fair and transparent approach that balances the costs of maintaining the grid with the contributions made by customers who generate some of their own electricity.	Petrus	employed individual
	2026-09-16 18:01:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It cannot be that the state first encouraged users to go solar and now wants to punish them for having done so. Eskom did not end up in the state it is because of consumers but because of miss management. The responsibility should lie in the government not the small middle class citizen that managed to afford to put solar on his roof to ensure better reliability of electricity so he can work and live. No putting extra charge on him because he is having solar is unfair and unethical.	Sascha	employed individual
	2026-09-16 18:57:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am tired of subsidising the poor when Govt wastes trillions on schemes to enrich themselves, make poor ideological decisions with out sorting our economy so that the majority can secure jobs excluding the elderly, disabled and like reasonable reasons. Grow the economy and become competitive against the world, so that we can improve conditions for all citizens being able to provide the necessities of life for themselves and their families, so that we once again regain our self respect, good, morals and ethics, responsible, respectful and honest people, and get the bad eggs to court and convicted within three years, to clean up and get rid of criminals and hooligans. Eskom issues are pathetic, making a profit when they have been baled on numerous occasions by Govt freebies and claim that they have solved loadshedding, rubbish. The private funding by large & small companies including homeowners have contributed hugely towards the reduction of loadshedding. Your power production is still below of former targets, ad the humongous increases imposed on all people in South Africa is making us poorer by the day, and our Rand is worthless against other major currencies in the world and our GDP growth is pathetically low. Yet PEPS and those elected are grossly overpaid for their qualifications and contribution to South Africa as a whole	Theo	retired
	2026-09-16 19:04:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-09-16 19:05:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandri	
	2026-09-16 19:06:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The so called "anti-free-riding" policy is irrational as citizens that have saved ESCOM and the State from continued “load shedding”/ darkness are no punished. In all other countries green alternatives energy generation are subsidized with incentives. The generation of clean power has saved the State embarrassment and costly extensions to the System (generation and distribution). To counter this, the government and municipalities are shifting tariffs toward unavoidable, high fixed monthly capacity charge forcing citizens to pay a heavy fixed connection fees regardless of how little power you draw. Using less is the only protection the poor has and this is now taken from them! The poor will be trapped paying skyrocketing fixed tariffs, forced basic service charges, and heavier cross-subsidies to keep failing municipal distribution networks afloat.	Jan	self-employed
	2026-09-16 19:18:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. As an example, if I make use of Uber and, after some savings, I manage to purchase a vehicle, I would not expect Uber to penalise me for no longer using or using less of their service!!! 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Carlos	retired
	2026-09-16 19:19:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-16 19:37:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I ditto all the comments from the people that voted "no I do not"	Petrae	self-employed
	2026-09-16 19:44:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm already paying nearly R 1,500 a month in fixed fees before a single unit of electricity is used while houses around me steal electricity. Go after them and get the money you are looking to take from us	Anton	employed individual
	2026-09-16 20:02:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ricjard	self-employed
	2026-09-16 20:07:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Solar: Eskom forced us to do solar due to its own admitted failures, so do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Municipalities Municipalities cannot raise tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency Eskom must foot the bill for grid infrastructure, not everyday households, as they have stolen billions of taxpayers money.	Scott	
	2026-09-16 20:10:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government encouraged citizens to find alternative power sources as they were unable to provide sufficient power for the country now they want penalize us for their incompetence. We pay rates and that should cover maintenance of electrical infrastructure.	Colette	retired
	2026-09-16 20:16:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	self-employed
	2026-09-16 20:27:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to all the corruption and maladministration within Eskom it was unable to supply an efficient product. Eskom encouraged the consumer to go solar. Eskom has lost many consumers, and their sales have declined they continuously burden the consumer with massive unaffordable increases. The sooner Eskom is privatized the better for the country.	Eugene	retired
	2026-09-16 21:01:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthonie	retired
	2026-09-16 22:41:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising people who are providing better ways to supply the country with power is not a great way to put faith in the system. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Mandy	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 23:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jacobus	self-employed
	2026-09-17 04:26:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxpayers simply cannot afford any increases jn taxes or tariffs in a stagnant economy. This policy will have a massive detrimental effect on already constrained consumers. Furthermore, it is simply immoral to keep demanding that consumers fil a corruption shaped hole...	Jaco	
	2026-09-17 05:29:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	self-employed
	2026-09-17 06:33:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Municipalities are corrupt and disfunctional. They must be stopped from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Wholesale market reforms cannot be allowed to leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Kevin	retired
	2026-09-17 06:43:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	R	retired
	2026-09-17 07:03:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not punish people who used their own money to assist when ESCOM failed.	Carine	employed individual
	2026-09-17 07:15:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-17 07:19:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We know what you're doing, and we are fighting it. The entire bill is a sham, and it's pathetic.	Ulrico	business owner
	2026-09-17 07:24:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martell	self-employed
	2026-09-17 07:25:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Michael	
	2026-09-17 07:37:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Hennie	
	2026-09-17 07:55:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neshen	employed individual
	2026-09-17 08:01:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers had to invest in solar because the energy supply company was unable to keep up with demand. ESKOM is the only company that tells people NOT TO USE their product and then want to penalize people for finding an alternative means. Why should the rate payer pay the price for ESKOM's incompetence?	Annerie	employed individual
	2026-09-17 09:10:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing and extra charges are not the answer to the problems. Relook where your challenges are and address those without getting the public to pay for your mistakes.	Malherbe	employed individual
	2026-09-17 09:48:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. A short while ago, government was subsidizing domestic installation and use of solar infrastructure, in order to lighten the load on the electricity grid. Now government wants to take punitive action against those that have conformed to this policy and all because it allowed decades of corruption, theft and treasonous self-sabotage within Eskom! The Constitution requires policy to be consistent, logical and fair. This new phase of government energy policy cannot be seen in isolation - it is clearly a dangerous mutation of the same thread of policy, which will undermine the evolution of South Africa's path towards the adoption of sustainable, non-polluting energy sources. It is not logical, it is not consistent (since it marks a reversal of a sound evolutionary path) and is therefore unfair, which brings it into conflict with the Constitution. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Evert	retired
	2026-09-17 10:00:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges are laughable - sun power cost the consumer nothing, nature provides it for free. The consumer who has to save up funds to be able to afford it pays a huge amount to get it installed. Furthermore, it is CLEAN energy consumption which is beneficial to all. Captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. This is just another way to put more and more pressure on ordinary households and small businesses that can hardly come by and urgently need to save money because of almost all expenses are rising to impossible tariffs. Solar and wind power is the way to go if one pays reverence to the earth, embrace it instead of using it as a means to collect more money for those in charge!	Nicola	retired

	2026-09-17 10:01:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-17 10:08:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		barbara	retired
	2026-09-17 10:51:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Thanks to the thousands of rate payers and electricity consumers who have installed solar, the country has been saved from power cuts and load shedding. We all know Eskom did not do it alone. The government encouraged consumers and offered incentives to install solar. Under no circumstances what so ever should the solar or normal house hold users now be penalised due to Eskom or municipality corruption, theft and inefficiencies . It is outrageous to now come with such proposals and penalties !!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The nation must stand together and say NO NO NO !!!	Stephen	retired
	2026-09-17 11:24:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	
	2026-09-17 11:51:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its just an attempt at legalising grand theft by the ANC. Despicable.	Anton	employed individual
	2026-09-17 11:57:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tina	retired
	2026-09-17 12:11:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-17 12:28:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its current form. South Africans have invested their own money in solar, batteries and energy efficiency because the existing electricity system has failed to provide reliable and affordable power. It is unfair to then penalize these households with higher fixed network charges because they have reduced their reliance on the grid. Electricity reform should encourage competition, private generation, energy efficiency and consumer choice, not undermine the incentive for households to invest in their own electricity supply. Network costs should be recovered fairly and transparently, but consumers who use less grid electricity should not effectively be punished for doing so. I therefore oppose the Position Paper and call for policies that protect residential consumers and encourage, rather than discourage, investment in private electricity generation.	Dane	
	2026-09-17 12:46:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar Power Belongs to THE ALMIGHTY CREATOR AND THEREFORE IS FREELY ACCESSIBLE TO ALL ON EARTH.....NO GOVERNMENT CAN LAY CLAIM TO IT AND CHARGE PEOPLE FOR USING IT.....IT IS YET ANOTHER UNBEARABLE TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE PLOY TO CATCH US THE HAPLESS CITIZENS SO THAT THE GOVERNMENT CAN FILL THEIR OWN POCKETS!!!!!WE GET NOTHNG AS IT IS FOR ALLLLL THE EXORBITANT TAXES WE ALRDY PAY!!!!	Yasmin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 12:51:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Veronique	
	2026-09-17 12:56:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debra	retired
	2026-09-17 12:59:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Considering the substantial rates that we pay the municipality should not be adding further huge costs for electricity for whatever reason	Jeremy	retired
	2026-09-17 13:08:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Collin	employed individual
	2026-09-17 13:23:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think things should be done in a cost effective way where people want to pay for the service not add punitive levies to people's accounts or make things too expensive to be viable. A functioning network where people do not steal electricity so that we all help fund the model to keep costs low combined with attractive pricing would solve the problem.	Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-17 13:34:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to install roof top solar systems to take the pressure off the grid. Now we are being penalized for what we were asked to do. As it is, we cannot keep up with everything going up. You are taking the food from our tables. So, NO, I do not support this at all.	Santie	retired
	2026-09-17 13:34:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The tyranny of trying to tax the sun shining on my roof that is God goes not only against my human right to use the ecosystem that God provides for human thriving, it also goes against my freedom as a law abiding citizen to do on my own property what my family needs to live in a modern world. Finally, non of this would have been necessary if Eskom and government did not fail the people of South Africa in the first place.	Lourens	employed individual
	2026-09-17 13:42:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Coerie	retired
	2026-09-17 13:42:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to install roof top solar systems to take the pressure off the grid. Now we are being penalized for what we were asked to do. As it is, we cannot keep up with everything going up. You are taking the food from our tables. So, NO, I do not support this at all. copy	Dirk C	
	2026-09-17 13:52:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	COCT is known for slapping a fee on every single thing imaginable. Drawing blood out of already burdened household. This needs to stop. stop bringing people into Cape Town to come and live here for free, then they hit us, the law abiding citizen, with ridiculous fees and charges to fund their agenda. Now we have more fees from Eskom, where will this end?	B.	employed individual
	2026-09-17 13:54:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:06:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bella	self-employed
	2026-09-17 14:06:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Guilliam Pretorius	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:26:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Berdus	retired
	2026-09-17 14:42:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingrid	retired
	2026-09-17 14:55:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:59:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-17 15:08:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-17 15:29:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must stop using the public to cover the cost of incompetence and bad budgeting. They must learn to cut costs just like any business. Its time to unbundle it and offer private enterprise to compete for business.	Bruce	retired
	2026-09-17 15:35:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	anc can take a hike ..... do not support	HILTON	retired
	2026-09-17 15:36:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmaré	retired
	2026-09-17 15:43:09	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Because you, YOU the government cannot run a functional SOE and stole all the money, forcing individuals to make alternative plans, to make our own electricity, DO NOT burden us with your financial incapability!	Helen	employed individual
	2026-09-17 15:57:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	retired
	2026-09-17 16:34:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The State already proved that it cannot provide a reliable, uninterruptable and cost-effective service to rate paying citizens. And now it wants to punish people for making use of free energy.	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-17 16:52:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spent a lot of money on buying a solar system which helped Eskom when it needed help to reduce the load on its system, now you want to punish me for being a good citizen. Enough is enough now. Stop screwing over the citizens of this country	Mike	retired
	2026-09-17 17:20:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	employed individual
	2026-09-17 17:24:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	employed individual
	2026-09-17 17:34:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM, the ANC and the SA government in general - read ANC - has made a complete MESS of our electricity supply. The result was that people and businesses fixed the problem, which is the ONLY reason we don't have load shedding, ESKOM cannot generate sufficient electricity. To now punish those people who fixed the problem is outrageous. Frankly EVERY SINGLE ANC LEADER IN GOVERNMENT, EMPLOYED BY GOVERNMENT, IN PARLIAMENT etc, should be paying the difference between the cost of generation and the depleted number of customers, which makes electricity completely unaffordable in this country. Eskom should be privatised IMMEDIATELY. The ANC is not fit to run a bath - oh yes, Panyaza is quite good at that - let alone our parasitals and a country!	Catherine	business owner
	2026-09-17 18:01:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthew	retired
	2026-09-17 18:43:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Simple, do they own the sun?	Claudio	employed individual
	2026-09-17 18:47:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Cathy	business owner

	2026-09-17 19:01:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ottoline	retired
	2026-09-17 19:18:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-17 19:22:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petrus	employed individual
	2026-09-17 19:35:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Heather	business owner
	2026-09-17 20:14:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-17 21:18:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roeleen	
	2026-09-17 22:12:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has not been able to provide what is needed. The market should open up for alternatives - companies, solar, wind etc. Eskom should also diversify and rather get involved installing and maintaining solar systems around the country. Or they can reduce their reach and focus on communities where there is no alternative. Also, employ those who know what they are doing and who are needed to what is required effectively and efficiently. The time doing business as the old Eskom is done - adapt or die!	Marlize	retired
	2026-09-17 22:29:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WE AS RATEPAYERS INVESTED HUGE ADDISIONAL CAPITAL TO PROVIDE RELIABLE ENERGY WHEN ESKOM FAILED DUE TO MISMANAGEMENT AND CORRUPTION .NOW THEY WANT TO COME AND PENALIZE WISE INVESTMENT .NO OTHER REAL BUSINESS CAN DO THAT NEITHER SHOULD WE ALLOW ESKOM TO DO THAT	Wikus	retired
	2026-09-18 01:09:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	self-employed
	2026-09-18 01:11:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It would seem that if one is financially able to produce their own power, they will be penalised for doing so. Instead of being rewarded for relieving the strain on the grid so that Eskom can keep the lights on, they are being charged for using less power. Are we being forced back into the dark ages whereby the normal households can no longer afford to keep the lights on.	Jenny	retired
	2026-09-18 04:56:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Goverment and goverment entities are bleeding their own people to death wirh all of their taxes. They have absolutely no idea how to generate foreign income (exept borrowing from the chinese), so they tax ordanery people pass their limit. VAT @ 15%, income tax, property tax, capital gains tax, estate tax, taxes and levies on fuel, ect.	Anton	employed individual
	2026-09-18 05:56:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quinton	business owner
	2026-09-18 06:12:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannie	retired
	2026-09-18 06:14:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erry	retired
	2026-09-18 06:35:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frik	
	2026-09-18 07:44:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Arrie	
	2026-09-18 07:47:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Tshiamo	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:08:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-18 08:11:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dudley	
	2026-09-18 08:28:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terence	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:35:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Private capital and solar investments should not be penalised with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Municipalities should be blocked from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Wholesale market reforms should not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Tanya	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:39:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gezina	employed individual
	2026-09-18 09:05:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natale	retired
	2026-09-18 09:21:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whenever you think you've heard it all - ESKOM will surprise you. In effect they want to bill you because the sun can be taxed (it belongs to the ANC). Secondly they paid for your rooftop solar - right - not your hard earned money that was already taxed plus the tax on the solar installation? Solar user (private and commercial) is what actually saved SA from total black-out. Load shedding did not end because of the brilliant work Eskom did. Eskom is a dead cow that the Gov uses to launder some extra money. Get real - doing this more and more people will just go completely off-grid...what will you think of next...	Marco	employed individual
	2026-09-18 09:40:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object strongly to (Eskom) penalising the consumer for installing Solar and thereby helping alleviate the problem of Eskom being unable to generate sufficient electricity to support citizens of this country.	Mike	retired
	2026-09-18 10:00:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So what is then next? We pay for wearing my own clothes? It is time people stand up against illegal laws and policies. The current laws are all illegal.	Morné	employed individual
	2026-09-18 10:04:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		christo	self-employed
	2026-09-18 10:10:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state is so inefficient, for years they have unable to produce electricity and customers have had to bear load reduction and load shedding and black outs. Their uselessness has resulted in them unable to deliver. Now that citizens have found a alternative, Eskom is left with it pants dont. FARK YOU MOTHERFUCKERS. You have consistently increased tariffs to support a dysfunctional eskom labour force that is corrupt and unable to do their work, and now you need funds to support this dysfunctional organisation to survive while customers have now moved to SOLAR. MAYBE TRY DOING BETTER THINGS AND CHARGE THE FREE LOADERS WHO DONT PAY FOR ELECTRICITY. FARK YOU BENCHOT	J	
	2026-09-18 10:31:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government has stuffed the country up as well as every entity that forms part of it. They cannot control which they no idea of. Sooon they will want every one to wear traditional dress	Kevin	
	2026-09-18 10:33:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-18 10:37:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Let me understand the history of how this all came to be: first Eskom got rid of all their senior staff that have the knowledge and experience that could have been passed down to new employees because they were white (Eskom shooting themselves in the foot). A few years later Eskom is staffed with incompetent people because they got rid of transfer of knowledge and are now hiring purely on BEE stats and not on merit. Fast forward to now: corruption, over staffing, over paying of salaries and too few clever staff results in too little money for Eskom to cover all their “expenses”, including the free electricity the politicians promised the poor. Now for where we find ourselves complaining about: Eskom thinks they can Invoice for NOTHING! If this law comes to light, I will start sending Eskom monthly invoices from my little retail shop, because Eskom has the possibility of walking past my shop, walking in and buying something. Are they out of their minds? You cannot invoice for nothing! Andre de Ruyter predicted this situation correctly: raise the price of electricity too much and you will lose your customers who subsidize the free electricity for the poor. Eskom, YOU fu*ked up!	Marta	employed individual
	2026-09-18 10:40:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MLW	
	2026-09-18 10:58:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun belongs to God Almighty and not to people's or goverments.	De Wet	retired
	2026-09-18 10:59:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LYNNE	retired
	2026-09-18 11:04:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nazlie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 11:19:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-09-18 11:22:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Neels	business owner
	2026-09-18 11:50:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mac	business owner
	2026-09-18 12:18:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So the government also wishes to charge the citzen for the sun . Those people are clawns and after stealing all the money in the state coffers have to find new ways of stealing more money . Southafricans should think very carefully in whom to vote next . Enough of thieves running our country	Pedro	retired
	2026-09-18 12:27:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years Eskom has been charging the household consumer more whilst having different rates for business. We have been carrying the cost for certain areas that are exempt from paying anything. We must be vigilant and careful with unbundling, alternative structures and we the people must choose what is best for us. We need coal and nuclear power stations urgently.	Ruth	retired
	2026-09-18 12:50:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		colin	retired

	2026-09-18 12:55:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The rise of home solar is the direct result of Eskom mismanagement, theft and inefficiency. As we stand today many, many areas have regular power failures. Forget about the inconvenience. South Africa needs a working economy. A working economy needs electricity. Solar home owners are not free riders. They have invested huge capital to keep this country afloat in a time that Eskom only cared about huge salaries and making sure contractors could earn ludicrous fees. In short stealing the country clean. This is Eskom. Taxing home solar installations is an approach carefully designed to have more money in the dwindling pot for much the same motivations. If Eskom was vaguely honest, they would have offered rebates for solar installations, cut top salaries by half and cut top management by half. That would show some intention.	Gerhardus	
	2026-09-18 13:15:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hugo	employed individual
	2026-09-18 13:34:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for my solar installation because Eskom could not surplus power. I refuse to pay additional charges to anyone. They dont own the sun. They have no right to punish people for providing their own power to have lights. Alarms, etc. Enough milking if citizens. We are tired of this nonsense. If Eskom sells less power they must cut their staff compliments. Ditto for municipalities. No sympathy for thieves.	Theresa	retired
	2026-09-18 13:40:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar systems still need maintenance and have failures, this still consume funds. Insurance are already a burdan. Why pay for something that is already included in electric prices? Why must users always get stepped on for mis management and failures of eskom and every aspect in this country? I also want to start a buseness where I can charge anyone without delivering. Get the funds from your buddies that do not pay and have ilegal connections. We still pay for systems and struggle with current prices in the market, so this will eventually demand a tax revolt. Enough is enough!!!	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-18 14:00:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WAYNE	retired
	2026-09-18 14:38:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tax coffers are busy drying up. Need to rob the public in a lawful way. And now the government thinks it can turn the sun on and off. Appalling as usual.	Leandrie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 15:34:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For decades, Eskom's failures have placed an enormous burden on South African households, businesses, and contributed to job losses. Load shedding, unreliable supply, escalating electricity costs, and well-documented governance and corruption failures have forced ordinary South Africans to seek alternative energy solutions at their own expense. Now, the prospect of imposing mandatory fixed charges on customers who have invested in their own solar systems raises a fundamental question: why should consumers be financially penalised for taking responsibility for their own energy security? I support market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading as important components of reform that can encourage private investment and strengthen South Africa's energy market. I never thought I would see this day, but government has failed the people it is meant to serve. I object to mandatory fixed solar charges that risk undermining the very investment in alternative energy that consumers were forced to make. #unaffordableenergypricesZA Enough is enough!	Aneesa	
	2026-09-18 15:41:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronel	retired
	2026-09-18 15:42:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	employed individual
	2026-09-18 16:18:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	90% of us, no probably more, got solar due to load shedding and unreliable service due to lack and planning from Eskom. Now you want to tax us on a expense that is directly caused and originated from Eskom Pay back the solar installation + interest incl money that went to the bank for financing and then maybe you have a leg to stand on. Also SA is part of the Kyoto Protocol to reduce greenhouse gasses, below an AI summary of this tax initiative - In South Africa's case, where coal still dominates generation, discouraging rooftop solar is hard to defend on climate or energy-security grounds. A better approach would be to keep the cross-subsidy goal but design it so solar owners still have a clear reason to invest — for example, a modest fixed grid fee instead of a punitive tax on solar generation. So: not necessarily "immoral," but from an energy-policy perspective it looks counterproductive if the country wants cleaner power, less load-shedding, and faster private investment in generation.	Eric	retired
	2026-09-18 16:24:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariana	retired
	2026-09-18 16:54:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Craig	employed individual
	2026-09-18 19:13:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	self-employed
	2026-09-18 19:18:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charlotte	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 19:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		RONEL	
	2026-09-18 20:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Het die regering ons dan doelbewus ons hier met `n slagyster gevang? Eers kon hulle hulle deur ESKOM nie die ligte aanhou nie, en almal verontrief en eindelose furstrasie veroorsaak. En nou na baie mense hulle eie plan gemaak het om self voorsienend te wees betreffende kragbehoeftes, nou verskyn ESKOM ewe vroom op die toneel om diegene te kom belas op allerlei slinkse maniere van registrasie wat ons kan weet natuurlik weer met lisensiegelde ens gaan gepaardgaan om iemand verder te verryk. Waar was die regering en ESKOM toe ons gesukkel het met elektriese toestelle soos yskaste, vrieskaste ens. wat opgepak en ingegee het a.g.v. sogenaamde beurtkrag? Het julle enige van ons vergoed vir voedsel soos vleis ens wat bederf en vrot geword het as gevolg van hierdie speletjie van julle? Tyd wat ons verloor het a.g.v. verkeersligte wat tydens beurtkrag nie gewerk het nie, en toe sommer ook gesteel is. Nee wat, julle het ndie toets gedop, moenie ons nou wil kom straf omdat julle nie kon "supply" nie. En as hierdie julle plan was om mense verder te verstrik met registrasies en boetes, ens. moet julle weet dat dit gaan terugkom na julle toe.	Tommie	employed individual
	2026-09-18 20:45:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-19 05:36:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun was made by GOD for all and not for government to decide we should be charged for it, as they are the reason that the people are going solar. They are financially sucking us dry because of there incompetence.	Nicolas	employed individual
	2026-09-19 06:09:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Incompetent ANC deployment comrades at electricity department being paid huge salaries but electricity grid and maintenance is neglected because the municipality electricians are not qualified to work on the grid, outages when it rains or when the wind blows, dereliction of substations and mini substations, daily unannounced outages by municipality, electricians not reachable after hours but they are paid standby allowances.	Gerhardt	retired
	2026-09-19 06:31:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hudson	
	2026-09-19 07:26:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	retired
	2026-09-19 07:35:32	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Babsie	retired
	2026-09-19 09:04:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus Philippus	retired
	2026-09-19 09:24:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The south Africa government will find anything,anyway to charge south Africans on anything. Everything is already expensive, leave us alone to us the energy from the sun,did you as the government create the sun?!No you didn't. So leave us out of your evil agenda. We dont want to be part of it.	Olivia	unemployed individual
	2026-09-19 09:51:11	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to parts of the SAWEM roadmap published by the Department of Electricity and Energy, for these reasons: 1. Fixed grid charges penalise people who acted in good faith. Households and businesses invested in rooftop solar during load shedding, some with tax incentives the state provided. Shifting to high, unavoidable fixed fees undermines the value of those investments after the fact and weakens trust in future energy policy. 2. Fixed charges are regressive and discourage efficiency. A large fixed fee takes a bigger share of low-income and low-usage households' budgets. It also weakens the incentive to save electricity, which conflicts with South Africa's climate and energy-efficiency commitments. 3. The "anti-free-riding" charge must be based on evidence. Grid charges should come from independent, published cost-of-service studies approved by NERSA. Those studies should also count the benefits solar brings to the grid, such as lower peak demand and reduced strain during shortages. 4. Ordinary consumers become captive ratepayers. If large users above the threshold can leave municipal grids, households and small businesses will be left to carry municipal revenue gaps and legacy cross-subsidies. That risks a spiral of rising tariffs for those least able to pay. 5. Eskom's dominance creates market-power risk. Opening a market while one producer controls most generation invites price manipulation and volatility. Retail consumers need firm protections before trading begins. 6. Separating "wires" from "retail" may add costs, not remove them. Separate fees, extra margins and admin costs could raise bills, especially where municipalities lack the capacity to implement the change well. I request that the Department: • set grid charges through transparent, NERSA-approved cost studies that account for solar's benefits, and phase them in gradually • protect existing solar investments with grandfathering or transitional arrangements • require large users who leave municipal grids to pay a fair share of legacy costs and cross-subsidies • establish an independent market operator, active market monitoring and price safeguards before trading starts • protect indigent households and free basic electricity • publish a socio-economic impact assessment of the effect on household tariffs	Johannes	self-employed
	2026-09-19 10:42:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since 1994 the ANC have sent every state -owned entity into poverty with their mismanagement, theft, corruption, looting and lack of proper maintenance. We are all aware how the ANC and their Cadres have used Eskom as their private bank with coal mafias, selling to countries for less that SA Citizens have had to pay and forcing rate and tax paying citizens to cover the cost of their incompetence and now they want to push it even further with this nonsense. Any person who votes for the ANC in the next election needs to be deported as they do not have the right to have a vote on the way this country moves forward. 32 years of the ANC pillaging the South African public - well NO MORE!!!	Ericka	employed individual
	2026-09-19 11:16:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marié-Luïse	retired
	2026-09-19 13:40:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am retired for twenty years now and am beginning to run out of funds because of the cost of living rises that I cannot control. The municipality introduced an electricity surcharge whether I use power or not. I keep cutting down my consumption, but the municipality continues to penalise me for doing so. I have a prepaid meter, but still pay a penalty for having power. This none of catered for when we retired. We still have all the other rising household expenses to try and coupe with also. Rates, insurance, water, food, travel etc.etc.	Rhett	retired
	2026-09-19 15:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bonita	
	2026-09-19 15:39:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All SOE's critical to the wellbeing of South Africa were hollowed out during the State Capture Era, including Eskom. Many promises were made but large-scale corruption continues. True to form, we the citizens, are again being financially punished for bad governance. I therefore STRONGLY object to 1) Private capital and solar investments being penalized with punitive fixed grid fees. 2) If large industrial and commercial users who exceed the demand are allowed to exit the municipal supply and buy cheaper power, this will strip municipalities of the revenue required to subsidize indigent households. Captive consumers must therefore be PROTECTED by BARRING municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3) Transparency: To ensure wholesale market reforms DO NOT leave everyday households having to foot the bill for grid infrastructure. 4) Opening the envisaged advanced wholesale market in 2026/2027 is premature while growing municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved.	Theresa	retired

	2026-09-19 15:55:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop fleecing people - us pensioners who PAY OUR WAY and try to make SA a proper functioning country!!!!!!!	Michele	retired
	2026-09-19 17:53:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	we as normal citizens cannot subsidise the large consumers and the non payers	Bruce	
	2026-09-19 19:51:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	employed individual
	2026-09-20 03:10:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	
	2026-09-20 05:54:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danny	retired
	2026-09-20 06:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	
	2026-09-20 07:01:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adele	
	2026-09-20 08:46:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP making the consumer pay for mistakes that Eskom have created. We have suffered dearly through COVID where the world went crazy and now Eskom wants us to fit the bill for their mistakes. Our burden is heavy enough as it is !	Cindi	
	2026-09-20 12:24:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have just one question "Do they want to claim the sun as there own"? 99% percent of people paid for the solar out of their own pockets. Now why do they want to tax the people?	Connie	employed individual
	2026-09-20 14:59:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These additional costs are being levied to cover up maladministration, lack of skills and theft of funds from an already overburdened public. The municipalities must clean up their act and appoint skilled individuals who are not politically connected in order to run electricity grids	pierre	retired
	2026-09-20 17:44:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	
	2026-09-20 18:13:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	retired
	2026-09-20 18:13:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hamilton	retired
	2026-09-20 19:00:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To the current (and future) leaders of the Electricity and Energy Sectors in South Africa All the proposed transformations for the electricity sector ignore the fundamental reasons for arriving at this point in time (and the proposed Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper). Addressing the fundamental / core concerns would be far more effective and beneficial for South Africa and everyone living and doing business here. In brief:- the immense political interference in the management of Escom and the coal supply have cost South Africa an enormous amount. The deliberate release of competent staff, appointment of less competent staff, cadre deployments, inappropriate and even lack of (preventative) maintenance, and tolerating corruption through various means (without adequate support from crime prevention units / entities) are factors that contributed to the so-called need for transformation. The solutions proposed are not in the best interest of South Africa, its residents, and business. You are instructed to address all the core concerns (as you have already started doing in some instances), and stop wasting time on transformation initiatives that are mainly geared to suit the interests of a few local and globalist people and interests. Electricity should have remained (and still be) very cost effective in South Africa. You are also instructed not to introduce any form of a taxation (by whatever name you want to call it) at any stage of the use of solar energy (as subtly proposed with this Electricity Transformation Paper)	Melissa	retired
	2026-09-20 19:42:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not own the sun so has no right to charge anyone for using it.	Maggel	
	2026-09-20 20:11:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To the current (and future) leaders of the Electricity and Energy Sectors in South Africa All the proposed transformations for the electricity sector ignore the fundamental reasons for arriving at this point in time (and the proposed Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper). Addressing the fundamental / core concerns would be far more effective and beneficial for South Africa and everyone living and doing business here. In brief :- the immense political interference in the management of Eskom and the coal supply have cost South Africa an enormous amount. The deliberate release of competent staff, appointment of less competent staff, cadre deployments, inappropriate and even lack of (preventative) maintenance, and tolerating corruption through various means (without adequate support from crime prevention units / (entities) are factors that contributed to the so-called need for transformation. The solutions proposed are not in the best interest of South Africa, its residents, and business. You are, on notice, to address all the core concerns (as you have already started doing in some instances), and stop wasting time on transformation initiatives that are mainly geared to suit the interests of a few local and globalist people and interests. Electricity should have remained (and still be) very cost effective in South Africa. You are, on notice, not to introduce any form of a taxation (by whatever name you want to call it) at any stage of the use of solar energy (as subtly proposed with this Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper).	G	
	2026-09-20 21:27:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-21 03:05:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I support genuine competition in South Africa's electricity market, but I do not support using tariff reform as a mechanism to penalise households and businesses that have invested their own money to reduce their dependence on Eskom. For years, South Africans were encouraged to reduce electricity consumption, invest in energy-efficient appliances, use alternative energy sources and install solar and batteries. Many people responded exactly as they were asked to. Now that those investments are reducing their electricity purchases, it would be fundamentally unfair to simply replace lost consumption revenue with ever-increasing fixed charges. There is a legitimate argument that someone connected to the grid should contribute towards the cost of maintaining the network, even if they generate some of their own electricity. But that does not mean the customer should be charged in a way that removes the financial benefit of reducing demand or going partially off-grid. The principle should be simple: pay for the infrastructure and services you actually use, and pay in proportion to the costs you impose on the system. If a household draws heavily from the grid during peak demand, it makes sense that it should contribute more to the capacity required to support that demand. Conversely, someone who uses very little grid electricity, generates their own power and shifts consumption away from peak periods should not be treated in the same way. A much better tariff model would therefore consider actual measured maximum demand and time of use. Peak-period demand should carry an appropriate network-capacity cost, while electricity used during periods of low demand should be cheaper. That would encourage people with batteries, geysers and other controllable loads to shift consumption away from peak periods rather than simply charging everyone a large unavoidable monthly fee. This would also create the right incentives for solar and batteries. Instead of treating private investment in generation as a threat to the electricity system, government should make it economically beneficial for consumers to reduce peak demand and feed useful surplus electricity into the grid. Competition is potentially the most important part of this reform. If consumers and businesses have genuine alternatives, electricity suppliers and distributors will have to compete on price, reliability and service rather than simply passing inefficient costs on to customers. The government's own reform programme says the purpose of moving toward a more competitive electricity market is to reduce reliance on a single supplier and improve efficiency, investment and competition. But competition cannot be meaningful if customers remain effectively captive to fixed charges that make it uneconomic to reduce their dependence on the grid. Eskom and the distribution sector need to become more efficient, not simply find new ways to recover every rand of their existing cost structure from consumers. NERSA has already recognised the impact that changes to fixed charges can have on low-consumption households and has adopted phased approaches to some of these changes. Ultimately, South Africans should not be punished for becoming more energy efficient. If I spend my own money installing solar panels, batteries and efficient appliances, reducing my demand on the national grid should be rewarded—not turned into an excuse to charge me more. The goal should be to make electricity cheaper, more reliable and more competitive—not to protect an existing revenue model at the expense of consumers.	Rudie	
	2026-09-21 03:36:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This raises a serious question about fairness for ordinary residential electricity consumers. Two people can earn exactly the same salary yet face very different financial circumstances. Colleague earn the same income, but one lives in a government-subsidised house and the other own a property financed through the bank and must therefore pay rates, levies, bond repayments and other costs that he does not bear in the same way. Now consider electricity. The proposed market reforms appear to give large commercial and industrial users greater freedom to choose where they buy their electricity, while ordinary households remain “captive customers” of municipal or Eskom tariffs. At the same time, there is a move towards recovering a greater share of the electricity system’s fixed costs through charges that are less dependent on how much electricity a household actually uses. That creates a legitimate concern: what happens to the ordinary household that uses very little electricity but cannot afford to install solar panels, batteries or other forms of alternative generation? If wealthier consumers can increasingly reduce their dependence on the grid while lower- and middle-income households remain reliant on it, the cost of maintaining that grid must not simply be shifted onto those with the least ability to opt out. I am not opposed to people investing in solar power or choosing cheaper sources of electricity. The question is whether this transition is being designed fairly. Before ordinary consumers are asked to carry a greater share of fixed costs, there should be far greater transparency about Eskom’s operating costs, executive remuneration, bonuses, procurement practices, inefficiencies and the actual costs being recovered through tariffs. Electricity reform should promote competition and efficiency without creating a system in which those who cannot afford alternatives end up paying a disproportionate share of the transition’s costs. Those with the least choice should not automatically become those who carry the greatest burden.	QV	employed individual
	2026-09-21 05:47:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-09-21 06:38:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should I pay for going off grid. I used my own money to finance this move. Consumers who pay are not getting a service, all we get for our hard earned and heavily taxed money is cronyism, a bloated eskom work force, aging grid and exploitation. Collect money from your non payers, rollout your prepaid meters to area that use but don’t pay for their electricity. I am tired of being treated unfairly and a cash cow for the masses.	Claudia	self-employed
	2026-09-21 08:06:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government can tax people for owning solar, that is the same as taxing people for having shoes or a toothbrush... obviously it is no business of the government.	Slav	
	2026-09-21 09:52:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Letitia	
	2026-09-21 10:26:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already taxed on the salary I earn, and I pay a lot of other taxes. I used MY money to buy the solar system I use.	Lodewikus	employed individual
	2026-09-21 10:34:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For decades Eskom has embezzled and squandered our hard-earned money. When Eskom finally and inevitably broke down and loadshedding cripped the nation, we had to invest privately in rooftop solar power to mitigate the problem. Now Eskom's solution is to punish us for doing so? I don't think so.	Frank	unemployed individual

	2026-09-21 11:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents who use solar power should not be punished for it. It is a huge capital layout for ordinary employees, for the government's incompetence to provide basic electricity services. It would not have been necessary if government did not loot the money they received for electricity use. They have to look hard into their expenses, maintenance plans, available funds and come up with a cost-effective solution for this country. Employ people who knows what they are doing (no matter their race) but who has the expertise and integrity of working with finances. Maybe then people in the country will support Eskom more, but not while BBEEE is alive and well.	Monica	self-employed
	2026-09-21 12:53:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The people with full off grid or semi off grid dolar should not be charged any extra costs, these people are the ones that put an end to load shedding, Eskom did not build extra generating capacities overnight, people used less electricity and now Eskom wants to fine them for helping in times of need, not fair at all, these people spent a lot of money to get solar to help Eskom out of a predicament and this is the thanks that they get, Eskom is just getting too expensive, time for some competition	Bruce	employed individual
	2026-09-21 13:47:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since when is the Minister or his colleagues and counterparts GOD. Solar energy is a free commodity and cannot be charged for in anyway by anyone unless they are on a government/municipal connected solar system. It is not our residents problem if they cannot make ends meet. I WOULD NOT (IF i HAD SOLAR POWER) CONNECT INTO A GOVERNMENT OR MUNICIPAL GRID. Similarly, if I lived far from their connections. When I lived on the farm in Mooi River, my grandparents did not have electricity - neither the government or municipality of the day were concerned. All this is reflecting is the inability of the current powers to keep within budgets and stop wastage. They wish to continue RAPIN G the South African Consumer. They wish to 'KILL THE GOOSE THAT LAYS THE GOLDEN EGG'. Leave us consumers out of this mess you have created. We didn't create it. You ZUme, the GUPTAS and others thought they had a right to plunder South Africa and South Africans --- Get your house in order.	Harvey	retired
	2026-09-21 16:05:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	
	2026-09-21 17:12:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gina	retired
	2026-09-22 05:10:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zainul	unemployed individual
	2026-09-22 06:41:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are a number of ways to move Eskom towards profitability: 1. Get rid of Cadre deployment; sadly most cadres are NOT qualified to engage in business leadership, never mind large business leadership 2. Scrap BBBEE in the State sector: we - the people - effectively OWN the SOE's. We demand accountability and the best expertise available. Get the best people for the job, based on experience and training and education. Do not base it on colour. The government has done this for 32 years and EVERYTHING has slowly but surely been reduced to being non profitable, crumbling infrastructure and loss of value. 3. End the "free electricity" campaign: while there is a place for giving the minimum amount of electricity for free to households that are actually indigent, the situation with areas like Soweto has spiralled out of control. The government - due to fear of losing votes - has NOT backed Eskom in enforcing payment by large groups of people. NOTING IS FOR FREE: If you give to one person, another has to pay. 4. The answer to Eskom and its problems is a much wider challenge: reduce red tape for SME's, increase security, fix the education system. All of these will reduce unemployment, increase DFE and make south africa wealthier. We need industrialization - but not funded by the handful of captive Eskom customers. It can ONLY be effective if real reform takes place; Clearly the current government is incapable of that. RSA is stagnating while our neighbouring countries are starting to thrive because they finally understand what induces growth. WAKE UP SA GOVERNMENT	Garth	business owner
	2026-09-22 08:56:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Fanus	
	2026-09-22 09:38:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We are being taxed too much and get no services	Jason	business owner
	2026-09-22 10:33:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Gina	self-employed
	2026-09-22 10:59:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-22 11:34:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Why should I be punished for taking strain off the grid? The reason for installing solar is because Eskom were not capable of supplying electricity . If this legislation is passed I will be forced to go off the grid completely. Good riddance to Eskom.	David	business owner
	2026-09-22 12:37:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	business owner
	2026-09-22 13:58:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already taxed to the hilt and my pension does not keep up with excessive Government taxes. i and many others will be driven into the gutter by this attitude of Government who are all excessively remunerated with large salaries, many perks and will not be affected by any increases	Quentin	retired
	2026-09-22 15:26:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another try to charge exhorbitant fees in order to rob electricity customers and rate payers. The whole CancEROUS scheme is completely flawed and unacceptable	Carol	retired
	2026-09-22 19:39:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed to provide a stable electricity supply so the citizens of South Africa had to make a plan to survive. No Eskom wants to punish you for helping them in their time of need (multiple requests to use electricity sparingly) and for making a plan to survive.	Dave	
	2026-09-22 20:25:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Babitha	
	2026-09-23 07:42:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	
	2026-09-23 08:20:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mathews Sello	self-employed
	2026-09-23 17:23:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	
	2026-09-24 08:52:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fharhaad	retired
	2026-09-24 09:36:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ANDREW	self-employed
	2026-09-24 11:11:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	David	retired
	2026-09-24 20:17:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nikita	
	2026-09-25 05:54:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emil	business owner
	2026-09-25 11:42:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Florens	
	2026-09-25 12:26:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-25 12:30:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	business owner
	2026-09-25 12:33:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I thought the minister of electricity was a temporary position. Vote in 2026, remove the incompetent ANC, remove Eskom's monopoly... and the goddam bonuses... privatise electricity supply and encourage, if not making solar compulsory, solar electricity generation. The cadres are just upset that an easy stealing money stream is being removed.	D	
	2026-09-25 13:19:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government of national rip-off	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-25 13:33:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Horst	retired
	2026-09-25 13:35:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A few points I'd like to make in my opposition: 1. Affordability and Above-inflation hikes. Escalation risk: Tariffs have historically outpaced inflation and household incomes. Consumers buy less electricity due to efficiency or solar, but face higher bills to cover fixed revenue. A punitive structure penalizes remaining grid-tied consumers instead of cutting utility bloat. 2. Complex Unbundled Bill Structures. Hidden costs: Splitting bills into energy, capacity, transmission, and municipal surcharges obscures total expenses.Fixed fee traps: Capacity and network charges force households to pay high baseline fees regardless of consumption.Municipal abuse: Allows local authorities to perpetuate inflated surcharges and cross-subsidies. 3. Unfunded Indigent Expansion & Subsidies. Math ain't mathing: Expanding free basic electricity (FBE) 4 to 6 times lacks a credible, non-fiscus funding model. Corruption risk: Municipalities already misallocate a vast percentage of indigent funds.Unfair shifts: Removing cross-subsidies threatens to spike prices for vulnerable rural and low-income users. 4. Industrial Special Agreements. Market distortion: Expanding low-tariff deals to broader industrial players shifts the cost burden back to residential and small business users.Transparency deficit: Criteria for choosing favored industrial beneficiaries remain opaque. 5. Weak Regulatory Enforcement. NERSA failures: New policies are meaningless if the regulator fails to enforce cost-of-supply studies and license compliance.Bad debt absorption: Policies must explicitly block legacy municipal and consumer debt from entering tariff calculations. I urge the Department to withdraw the current draft and revise it to prioritize consumer affordability, operational accountability, and transparent pricing structures.	Damian	employed individual
	2026-09-25 13:36:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dinesh	retired
	2026-09-25 14:14:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar Users saved Eskom from total grid collapse! Now the greedy long fingers want to penalise Solar users, and pocket the proffits. Stop taking, Work with people to build a sustainable Sun Powered National Grid	Andre	business owner
	2026-09-25 14:25:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	employed individual

	2026-09-25 14:34:56	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to supply our own electricity with loadshedding and I had to make a loan of R140 000 to install solar panels. Now I must stress about extra costs yet again while I am already in severe debt due to increased living costs of basic needs like food, schooling, diesel and municipality fees. If it carries on like this I will have to sell my house to survive. I am a single mother	helga	employed individual
	2026-09-25 16:12:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-25 16:26:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lauren	business owner
	2026-09-25 16:35:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl	employed individual
	2026-09-25 16:54:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel that our rates & taxes, when used for purposes intended, is able to cover Eskoms proposed tariff i creases without increasing burden on citizens and residents. Instil limits on perks, penalise wasteful expenditure, and make corruption accountable to the law. In this way, return Wskom to its 2001 status of a global beacon of power.	Lionel	retired
	2026-09-25 16:57:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maartin	retired
	2026-09-25 17:27:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop making the normal South African pay for your mistakes.	Jackie	retired
	2026-09-25 17:28:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faith	retired
	2026-09-25 17:41:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair. Another position from the ANC to destroy the country.	Daniel	
	2026-09-25 17:53:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	
	2026-09-25 18:03:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tanya	self-employed
	2026-09-25 19:36:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-25 19:49:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-25 20:07:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-25 23:35:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudette	retired
	2026-09-26 00:08:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lukas Snider	retired
	2026-09-26 03:48:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruald	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:06:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosa	retired
	2026-09-26 09:07:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosa	retired
	2026-09-26 09:08:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosa	retired
	2026-09-26 09:47:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edrick	
	2026-09-26 09:47:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edrick	
	2026-09-26 09:54:36	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:54:52	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:54:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:55:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:55:19	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:55:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:55:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Minette	self-employed
	2026-09-26 11:26:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-26 11:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-26 11:27:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-26 13:01:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-26 13:02:14	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-26 14:25:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	retired
	2026-09-26 16:39:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tertius	
	2026-09-26 17:04:58	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Schalk	retired
	2026-09-26 18:25:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	business owner
	2026-09-26 18:59:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joost	
	2026-09-26 19:25:51	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People taking matters into there own hands are punished. Internationally the world moves towards green energy. South Africa punishes those who does but then Cyril has the audacity to demand money from the EU to make SA more sustainable.	Inus	employed individual
	2026-09-26 20:50:17	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Niel	self-employed
	2026-09-26 21:50:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Shelley	

	2026-09-26 22:08:10	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is pushing for money once again. If you have bought solar panels to not be reliant on Eskom - how can you be penalized? This government is smoking grass.	RUDI	employed individual
	2026-09-26 22:27:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The minister must not tax people who installed solar systems to make sure they can continue during loadshedding/load reduction. These people helped ESKOM in difficult times and to implement taxes/ penalties would be wrong. Clamp down on illegal connections and people who bypass meters to make up losses.. People who installed solar systems should get a rebate and the normal consumer must not be held responsible for bigger users bills.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-27 04:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not believe that paying double for electricity is fair, we paid taxes for the installation, eskom can cut their salaries and yearly bonusses to make up on the differences, You are money hungry, that cannot control the masses take them to court for non payment of their usages, now again you want to use the paying users to feed your accounts.	Alfred	employed individual
	2026-09-27 06:02:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	employed individual
	2026-09-27 06:13:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benita	self-employed
	2026-09-27 06:28:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	employed individual
	2026-09-27 06:32:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No one owns the sun. Then anyone can just charge me for using the sun as it belongs to all of us over the world.	Sara	self-employed
	2026-09-27 07:11:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I have invested in solar to provide a back up for my tenants. This is to ensure that they can trade when the unreliable grid fails. I am not prepared to pay a penalty for being proactive. It is unacceptable.	Bruce	business owner
	2026-09-27 07:20:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing rhe Sun? What is next? Taxing Air? The average Ratepayer is struggling to put food on the table i do not see Eskom or the Government bring any Relief to the Ratepayer	Iordanis	retired
	2026-09-27 07:26:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gustav	employed individual
	2026-09-27 07:35:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is fundamentally unfair that individuals who invested in self-generation to remain productive during Eskom's operational failures are now facing additional financial burden, subsidizing costs the utility failed to cover due to mismanagement and corruption.	Carla	employed individual
	2026-09-27 09:00:29	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		tim	self-employed
	2026-09-27 09:00:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadine	employed individual
	2026-09-27 09:18:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	retired
	2026-09-27 09:19:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Clear over reach by our government as usual we dont need more hikes we need our government to listen tonits people before passing such ludicrous laws	Roger	employed individual
	2026-09-27 10:45:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-09-27 12:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-27 12:28:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elandro	business owner
	2026-09-27 13:50:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC think they own the sun!	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-27 14:54:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC does not own the Sun. This is God's gift to mankind. What next, tax us for breathing the fresh air that we are given by our God. Stop milking us dry and start doing the jobs that you are being paid for.	Mickey	
	2026-09-27 15:00:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	unemployed individual
	2026-09-27 15:10:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Salmon	retired
	2026-09-27 17:48:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-27 17:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Irma	employed individual
	2026-09-27 18:39:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-27 18:39:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jytte	self-employed
	2026-09-27 21:52:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Victor	employed individual
	2026-09-28 02:28:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These proposals have become necessary due to corruption and mismanagement at eskom. Citizens have solved the electricity crisis by personal investment in electricity generation capacity, which in ourself should never have been because had Rahim done its job. Note Eskom plans to charge citizens on their own investments.	Ibrahim	employed individual
	2026-09-28 04:38:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annette	retired
	2026-09-28 05:50:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sam	
	2026-09-28 07:33:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free for all on earth, why do you have to pay for a God given element?? You pay for your appliances to ease your electricity consumption meaning that the government supposed to be glad for the residents contribution??	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-28 07:51:50	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Daniel	business owner
	2026-09-28 08:04:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Demand mandatory cost-reflective bidding caps for any single generation entity that controls more than 20% of active dispatchable capacity in the market. Require full public transparency and real-time reporting of day-ahead and intra-day market bidding data to enable independent civil oversight. Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation. Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. Demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs. Demand that the five-year transition period for the full legal and operational independence of the NTCSA from Eskom Holdings be significantly shortened. Mandate strict statutory ring-fencing, independent board governance, and separate accounting between the Market Operator (MO) and the Central Purchasing Agency (CPA). Require an independent, external ombud mechanism to adjudicate grid access disputes, connection queue allocations, and dispatch fairness without regulatory delay. Demand the immediate publication of a clear, standardized licensing and remuneration framework for Independent Transmission Projects (ITPs) to crowd in private capital for grid expansion. Require transparent, non-discriminatory grid allocation rules that prevent transmission capacity hoarding by non-performing projects. Insist that re-dispatching and congestion management costs caused by network delays be borne by network service providers rather than passed on to retail consumers through balancing surcharges.	Antonie	employed individual
	2026-09-28 08:08:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brandon	employed individual
	2026-09-28 08:14:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarel	employed individual
	2026-09-28 08:36:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This whole thing has been a disaster, The government was warned, but they preferred to steel and have idiots running Eskom. Then they encourage people to move to solar to help with demand, and they were warded again, but did it anyway. now the chickens are coming home to roost an they don't have the money to keep things running so they want to charge more and more to keep the lights on, the tariffs and mandatory fees have already doubled my monthly costs with out any additional usage on my side, in fact I'm using less than before, but being charged more for less, go figure. the only option is to go completely off grid, which is ridiculously expensive and there is no guarantee you can reduce these tariffs because the government will just find another way to fleece you. "sun tax" when will government realize they have broken everything in S.A. and need to step down and let someone else take over to save us all.	Roger	self-employed
	2026-09-28 08:47:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	They can't supply basic infrastructure so we build our own, now they want to charge us for that to steal even more.	Jani	business owner

	2026-09-28 09:09:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Push the population further and further and there will be an outright tax revolt . People fitted roof top solar because the price of electricity has been raised to ridiculous levels .The utility was run into the ground the now the state wants to penalize those who have invested in their own energy security. Iet this sink in ESKOM , I don't need your overpriced useless service , I am happy to disconnect from you right now and be done with you forever !!	Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-28 09:22:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Back when loadshedding started, not much was said to reassure the citizens of this country that corrective action would be taken, years and years went by with issue after issue. Alot of people now work from home and cannot afford to commute like they used to pre-Covid times. Costs just keep going up and up and we never see much relief from a smiling Government, only more and more ways for them to get their hands on your hard-earned cash.	Phil	employed individual
	2026-09-28 10:14:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Talita	
	2026-09-28 12:26:59	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	employed individual
	2026-09-28 13:26:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This draft is Pure PROFITEERING!!!! A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers.Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections.Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Zane	retired
	2026-09-28 15:02:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All these price increases are unaffordable.	Louwra	retired
	2026-09-28 15:10:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilma	retired
	2026-09-28 15:47:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay for self supporting measures , we saving you money so you can splurge more on irrelevant as usual but now to charge us to put more in your pockets .	Imraan	employed individual
	2026-09-28 16:16:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper represents the most consequential restructuring of South Africa’s energy landscape in decades. At its core, the policy navigates a fundamental conflict: introducing free-market competition and cost-reflective tariffs versus protecting municipal financial viability, rooftop solar investments, and vulnerable captive consumers.	Franciska	retired
	2026-09-28 16:30:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This policy will destroy the middle class.	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-28 16:45:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Errol	
	2026-09-28 16:51:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moraig	employed individual
	2026-09-28 17:18:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		yunus	business owner
	2026-09-28 19:14:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	retired
	2026-09-28 19:22:15	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paolo	business owner
	2026-09-28 19:33:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Billions were spent by civilians to find a solution to the Government failure in delivering power. It has assisted in alleviating grid demand. Now the government wants to persecute civilians for their solution oriented personal capital spend.	D	employed individual
	2026-09-28 20:03:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harry	employed individual
	2026-09-28 21:27:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Morne	self-employed
	2026-09-28 22:16:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolande	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 03:21:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Viwe	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 07:21:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should stop burdening and targeting the consumer to solve their problems and inability especially to provide basic needs to the public. They and the private sector should come up with a sustainable plan to solve the energy crisis and stop burdening the man on the street or struggling low income consumers.	Jonathan	retired
	2026-09-29 08:06:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nollie	self-employed
	2026-09-29 09:11:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-29 09:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No! I Do not support the document. This is completely irrational since the municipality cannot supply an essential need so the consumer goes elsewhere for the supply and now we get levied on it. No power affects salaries but making plans affects salaries as well now! Stop wasting money with corruption and cut off power from those stealing it.	Nicole	employed individual
	2026-09-29 12:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state owned entities let their constituents down; they could not provide the essential mandatory service which is a right (being paid for by the citizen) and not a privilege. The citizen was forced and motivated into reliable alternatives at his/her own cost and is taxed therefor. Al ministers and deputies received solar paid for by public tax and they are exempt from the burden although they are in the highest income bracket. We the people must pay for the overpaid and over staffed public sector's inabilities. They were warned that citizen sponsored alternatives will decrease their income No good deed goes unpunished in South Africa.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-29 12:18:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magdél	self-employed
	2026-09-29 12:38:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	enough is enough	Sanette	retired
	2026-09-29 13:21:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harro	retired
	2026-09-29 14:53:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolandi	
	2026-09-29 15:52:21	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Niel	
	2026-09-29 15:52:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DG	self-employed
	2026-09-29 18:02:04	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monique	
	2026-09-30 02:14:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johann	business owner
	2026-09-30 05:52:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The switch of the private sector to Solar was the main reason the government was able to mitigate the electricity crisis. Fixed solar charges can just mean a minimum charge that can be lifted in the future. We are in this electricity crisis today because of incompetent mismanagement by the same government that ran escom into the ground. Now they want more money to steal. Solar assisted in the development and stabilization of the grid during time of load shedding creating jobs. It was a solution to a problem created by government. Adding charges is like killing the goose that lays the golden eggs.	Werner	employed individual
	2026-09-30 08:18:44	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Olinka	employed individual
	2026-09-30 10:23:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devra	
	2026-09-30 11:52:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	employed individual
	2026-09-30 14:27:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barend	employed individual
	2026-09-30 21:53:06	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Herman	

	2026-10-01 05:36:49	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every past of this stinks of corruption. Every part of this has the little guy in the crosshairs and ends up paying exorbitant prices regardless of whether you have solar or not. Not to mention that the little guy ends up fitting the bill, once again, for the failure of the government. During load shedding we paid. Whether by replacing appliances due to power surges or otherwise. We pay to have solar installed to have a more constant supply of electricity and lessen the blows. After load shedding we continue to pay for their corruption causing continued collapse of what used to be a fully function system. We not pay for lost food because of the failing devices we needed to put on our on appliances to protect the appliances from loss and to “quality” that the insurance will pay for the appliance in the case of a surge. We continued to install our solar systems because our failed government allows their falling departments to keep pushing prices up for them to pocket more money and not fix their failures. All while we little people continue to have less and less money available at the end of the month. Rising fuel prices Rising electricity prices Rising food prices The fat politicians smile because their food and fuel is supplied by the little people. Pathetic. Start targeting politicians for their failures instead.	Aiden	
	2026-10-01 10:33:02	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christiaan	
	2026-10-01 12:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Over reach of perceived power and authority. Government has failed and trying to make the citizens pay more for those who don't. We are already over taxed.	Jason	unemployed individual
	2026-10-01 14:58:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why tax the solar user? What did they do? Eskom is the one that messed up SA's power system. Eskom is the one that failed the nation. It is because of Eskom s failure and crazy high prices that companies and private people went to solar options. No you want to punish them and us the grid user for your negligence?	Dion	employed individual
	2026-10-01 18:09:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support opening the electricity sector to competition. Ending Eskom's single-buyer monopoly, separating the networks from generation and trading, and letting private generators compete are overdue and will help to end load-shedding for good. I support the paper only with the following amendments. 1. No penalty on solar. The "anti-free-riding" principle must not become a tax on households and small businesses that generate their own power. Network charges must reflect the actual, audited cost of the connection, be phased in and be capped. A move to "high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees" is not acceptable. 2. Protect captive customers. Residential and small business users will stay captive on municipal networks while large users above 1 MW get access to the competitive market. Captive customers must not end up paying for the system while large users get the savings. Set a dated path that lowers the eligibility threshold so households and small businesses can also choose their supplier. 3. A truly independent transmission operator. NTCSA must be fully independent of Eskom's generation business, with published rules for grid access and no preferential treatment. 4. Market power. NERSA needs the capacity and the power to monitor and penalise price manipulation in the wholesale market from day one. 5. Municipal finances. Municipalities that rely on electricity sales to fund other services should be required to ring-fence electricity revenue and publish it, rather than pushing the cost of their own financial problems onto consumers through the tariff. Competition, not higher fixed charges, should be how prices come down.	Ockert	employed individual
	2026-10-02 09:49:41	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The mismanagement at Eskom has caused the problems. It was the number one utility in the world at the turn of the century. Making the general public and private enterprise fund amendments that could only lead to more concerns is wrong. However, if there is fair and open market participation whereby businesses can compete fairly and achieve reasonable returns to generate an economic and societal uplift in the power sector, then certain changes and restructuring is plausible provided enough public participation in the changes that do not end up penalizing tax payers and paying consumers.	Michael	
	2026-10-02 17:14:42	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa needs a free and open market to get out of the hole it's in. We had failing infrastructure due to rampant corruption and mismanagement which lead to ongoing load-sheddings. Because of this, many businesses and residents turned to solar, to create stability for themselves where Eskom failed. Now you want to penalise and tax those same businesses and people who were able to make a plan and break free from the monopoly. The idea of a "sun tax" is preposterous. Electricity prices have increased at a ridiculous rate for households, not because electricity has gotten more expensive, but because corruption and multi-million rand bonuses are expensive. A free and open market would give this country a fast-track to affordable, sustainable electricity.	Gavin	
	2026-10-03 13:26:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We've spent our lives paying taxes and service tariffs. Now we saved up and got a solar system because Eskom failed us. Why should we be penalised further? Eskom is so corrupt and ineffecient and we have had to deal with you constantly increasing your salaries and giving yourself bonuses you Do Not deserve. Get your house in order! Before you start taxing the little sun that shines on others.	Lois	retired
	2026-10-03 14:51:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-10-03 20:31:54	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	
	2026-10-06 14:30:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	retired
	2026-10-06 14:51:12	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally against the concept of fice charges for sun-power	Alexi	business owner
	2026-10-06 16:11:35	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Costs are spinning out of porportion	Dirk (HAJ)	business owner
	2026-10-06 16:36:43	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	
	2026-10-06 19:59:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Lyall	business owner
	2026-10-06 20:00:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The rate payer's right to install solar capacity should stand without paying any authority. Compliance to regulations is ok. Everybody should pay for the electricity they use. Free electricity subsidized by others is grossly unfair. It is like giving out free petrol or airtime. Completely untenable.	Anton	
	2026-10-06 22:03:57	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Vicky	business owner
	2026-10-07 02:10:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melody	employed individual
	2026-10-07 08:20:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is penalizing households that try to save electricity and utilize solar energy while fostering waste of electricity by irresponsible consumers and people with illegal connections to the grid. Instead of fixing the problems the new regulations will make things worse.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-10-07 09:48:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we pay extra fees when they can't supply the service we pay for anyway, in himeville it does'nt have to rain just thunder and the power is gone for days, its rubbish, you (escom) supply the service we pay for and do a good job not even a great one and we can talk again, until then go fly a kite, we have to adapt to the problem and overcome it something South Africans are good at ! now you provide the service! Once that's done I'll pay extra or totally remove my solar	James	
	2026-10-07 10:14:08	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to any bullying by both Eskom and the municipality to add charges of any kind on anyone who has the insight to think for themselves and protect themselves from both the ever-increasing cost of energy and securing power during times of load reduction. It is a FACT that both Eskom and Councils have neglected to do the required upgrades and maintenance historically and to therefore punish anyone who is willing to lay out the capital to protect themselves from increased costs of energy now or the risk of power outages is outrageous.	R	self-employed
	2026-10-07 10:36:46	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Legislation wouldn't save ESKOM. Nothing will, not as long as this idiotic and corrupt ANC government is in charge. Disband the whole thing.	Raubie	self-employed
	2026-10-07 12:39:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a consumer who is paying for the service that is inconsistent outdated and frequently disrupted it is unbelievable that I could be charged for thinking ahead and spending my already taxed money to compensate for a service that should be cheaper/available/consistent and have rapid response to disruption	Nikaylin	employed individual
	2026-10-07 20:23:16	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With all the taxes and prices going up and pay remaini g the same or dropping it is more and more unbearable to stay to date. If electricity was not up by more than 1000 -1500% alternative options would not have been necesary. It is getting to the stage that it is better to get solar and a generator and rather luve offgrid. The way tings are going i believe this option will be getting a lot more attention. Also the majority do not contrubute to the payment of electricity and the minority keeps getting puniched for paying!!! Government failures are the main reason for so many solar instalations now they want to punish people for their misdeeds. No!!!! There are a lot more to be said about all this problems government are creating and burdaning us with, leave us in pease, this systems cost money to maintain and nothing was subsodised or compensated for by the owners of the systems. So go sort the problem of non payments and leave the rest alone.	Andre	
	2026-10-07 20:32:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clyde	
	2026-10-07 20:39:23	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We’ll get the electric grid working. Use the extra solar power to help support your broken outdated system that is full of ANC corruption. That is the bottom line. The ANC corruption!!	Clyde	retired
	2026-10-08 08:24:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We install solar to avoid ridicuolsly high rates and now you want us to pay still?!? The sun is a free resource available to everyone. Using it should not get you taxed!	Jolene	unemployed individual
	2026-10-08 09:37:34	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-10-08 09:52:13	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HANNELIE	employed individual
	2026-10-08 10:34:03	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar must be removed as having solar panels relieves the pressure on the grid. Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties We install solar to avoid ridiculously high rates and now you want us to pay for your incompetence's. Eskom prices for electricity and all the ridiculous tariffs and charges are absolutely ridiculous. Why do they want to increase charges, look for other charges to implement, this is only for increased salaries, and over the top bonuses. Eskom should not be a state run entity, it should be privatized. This supposed to be a democratic country, why are we dictated to what we do on our properties, when they are owned and paid for by us. So long we do not interfere with the grid and feed back into the grid there should be no problem. After all Eskom is the supplier, not a dictator, we use the service and should pay a fair fee. The sun is God given and is a free resource available to everyone. Using it should be your right and cannot be governed by anybody on this earth !	Norman	business owner
	2026-10-08 17:32:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	business owner
	2026-10-08 21:01:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mandy	employed individual
	2026-10-09 12:13:20	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mandy	business owner
	2026-10-09 16:54:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	retired

	2026-10-09 17:31:25	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IT IS RIDICULOUS TO CHARGE SOLAR POWER USERS FOR SUN ENERGY. THIS IS CORRUPTION AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. THIS IS OVERTAXING THE CONSUMER THIS IS PUNISHING THE CONSUMER FOR GOVERNMENT FAILURES	HENDRIK	
	2026-10-10 08:56:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Concerned	unemployed individual
	2026-10-11 08:42:47	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been traumatising South Africa for the last 2 decades! Instead of providing relief to South Africans, Eskom keeps finding new ways of attacking consumers and draining our pockets. Installing solar at our own expense in order to safeguard ourselves from load shedding, load reductions, general outages, etc should not be seen as a punishable offence. At one stage government was offering incentives to households for solar connections! The tariffs on solar are exorbitant and unfair. We installed solar because of Eskom's and Government failures and fraud, and now we are being punished yet again!	Hoosain	
	2026-10-11 14:11:48	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Hardus	business owner
	2026-10-11 15:19:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Resona	retired
	2026-10-11 21:09:45	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heidi	employed individual
	2026-10-12 18:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaco	
	2026-10-13 18:19:53	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the resident is being punished for easing burden on the power grid (WHEN GOVERNMENT FAILED to generate sufficient power resulting in load shedding) by installing solar at own cost, AND THEN getting punished for it.	Kirstin	employed individual
	2026-10-15 10:45:24	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, we will not be able to pay any further increases or additional tariffs. We shouldn't have relief rather than being forced to pay for the gap left by business and industrial sector. This is highly unacceptable.	Herman	retired
	2026-10-16 09:33:27	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-10-17 13:29:28	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While the rest of the world promotes solar power usage, this government choses the exact opposite stance. Unbelievable. Contrary to the electricity minister's assertion that the grid capacity has improved, we know all too well that the installation of thousands of solar power systems, both domestic and industrial, is the ONLY reason we have come out of loadshedding	S	retired
	2026-10-19 15:40:01	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In prior decades Eskom was a very reliable and cost effective source of energy. So we know it can work, but with all the coruption and lack of skilled employees and poor management it is crumbling and the result is the citizens of our country are suffering. With other companies coming in to provide energy there will be more manipulation and openness to coruption. There will be no obligation to provide everyone with energy and they will choose who they want to provide to. Therefore leaving the ordinary people to carry the cost load of Eskom and this is not acceptable. Eskom tariffs and fixed costs will become unaffordable for ordinary citizens.	Renell	retired
	2026-10-19 20:56:38	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roeleen	
	2026-10-20 03:27:55	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicky	
	2026-10-20 07:52:26	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rui	
	2026-10-20 08:57:30	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mighael Hans	business owner
	2026-10-20 09:29:37	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	
	2026-10-20 19:08:05	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	
	2026-10-22 16:21:07	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom's power generation and distribution infrastructure had been systematically damaged by incompetence and mal-administration, resulting in excessive costs to the consumer and a severe degrading in service. This has resulted in consumers having to provide costly alternatives, like solar panels to supplement their continuity of electric power. The new position paper tries to shield the culprits form the consequences of their historic mal-administration by further putting a burden on the business owner and consumer by a misguided effort to force consumers to pay for access rather than usage and is equivalent to force a consumer to pay upon entry to a supermarket - even before buying a single item in the store.	Henry	business owner
	2026-10-22 17:30:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The SUN is free. To tax us citizens for investing in solar is DAY LIGHT ROBBERY. But the ANC steals everything. 30+ years of recking SA	Shirley	retired
	2026-10-23 15:43:33	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's ludicrous for a government to impose a sun tax. We are taxed to death already. You buy solar because the country cannot supply all electrical needs now we have to pay a tax on it when you fix the mess Eskom and the minusters have made.	Ruth	retired
	2026-10-27 18:46:31	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar should be seen as asset to Eskom to investment in generation and either limit maximum return on investment or mark as unlimited with lower return rates to incentivise upload to grid at peak times	Alan	unemployed individual
	2026-10-27 19:06:22	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christiaan	self-employed
	2026-10-27 19:09:40	No I do not	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelly	employed individual
	2026-08-25 16:25:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danielle	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 11:17:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	
	2026-08-26 12:15:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Major Consumer Concerns & Risks 1. The Risk of Sharp Tariff Hikes during Transition The Concern: Introducing competitive private generation often forces the legacy utility (Eskom) to spread its massive fixed operational and debt costs across a shrinking pool of standard municipal or residential customers. The Impact: Early stages of market transformation can trigger steep "cost-reflective" tariff increases to protect the state grid's financial viability, disproportionately impacting everyday household budgets. 2. Complex Multi-Trader Billing and "Confusion Costs" The Concern: Moving from a single vertical provider to a competitive open market introduces multiple independent power producers (IPPs), traders, and distributors. The Impact: Without rigid regulatory oversight, consumers may face confusing tiered pricing models, hidden transmission/wheeling service fees, and administrative bottlenecks when trying to resolve billing errors or service faults. 3. Threats to Free Basic Electricity (FBE) & Social Subsidies The Concern: Under a transformed, profit-driven competitive market, the mechanisms that fund cross-subsidies for low-income households and Free Basic Electricity (FBE) are heavily pressured. The Impact: Indigent consumers and vulnerable communities risk being priced out if the position paper fails to explicitly safeguard and ring-fence social electricity grants within the new market structure. 4. Municipal Financial Stability and Local Service Delivery The Concern: South African municipalities currently rely heavily on the surcharges and profit margins generated from re-selling Eskom electricity to fund other critical local services (e.g., waste management, road maintenance, and water infrastructure). The Impact: If large commercial and industrial consumers bypass local municipalities to buy directly from open-market traders, local municipal revenues will collapse, resulting in a severe decline in general local service delivery. 5. Grid Reliability and the "Cherry-Picking" of Lucrative Areas The Concern: Private entities naturally prioritize high-revenue, low-risk urban hubs and industrial corridors when upgrading infrastructure or offering competitive tariffs. The Impact: Rural, remote, or economically depressed areas may suffer from chronic underinvestment, leading to poorer infrastructure maintenance, slower fault response times, and an unequal "two-tier" energy network.	Ursula	business owner
	2026-08-26 15:13:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-26 15:22:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trewin	
	2026-08-26 15:22:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl	retired
	2026-08-26 15:25:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Priscilla	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:36:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannelie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:55:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Delia	retired
	2026-08-26 16:11:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-26 16:27:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeffrey	retired
	2026-08-26 16:32:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	employed individual

	2026-08-26 16:57:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SInce last year, the municipality introduced a service fee for prepaid electricity users. People changed from postpaid electricity to prepaid because of the exorbitant network and service charges on postpaid. If you have an abundant balance of +- 2000 units and don't buy electricity for 2 months on prepaid, they accuse you of buying illegal electricity or you have an illegal connection and they come and take your meter away and you are forced to pay a huge penalty. The municipality is bankrupt and is trying to find ways to tax innocent ratepayers to pay their humongous debt to pay Eskom. Now, for them to introduce this new Captive Consumer tariff is not justified to any ratepayer. As it is, electricity has become very costly for the ordinary ratepayer. This is going to cause major upheavals and protests.	Billy	retired
	2026-08-26 17:16:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All the electricity issues were of the municipal & government's making when they chose to forego maintenance in favor of feathering their own nests. It's time they admitted their failings and personally as `office bearers' covered the costs of their mistakes themselves. I sincerely hope the rate payers refuse to pay this should it ever come to be implemented. It's about time we stood together against the failing corrupt system.	Keith	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:20:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So we as ratepayers, have to pay Eskom to do their maintenance; this is not right. I paid for solar and still use Eskom. I cannot see why I should be penalised for lightening the load on Eskom. This is total rubbish and exploitative. They want to charge us penalties for using solar power. Get back the money from CORRUPT Officials.	Constan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 17:25:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those who have been proactive in fixing the state failures at their own cost should not ne penalised but rewarded.	Jan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:25:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity problems in SA were caused by the incompetent ANC crime syndicate. To tax citizens who made their own plans for power just to protect comrades "working" at Eskom is simply a crime.	Naas	retired
	2026-08-26 17:26:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This legislation seems to punish the users of solar installations for their investment made because of the inability to supply inexpensive and regular electricity by Eskom. This is not a fair system at all and needs to be reviewed.	Daniel Andre	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:40:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Went solar 5 years ago & never looked back. It is for my consumption NOT any one else ... are we all equal before the LAW... Is the Constitution there to protect my rights..... ?? What Rights before the Human Rights ...??? Why does the 'township or indigenous pay a different rate ? " cANCer have had 32 years of corruption & will not bow to their cr@p .... increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. What about the freeloaders ....????	HILTON	retired
	2026-08-26 17:43:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthinus	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:48:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yes to competition. Yes to private generation. Yes to wheeling. Yes to independent traders. Yes to cost-reflective network charges. Yes to paying a fair price for maintaining the grid. But no to using regulated tariffs to preserve Eskom or municipal revenue at the expense of customers who have invested privately in generation and storage. And absolutely no to making households responsible for inefficiencies, historical debt, political failures or legacy costs that are unrelated to the actual cost of providing them with network services. I support the Department's objective of transforming South Africa's electricity market and moving away from the historical single-buyer model. However, I believe the success of this transformation should be measured not only by increased competition in wholesale electricity generation, but also by whether ordinary electricity consumers are protected from the unintended consequences of the transition. In particular, I am concerned that residential customers who invest in solar and battery storage may increasingly become subject to fixed or unavoidable charges designed primarily to compensate distributors for declining electricity sales. There is an important distinction between recovering the efficient cost of maintaining a network and recovering revenue that has been lost because consumers have become more energy efficient or have invested in alternative generation. I do recognise that grid-connected solar customers still use the network and therefore it is reasonable for them to contribute toward the cost of maintaining that network. However, such charges should be transparent, cost-reflective and non-discriminatory, and should not become a mechanism for protecting incumbent distributors from the competitive effects of distributed generation. If a residential consumer substantially reduces their electricity purchases through investment in solar and battery storage, what proportion of any resulting fixed or network charge represents the efficient cost of continuing to provide that consumer with network access? And what proportion represents recovery of revenue previously derived from electricity sales? Will the Department commit to ensuring that the latter does not become the basis for tariff design? Before implementing material changes to residential tariffs, how about we publish the methodology showing: - network cost - customer cost - capacity cost - metering cost - retail cost - municipal cross-subsidies - legacy and stranded costs	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:55:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Over 32 years, this ANC led government has destroyed the world-class , in not leading electricity generation entity and they now want the consumer to pay the price. Splitting will not solve Eskom's poor financial management problem. In my my opinion, this splitting will make it worse and may be thew last nail in our gravely ill economy's coffin.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-26 17:59:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another tax because they could not do it right.	Louw	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:12:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm very tired of this government's constant gouging of citizens. They are bleeding everyone dry, but allowing corruption to run rife among their peers. This has to stop.	Stephan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:21:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.”	Klaus	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:26:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is rediculous to penalise solar users who have mitigated the inability of eskom 's unreliabilty to supply. The current situation only exists due to reduced demand, and NOT due to improved generation!	Errol	retired
	2026-08-26 18:26:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rory	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:29:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tjaart	
	2026-08-26 19:11:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ahmed Mayet	
	2026-08-26 19:16:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Izak	retired
	2026-08-26 19:22:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fiona	retired
	2026-08-26 19:48:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angelique	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:53:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot provide me with consistent, affordable electricity, so I pay for a solution out of my pocket and now you want to still make money off of me for a service you cant provide. This is exactly like the SABC, who destroyed their business and then wanted to still make us pay for a streaming service! Disgusting.	Abby	
	2026-08-26 20:08:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:21:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The madness of this government must Stop!! Their greed into taking everything from the hard working citizens must Stop!!! By having solar power we've assisted minimizing strain on municipal power and to be penalized for this is utter Madness and greed!!! Marxism/Communism at its best! NO NO we the Citizens will not allow this govt sickness to continue. Govt Stop your madness against the citizens and law abiding people. You must protect citizens Not Steal from them!!! We can no longer afford all the municipal annual price hikes as it is!!! This also contravenes the intent and core of our South African World Class Constitution making the proposals mooted by our corrupt nepotistic ruling party unconstitutional and illegal!!!! I REJECT THIS IN THE STRONGEST TERMS POSSIBLE!!!!!!!	Leslie	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:26:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margy	
	2026-08-26 20:32:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denis	retired
	2026-08-26 20:33:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-26 20:34:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jack	retired
	2026-08-26 20:40:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aloys	retired
	2026-08-26 20:45:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ludicrous. First residents are subjected to load shedding. Constantly requested to lower their demand. Then when the resident reverts to the only alternative to not sir in the dark they are penalized for finding a solution. Incompetence, maladminastration and corruption caused Eskom to fail as a business. The consequences thereof should not result in the public, after watching Eskom waste their tax money, once more be penalized for this atrocious situation	Louisa	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:28:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	Eskom didn't build or pay for the creation of the sun. They did manage to deconstruct the most successful power generation system to creae a losing system Citizens who install rooftop systems pay for the installation, the maintenance and replacement of panels. Because ESKOM is bloated and inept, they demand that the Citizens have to pay to make up for that bloat and ineptitude	Nicolette	retired
	2026-08-26 22:09:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	inability to maintain an perfect working system they inherited is now leading to penalization of private initiative to keep the wheels turning in South Africa. You as corrupt Government has drained the country's resources and as the cow you are milking is running dry, you are looking elsewhere to find opportunity to steal further. Private initiatives to generate power is actually alleviating the burden on ESCOM to supply electricity - you should thank those who installed systems that help maintain the economy instead of penalizing them.	AnnaMaria	retired
	2026-08-26 22:26:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Anthony	self-employed
	2026-08-27 00:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neuwa	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 01:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 04:00:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	

	2026-08-27 04:14:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Victor	retired
	2026-08-27 05:07:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:19:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosalie	
	2026-08-27 05:37:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agreed that the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs!	Susan	retired
	2026-08-27 05:57:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How in this being proposed when the whole world is trying to encourage solar and alternative energy? Why would we discourage panels and self-sufficiency? It makes no sense (unless you follow the money).	Bronwyn	
	2026-08-27 06:10:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government cannot look after its own people. If they stop stealing the public money its citizens would have a better way of life and will be able to survive. This government does not care for its people so they are just breaking down each and every family in this country to live the lavish lifestyles that we are maintaining. We are already taking care of all our unemployed families because there no jobs and tax, electricity and food prices are all increasing.	Criszelda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:31:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 06:35:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vino	retired
	2026-08-27 06:54:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sydney	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:01:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:16:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nokwanda	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:21:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-08-27 07:45:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-08-27 07:50:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The residents would have to foot the bill for those not paying and now you want big business that gets millions and even billions in to get cheaper electricity. This to me is a BIG FAT NO!!!!!!!!!	Bernadine Christine	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:06:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lise	retired
	2026-08-27 08:15:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dorothy	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:36:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peet	retired
	2026-08-27 08:36:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hekkie	
	2026-08-27 08:51:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Communist ideology has no understanding of wealth generation, just its consumption and destruction. Escom does nor need saving. Rather its us who needs saving from Escom.	Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:04:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It doesn't seem fair that people who paid extensive amounts of money to ensure they have eco-friendly, reliable (as is not subjected to loadshedding) power, should be penalised just because the government can't profit off of their energy source.	Cornette	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:10:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-27 09:14:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	HELL NO!! How much more can the law abiding, hard working, patriotic die-hards, who are keeping this country afloat, take before they also abandon ship?! We are being taxed to death by this Godless government as it is. I don't have solar. Can't afford it. However, I stand by the people who had to and could install solar at great expense to themselves. The ONLY reason they had to, was because Eskom did not maintain the infrastructure that caused load shedding in the first place. The management committing so much fraud and corruption. Fancy cars and houses, trips abroad, playing golf and getting paid exorbitant amounts of money. N+O=NO	Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-27 09:17:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	
	2026-08-27 09:27:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure and that is unfair and totally unacceptable. While large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal lines to buy cheaper power directly on an open wholesale market, ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. Everyday households who opted to install solar etc. can not stand in for the Government's boo-boos for not being able to supply enough electricity. And the Eskom tariffs are, as it is, outrageous. Ek gaan dié in Afrikaans sê: geen onderhoud word aan die Eskom lyne of transformers gedoen nie, daarom is daar kort-kort outages en sit ons op die plase sonder krag. Maar jy betaal elke maand jou lynfooie en dit gaan ook kort-kort op terwyl geen onderhoud gedoen word nie. Dit moet stop. Hierdie hi-jacking deur die regering op mense se hard verdiende geld.	Karin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:33:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Kevin	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:01:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:02:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bill	
	2026-08-27 10:22:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason any of us have invested in Solar is to protect ourselves from the ongoing and likely perpetual incompetence of a parasitic state. If the state could distract themselves even momentarily from gorging themselves at the trough of our tax money they could possible supply electricity (and water). However, in the absence of that utopian vision, we must protect our homes and businesses. If the cost to us of mitigating the state's incompetence is additional taxation/tariffs then how are we supposed to continue paying the already high taxes to fund your lavish lifestyles? Assuming your interest is the maintenance of your theft based incomes from the pool of taxpayer money, logic (a rare and unusual thing in government) would hold that you should be protecting your tax base and not eroding it by pushing people to either leave, or once again find alternatives. Why not encourage the ability to sell in to the grid, and utilise that selling in process as an offset to additional charges? I know many of the words in this passage are likely too long for government officials, but I do hope that you can find a translator. Please leave taxpayers alone and perhaps source your income from the enormous, unregulated and untaxed so called "informal economy" who are running on inyokanyokas and steeling electricity, rather than forcing us to pay more.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:23:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liana	retired
	2026-08-27 10:49:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nelia	retired
	2026-08-27 11:13:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We made a substantial investment because of the government's incompetence. There is no way we are going to support additional charges.	Mobin	retired
	2026-08-27 11:19:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	HOW??? I cant be penalised for this!!! i dont have solar now i need to pay more??? NOOOO	Nick	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:30:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 11:54:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lyndene	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:13:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelis	
	2026-08-27 12:28:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel it is day light robbery - when Eskom could not supply poer private citizens assisted them by installing Solar, now they want to penalise you for helping them Rather than penalising the private sector, if Eskom wants control, they should pay out the private individuals that assited them during their crises and take over and maintain the installations if they have sufficient trained personell and funds!!!!	Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 12:38:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	
	2026-08-27 13:03:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ongoing pillaging of tax and rate payers is precisely what is destroying the country. Corporations need to pay the same rates and fixed costs as residential consumers, residential consumers cannot subsidise corporations, this will not be sustainable!	David	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:06:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private sector is being punished for taking the initiative to generate their own electricity. The state should come up with a way to encourage private power generators to enter the grid to give ESKOM some competition.	Nora	retired

	2026-08-27 13:08:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-27 13:11:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should stop looking for ways to extort money from ratepayers! We only have so much available funding, and that has already been stretched beyond the average person's limits! FIX YOUR PROCESSES SO THEY WORK, AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO FIND WAYS OF SQUEEZING THE RATEPAYERS!!!!	Raymond	retired
	2026-08-27 13:14:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	
	2026-08-27 13:16:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kotie	retired
	2026-08-27 13:23:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think we should also be given free electricity like my neighbors in the rural areas. Being charged more because it seems as though I have more than the people living in the rurals is discrimination. I am tired of the Government's socialist policies. If you charged the people in the rurals as much as the people in the urban areas, eskom would have the money it needs. A small minority can no longer be expected to foot the bill for the whole country. It just isn't sustainable	Vanessa	
	2026-08-27 13:28:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:46:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Constitutionally citizens are free to choose a supplier but state entities hold consumers captive and punish solar users who saved the grid through relief now being punished and charged again by deception.	Don	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:58:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So whilst residential properties invested heavily to alleviate the lack of Eskom electricity available through loadshedding, which is widely acknowledged by industry experts. This situation continues today. Now that energy input factor is being seen as a threat. We will pay high electricity unit tariffs once the higher amps tariff's are applied. This additional cost measure to apply a service charge is definitely a targeted and extremely unwarranted measure to plug the now evident Municipal revenue shortfalls.	Colette	retired
	2026-08-27 14:22:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garry	retired
	2026-08-27 14:38:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not approve of this draft. Solar power users should not be taxed for avoiding the pitfalls that the state and Eskom created with loadshedding. Better management and accountability will see a reduction ins Solar power installed roofs.	Carel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:24:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is unacceptable for those with solar to be forced to pay more especially since outages and the shortage of electricity is a concern for the government. Those with it are assisting yourselves that others not have these problems and they should be paid back the cost of the installation which was installed due to government not maintaining the electricity plants in the first place	Brenda	retired
	2026-08-27 15:35:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalize citizens for fixing Hoverment mistakes	John	retired
	2026-08-27 15:36:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its present form. I support genuine competition, increased private generation and the reduction of Eskom's historic monopoly. However, I object to implementing the proposed market structure before adequate protections for ordinary residential and small-business consumers have been clearly defined and made enforceable. The Position Paper itself envisages that, during the transition, larger eligible customers will progressively be able to purchase electricity through the wholesale market or traders of their choice, while remaining customers, including small residential customers, will remain "captive" to the retail arm of their existing distribution company and will continue to pay regulated tariffs. This creates a serious risk of a two-tier electricity market. Large consumers may gain the benefits of competition and alternative procurement while households and small businesses remain unable to choose their electricity supplier. At the same time, the departure or reduced consumption of large customers may leave a smaller captive customer base carrying a disproportionate share of distribution costs, municipal electricity revenue requirements and existing cross-subsidies. I therefore object to residential consumers being treated as captive customers without clear statutory protections against unreasonable tariff increases and without a defined timetable for extending meaningful retail competition and consumer choice to them. I am also concerned that Eskom Generation will remain the dominant generator when the competitive market begins. The Position Paper itself recognises that Eskom Generation may retain sufficient market power to require continuing regulation. The market should not be opened until effective, independent and enforceable market-power safeguards are in place. Competition in name will not protect consumers if one participant remains capable of materially influencing market prices. Similarly, I am concerned about potential conflicts of interest within the NTCSA while competitive trading and market-administration functions remain associated with the same institutional structure. Ring-fencing, governance independence, transparent market rules and independent oversight should be established before the market becomes operational, rather than being developed after problems arise. The financial position of municipal electricity distributors is another major concern. The reform should not preserve municipal financial viability by shifting revenue shortfalls, inefficiencies, excessive losses, unpaid accounts or declining electricity sales onto captive residential consumers through higher unavoidable tariffs or network charges. Any separation of electricity charges into energy, network, retail or other components must be transparent and demonstrably cost-reflective. Consumers should be charged for the reasonable and efficiently incurred costs of the services and network capacity they actually use, rather than being required to compensate distributors simply because consumption patterns or the electricity market have changed. This principle is especially important for households and businesses that have invested their own capital in rooftop solar, batteries, energy efficiency and demand reduction. The new market structure should not retrospectively undermine legitimate private investment by replacing reduced electricity purchases with disproportionate fixed charges. Distributed generation and reduced demand can also provide system benefits, and those benefits should be recognised when tariffs are designed. I further object to proceeding without adequate safeguards against transmission constraints and congestion. Opening generation markets cannot deliver effective competition if new generators cannot obtain timely and non-discriminatory access to transmission capacity. Transmission expansion, transparent grid-capacity allocation and appropriate congestion-management rules should therefore be prerequisites for effective competition. I request that the final framework expressly provide for: * transparent, independently regulated and demonstrably cost-reflective network and retail tariffs; * protection of captive residential and small-business consumers against disproportionate tariff increases; * a defined pathway and timetable towards broader retail competition and consumer choice; * effective market-power controls applicable to Eskom Generation before competitive market operation; * genuine institutional independence and enforceable conflict-of-interest safeguards for the market operator and system operator; * protection against municipal revenue shortfalls and inefficiencies simply being transferred to captive electricity consumers; * fair treatment of consumers who have invested in rooftop solar, battery storage and energy efficiency; * transparent treatment of network costs, with charges reflecting the capacity and services actually required by each customer; and * sufficient transmission capacity and fair grid-access rules to allow genuine competition between generators. Market reform should increase competition, reduce costs, attract private investment and improve consumer choice. It should not replace one monopoly structure with a system in which ordinary households remain captive while larger customers obtain access to competitive electricity procurement. For these reasons, I object to the Position Paper in its present form and request that these consumer protections be incorporated before the proposed market structure is implemented.	Bruce	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:24:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they get rid of their overpaid officials there would be enough money to get the job done. Furthermore why should I be penalised if I used my own money to make sure that my family will have power should Escom decide to implement power cuts for whatever reason	Koos	retired
	2026-08-27 17:58:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Esai	
	2026-08-27 18:11:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The absolute gall of an entity who: pointedly refused to listen to early-warnings issued back in 1998; allowed the whole economy to fall over on the back of brownouts, blackouts, blowouts, incompetence, fraud and corruption; has passed on price increases that have considerably outstripped the rise of consumer inflation so that those who can still pay, are on their knees; stood back as municipalities and communities refused to pay for its services; tackled enormously complex project expansions without competencies driving the processes; stood back as the private sector stepped in offering a way around the problem, and; now wishes to levy another tax? Watch my middle finger..	Matt	retired
	2026-08-27 18:25:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 19:16:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nomsa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:41:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom could not supply we urged to install solar to help them now we are being penalized	Michael	retired
	2026-08-27 19:43:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bobby Ramiah	retired
	2026-08-27 20:44:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is daylight robbery. How dare the government penalise people who made an effort, who took the in itiative to cope with Eskoms diabolical mess. This should not happen.	Fern	
	2026-08-27 21:50:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm against this paper because it doesn't speak about the poor communities. We have been begging Eskom for the flat rate as none our communities are able to buy electricity currently. Unemployment and cost of living are the main factors problem. Again if there's an open market for different companies to sell electricity that won't work because of greed and corruption. Solar system is also the cheapest way for the poor of the poorest but now it won't work when the community has to pay penalties. Can the government please propose bills that accommodates poor people.	Emma	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 21:55:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current situation is not due to the rate paying citizens but the absolute theft and incompetence from Eskom and the Anc. Solar users were forced to find alternatives for our businesses and households on top of still paying for Eskom's non-existent service or respect for their customers. I would rather give up my Eskom connection and become completely self reliant!	Francois	
	2026-08-27 22:42:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-28 03:22:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's unconscionable that a department so derelict in their duties wants to penalize citizens for taking protective measures in their own hands where the department has failed beyond reason. Faithful ratepayers are willing to pay and support initiatives that deliver actual services. South Africa is a beautiful country, please do your part, as governing stewards, to keep it that way.	Joel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 03:47:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	retired
	2026-08-28 05:12:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwyn	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:31:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johnny	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:22:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mogamat	
	2026-08-28 06:33:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joan	retired

	2026-08-28 06:34:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose the policy principle aiming to "discourage free riding" by imposing mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges on grid-connected solar users.This proposal represents a profound injustice to South African citizens and highlights a chronic pattern of the government overburdening the consumer while failing to deliver basic services effectively, efficiently, or adequately. 1. Penalising Private Solutions to State Failures South African households and businesses did not invest their hard-earned savings into rooftop solar and battery infrastructure as a luxury. They did so out of sheer necessity to protect their homes, livelihoods, and appliances from the devastating economic impacts of state-driven load shedding. For the state to now label these self-reliant citizens as "free riders" is a distortion of reality. Citizens used private capital to solve an energy crisis the government could not manage. Penalising this private initiative with a baseline connection tax is deeply unfair. 2. Shifting the Financial Burden of Institutional Inefficiency The argument that solar users are not paying their "fair share" of fixed network maintenance is an attempt to force consumers to cross-subsidise Eskom's legacy financial mismanagement and municipal revenue shortfalls. Consumers are continuously expected to pay more for a grid that has proven unreliable for over a decade. The state expects ratepayers to fund infrastructure maintenance, yet when those services are delivered, they are consistently inadequate. 3. Creating an Unfair "Captive Ratepayer" Trap The proposed framework allows large industrial corporations to bypass municipal lines and shop for cheaper power on an open wholesale market. Meanwhile, ordinary residential homes are locked into a "captive" relationship with local municipalities. This creates a predatory system where everyday citizens are left to foot the bill for failing municipal structures, while big industry escapes the burden. In conclusion, the South African consumer is already stretched to a breaking point by high inflation, rising living costs, and failing public infrastructure. The government cannot continue to treat the public as an bottomless ATM to fund institutional inefficiencies.I urge the Department to reject the imposition of fixed capacity charges on domestic solar users. The state should incentivise, rather than penalise, citizens who are actively reducing the strain on the national grid.	Nomzamo	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:02:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am strongly opposed to the proposed approach of imposing additional fixed network and capacity charges on households and businesses that have invested substantially in their own electricity-generation capacity. While I accept that maintaining a national electricity network has a cost and that a fair tariff structure must recognise the cost of keeping grid capacity available, I do not believe that consumers who have invested their own money in solar, batteries and other alternative energy solutions should simply be labelled as “free riders” and required to carry an additional financial burden for a system that has been severely mismanaged for many years. There are several fundamental issues that need to be considered. 1. Consumers invested in solar because the state failed to provide reliable electricity For many years, South Africans were subjected to load-shedding as a direct consequence of failures within Eskom and the broader electricity system. Households and businesses had little choice but to invest their own capital in solar panels, inverters, batteries and other backup systems to protect themselves from the consequences of an unreliable public electricity supply. These investments were not made to avoid contributing to the electricity system. They were made because the system could no longer be relied upon. It is therefore difficult to accept the argument that these consumers are now “free riders” because they purchase less electricity from the grid. 2. Government actively encouraged private investment in solar This is particularly important. Government itself introduced financial incentives specifically to encourage private investment in renewable energy. For residential users, SARS provided a solar tax incentive allowing individuals to claim 25% of the cost of qualifying solar PV panels, subject to a maximum of R15,000, for qualifying installations during the 2024 year of assessment. For businesses, government substantially enhanced the renewable-energy tax incentive, allowing qualifying businesses to deduct 125% of the cost of qualifying renewable-energy assets upfront for a specified period. SARS explicitly stated that the purpose was to encourage greater private investment in renewable energy in response to South Africa's struggle to produce reliable electricity through the national grid. Government therefore cannot reasonably encourage taxpayers to invest their own money to reduce pressure on the national grid and subsequently penalise those same taxpayers because their investment has reduced their consumption from the grid. The policy message becomes contradictory: “Please invest your own money to solve the electricity crisis” followed by: “Because you have invested your own money and now consume less electricity from us, you must pay more to compensate for the grid.” That is neither fair nor conducive to investor or taxpayer confidence. 3. Eskom's problems were not caused by solar consumers The underlying problem is not that households installed solar. The underlying problem was the deterioration of Eskom's generation capacity, maintenance, governance and financial position over many years. It is therefore inappropriate to shift the consequences of those failures onto consumers who took responsible steps to protect themselves. If Eskom and the electricity system had been properly managed and maintained, there would have been far less incentive for households and businesses to spend billions of rands of their own money on alternative electricity supplies in the first place. 4. Municipal electricity tariffs raise an additional concern There is also a serious issue surrounding municipal electricity revenue. Municipalities purchase electricity from Eskom and resell it to consumers. Electricity revenue has become an important source of municipal income, and electricity surpluses have historically been used by municipalities to support other municipal functions. Consequently, where consumers reduce their electricity consumption through solar and battery installations, municipalities can experience a reduction in electricity-related revenue. The answer, however, cannot simply be to make households that have reduced their consumption pay additional fixed charges to compensate municipalities for lost revenue. Municipalities need to address their underlying financial and operational problems rather than effectively turning electricity consumers into a captive revenue source. 5. The taxpayer is already carrying an enormous burden This issue also has to be considered within the broader South African tax environment. South Africa has an exceptionally narrow tax base relative to the number of people who depend on government services and social support. SARS reports that tax revenue increased from R113.8 billion in 1994/95 to R1.855 trillion in 2024/25, while the tax-to-GDP ratio reached 25.1%. In 2025/26, SARS reported net revenue collections of approximately R2.01 trillion and a tax-to-GDP ratio of 25.9%. At the same time, only a relatively small proportion of the population carries the overwhelming majority of the personal income-tax burden. The solution to government and municipal financial problems cannot continually be to extract more money from the same compliant taxpayers. South Africans are already paying: personal income tax; VAT; fuel levies; municipal rates; electricity charges; water and sanitation charges; licence fees and other government charges; and, increasingly, private costs for services that the state should provide. Many taxpayers are effectively paying twice: once for the public service through taxation and tariffs, and again privately because the public service is unreliable. Examples include solar and batteries for electricity, boreholes and tanks for water, private security for personal safety, and private healthcare and education where public services are inadequate. 6. The “fair share” argument must work both ways If government wants to argue that grid-connected consumers must contribute to the fixed cost of maintaining the network, then consumers are equally entitled to ask: What is the fair value of the service being provided? If a consumer pays a substantial fixed charge for grid availability, that charge should be transparent, cost-reflective and demonstrably linked to the actual cost of maintaining the network. It should not become a mechanism for recovering lost municipal revenue, subsidising inefficiency, or protecting inefficient state-owned or municipal structures from competition. There should also be a clear distinction between: a legitimate cost-reflective network charge and a penalty imposed on consumers because they have reduced their dependence on an inefficient electricity supplier. Those are fundamentally different things. 7. Private generation should be encouraged, not discouraged South Africa needs more private investment in electricity generation, not less. Every household or business that installs solar: reduces pressure on the grid; reduces Eskom's generation requirements; reduces demand during peak periods; contributes to energy security; and reduces the need for additional public capital expenditure. If the policy response to this is to make private generation increasingly unattractive through additional unavoidable charges, government risks undermining precisely the investment it previously encouraged. That would be a serious policy contradiction. Conclusion I therefore believe that any proposed move towards mandatory fixed network or capacity charges must be subject to much greater scrutiny before being implemented. I would support a genuinely transparent and cost-reflective tariff structure where charges are demonstrably necessary to maintain the grid and are applied fairly across all users. I would not support a system that effectively penalises households and businesses for investing their own money in solar and batteries after y	Eddie	retired
	2026-08-28 07:12:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is already a monthly charge for availability, if you use electricity or not,. It is not justifiable to way the person down further who can support himself.	Sam	self-employed

	2026-08-28 07:34:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The lying, ANC-corrupted government and Eskom claim to have solved the electricity crisis in South Africa. It has never been the case. Many ordinary consumers and businesses have installed solar power in one form or another, and THEY solved the electricity problem. We keep on being punished for solving a govt problem and decreased income for Eskom due to the lack of power delivery. Stop stealing from the citizens of South Africa! By the way, was the position of the Minister of Electricity not supposed to be temporary? The president said so. Start cost-cutting by axing all deputy ministers. Are they going to tax the air we breathe next? Will there be a Minister of Air?	D	
	2026-08-28 07:53:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No, No, No, this is outrageous, DOES THE GOVERNMENT OWN THE SUN, and since when does the the consumer have to pay taxes on free sun if you have paid for your own system to sustain yourself, because of ABSOLUTE INCOMPETANCE, NEGLECT, AND THEFT. WHY PUNISH THE CONSUMER, THATS A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY ON IT'S OWN. No wander why people are leaving South Africa. Our GOVERNMENT IS ROTTEN TO THE CORE. PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA ARE SICK AND TIRED OF A GOVERNMENT THAT NEGLECTS THEIR CITIZENS. IN STEAD OF BUILDING THE COUNTRY, TO ITS FORMER GLORY, IT HAS INSTEAD BEEN BEEN DRAINING SOUTH AFRICAN'S OF THEIR HARD EARNED MONEY. GOVERNMENT IS ROBBING SOUTH AFRICANS TO SATISFY THEIR OWN GREED AND PENSIONERS LIVE ON THE STREET AND CAN NOT EVEN AFFORD HOUSING AND FOOD, WHAT A SHAME MR. PRESIDENT.	Riana	retired
	2026-08-28 08:04:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rigo	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:16:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	retired
	2026-08-28 08:22:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Instead of overtaxing ratepayers, the government should try to create a positive environment to boost the economy to create a larger tax base instead of milking the ever-diminishing amount of taxpayers left in the country. I there isn't a single forethought on how to grow and great a better country, just destroy and steal.	Leo	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:27:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	? to whom it concern I am realy really tired of this incompetent government and the so called cadres this cancer just carry on and on put the bastards in jail every day one hear how corrupt this bastards are stealing money they are so they don't go to heaven they break in then they go in I am furious thars why I say my say this thing of them it's a no go please stop this anc and cyril sofa bank to implement the carry on an on stuff it's like replay bubble gum it last and last Please Rob go to court and tell them what I think thanks for the good work you do and God bless	Flip	retired
	2026-08-28 08:33:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:40:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eve	retired
	2026-08-28 08:40:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dan	retired
	2026-08-28 08:45:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to go onto solar as we often experienced days on end without electricity. Even with reliance on grid outside of solar production hours, I can barely afford what we are being charged. If they add anything more to what I need to pay, I will not make it.	Fiona	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:48:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tax tax tax that's all this government does instead of targeting the thief's of electricity and stop putting money in the politicians pockets, fix the problem !!!!	Barry	retired
	2026-08-28 08:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rhonda	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:58:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner who is already struggling to pay for electricity. I cannot support what the Government is proposing.	Jeanette	retired
	2026-08-28 08:59:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Birgit	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:42:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are held captive in their choice of energy suppliers. It should be a free market so that price and performance becomes a lot fairer and equitable. If Eskom is forced to compete it should reduce corruption. I believe this will be in the interest of the people of SA.	Tanja	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:51:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryuno	business owner
	2026-08-28 10:03:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sir / Madam As a home owner we are already paying a R524.24 monthly fee just for our electricity connection. I pay for my electricity separately now, via the smart meter account. Adding the smart meter instead of the old reliable rotating disk kWh meter, which was accurate, has increased my account by an additional 8-12 kWh per month. What should happen to ensure reasonable costs to SA consumers is the following. All government run institutions should be sold to professional technical companies, so they can be run efficiently at the lowest cost to consumer. This ANC led government is taxing the workers to death, whilst accumulating vast personal wealth and paying no regard to their total destruction of South Africa.	Jeffrey	retired
	2026-08-28 10:11:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already burdened by the fixed monthly cost that is at 50% of my electricity purchase - I do not have solar power, but use electricity very conservatively, and I'm penalised by this additional expense because of governments failure.	Gareth	
	2026-08-28 10:21:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What I would really like to understand is this: what happens to a household that completely goes off-grid? If I invest my own money in solar generation, batteries and backup systems and disconnect physically from the municipal electricity network, I am no longer using their wires, infrastructure or electricity supply. So on what basis would I still be expected to pay fixed grid or connection charges? I understand that the electricity grid needs to be maintained and that there are legitimate costs involved. But if someone chooses to become completely self-sufficient and carries the full cost and risk of their own generation and storage, surely they should not be treated the same as someone who remains connected to and dependent on the grid. Otherwise, where is the incentive for households to invest their own money to reduce pressure on the national grid? If the objective is a competitive electricity market, then surely consumers should also have the freedom to completely opt out of the grid — without being subjected to perpetual charges for a service they no longer use. That is the part of this proposed model I would really like someone to explain clearly.	Drikus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In 2007 Eskom produced 252 GW at that time the organisation was at the limit of its potential and lacking a maintenance plan. As a result of this tremendous incompetence, the power supply dropped off and was at its lowest in 2020 at 192 GW. In 2025 it had risen very little only to 200 GW. Now we are expected to subsidise this in addition to find our own source of energy. Eskom cannot have it both ways. The days of national power generation are over.	ALLAN	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:41:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Years of complacency, mismanagement & corruption by ESKOM have led to a complete downgrading of the supply. Penalising private investment to bypass the failings of a government organisation is completely wrong!!!! Privatization is the only answer to eradicate wastefulness, theft & self-approval.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-28 10:54:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should NEVER be paying for ANY administrative and skills inefficiencies of government!!!	Rodney	retired
	2026-08-28 11:15:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gaodirelwe	
	2026-08-28 11:21:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom currently holds a monopoly which is the most inefficient form of business. Competition is better for the economy, and forces accountability. Not to mention that renewable resources are better for the environment.	Katherine	
	2026-08-28 11:41:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-08-28 12:13:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ferose	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 12:41:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	
	2026-08-28 13:19:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the principle of introducing unavoidable fixed network or capacity charges on households simply because they remain connected to the grid while making substantial private investments in solar generation and battery storage. South African households and businesses have invested their own money in alternative energy largely because the existing electricity system has failed to provide a reliable and affordable service. Those who have reduced their dependence on the grid should not subsequently be treated as a problem that needs to be financially penalised. Indeed, they should be commended and compensated! More broadly, the electricity policy should encourage private investment in renewable energy, energy efficiency, battery storage and genuine energy independence—not create additional charges that discourage these investments or force consumers to continue subsidising infrastructure they increasingly do not use. Consumers should have meaningful freedom to choose how they generate and consume electricity, provided that appropriate safety and technical standards are met. Government policy should reward innovation and private investment in solving the country's energy challenges, rather than creating new financial penalties for those who have taken responsibility for their own energy supply. I therefore urge the Department to reconsider any measures that would unfairly penalise consumers who have invested in solar, batteries or other forms of independent electricity generation, and to ensure that future electricity-market reforms promote competition, consumer choice, affordability and genuine energy independence. The aspect of the technical support must also be provided on a competitive market as it may become another manipulated service by government. Government can reduce SASSA grant recipients to really older people and medical unfit for work people. The saving of SASSA can be used for infrastructure to subsidised and indirectly support the already over-taxed working class people. There should not be an additional amount of money payable to access the network (for cable usage). The municipalities are receiving property taxes without providing street lighting at night. They can reduce their staff (to bring down unnecessory salary expenses), freeze salaries for a year or two (to be paid according to real market compensation) and really work effectively towards a better life for all - earn your salary based on the principle 'equal work for equal pay'. The Constitution guarantees freedom on different levels (association with the choice of the service provider, fair competition, not exercise own choice to have access to the grid and solar, etc.) - to have a capped group to carry the financial burden is not in the spirit of the Constitution and the suggestion boarders on criminal activity. The test is: Will the poor and the poorest of the poor be exempted from this? If yes, then it will be imbalanced again and UNCONSTITUTIONAL (unfair treatment). After all, it seems that the NDP 2030 was a fictile process, empty promises and just a carrot in front of the broader community!	Willie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 13:51:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government and Municipalities should firstly look toward themselves and reduce wasteful expenditure and insufficient power generation. They are now trying to tax the ordinary citizen for their incompetence and keep Eskom monopoly alive.	RDJ	retired
	2026-08-28 14:10:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are already paying a fixed monthly charge ON TOP OF the charge for what they actually consume. No matter how careful consumers are they already pay more than they should.	Eileen	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:26:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rhonwyn	self-employed
	2026-08-28 15:05:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natalie	retired

	2026-08-28 15:29:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has twice as many employees as it should have costing billions Eskom allowed the guptas to steal billions from the company Eskom is still being looted by tenderpreneurs and cronies Municipalities are equally corrupt Once this tax is introduced it will continue to escalate to feed more usless hangers on and voting fodder. Electricity price has more than doubled in the last 10 years Neither our state nor local government can be trusted	Trevor	
	2026-08-28 16:25:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		UC	retired
	2026-08-28 16:43:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to milk South Africans.	Wendy	retired
	2026-08-28 16:44:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	self-employed
	2026-08-28 17:05:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Electricity is already so expensive. If I am helping better my position by spending money to harness an alternative electricity source that reduces demand on the grid why must I suddenly pay extra for that? Why are we, the individual consumers, still paying for Eskom's own failures? Is this state capture all over again? Why must the population of this country continue to be squashed and squeezed and prevented from uplifting itself? We are already paying the fixed monthly fees plus usage.	Amy	business owner
	2026-08-28 18:09:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	employed individual
	2026-08-28 19:03:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM WAS A FLOURISHING ENTITY - GIVEN TO THE PRESENT DAY GOVERNMENT WHO MISMANAGED , EVERYTHING - NOW AGAIN THE MIDDLE CLASS AND POOR ARE MADE TO SUFFER , STILL WE ARE PUNISHED FOR TRYING TO KEEP THE ECONOMY GOING. SHAME ON YOU ALL!	JOANNE	retired
	2026-08-28 19:51:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC Government has no right to prevent or limit the benefits of utilizing sun power	AW	employed individual
	2026-08-28 20:15:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun ? is from God no man or woman ever created it, therefore sun tax is a scam and a wicked move of controlling people's freedom or liberty.	Relebohile	
	2026-08-28 23:19:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Le Roux	self-employed
	2026-08-29 06:56:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HEINRICH	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:10:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	retired
	2026-08-29 07:44:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:56:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrea	retired
	2026-08-29 08:13:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vivienne	retired
	2026-08-29 09:51:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to "milk" the overtaxed working minority of South Africa.	Margarethe	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:07:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government must stop taking and stealing money from the consumer in order to foot their own private lifestyles!	Willem	retired
	2026-08-29 10:26:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	retired
	2026-08-29 10:29:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judy	
	2026-08-29 10:34:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemary	retired
	2026-08-29 10:56:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No person or company even government can tell me as an individual what I can or not can. I am using natural resources that has no effect on it. Next thing will be how can I install a borehole to access water. This in all instances allows government to steal more money from all its voters. Why don't they first look at all the people that steal electricity and never pay for it through illegal ways as this new type of theft is aimed at all except for the electrical thieves. Can't wait to see them ever do this as can you imagine what will happen to the votes they take from giving to the poor.	Anthony	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:29:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This so-called government created the electricity shortage and want to penalise those who paid hard earned money to find a partial solution. Absolute thievery.	Grahame	
	2026-08-29 11:40:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is undemocratic and insulting to consumers to expect them to pay when your own incompetence and corruption forced them to spend huge sums to obtain sun power. The sun is free and you CANNOT load consumers (while subsidising industries) with a false tax. You inherited an electricity industry that was the best in thr world, ruined it by corruption, and now you are attempting to claw back un justifiable returns! NO, NO, NO!	Marion	retired
	2026-08-29 11:45:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gael	retired
	2026-08-29 11:55:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is undemocratic and insulting to consumers to expect them to pay when your own incompetence and corruption forced them to spend huge sums to obtain sun power. The sun is free and you CANNOT load consumers (while subsidising industries) with a false tax. You inherited an electricity industry that was the best in the world, ruined it by corruption, and now you are attempting to claw back un justifiable returns!	Fred	retired
	2026-08-29 12:36:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not believe I should have to pay for services I do not receive. My normal rates and taxes account should cover all the possible amenities and services the municipality provides (or doesn't in many cases). Special taxes on services that are not going to delivered are fraudulent - actually quite immoral at best. Next we'll have a "bus" tax because I use my car and not the local bus service which doe not even run!	Ian	retired
	2026-08-29 16:47:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Julia	
	2026-08-29 17:16:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is punishment for trying to cover ourselves during the intensive loadshedding.	Jennifer	employed individual
	2026-08-29 19:04:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Levies to be per unit consumption. Its absurd to pay a fixed tariff for "maintenance" when one uses very little electricity regardless of having solar power. If I do not wear my shoes the whole time they'll last longer. If I do not use electricity the whole time the transformers and all have less "work" to do. This fixed tarif is thus illegal.	Dawn	self-employed
	2026-08-29 20:55:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is communism at its worst form. Solar energy users lighten the load on the Eskom supply especially if using pre-paid electricity. I pay for what I use and only that. You don't even get a tax break on it. It is BULLSHIT.	Heila	self-employed
	2026-08-30 06:27:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	My concern is that a bankrupt and corrupt government mechanism are always looking for ways to increase charges so they can stay in power. Thye know the machinery of government gives them manipulating power to promote their ungodly lifestyle and it is time for them to step down and let Godly men and women with no lifetsyles to worry about bring this nation back where it belongs; in safe and wise hands and hearts.	Philip	Non-profit
	2026-08-30 06:45:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa is meant to be a free country. Citizens who choose to spend their hard earned post income tax money to install solar off of the back of the states dismal failure to supply reliable electricity cannot now be punished for solving what's actually the governments problem by being charged more for having a solar system. Also since people save the electricity cost from their solar systems their is more money for them to spend in the market from which the government earns VAT and the economy is stimulated allowing for greater generation of wealth that would even generated provisional tax, more employment which would generate income tax and on and on.	Mitchel	business owner
	2026-08-30 08:01:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernice	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:32:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ann	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 09:53:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dries	retired
	2026-08-30 11:21:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Karin	retired
	2026-08-30 11:41:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why tax anybody that uses the sun ! It does not belong to anybody,Eskom is failing SA none stop and the people defrauding it should be punished,it I buy and install sonal panels out of my pocket it my property belonging to me,and has nothing to do with Eskom.	Rainier	retired
	2026-08-30 13:01:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-08-30 13:35:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My electricity bill has been estimated for the last 3 years. I might be paying for what I have not consumed. Let us be charged fairly and consider that the revenue that each household is received does not match the daily expenses, it's far below than the expenses, we are struggling to make a living.	Martha	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 15:28:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There will be huge tariffs and infrastructure charges. We will be paying to reserve power for use during peak period. There will be a service charge that can be manipulated. The municipality is selling it by saying the breakdown will show how we paying and dropping the price of electricity but our billing will increase due to the above.	Collin	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 15:31:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired

	2026-08-30 16:29:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JUJLIE	self-employed
	2026-08-30 17:09:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:35:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Implementing fixed charges for solar users is against our constitutional rights. The public and business have saved Eskom from collapse by implementing solar now the government want to charge them for that, it is unacceptable. Why should residential households not have the option to buy electricity at cheaper prices and have to be reliant on municipality rates? We need an open economy with competition that is the only way this economy will grow, and we need it to do that with the high unemployment rate that we have. The bill should be scrapped!	Brian	retired
	2026-08-31 10:01:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jannie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:04:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the new Mandatory fixed monthly Charge regardless of how much Electricity is used. Government is elected to see that the basic needs of its People are provided for and are affordable. A. Regarding the National Distribution of Energy : As our Economy is based on the Market "Supply and Demand", it is Government's duty to ensure adequate Supply for its People. a. The Supply of Electricity should utilize a variety of Energy Sources available such as from Solar, Wind, Gas, Oil, Coal, Hydro-electric as well as Nuclear. b. The Demand for Electricity should be calculated separately for Industrial, Commercial and Domestic Use, as their needs are different. c. Control and Security should be exercised by Government through Management and Supervision with regard to Electricity required for Wholesale, Commercial or Municipal Use. B. Regarding Municipal Tariffs : However, problems arise with regard to : a. As a result of the already high Cost of Living, Unemployment and those like myself a Pensioner disabled on an Oxygen machine, Residents cannot afford the increase in paying for Electricity to subsidize Municipal Revenue shortfalls and cross subsidies. b. Another problem is the increase in Cost of Municipal Infra-structure due to Government Policy of Mixed Land Use & High Residential Densities in Residential Areas. A Government is elected to provide for the basic needs of its People to ensure a healthy Nation. It is therefore necessary to ensure that appropriate and affordable Living Conditions are available within a habitable Residential Environment. c. Bearing in mind that Electrical Solar Panels are expensive and of limited lifespan. The lack of Municipal Revenue from Electrical Network as a result of the increase in use of Solar Panels, could be catered for with an additional "Purchase" Tax on Solar Panels bought.	Hendrika	retired
	2026-08-31 10:05:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Being taxed on the use of sunlight is ridiculous. If the supply of electricity is inconsistent then expect to lose business to private enterprise. People using solar should be able to sell excess power to the utility which will reduce generation cost to utilities. Rural consumers already pay a monthly extension fee and municipal consumers pay a monthly MCB fee.	Burnley	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:16:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM and CITY POWER have been managed into insolvency by handing out electricity to "the real free riders", and is now desperate to extract these costs from honest, hard working tax payers. This is the true nature of Africanist National-Socialism. Nowhere else in the world are private individuals or households punished for going green and reducing their reliance of governments. Both institutions have been found to be deeply inefficient - both in terms of number of employees (even excluding contractors that actually do the work) per GW electricity generated/distributed/transmitted, and in terms of salaries/benefits per employee: It has been published in ESKOM's financial reports that the AVERAGE remuneration is over R1million annually, compared to 50k Euro in the wealthiest Nation in Europe, namely Luxembourg - at current exchange rates that is R800k!!! But the true costs is that these Africanist policies are and have been killing the economy, and the resultant unemployment will continue to increase until all has been destroyed. God bless our leaders for their stupidity, greed and self-enrichment. It is about time SA rewards those who get off the grid, instead of punishing them. Whether by free electricity, free water, free services (refuse collection, schooling, health, social grants) and the list goes on and on, punishing those who do work, and rewarding government employees and all those who don't contribute (whatever the justification they give for not contributing - the issue is that they are not contributing) becomes a disincentive to do any work or grow the SA economy.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-08-31 11:14:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:46:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reforms of our South Africa electricity sector is necessary, and long overdue. Eskom as a corrupt and mismanaged entity need to be controlled and cleaned up.	vincent	retired
	2026-08-31 11:49:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	retired
	2026-08-31 12:58:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As citizens we are continually being called upon to FIX the shortfalls caused by corruption and the inability to manage municipal infrastructure. By continuously targeting the paying customer there will come a time that those customers will no longer be able to afford unrealistic electrical charges. The negative effect will be loss of employment opportunities as these employers seek to reduce costs in order to keep up with payments. It is time to prosecute management for their failures under their watch and not to continue increasing prices to keep these incompetent managers employed.	Craig	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:17:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N	employed individual
	2026-08-31 15:37:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	God gives us the sun everyday, because Government ran Eskom into the ground the people of SA made a plan to save SA from total grid collapse. Rather than thanking them let tax them further. Make sense doesn't it????	PG	
	2026-08-31 16:36:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvette	
	2026-09-01 12:01:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	self-employed
	2026-09-01 14:30:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	employed individual
	2026-09-01 15:35:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer is paying for the corruption, sabotage, and inefficiency brought about by Eskom resulting in the electricity crisis. Solar users were encouraged to install solar at great personal cost to help alleviate the situation. Now we are to be penalized for doing so. Being connected to the grid and paying for the electricity we use is not a 'free ride' as the infrastructure charge is probably already included. If it isn't then tariff charge should be based on the actual grid usage not a flat rate. Surely that is a fair method.	Ruben	retired
	2026-09-01 19:19:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pieter	retired
	2026-09-02 09:02:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Ken	business owner
	2026-09-02 09:16:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SMIT	
	2026-09-02 09:29:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 10:27:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed SAWEM policy structure due to its unfair financial impact on residential consumers and rooftop solar investors. Shifting tariff structures to high, mandatory fixed grid charges penalises households that invested their own capital to alleviate grid pressure, incorrectly framing self-generation as "free-riding." Furthermore, allowing large industrial users to bypass local grids leaves ordinary households as "captive ratepayers" who must absorb municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. Without strict retail price protections, introducing a competitive wholesale market alongside dominant generation entities exposes everyday consumers to price volatility and inflated monthly utility bills.	Susan	self-employed
	2026-09-02 10:38:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugenie	employed individual
	2026-09-02 11:07:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Come on SA.....get real. More burdens on the overburdened consumer?? Government is in power to work for the benefit and well-being of the people of the country	Roula	retired
	2026-09-02 13:06:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-02 22:27:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are still paying for corruption	Shahraine	retired
	2026-09-03 12:33:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emille	retired
	2026-09-03 12:40:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicholas	
	2026-09-03 12:43:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Basil	
	2026-09-03 14:14:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop abusing those of us who have been taking care of ourselves with NO help from our government because that is how we prefer to live. we get NOTHING for free; we pay for everything we use without being chased up to do so! If they are lacking something to do then they can go and earn their keep by collecting the money from the non-payers!!	Bernice	retired
	2026-09-04 06:24:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	unemployed individual
	2026-09-04 08:38:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I pay for Eskom's reckless failures?	Louwrence	employed individual
	2026-09-04 09:54:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathy	retired
	2026-09-04 11:51:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-05 12:20:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nazlie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 09:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free, and our government cannot supply a reliable supple of power. They actively encouraged people to get solar with tax breaks, but now that their plan has backfired we are again victims because the grid is expensive to maintain. Come up with a better solution and leave us alone	Sam	employed individual

	2026-09-06 16:02:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandra	employed individual
	2026-09-06 17:32:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dlabantu	retired
	2026-09-07 09:23:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolande	
	2026-09-07 11:03:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	retired
	2026-09-07 13:36:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another way that the government is trying to take money from hardworking ratepayers! When the gvt could not supply electricity, those of us who could, made a plan to continue to live and work by installing solar systems. This was essential to myself and my husband who work from home. And now we will be punished for looking after ourselves. I do not agree that we are "freeloading" or not paying our fair share. I have always paid my municipal accounts and electricity accounts, but what is municipality doing to make sure people in informal settlements pay their share? Very concerned about being a "captive consumer" who will have no other option than to be connected to Eskom if we do continue to be connected to the grid. It is imperatove that there is a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold to buy power from providers other than eskom, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. It is essential that NERSA must implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks yo ensure captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I am opposed to any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Charle	self-employed
	2026-09-07 15:30:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bonnie	retired
	2026-09-09 08:56:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, the kakistocracy is running wild! Listen morons, you have been unable to sort out anything for SA because you keep stealing the money! And now you want to tax the sunlight! Piss off!	Stephanie	
	2026-09-09 17:14:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garry	retired
	2026-09-10 07:21:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theresa	employed individual
	2026-09-10 07:21:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zelna	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:15:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trewin	
	2026-09-11 14:56:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	
	2026-09-11 15:02:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-11 15:03:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:30:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They let O'Salluven leave with billions of Eskom, and I the poor pensioner, must foot the bill	Seipati	retired
	2026-09-11 15:31:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already have the highest electricity cost in the world, so enough is enough! Eskom need to have a close look at its total structure and make the necessary cuts to streamline its operation	Hilton	retired
	2026-09-11 15:45:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Why should big businesses (large mines, factories, and industrial consumers (1 MW+) bypass local councils and buy cheap wholesale power directly and benefit from lower tariffs? These entities have the scale and cashflow to pay higher tariffs! It is always the captive home owners and small businesses who have to suffer!	Retha	
	2026-09-11 15:47:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not force citizens to pay for your mismanagement over the years!	Jo	retired
	2026-09-11 15:48:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A single or concentrated source of supply invites every problem that a monopoly does. Establishing a market for multiple energy providers and differentiating electricity costs for the consumer between generation, transmission, distribution, and whatsoever else from a single "pay as you use energy" metric is useful when implemented ideally, but I for one cannot help but ask where all taxpayer money goes if not to cover state costs such as infrastructure. Punishing responsible individuals whose livelihood depends on reliable electricity supply by raising costs acts only as a cash grab intended to capitalise on the privileged few in a position to switch to independent power. Worse still, doing this while keeping your average resident locked at the mercy of a single provider in a faux open market defeats every benefit of both a state-controlled market as well as a free market. And none of this serves to address the debt crisis which on its own risks undermining the benefits that a healthy free market would bring, whether as drafted or whether ideal.	Tristan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:49:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carel	retired
	2026-09-11 15:58:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joseph	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:12:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More consumers are going to go for illgal connections desperate times	Brian	retired
	2026-09-11 16:17:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For households that do remain connected to the grid while using solar, any fixed or network charges should be fair, transparent and based on the actual service being provided. They should not simply become a way of recovering lost electricity sales or municipal revenue from people who have invested in reducing their reliance on the grid. I am also concerned that residential customers may remain captive while larger commercial users are given more freedom to buy electricity elsewhere. There should be safeguards to ensure that any loss of higher-paying customers does not simply result in increased costs being passed on to ordinary households. Consumers should also not have to carry unnecessary costs caused by poor forecasting, administration or inefficient management by municipalities or electricity providers. There are still many important details that appear to be left for future regulations, market rules and tariff structures. These should also be open to proper public consultation, especially where they affect household electricity costs, solar users and consumer choice	Ahmed Mayet	
	2026-09-11 16:19:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcelle	retired
	2026-09-11 16:23:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's time the government realizes that we the ordinary people barely have the finances to live and the constant bail outs and one sided laws being generated cannot continue as monet does not grow on a rock.	Sharon	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 16:24:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is the man in the street always targeted. Pensioners can barely make it and now with added expenses which will be handed down to consumers how do they expect a already stretched household to accomodate these unreasonable increases.?	Farhana	retired
	2026-09-11 16:25:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magrietha	retired

	2026-09-11 16:31:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges.
						  Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls.
						  Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill
							Sizwe	self-employed

	2026-09-11 16:48:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel like this is just another way for government to fill the bank to steal from the tax payers. People who could afford it went with solar because the government failed to supply and those who cannot afford solar are stuck with lack luster supply or in some cases none at all and now both must suffer due to a new way to get more money from an already burdened population?? Make this make sense to the public!??	Meegan	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:56:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again the average citizen is being punished for the blatant corruption and incompetence of our Power Utility and Municipalities.	Neville	
	2026-09-11 17:07:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:12:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	retired
	2026-09-11 17:13:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again it is the poorer section of the population that will bear the brunt of this legislation. People turned to solar because the Government failed to maintain a stable reliable source of electricity. Now the population who cannot afford solar will be penalised again.	Steph	
	2026-09-11 17:13:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A big question... is this fair???	Michelle	retired
	2026-09-11 17:14:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:15:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sanette	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:17:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Old Soviet thinking again. All they know is how to destroy - quite unbelievable, but oh it's the ANC so what else?	Bruce	retired
	2026-09-11 17:22:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Petra	self-employed

	2026-09-11 17:37:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nersa needs to implement mandatory tariff parity benchmarks ensuring that captive customer tariffs do not exceed the wholesale plus efficient delivery bench mark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. Retail market needs to be available to households and SMMEs and not just the corporates.	Pat	retired
	2026-09-11 17:41:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	
	2026-09-11 17:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mike	retired
	2026-09-11 17:47:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louisa	retired
	2026-09-11 17:55:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This regulatory action is dishonest. This is not "transformation", this is an attempt to grab income and tax ratepayers. The dishonest way of slipping this in under the irrelevant heading is unconstitutional. The way in which this leaves the poor unprotected, is unconstitutional. Why does government not rather focus on stimulating the job-market so people actually have money for services? Leave this kind of overregulation be, it will just hurt everyone except government officials. Or is that the point again?	Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:59:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	retired
	2026-09-11 18:12:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I oppose the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper proposed by the Department of Electricity and Energy. I demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. I require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. A democratic government should oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. The Department of Electricity and Energy cannot allow that the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply, because this creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Kind regards, Francois Conradie	Francois	student
	2026-09-11 18:20:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faisla	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:22:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous and not financially feasible for us consumers who battle to afford electricity as it is! Eskom need to accept that lining their pockets is not a priority, the people of this country are the priority	Tracey	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:34:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not the fault of the consumer that Eskom cannot reliably supply the required power. We have taken matters into our own hands to not rely on the grid and are now being penalised for the loss of income Eskom has created. It is also not the responsibility of the consumers in lower income brackets who cannot afford to lessen their reliance on the grid to bridge the gap Eskom created by not being able to supply power reliably	Noelle	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:42:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable for a state owned entity to penalise the citizens and rate paying consumers for their failures over the years. Instead, government should be subsidising their to lower rates rather than hiking them	Ismail	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:00:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The same old corrupt routine. First they plead for you to install solar etc to relieve their load shedding dilemma. Then when people do exactly that, they realise they are making less money. So now they basically want to charge you for electricity you generate yourself, using equipment you have installed at your own costs.	Harry	
	2026-09-11 19:06:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So sick of Eskom & this government that is stealing from their citizens! All those in “power” (no pun intended), need to retire, they are almost as old as the infrastructure, get out of office, you have stolen enough money from citizens!!	Trish	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:09:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renee	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:31:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is run by idiots. They go into upgrades and new builds completely unprepared and unprofessionalism. They have squandered multi billions in cost and time overruns. Ditto in scammed diesel and coal purchases by overpayment to suppliers without getting value for money. And the public must bear the financial burden of this useless institution. Oh yes, and include cANCer as a major reason for their downfall. Care deployment.	Ed	retired
	2026-09-11 19:48:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bee	
	2026-09-11 19:50:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:04:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carmen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 20:04:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lolita	
	2026-09-11 20:06:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debora	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:11:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	
	2026-09-11 20:18:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicjy	
	2026-09-11 20:20:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I want to see a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. I would like to see NERSA implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Lize	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:22:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marieke	retired
	2026-09-11 20:24:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joshua	retired
	2026-09-11 20:27:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		M	
	2026-09-11 20:35:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Scrap the whole thing. Don't want any of it.	Joe	
	2026-09-11 20:48:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		gillian	retired
	2026-09-11 20:53:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:02:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrika	retired
	2026-09-11 21:08:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PGP	
	2026-09-11 21:24:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You, the anc government, stole the country bankrupt, everything that worked is down the drain and now the public have to sponser your incompetance again. F... off!!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-11 21:28:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unsuspecting customers are being bullied because of Eskoms selfish interests, if the grid was reliable people wouldn't move to aolar	nsuku	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:38:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maureen	
	2026-09-11 21:47:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-11 21:54:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I pay for blatant theft. Go after the townships who don’t pay, I am tired of paying for everybody else before I can pay for my family’s needs.	Claudia	self-employed
	2026-09-11 22:00:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-11 22:07:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-11 22:13:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been corrupt over the years and still is. High ups are getting absorbent salaries and bonuses and always asking nersa for terrific increases which the cash strapped man in the street. This especially hurts pensioners and people on a ssasa old age pension. The existing government is all about lining their own pockets and doesn't care a dam about the man in the street. Kusely power power station would have been fully on line if eskom wasn't so corrupt	David	retired

	2026-09-11 22:28:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-11 22:29:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, I can honestly say life is a financial struggle without considering this. The whole system is unfair..hitting residents but not big business. I am in total despair. I don't have solar ..too expensive!	Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-11 22:33:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paulus	retired
	2026-09-11 23:25:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. At least these citizens had the initiative to keep the lights on when ESKOM couldn't or can"t. It is Eskom's own fault they find themselves in a financial mess. It is about time there was competition allowed from the private sector when it comes to electricity. I for one would be the first to leave ESKOM particularly with the suggestion of Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Shame on you. Do not make private householders, who are battling to make ends meet the scapegoat for your wholesale market reforms that leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Fern	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:30:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		will	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:35:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joan	retired
	2026-09-11 23:46:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthea	retired
	2026-09-12 00:05:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-12 00:44:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been run ineffectively for years. People who buy solar should not be punished for that and people who cannot afford solar should be protected, not punished for Eskom and the ANCs ineptitude. Subsidise solar and help push South Africa towards renewable energy so that it's people don't have to suffer power outages. Municipalities that rely on stealing from their people have their priorities backward.	Ryan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 01:02:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Electricity prices are rising to the point where it is unaffordable for small business, and this paper proposes more increases!	Reinier	business owner
	2026-09-12 01:43:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christina	retired
	2026-09-12 02:08:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Nomsa	
	2026-09-12 02:31:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kulani Cliff	employed individual
	2026-09-12 04:41:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the incompetent ANC	Paolo	self-employed
	2026-09-12 05:10:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Irene	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:32:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC inherited a fully functional Electricity and Energy infrastructure. After more than three decades of governance, a total disregard for the system and a lack of maintenance have left Eskom broken. Consequently, the government now expects already overtaxed citizens to fund their ongoing incompetence and corruption.	Jane	
	2026-09-12 06:05:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers should not foot government failure.	Timothy	
	2026-09-12 06:14:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Lloyd	
	2026-09-12 06:17:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Eskom remains grossly overstaffed and ineffective as a national power utility. The ANC chose to run energy supply into the ground by failing to build generation capacity while not moving a finger to hold municipalities accountable for their electricity debts to Eskom. Now, the working class must pay for government's failure to secure reliable energy to power SA	Christo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:22:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		lynda	retired
	2026-09-12 06:27:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:32:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	business owner
	2026-09-12 06:34:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is hoggish. Why should we pay for poor planning and management decisions.	Halima	
	2026-09-12 06:44:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hugh	retired
	2026-09-12 06:45:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the grid is a fully paid up asset then variable cost for maintenance to be apportioned to consumers benefitting from the expense. If consumers consider price unacceptable then they are supposed to be free to shop elsewhere. OR, free residential services for all households in RSA.	Crystal	retired
	2026-09-12 06:47:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emile	retired
	2026-09-12 06:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:49:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A blatant attempt by ESCOM to ripoff the public to try and fund the atrocious incompetence of government's ability to fix a crumbling utility that they themselves have caused to collapse. Fat pay checks and huge bonuses to top executives & managers for ruining a once profitable enterprise funded by taxpayer must stop	Mike	retired
	2026-09-12 06:52:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LLOYD	retired
	2026-09-12 06:58:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government just needs to get out of the way. They forever delaying things and making policies that make things harder not easier.	Andrew	
	2026-09-12 07:00:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the corruption and cadre deployment. High salaries and bonuses for non performance. I cannot afford Eskom!	H R	retired
	2026-09-12 07:07:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Blanche	retired
	2026-09-12 07:08:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESCOM has for too long held a stranglehold on supply of Electricity. Privatization, competition and diversification are required moving forward. Municipalities need to up the anti on collection of taxes to fund them. They should not be benefiting from raising electricity prices. Everyone within a municipality benefits from services like roads, infrastructure etc (when it happens) , therfore everyone within the Municipality should be taxed. No more free rides. No more stealing electricity.	Helen	retired
	2026-09-12 07:14:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When load shedding was at its peak the government actively encouraged business and home owners to put in solar at huge costs. They even gave rebates if they did. Now they want to penalise people for doing what they asked.	Chantelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:14:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	
	2026-09-12 07:14:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is milking the ordinary paying middle class dry, the illegal connectors are left to keep stealing, the non-payers are growing. Ordinary household market choice of competitive private contracts. Ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Against mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs.	Linda	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 07:16:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:18:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These laws will make ordinary people pay for their failings. It punishes those who rely on the grid, as well as those who can afford to get off.	Charlotte	
	2026-09-12 07:23:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:24:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-09-12 07:29:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:29:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl	retired

	2026-09-12 07:34:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner I have a tight budget & use electricity as sparingly as possible. I can't pay for the fat cheques the top brass are collecting for a ruined broken system they created. Trust they are aware that they'll have to give account before the Almighty God for the way have robbed us blindly	Melinda	retired
	2026-09-12 07:36:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:37:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	
	2026-09-12 07:39:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop minipulating a vital resource's price based on the incompetantcies of Eskom. Use the income from electricity to fund ONLY electricity supply, Recover stolen finances from those who stole the money.	Yvonne	
	2026-09-12 07:39:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:41:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity supplied by Eskom used to be of the cheapest electricity in the world. Since the ANC put corrupt leadership in Eskom who failed, with ANC support to collect outstanding fees from local municipalities, enriched themselves with exceptionally high salaries, appointed incompetent people who had party membership and positions, we now are faced with a system in Eskom who want to continue enriching themselves at the cost of people who have already have had to cope with the corrupt system from 1994 until now ! It was Eskom who encouraged the use of solar energy in various forms. NOW Eskom wants to penalize the people of S A for Eskom's incompetent and corrupt ways.	Arno	retired
	2026-09-12 07:47:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roxane	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:01:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the bullying of the anc and it hate towards orrinary south africans and their ways to steel from the community who they stollen to the brim through corruption and looting the tax payers money. Also their poor abillity to build but only destroy what they got for free.. 32 yesrs of black apartheid forced me to look out and provide for myself. So i do not support the anc or their constructive ways of corruption and theft of South Africans of all walk of life.	Johan	
	2026-09-12 08:04:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Really - more corruption? The sun is free - why not also tax the air we breathe too if you insist on capturing what little freedoms we have left. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Timothy	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:08:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:08:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:15:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shona	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:16:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariette	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:23:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tamara	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 08:30:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Government first encouraged businesses and individuals to install solar to "assist Eskoms failing grid and supply", my question was how this would impact those who could not afford solar. What would happen when Eskom realise they're now losing revenue? Well, that answer is now revealed. Skyrocketing tariffs. Exorbitant basic charges. And the average person have to rely on credit to pay their electricity bills! And to crown things off...Eskom wants to penalise too those that could afford to install Solar, making one wonder if the short term tax benefit was worth it. And where's government on this? Standing in front of cadres who all earn above average salaries making hollow public statements promising the people "transparency" on how costs are calculated while signing off new added charges and tariffs for the average household consumer in the background... behind closed doors. It is clear government don't give two hoots about the people. As long as they can continue to fund the gravy train why would they care if average households can survive? Government was voted into power by the people, so government can take care of its' people....not the other way around. It is high time government acknowledge their failures, and then fix it, without asking the public to fund their failed models. I mean, they already have our tax money to run this country, to increase taxes further, adding to already high municipal bills, fuel price, food and other costs to the consumer to pick up where government has failed is nothing but silent extortion.	Jasper	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:39:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe the whole pricing system of the electricity supply should be independantly restructured and changed.	Hekkie	
	2026-09-12 08:59:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	retired
	2026-09-12 09:05:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's disgusting how residential electricity consumers are facing ever increasing costs while some users get off scotfree. Everyone should pay a reasonable fee for what they use. There not be any loopholes for businesses not to pay their share. I am a Sassa pensioner living in rented accommodation and buy electricity from the municipality. There shud be a lower rate charged for this sector !	Avril	retired
	2026-09-12 09:07:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Now they want to charge you for solar that you installed behind the meter, how long before they will charge you for having a generator?	Jaco	
	2026-09-12 09:16:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As pensioners we already face huge challenges coping with rising cost of living, and municipal charges, including electricity, are one of the major ones. We certainly cannot afford solar even if it did not get unfairly penalised, and a compulsory fixed charge on electricity would be devastating for our monthly budget	Maria	retired
	2026-09-12 09:22:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lise	retired
	2026-09-12 09:22:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zainab	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:30:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:42:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	retired
	2026-09-12 09:42:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ina	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:45:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	
	2026-09-12 09:56:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-12 09:57:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morne	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:00:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	retired
	2026-09-12 10:02:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Tanya	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:09:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As mentioned in many other warnings before, ESKOM and the ANC policies have ruined a once prosperous State-owned entity due to widespread corruption and mismanagement. The average ratepayer / homeowner will ultimately be left to shoulder ESKOM's & ANC's failed state enterprise. We've heard the following statement before - this is referred to as the "Death Spiral" - sound familiar? Pro 29:2 "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn."	Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 10:22:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Elcke	
	2026-09-12 10:24:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot afford to pay for your loss. It will make that everyone can pay less for subscription on solar, so you will loose more clients.	Magda	retired
	2026-09-12 10:26:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 10:28:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:32:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the already hard-pressed citizens of this country continue to cough up more and more of their hard-earned money to further enable the inefficient, inept, money-hungry administrators of ESKOM?! Enough is enough!!!	Laura	retired
	2026-09-12 10:58:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First they subsidise solar; now they want to tax us. Stop the free-for-all. If you use, you pay.	Hans	retired
	2026-09-12 11:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:06:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Lynda	retired

	2026-09-12 11:09:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its so obvious this is just another tax grab to pay for bloated and inneficient government.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 11:18:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	retired
	2026-09-12 11:24:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's woes are self inflicted through the corruption/mismanagement in previous years. These efforts to become subsidised by consumers who have done what they have to in order to have a necessary service and to avoid excessive tariffs are iniquitous,	Nick	retired
	2026-09-12 11:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanette	self-employed
	2026-09-12 11:36:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All the Municipalities have huge backlog debt with Eskom which has already been passed on to the residents of SA to try to repay this debt on a monthly basis which is very unfair bcos the people in charge have mismanaged funds thus causing this debt. Now with this new plan that has come up by Government I really don't know where this could lead to now with pensioners barely coping to survive with the rising cost of living, etc therefore I am not in favour of this bill being approved & passed.	Shamilla	retired
	2026-09-12 11:37:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	
	2026-09-12 11:38:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about the poorest of the poor who can barely survive the high cost of food let alone now the electricity with which to cook it. This is insanity!	Ann	retired
	2026-09-12 11:45:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Diana	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:50:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free mkt competition is healthy but only if ratepayers are protected	Janine	retired
	2026-09-12 11:55:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just when you think there is nothing further that Government can break you are faced with this insanity. Had the ANC protected what was once world renound for its functional capacity we would not be faced with insane badly thoughtout way to steal yet again from the poor man in the street. Eskom has been politically captured by those who don't pay for their own electricity anyway.	Stuart	retired
	2026-09-12 12:06:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Phillip	retired
	2026-09-12 12:15:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bridgit	
	2026-09-12 12:15:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marshall	retired
	2026-09-12 12:32:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kirsten-Mia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:32:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	retired
	2026-09-12 12:48:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is punishing their own customers for not continuing to use their pathetic services.	Hugh	Non-profit
	2026-09-12 12:49:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		SJ	business owner
	2026-09-12 12:49:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should not be paying for Eskoms over staffing and excessive enumeration as well as the corruption that the Government turned a blind eye to. Eskom should be run like a normal company where staff reductions are made to make the company viable.	Marcel	retired
	2026-09-12 12:56:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutley rediculous making electrcity so expensive for non solar power users, it is a form of punishment. Eskom needs to reduce their overhead costs dramatically to make it profitable, not take the last cent away from the public. No wonder so many big companies have gone off grid completely!	Gavin	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:58:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:02:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Budgie	retired
	2026-09-12 13:05:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	retired
	2026-09-12 13:10:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	retired
	2026-09-12 13:14:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolande	
	2026-09-12 13:44:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as residential consumers and citizens of South Africa are fed up for the government and Eskom toying with our livelihood. The electricity tug of war and incompetence to build a sustainable electricity network and sufficient income are NOT our citizens burden to bear. Take accountability for a change!	Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 13:47:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ivan	retired
	2026-09-12 14:03:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pieter	
	2026-09-12 14:03:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pieter	
	2026-09-12 14:04:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs	GAYE	retired
	2026-09-12 14:15:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are we always getting the short end of the stock and if Municipalities implement tariff increases and surcharges we have to accept and we have no right to contest . Even if we do They end up doing what they want and there is no accountability on their side . I'm tired if just paying and have no say in fairness and correct practice. We need to stand together against this constant manipulation and dishonesty of parties that don't manage correctly and we end up paying the price.	Belinda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:21:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to expect from me as a non-solar to carry the cost of what the municipality loose from solar clients that don't use/pay electricity.	Jan	retired
	2026-09-12 14:22:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC have destroyed what was the cheapest electricity supplier in Africa and turned it into the most expensive through mismanagement and corruption. Rather privatise Eskom to get rid of the incompetent leaders and workers, and then restructure the business to make it profitable again. Eskom is way over staffed and costing the taxpayers millions.	Y	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:27:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 14:53:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NO. JUST NO! THIS IS SO WRONG. And there is nobody on God's Earth that wouldn't know that. FFS... evil before our eyes.	Sherry	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:05:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charlene	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:16:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying exceptionally high tariffs for electricity due to incompetence and dishonesty with annual increases !!	N	retired
	2026-09-12 15:31:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	
	2026-09-12 15:34:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	retired
	2026-09-12 15:36:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why does someone who knows what they are doing be given the job of sorting out the Municipal accounts and spending so we the rate payers don't have to keep picking up the pieces of their financial corruption. If they put the billions they wast or steal every month where it should go they could lower the cost of electricty. Now they want to penalize folks who are trying to get out of their broken system and provide a stable electricity system so them can run their busneses. Please don't put the prices any higher I can bearly afford to live now.	Lynda	retired
	2026-09-12 15:46:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faan	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:05:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-12 16:13:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Olivia	

	2026-09-12 16:20:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthys	retired
	2026-09-12 16:27:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SUN light is free to every living thing on Earth- The ANC does not own the Sun. They have NO right to tax Solar panels. Next thing they will introduce an Oxygen tax and install a meter on your nose. No matter how much they receive, most will fall into corrupt hands. The true salvation- Change of government ASAP	Kobus	retired
	2026-09-12 16:29:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rentia	retired
	2026-09-12 16:31:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries JJ	retired
	2026-09-12 16:34:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsje	retired
	2026-09-12 16:55:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	JUST ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO FLEECE THE PUBLIC TO MAKE UP FOR THEIR OWN THEFT, INCOMPETENCE AND MIS-GOVERNING.	Ronald	retired
	2026-09-12 16:56:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shamsonesa	
	2026-09-12 17:02:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 17:05:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eion	retired
	2026-09-12 17:21:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudi	
	2026-09-12 17:23:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a household with solar power sufficient only as a backup system, I'm most concerned about the residential ratepayers who don't have any solar at all. Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital. But mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Nick	
	2026-09-12 17:38:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government cannot keep making 10% of the country pay on behalf of 100% of the people. This is another attempt at exactly that. Solar systems were installed to assist Eskom when they did not have the supply that was demanded and it was installed to provide power when the large world renowned parastatal was too incompetent and corrupt to provide power. They only have one job: make electricity. To add a tax on it is an insult.	Craig	
	2026-09-12 17:41:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another way for continued Eskom and government ineptitude and theft from citizens.	Thomas	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:41:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vijay	
	2026-09-12 17:49:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so sick of the games and 'smoke and mirror' nonsense. We CAN have reliable electricity - BUILD MORE NUCLEAR POWER STATIONS! Why don't they? Why won't they? Because it's the cheapest way to give 'lo people' electricity and give them some sort of quality of live. But no... they'd rather suck the salaried section of society dry with more levies and 'fixed' this and 'compulsory' that... I AM SICK OF IT!!! :(	Jean	
	2026-09-12 18:41:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel J	retired
	2026-09-12 18:44:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Prices of fixed charges already killing consumers. Further fixed electricity charges is illogical. The monthly fixed costs more than the amount of Elec I use monthly for a two bedroom apartment. It's CRIMINAL! Once again we are expected to pay for incompetence and corruption!!!	Darth	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:50:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jill	retired
	2026-09-12 18:58:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	News about Eskom's management system is more depressing than anything else one can think of. Makes me wonder, is Eskom being run by actual people who have hearts, or by AI-powered robots which do not care about the millions of people suffering due to the poverty imposed on them by the system? This is failure at a level incomprehensible. The incompetence is staggeringly disturbing and makes one wonder what South Africans have done to deserve such demonic oppression. It is enough!	Vutlhari	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:05:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Silke	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:38:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner it is extremely difficult to afford solar. Making people who cannot afford solar to bear the brunt of those who can; by increasing rates/tariffs to exorbitant amounts and using them to make up the "shortfall" is extremely unfair. How on earth are people meant to survive?? Eskimo should look at alternative means. Why dont they invest in Solar themselves and provide the service to its clients at an affordable rate???	Helena	
	2026-09-12 19:59:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	retired
	2026-09-12 20:03:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support proposed regulations that try and recover costs of what the ANC destroyed with their pig headedness and pig tough entitlement.	Oliver	self-employed
	2026-09-12 20:13:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S'phiwe	employed individual
	2026-09-12 20:16:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, the New World Order minions (the government) are enforcing costs to the battled home owners and consumers with yet another excuse of raising funds for an incompetent, useless government and its departments, forcing us to pay one way or another for something else and refilling coffers that are constantly being stolen, misappropriated, inadequately managed etc. Shame on you all.	Tina	retired
	2026-09-12 21:26:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peggy-Ann	retired
	2026-09-12 21:44:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ansie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 21:53:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-09-12 22:19:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanus	retired
	2026-09-12 22:42:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop making ordinary people pay for your mismanagement and your over the top salaries.! You are SUPPOSED to serve the people not keep robbing us!	Rencia	retired
	2026-09-12 22:43:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are taxed to death in SA. We do not want another form of taxation. We need tariffs to be reduced, especially for pensioners, not inflated rates to pay for Eskom's failures and corruption. It was once the best electricity provider in the world. It's a total disgrace today. Brought SA to its knees.	Denise	retired
	2026-09-12 22:44:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		dirk	retired
	2026-09-12 22:54:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	
	2026-09-13 02:55:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gisela	
	2026-09-13 04:04:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-13 04:41:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Orette	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:46:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-09-13 06:05:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lettie	retired
	2026-09-13 06:08:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Don	business owner
	2026-09-13 06:09:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carolyn	retired
	2026-09-13 06:10:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Estelle	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:17:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired

	2026-09-13 06:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If we as residential consumers were to remove our solar systems completely, Escom cannot fulfill it's commitment to supply us with electricity.	Jack	
	2026-09-13 06:30:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-13 06:35:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ulrike	retired
	2026-09-13 06:40:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is getting out of hand and prices can't keep going up	Jeffrey	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:48:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:54:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To the Department of Electricity and Energy: Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Margaret	retired
	2026-09-13 06:56:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges for service delivery is nothing but blatant theft - STOP IT!!!	Raymond	retired
	2026-09-13 06:56:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yasmin	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:11:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	retired
	2026-09-13 07:21:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Freddie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:23:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilke	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:25:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	at my rural property as a direct Eskom client the fixed tariff is at R4500 a month before any electricity usage is billed with minimal consumption, relatively speaking our bull is regularly at R7,000 - R8,000 per month. this will become significantly worse of this bill is to be passed. In municipal the fixed charges are nowhere near as high, but this is what we are likely to be facing. Eskom is a typical state entity which is poorly run, with high cost , inefficient systems and would fail instantly if faced with a direct private competitor to offer alternate services. My suggestion is to revamp Eskom into an efficiently run institution as would any private successful company and tariffs will come down instead of going up.	Helge	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:37:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired
	2026-09-13 07:41:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacinta	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:42:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-09-13 07:46:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		NONHLE	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:49:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-13 07:56:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This f$#ck anc cancer must pack their levys and what ever this is gross human rights violation we as the citizen of this country can't take it anymore they try to manipulate us f"""""n anc	Phillip	retired
	2026-09-13 08:02:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-13 08:02:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bullshit, and just another way for the corrupt government to make more money off the already overburdened middle class, so that they have more money to steal.	Mari	student
	2026-09-13 08:03:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity tariffs are already prohibitive, as a captive ratepayer I can foresee the municipality further increasing rates to make up deficits, and conversely, if I opt for solar, I'll be charged under an antifreeriding policy.. its a lose lose situation.	Jodi	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:10:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:20:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:23:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:25:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alexandra	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:33:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The system collapsed because of financial greed and mismanaged inside the Escom structure. No rules was give when they implemented the system and know that they don't get the income they created a law to in-force the system because they need to steel more money. Please you cannot mange the system hand it over to the old government that had the ability to mange.	Eugene	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure	Nikki	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:54:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-09-13 08:56:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper I call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to ensure that electricity-sector market transformation strengthens competition, attracts private investment, and protects consumers rather than shifting the costs of market reform onto households. 1. Stop the “Sun Tax” The Department must reject punitive fixed grid charges that penalise households and businesses that invest in solar and other distributed-energy solutions. Private capital is helping to expand generation capacity, reduce pressure on the grid, and improve energy security. Penalising these investments through excessive fixed charges risks discouraging precisely the private-sector participation needed to transform the electricity market. Grid-use charges should be cost-reflective, transparent, and proportionate—not designed to punish consumers for reducing their reliance on the grid. 2. Protect Captive Consumers The Department must prevent municipalities from increasing electricity tariffs on consumers who remain dependent on the grid simply to compensate for revenue lost through industrial customers, private generation, or off-grid defection. Consumers who cannot afford solar, batteries, or alternative energy supplies should not become the default source of municipal revenue. Municipal tariff structures must be fair, transparent, and based on demonstrable costs of service. The financial consequences of changing electricity markets must be addressed through proper reform of municipal business models—not by imposing disproportionate costs on captive households. 3. Transparency First Wholesale electricity-market reforms must be accompanied by clear disclosure of who bears the costs of maintaining and expanding the electricity network. The transition to a more competitive electricity market should not result in ordinary households unknowingly subsidising infrastructure, stranded costs, or market participants through opaque tariffs and charges. The Department should require transparent cost allocation, meaningful public consultation, and regular reporting on the impact of market reforms on different categories of consumers. Conclusion Electricity-sector reform should reward investment, innovation, and efficiency—not penalise consumers for making sensible energy choices. The Department of Electricity and Energy should therefore commit to: No punitive “sun tax” on private solar and distributed generation. No tariff dumping whereby captive residential consumers carry the cost of customer defections elsewhere in the market. Full transparency on electricity-sector costs, subsidies, infrastructure charges, and the distribution of those costs across consumers. A successful electricity-market transformation must leave consumers with more choices, greater transparency, and fairer prices—not fewer choices and higher bills.	Eddie	
	2026-09-13 09:00:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges for home use are R500+ per month before any electricity used. This is a very big sum out of fixed pension payouts and should be reduced drastically for over 70s. It inhibits us doing our baking and general cooking, by trying to keep our bill at a certain level each month.	Angela	retired
	2026-09-13 09:06:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again consumers are being penalized for the government and Eskom's negligence, corruption and BEE errors, if things had been managed properly, these problems would not exist, the anc was handed a functional country which they mismanaged into the state in which it now is. To repair the damage they have done to the country willtake at least 10 to 20 years perhaps more.	PETER	

	2026-09-13 09:22:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Suzel	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:41:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must stop the funding of a unsuccessful government	Jacobus Marthinus	retired
	2026-09-13 09:54:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mandy	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:06:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	retired
	2026-09-13 10:08:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fiona	
	2026-09-13 10:15:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are tired of the corruption and theft. Those who stole from Eskom or who enabled this dire situation must pay back the money. Our rates and electricity and water charges are already too high!	Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-13 10:22:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carina	
	2026-09-13 10:22:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is yet another blow to the impoverished and middle class. This government and the parastatal agents do not give a damn about anything but their pockets. It smacks of the flailing desperate demise of the ANC and its cadre.	susan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:23:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penni-Lee	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 10:25:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why the hell are law abiding South Africans being charged such high tariffs to counter losses caused by Eskom inefficiency and corrupt activities? Electricity prices have increased 2000% since 1994 and if Eskom weren't so corrupt and greedy we would only be paying around 53c per kwh now, based on inflation since 1994.	Darren	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:27:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Pure theft on on the back of lack of accountability	Geoffrey John	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:37:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelly	
	2026-09-13 10:37:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's inept and corrupt management is strippings operational funds inflating generation cost and this is just being shoved into the throats of individuals while large users and non-South African get away with below cost pricing. Furthermore the employment of incompetent and lazy individuals not capable of simple process logic has made maintenance costs soar and once again the small users are being forced to pay. No more. I have solar to protect myself and my household against this inept and corrupt structure. I will not be punished for that.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 10:56:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the wholesale rape of the taxpayer.	Andrew	retired
	2026-09-13 11:10:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthea	
	2026-09-13 11:13:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linette	retired
	2026-09-13 11:23:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	these reforms could create the above risks unless appropriate safeguards are introduced. The policy does not answer the question of how do we introduce competition while ensuring that the costs of maintaining the electricity network are allocated fairly, that municipalities remain financially viable, that rooftop solar remains economically worthwhile, and that ordinary households are not disadvantaged by the transition?	Carla	
	2026-09-13 11:27:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings in their rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high-fixed monthly network charges penalize energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Maureen	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:39:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First & foremost sort out all the non paying Government depts , then the illegal connections , this will bring in monies , Eskom had been around many years & until 1994 profitable [a few years after this date], then the structure started to be interfered with , now they want to split , not needed , just more senior mouths to feed ,Keep politics out of Eskom have competent people in charge , the people / companies of the country has been forced to find other sources of power , it is like a double tax the way the fees will be going	Mad	retired
	2026-09-13 11:43:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:44:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Naz	
	2026-09-13 11:46:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just anothewr trick to generate more "STEALABLE" money from the public.	Monika	retired
	2026-09-13 11:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Nadia	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:49:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Creating more revenue to steal.	Johann	retired
	2026-09-13 11:50:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Declan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:57:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government caused this situation, us ratepayers forked out our OWN after tax money to aleviate the electricity shortages. Eskom and the ANC government can fund the projects via the money STOLEN from us tax payers. Eskom can go and fu@k themselves.	Robin	retired
	2026-09-13 12:00:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	self-employed
	2026-09-13 12:06:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gareth	retired
	2026-09-13 12:15:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		June	retired
	2026-09-13 12:26:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-13 12:26:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with everything Rea has written. God has given us everything FREE Incompetent Government officials who get everything free now want to charge ordinary home users huge sums of money to have BASIC needs to compensate for the loss of income. If municipalities conducted their business with efficiency with less corruption they would not be facing this problem	Shirley	retired
	2026-09-13 12:37:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill does nothing for the man in the street and millions of South Africans if we cannot choose from where to buy electricity that suites one's pocket. See: The position paper maintains a strict distinction between “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers”. Only large industrial and commercial consumers exceeding a determined threshold (e.g., 1 MW demand) will initially be permitted to shop around and contract with private electricity traders or buy from the centralised market. All residential households and smaller commercial entities remain captive customers of their local municipal or Eskom distribution retailer under regulated tariffs. Might as well stay the way it is with Eskom and not have this fancy new structure that doesn't benefit all but large groups, companies etc.	Dianne	retired
	2026-09-13 12:39:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To impose fines on solar installations and placing fixed tariffs on connections to the grid even if off grid doesn’t solve the problems caused by a badly maintained and mismanaged government entity. Placing a heavier burden on tax payers and home owners is counterproductive.	Caroline	retired
	2026-09-13 12:42:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 12:48:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just unbelievable that a sector that has had no investment in this tech can now tax those that were forced to do something when Eskom was skimming money and laundering contracts can now hold us all ransom as we have moved to an alternative that they do not and cannot control or tax. It would be like taxing your population for clouds or waves or starts or the sun or moon etc etc. Just no basis at all to do this.	Barry	retired
	2026-09-13 13:09:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marieta	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:20:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Saluki	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:22:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tania	
	2026-09-13 13:22:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 13:35:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I still maintain that we were taken for a ride during load-shedding when we were given a subsidy in order to help us to acquire solar. Now you want us to take the brunt? NO, NO, NO! Get something going so that ESKOM can once more become an exporter of electrical power. We cannot do away with coal or nuclear and this should be actively budgeted for. Why must the house keeper and small business always be your scape goat? We do what we can and do not need gov. interference in our already miserable life due to the tremendous theft of everything! Sort it out before seeing us as your milk cow!	Johann	retired
	2026-09-13 13:38:08	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:56:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another government exercise in extortion to cover yet another dismal and uncaring failure to properly serve its citizens.	Colleen	retired

	2026-09-13 14:01:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:07:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		les	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:07:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-09-13 14:37:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is a public good, stop using it to fleece every consumer concerned. Eskom was hollowed out in broad daylight while government watched and did nothing. Now it is literally using tariffs to claw back all that was stolen so that fat cat officials can be paid undeserved salaries at the expense of consumers while pretenting to be financially recovering from years of corruption. Eskom is not doing well, just enriching itself from abnormal tariffs billed to consumers while claiming a good balance sheet. It's an illusion. The sooner everyone concerned wakes up to this reality the better. After all the corruption, non-payment and stolen electricity for years, we are yet to see anyone facing serious consequence and money being paid back for all of this. This is where the revival of Eskon must start, with orange overalls for everyone who stole from Eskom and the clawing back of every cent stolen. Instead you are using tariffs to punish consumers for Eskom failures over the years. We refuse to pay for years of incompetence and thievery by Eskom officials and its workers who were complicit in destroying Eskom from within. We refuse to compensate Eskom for political interference and ridiculous promises of free electricity that led to the serious non-payment troubles that plagued municipalities for years and still happening to date. We refuse to pay for all stolen electricity through illegal connections driven primarily by Eskom contractors. We refuse to pay for all government officials from all spheres of government who are not paying their Eskom bills, just disgusting, wanting people to pay while municipal workers and councilors owe Eskom. Here and not any further, this is where we draw the line.	Itumeleng	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:48:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eloise	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:51:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margie	retired
	2026-09-13 14:56:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	5this is another cash cow being birthed to save the municipalities from bankruptcy for a little while longer so the comrades have enough time to set up their nest eggs.	Pierre-Yves	retired
	2026-09-13 15:08:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 15:09:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed because of the greed and incompetence of those who have been running the SOE. We have been 'punished' with tariff increases of over 900% since 1988 and gruelling loadshedding since 2007! Eskom has apparently now made double its profits! So why are we being punished every which way by Eskom? They need to sort their house out before they destroy our lives even more	Deena	
	2026-09-13 15:10:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the non-solar consumers pay for the loss of income caused by solar consumers when Eskom almost requested the consumers not to use their product, being the only company in the world to do that. Eskom even gave discounts to consumers that wanted to go solar then took the discounts away. Now, after years they realise that was wrong and now they want to penalise the loyal paying non-solar consumers, which is not right.	Retha	
	2026-09-13 15:11:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leigh	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:31:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:35:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	
	2026-09-13 15:36:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hold Eskom responsible for their thievery, why don’t they get those millions back form the CEO & Executives who failed miserably. Why aren’t government officials held accountable for mismanagement and thievery? The middle class must bear the brunt, government is exploiting the hard working in society while they fill their pockets	Janice	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:48:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noel	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 16:09:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	self-employed
	2026-09-13 16:19:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom makes a big profit. So they declare. In the next declaration they say they are losing millions. Which ever declaration is true, I don't know, but to think the man in the street upgrades his electrical system on his own costs, and they say now the community must still pay for the electricity they don't use.!!! What a cheek. What do they want with more money if the spend less for generation. And then they go so far as expecting people, who cannot afford solar , to pay more to the municipality to save the municipality from bankruptcy. Eskom should be privatised. But that won't happen because thegovernment relies on the income, whether the deliver or not.	Roy	
	2026-09-13 16:29:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerda	retired
	2026-09-13 16:42:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP the Sun Tax; Protect the Consumers, bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on none solar homes; Transparency must be first! Ensure WHOLESALE MARKETING REFORMS do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure!	Harald	retired
	2026-09-13 16:50:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Prior to The ANC taking over the running of the country in 1994, Eskom was one of the most efficiently run power generating operations in the entire WORLD! Today, it is a totally USELESS BANKRUPT outfit, run by incompetent and corrupt people. Ahem, nudge-nudge, wink-wink, does that not apply to EVERYTHING run by the ANC government??? Per MyBroadBand article of 31/8/26, the average salary of Eskom staff is R1,2 million pa!!! This includes top management down to floor cleaners. That is R100,000 pm!!! The authorities must focus and stop those people (primarily in the poorer areas) making illegal connections. But our incompetent and corrupt police are totally useless and incapable of undertaking such a task. Eskom must reduce its staff complement, but they won't because that'll increase our unemployment figure. So, to satisfy BEE, we just employ every Dick, Tom and Harry, regardless of their competence, and the public must just fork out the money required to pay "those" people!!! THIS CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE!!!	Michel	retired
	2026-09-13 17:01:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the Sun Tax- punitive fixed grid fees. Bar Municipalities from hiking tarifs on non solar homes. Homeowners are already over taxed. Do not leave homeowners footing the bill for grid infrastucture. Collect arears from people and Parlimentarians and businesses, State Departments which will make Eskom proftable and not requesting high increases in future !!	CJ	retired
	2026-09-13 17:02:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This new legislation seems set to cause additional hardship to individuals and small businesses. Electricity tariffs are already causing significant hardship to people who cannot afford to implement solar systems. They have caused the failure of small businesses because of lack of supply or unaffordable tariffs. Those individuals, the self-employed and SMMEs that did invest in solar systems because of Eskom's failure to keep the electricity flowing are not only paying for their installations and the interest on any financing they may have had to take out -- they will now be paying even more because the government perceives them as an untapped cash resource. So many people invested in solar because they were desperate, and went out on a financial limb to do so. This legislation is taxing the sun. Not acceptable in a free country.	Heath	business owner
	2026-09-13 17:06:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fritz	retired
	2026-09-13 17:24:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This will destroy more small businesses that are one of the largest employment sectors that we have. You will have more job losses and end up with less contribution to Eskom anyway.	Chris	business owner
	2026-09-13 17:26:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charné	retired
	2026-09-13 17:41:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Wessel	business owner
	2026-09-13 17:49:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs.	Elna	
	2026-09-13 18:10:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ken	retired
	2026-09-13 18:42:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-09-13 19:23:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:23:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:32:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annette	
	2026-09-13 20:55:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are becoming a socialist state! Too much regulation and too little free enterprise. Need to attrack more industrial investment into our economy and less state interference.	WLA	retired
	2026-09-13 21:37:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charging someone because they do NOT use your (Eskom's) power, is like our mortuary charging people because they are NOT dead!!! Our small town (Mooinooi) has about 30-40% electricity available - I type... as I'm sitting in the dark. If you want to charge us exorbitant fees for power - then please provide that power.	Skinny	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:48:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	retired

	2026-09-13 22:07:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manesh	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 22:09:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies.	Kerry	business owner
	2026-09-13 23:05:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eve	retired
	2026-09-13 23:06:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-09-14 03:44:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Len	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:07:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:22:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can they expect you to pay for a service that they do not deliver? If you are off the grid, you should not pay for anything. Another money making scheme.	Freddie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 05:34:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	self-employed
	2026-09-14 05:43:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erika	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 05:47:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:17:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monica	retired
	2026-09-14 06:21:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government didn't create the Sun so why do people have to pay for making use of it.I dnt see why we have to pay for government failures	Candice	
	2026-09-14 06:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Rassie	business owner
	2026-09-14 06:38:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rassie	business owner
	2026-09-14 06:39:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	retired
	2026-09-14 06:51:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Demetre	
	2026-09-14 06:52:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We simply cannot afford the electricity costs. There was a price increase recently which has hit us hard and now we expected to find more money.	Judy	retired
	2026-09-14 07:07:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cecilia	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:14:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeremy	retired
	2026-09-14 07:14:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:17:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		motshidisi	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:18:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Krystyna	retired
	2026-09-14 07:19:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Justin	
	2026-09-14 07:19:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vaughn	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:25:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaul	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:25:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a single woman, with a dependant, who is trying to study and further education. My monthly electricity bill is so high, with not enough units to get through the month. Your proposals, clearly shows no regard or concern for the households that supports and sustains the economy and Eskom. The correct root causes of financial and usage strain must be addressed and dealt with. That is, corruption, excessive spending and theft of electricity, which leaves the ordinary, honourable citizen with no electricity or unable to get through the month fie basic requirements	Wendy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:31:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I already pay R4.50 per unit. Any more and I will need to stop using electricity. The poor is being used to fund these prices.	Rudi	retired
	2026-09-14 07:31:14	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was unable to provide power and is currently struggling due to aging systems, insufficient grid capacity and lack of upgrades. Load shedding cost livelihoods and businesses, making the people of South Africa suffer. Incentives were put in place to encourage the investment into solar and now those that did are going to have to pay again. Inflation and the cost of living for those that are on a basic wage, which is most of South Africa, are now going to have to either pay higher electricity costs or will have failing municipalities. The government is failing its people twice. Large corporates with massive profits should not get to benefit. These profits are distributed to shareholders that are either not in the country or are financially secure, executives continuously get higher bonus and salaries while the general South African suffers. There has to be a better way.	Emma	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:37:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Agatha	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:37:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mogamat	
	2026-09-14 07:38:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Collan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:38:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:40:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:44:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:47:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhardt	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:50:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gideon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:50:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should get a TAX deduction for contributing towards a greener environment and planet. I don't see how I can be taxed on something that is not provided by ESKOM or the Municipal. The SUN is free and is there for anybody to be used. ESKOM is responsible for their own demise and they could not maintain and improve on what was was working. If they did their JOB in the first place, we would not have had the need for SOLAR system in the first place. I have already paid TAX on the products, equipment and installation. If the Chemist now comes and says we have to pay TAX because we are getting Vitamin D from the sun and not from them or because I ride to work on my bicycle, the petrol garages want to tax me for not buying fuel from them.	Nico	retired
	2026-09-14 07:53:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should get off of its fat arse and start investing in cheaper electricity, no matter how much I try and save on my municipal bill, my bill escalates with all the hikes in fixed charges and then you here of all the millions that the CEO of Eskom received for a bonus! Cut the bonus crap then you have money!	Selome	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:56:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Crazy how we were encouraged to get as much solar power as possible to take the "pressure off" Eskom, and now that many have obliged, they are under threat of being taxed and/or fined. It's also incredibly unfair that people who could not afford solar, or renters who don't have the option of solar, are now expected to cover Eskom's shortfall. Not just unfair, but insane! Not our fault you can't run your business. Stop the bloated salaries and bonuses to Eskom staff, (they will find a lot of funding there) and allow other service providers. That's why Eskom has a stranglehold on our necks, they have no competition. Absolutely sickening. And now there are all these middlemen getting in on the action and inflating the cost of power even more. As a customer, many now have to pay a metering service, who buys from a municipality, who buys from Eskom. Each level adds their markup. Enough already!	T	
	2026-09-14 08:11:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marjorie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:13:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The middle class electricity consumer is already struggling to survive and is not ina facncial position to subsidize municpalities. If the governmanet watns to provide free services, they have to find the funds in their own budgets. Don't penalise the middle class cosnumers who are already struggling enough.	Jo-Anne	employed individual

	2026-09-14 08:14:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		T	
	2026-09-14 08:18:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wiaan	
	2026-09-14 08:19:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	retired
	2026-09-14 08:21:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What next?? I'm so sick of this government.	Irene	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:22:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again commercial enterprises, "big" electricity consumers, who can actually afford to pay for all the electricity that they use, are being favoured over "small" electricity consumers, like small businesses and households. The general public is being squeezed again for more, forced to pay for the ruling party's ineptitude and lack of care for the people!!	Lynthea	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:24:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-14 08:30:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-09-14 08:33:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop grinding us to dust through your ineptitude	Howard	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:33:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alfred	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:37:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gael	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:37:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You guys are such an interminable tedious uphill battle. This constant having to police the government because they're undermining their citizens for whatever underhand next thing, is so boring and predictable. 'Government citizens first in new legislation' ...now that would be news	Jane	
	2026-09-14 08:40:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop corruption and make each person involved, from individual low level departmental staff to the top of Government, pay back what they have stolen. WILL THIS EVER HAPPEN??????	Allan	retired
	2026-09-14 08:43:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Elecfricity is already unaffordable. No more increases.	Bruce	
	2026-09-14 08:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ludwig	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:51:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Literally and figuratively speaking DAYLIGHT ROBBERY. The sun belongs to everyone. You cant tax me on the sun. The government cannot own the sun and rain water. Then other countries should be able to tax me on the sun and rain and wind and the oxygen that i breathe too. Just ethically and technically impossible. If this goes through, then they can have a say on freedom of consumption of basically ANYTHING.	Sara	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:57:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom ratifies plans to pay credits for excess power produced by Solar I will pay a transmission levy. Until that happens they can stick their proposed increases where the sun does not shine. AS for Municipalities the less said about those crooks the better. South Africans are Gatvol!!	Ivan	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:58:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will place a burden on overburdened citizens that simply cannot afford it. This could be the straw that breaks the camels back.	Janine	
	2026-09-14 09:12:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Chris	
	2026-09-14 09:13:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	
	2026-09-14 09:17:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	retired
	2026-09-14 09:19:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenton	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:23:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a middle class SA citizen, we are already struggling just to make ends meat, while still trying to build a meaningful life for our family and children's future... to charge 'Sun Tax' - really??? Since when did SA or any country own the Sun??? Secondly to expect non-solar homes to cover lost revenue is outrageous and essentially just another way for allowing corruption to take place!	Linda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:28:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. the Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The “Captive Ratepayer” Risk where large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. With Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power means with Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. And Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain means Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid (“wires”) from electricity sales (“retail/trading”), introducing separate fees for grid	chris	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:36:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aaron	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:59:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As residents, and especially retired people cannot keep up with the price hikes. Soon many will not be able to buy electricity and pay municipal accounts if this continues.	Dorothy	retired
	2026-09-14 10:01:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers cannot be held responsible for Eskom's operational failures, historical mismanagement, inadequate infrastructure maintenance, electricity theft, illegal connections, or the failure to recover payment from those who consume electricity without paying for it. Yet the recurring response to these challenges appears to be the same: increase tariffs and require law-abiding consumers to bear the cost. That approach is fundamentally unfair. Households that pay their electricity accounts on time, use electricity responsibly, and comply with all applicable rules should not be expected to serve as the financial buffer for losses resulting from theft, illegal connections, non-payment, inefficiency, and poor governance. This concern is particularly relevant for consumers who have invested their own resources in solar energy systems. These households have committed significant private capital to reduce their dependence on an unreliable electricity supply, protect themselves from load-shedding, and manage rising energy costs. To label such consumers as "free riders" simply because they purchase fewer units of electricity from the grid is both unreasonable and unfair. Nor should they be penalized through excessive fixed charges because their investment has successfully reduced grid consumption. Likewise, consumers who cannot afford solar installations should not become captive revenue sources to offset lost income resulting from customer migration away from the grid, industries securing alternative energy supplies, or revenue losses caused by theft, illegal connections, and non-payment. Revenue shortfalls cannot be addressed simply by extracting more money from compliant consumers. If electricity revenue is being lost through theft, the priority must be to prevent and prosecute theft. If illegal connections are widespread, those connections must be removed and offenders held accountable. If infrastructure failures are contributing to financial losses, the root causes must be addressed. Where inefficiency, waste, or poor financial management exists, increasing consumer tariffs should not be the default solution. There must be a clear distinction between legitimate cost recovery and requiring compliant consumers to subsidize systemic failures. Tariff increases should not be approved merely because an electricity supplier or municipality claims that additional revenue is required. Consumers are entitled to transparent and detailed explanations, including: 1. How much revenue is lost annually due to electricity theft and illegal connections? 2. How much revenue is lost through non-payment? 3. What actions have been taken to recover these losses? 4. What proportion of the proposed tariff increase is linked to legitimate electricity supply costs? 5. What proportion is intended to compensate for reduced consumption arising from solar generation and energy-efficiency measures? 6. Why should compliant, paying consumers be expected to subsidize losses caused by factors beyond their control? 7. What measurable improvements in service delivery, reliability, or infrastructure will consumers receive in exchange for every additional rand charged? Tariff increases must never become a substitute for accountability. Consumers cannot continually be told that electricity prices must rise because the system is under financial strain while the underlying causes of that strain remain unresolved. The message to Eskom, municipalities, and regulators should be clear: Do not penalize paying consumers for the failure to address non-paying consumers. Do not punish solar users for reducing their reliance on an unreliable grid. And do not transform compliant households into a permanent source of revenue to compensate for theft, illegal connections, non-payment, inefficiency, and poor governance. Before requesting additional contributions from consumers, Eskom and municipalities must demonstrate that they have exhausted every reasonable measure to eliminate avoidable losses, improve operational efficiency, combat theft, disconnect illegal connections, and strengthen revenue collection. Consumers should pay a fair and reasonable price for the electricity they legitimately consume, not an ever-increasing surcharge to cover the costs of theft, mismanagement, inefficiency, and systemic failure.	Christelle	
	2026-09-14 10:02:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Madeleine	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:04:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gill	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:08:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dearest Eskom Board! You report to and support, and are reciprocally supported by, your puppet handlers in the government on South Africa. Please review your last 30 year plan on growing the country to better than your frequently dissed, predecessors. You will note a decline in everything you and your handlers have touched. We as the citizens will not be supporting your attempts to charge an already poorer people. Your weakness already showing as the physical assets are worthless now so, sunshine, water, air and prayer are next in line for taxation. Sorry nè! You have broken everything, God knows, and you don't own His provision of the universe. He is a forgiving God so don't overstep your grace.	Gary	self-employed

	2026-09-14 10:14:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I do not buy something, why must I pay for it? Consumers do not have the money to pay and pay and pay.....	Maria	
	2026-09-14 10:18:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	
	2026-09-14 10:19:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxpayers should not be paying for the mistakes made by government's mismanagement of ESKOM and the supply of electricity - one of our national assets. If there are cheaper alternatives, then the whole grid should be moving towards that while keeping a robust back-up supply in Eskom. Any excess capacity should be sold to our neighbours who are experiencing an energy deficit. Make sure the grid is maintained and lease it to any independent power producers who make use of it. Legislate that independent power producers are always linked to the main grid. Consumers cannot be held responsible for Eskom's operational failures, historical mismanagement, inadequate infrastructure maintenance, electricity theft, illegal connections, or the failure to recover payment from those who consume electricity without paying for it. Yet the recurring response to these challenges appears to be the same: increase tariffs and require law-abiding consumers to bear the cost. That approach is fundamentally flawed and unfair. Households that pay their electricity accounts on time, use electricity responsibly, and comply with all applicable rules should not be expected to serve as the financial buffer for losses resulting from theft, illegal connections, non-payment, inefficiency, and poor governance. Consumers who cannot afford solar installations should not become captive revenue sources to offset lost income resulting from customer migration away from the grid, industries securing alternative energy supplies, or revenue losses caused by theft, illegal connections, and non-payment. Revenue shortfalls cannot be addressed simply by extracting more money from compliant consumers. If electricity revenue is being lost through theft, the priority must be to prevent and prosecute theft. If illegal connections are widespread, those connections must be removed and offenders held accountable. If infrastructure failures are contributing to financial losses, the root causes must be addressed. Where inefficiency, waste, or poor financial management exists, increasing consumer tariffs should not be the default solution. There must be a clear distinction between legitimate cost recovery and requiring compliant consumers to subsidize systemic failures. Tariff increases should not be approved merely because an electricity supplier or municipality claims that additional revenue is required. Consumers are entitled to transparent and detailed explanations, including: 1. How much revenue is lost annually due to electricity theft and illegal connections? 2. How much revenue is lost through non-payment? 3. What actions have been taken to recover these losses? 4. What proportion of the proposed tariff increase is linked to legitimate electricity supply costs? 5. What proportion is intended to compensate for reduced consumption arising from solar generation and energy-efficiency measures? 6. Why should compliant, paying consumers be expected to subsidize losses caused by factors beyond their control? 7. What measurable improvements in service delivery, reliability, or infrastructure will consumers receive in exchange for every additional rand charged? Tariff increases must never become a substitute for accountability. Consumers cannot continually be told that electricity prices must rise because the system is under financial strain while the underlying causes of that strain remain unresolved. The message to Eskom, municipalities, and regulators should be clear: Do not penalize paying consumers for the failure to address non-paying consumers. Do not punish solar users for reducing their reliance on an unreliable grid. And do not transform compliant households into a permanent source of revenue to compensate for theft, illegal connections, non-payment, inefficiency, and poor governance. Before requesting additional contributions from consumers, Eskom and municipalities must demonstrate that they have exhausted every reasonable measure to eliminate avoidable losses, improve operational efficiency, combat theft, disconnect illegal connections, and strengthen revenue collection. Consumers should pay a fair and reasonable price for the electricity they legitimately consume, not an ever-increasing surcharge to cover the costs of theft, mismanagement, inefficiency, and systemic failure.	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:21:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot afford to go off grid and have endured brutal increases in my utility accounts over the last decade. This shameful, blatant corruption and ineptitude has had a catastrophic effect on SA society; especially the poorest South Africans and those who diligently pay for services rendered.	Sharon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:23:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Residential and small business should not be held liable for ESKOM's incompetence, greed, overspending and corruption. Due to no fault but their own many residential owners[who could afford it] and companies moved to solar. Thereby causing an ease on the grid during constant load shedding. And for there troubles were illegally penalized. If i could so afford, i would immediately switch to solar for both home and business. It seems every time we hear news from ESKOM, it has to do with a gross iniquity on the part that is dictated upon those who rely on the grid and it should be stopped. Lest we forget them purchasing a wooden mop fro R238 000.	Sheldon	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:23:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom screwed up and failed to supply electricity during load shedding because they did not invest in additional power stations and when they did the projects were/are riddled with corruption. They did not maintain or extend to national distribution system to where power was /is required most, forced the meg users off the Eskom grid to generate their own power. Not too long ago Eskom was asking its consumers to use less electricity and now having forced people off the Eskom grid they expect those consumers who cannot exit their grid to pay extortionately high fixed tariffs to cover the mess that they have created. Unacceptable and must be fought against by all necessary means!	Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 10:29:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Daily electricity cost from Eskom is too high for normal households. South Africans need a cheaper electricity source. Some installed solar to achieve the goal of cheaper energy to stay a flout in our difficult financial conditions. If solar get penalized through tariff it does not seem fair. Eskom have out priced themselves from the South African economy and the consumers. They are supplying energy yes but at what cost. Municipalities should be able to make a small profit form the services they supply, to sustain service delivery, but with the high cost of services it seems not possible. If there is a bill it should bring cheaper energy to all. Municipalities, Businesses and residential owners. How do we make it happen? How do we make sure what we implement is sustainable? Without functional Municipalities and infrastructure no economy will move forward. I belief one of the critical issues in South Africa is to reduce compensation payments to high-ranking employees overall South Africa, in the Public Sector and Private Sector or to reduce the number of high-ranking employees to reduce cost. Restructuring. (I belief it is out of control).	Johanna	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:40:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	
	2026-09-14 10:42:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		d	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:47:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just sick of the way ESKOM devices ways to screw one over. Where would those penalties go, whose pocket exactly!!!!	Marcelle	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:47:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	**Public Comment: Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper I am submitting this comment as a citizen accountable for what has been placed in my hands — my household budget, my home, my responsibility to my family and community. The Law of Love asks two questions of any policy: *does it do harm, and if harm has already been done, who is required to make restitution?* On both counts, this paper concerns me. **On solar households ("anti-free-riding" fixed charges):** Investing in solar was an act of stewardship — reducing dependency, reducing strain on a grid that has repeatedly failed to keep its own commitments to the public. To now recast that stewardship as "free-riding," and respond with punitive fixed capacity charges, inverts responsibility. The household did not create the shortfall in municipal revenue; decades of underinvestment and mismanagement did. Restitution belongs with those who caused the harm, not with those who acted responsibly to avoid it. **On non-solar households (municipal cost-shifting):** This is the deeper injustice. As industrial users exit to buy wholesale power directly, and solar households reduce consumption, the remaining "captive consumers" — often those least able to afford any alternative — are left to absorb the shortfall through tariff hikes and forced service charges. This is not market reform; it is the transfer of a systemic failure onto those with the fewest options. A policy that protects large industrial consumers and directs the resulting deficit toward ordinary households cannot be called equitable restructuring. **What I am asking the Department to do:** 1. Do not impose punitive fixed grid fees on households that have invested in solar. 2. Prohibit municipalities from recovering lost industrial and off-grid revenue by hiking tariffs on captive residential consumers. 3. Publish, before any implementation, a transparent accounting of who bears the cost of this transition and why. A policy that quietly shifts the burden of institutional failure onto the households with the least power to resist it is not restructuring — it is displacement of responsibility. I ask that this be corrected before the paper proceeds. Respectfully submitted, Robert-Louis Isak: Noad	robert-louis-isak	retired
	2026-09-14 10:54:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair to burden the poor and pensioners further.	Beatrice	retired
	2026-09-14 10:55:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-14 10:58:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is already expensive and we could barely afford it as it stands, increasing it will strain many households.	Precious	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:03:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ellen	
	2026-09-14 11:03:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Razia	
	2026-09-14 11:15:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise the poor who have no further options to purchase / use electricity	Lesley	
	2026-09-14 11:17:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Valerie	retired
	2026-09-14 11:18:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Easter	retired
	2026-09-14 11:21:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Silas	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:23:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital.	Jurgen	employed individual

	2026-09-14 11:33:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I Use R500 of Electricity before Vat Yet I pay R2500 with all the Network - and Connection Fees The Electricity FAILS regularly Its Not FAIR - The Municipality steals my Businesses Money to support others - and their own greedy Hands ! Even With Solar (which we cannot afford) - I would Pay WAY more than People who get it for FREE. NERSA is not an outside body - its Run by Eskom - which is Run by ANC - and Criminal syndicates --- who dont care about the people of South Africa --- ESKOM is teasing a citizen Revolt which will finally put ESKOM to BED ! I feel pitifully angered and sad to see my country like this - because of bad players	Rob	
	2026-09-14 11:38:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am writing to submit my formal objection to key proposals in the Position Paper:	Sandrine	retired
	2026-09-14 11:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	AIM : "To dismantle South Africa's single-buyer electricity model and replace it with a competitive open market ..... entity ??" !!!!!!! If you compete in the commercial free market your business plan must finance your entity/enterprise through reasonable and fair prices as AGREED between a reasonable buyer and a reasonable seller, not through unreasonable and unfair levies on the consumers of your product(s) !!!! Consumer aim : "To Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. " COMMENTS Why, since 1994, did Escom Management allowed the SOE to degenerate into a bankrupt entity ??? It was a world class commodity supplier, now the consumer must pay the price in order for the entity to survive - not reasonable and is it constitutional ?? Local municipalities rely largely on the profit margins generated from bulk electricity sales to supply electricity at a local level. If customers bypass local councils to purchase from private traders and Escom do nothing about debt collections, municipal distribution revenues will collapse, guarantying accelerating local government insolvency and resulting into NO service delivery to the general public !!!!!!!!	Henk	retired
	2026-09-14 11:49:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Don	
	2026-09-14 12:03:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual government policy is to "milk the cow". When they are in trouble and will not accept competition they automatically strike wherever they can. Households helped ESKOM out when they were in trouble not being able to generate sufficient power for all but now are being punished for doing so. The government must realise that the world is changing and one item most often referred to is "green energy". ESKOM must move away from coal and use some alternative form of electricity generation. I most strongly object to having to pay a fixed amount monthly purely to keep ESKOM's doors open.	Christopher	
	2026-09-14 12:12:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear NERSA Can you please implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks to ensure that captive customer tariffs will not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices? Don't use captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums	Karin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:18:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	retired
	2026-09-14 12:31:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Karin	retired
	2026-09-14 12:32:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support reforms that improve the reliability, affordability and sustainability of South Africa's electricity system. However, I am concerned that the proposed market changes could shift additional financial burdens onto ordinary residential consumers. In particular, I request that the Department: 1. Protect households that invest in solar. Residential consumers who reduce their dependence on the grid through private investment in renewable energy should not be subjected to disproportionate fixed charges that undermine the financial benefit of that investment. 2. Protect consumers who cannot afford solar. Market reforms should not result in households without alternative energy sources carrying an increasing share of municipal distribution costs as higher-consumption customers reduce their grid usage or purchase electricity elsewhere. 3. Ensure that tariffs remain fair and transparent. Any fixed, capacity or network charges should be demonstrably cost-reflective, reasonable and subject to proper regulatory scrutiny. 4. Assess the effect on households before implementation. The Department should publish a clear assessment of how the proposed reforms could affect residential electricity bills, particularly those of low- and middle-income households. Electricity-market reform is necessary, but it should not unintentionally penalise either households that invest in their own generation or those who cannot afford to do so. I respectfully request that you take these consumer-protection concerns into account before the policy is finalised.	Ilsette	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:33:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The words "captive consumers" hits you in the face like a punch from Mohamed Ali. This is the norm in everything that the ANC touches - overtaxed in all sectors, personal tax, petroleum products, household rates and taxes, schooling etc. etc. Living in Ekurhuleni is a nightmare, we are already being overcharged for electricity, and I believe Rates and Taxes are also over-inflated If, at least, you receive reliable service, people would not mind paying a slight premium for this but this certainly is not the case Over the last three to four months we have had electricity outages lasting between 5 and 7 days	Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 12:37:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If it wasn't for Eskom capture by Jacob Zuma and company, we would not be in this predicament. The ANC is to blame for this problem and the people of South Africa should not have to pay for their corruption and blatant stealing to enrich themselves.	Astrid	retired
	2026-09-14 12:42:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:56:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mimi	retired
	2026-09-14 13:03:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the "anti free riding" principle and the shift from consumption based billing to mandatory fixed network charges. These charges are not cost reflective, they are targeted. In City Power's area a residential prepaid customer pays R241.50 a month in fixed charges from 1 July 2026, while a postpaid customer on a single phase 80 amp connection pays R1,483. Same street, same transformer, same wires, six times the fixed charge. A household that installs grid tied solar is not allowed to stay on prepaid and is moved to the higher structure automatically. The charge follows the meter, not the cost of the network. Ratepayers have paid above inflation increases for years now while infrastructure visibly deteriorates, and no licensee is required to prove that network revenue was spent on the network. Rooftop solar owners are not free riders. They reduce peak demand and losses, and they funded their own generation out of taxed income because the state could not supply them. I ask for three things. A statutory cap on fixed charges based on an independently audited cost of supply study. Removal of any rule that forces customers with own generation onto a higher fixed charge tariff. Ring fenced network revenue with published annual maintenance spend, so that no increase is granted without proof of what the last one bought. I do support competition and unbundling, however I totally object to a reform that gives choice to the largest users and sends the bill to households. The corruption embedded in the ANC at all levels is incredible. It will be cheaper to get a few more panels and an extra battery than to stay "grid tied" - Eskom are going to lose a very large share of the income coming from clients, who they forced to go the solar route due to their own corruption and mismanagement, which they are trying to now ship the blame to home owners already struggling.	Conrad	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antoinette	retired
	2026-09-14 13:13:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		TG	retired
	2026-09-14 13:19:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nic	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:28:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorna	retired
	2026-09-14 13:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every thing that will contribute to pay more for electricity because of Eskom's & municipalities incompetence,mismanagement of funds & high salaries for employees & managers that haven't a clue what they are suppose to do etc.	Alma	retired
	2026-09-14 13:31:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gregg	retired
	2026-09-14 13:37:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop fraud and fund mismanagement; get qualified workers to do the job right the first time, efficiently; and stop milking already overtaxed people to fill the pockets of a few!! 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	L	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:40:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilona	retired
	2026-09-14 13:52:36	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:53:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsie	
	2026-09-14 14:00:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is a Rogue Thief. Despite installing Solar Panels and my usage coming down I am still paying what I did years ago as they have created fictitious charges and in addition unjustifiably raised their abortive tariffs so atrociously. They are a Bunch of Conniving Socialist Thieves	John	retired
	2026-09-14 14:08:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. As a taxpayer for 46 years I can't even afford electricity for a full month at present. How will people in my position of which there are many be protected from never having electricity in the year 2026....UNBELIEVABLE	John	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 14:13:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ANDRE	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:24:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tired of Goliath bullying us and loading financial burdens on already burdened tax payers	Vanessa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:26:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dee	retired

	2026-09-14 14:43:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claer	retired
	2026-09-14 14:49:40	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I would like to see a clear, publicly released plan that gradually opens up the electricity market so ordinary households and small businesses can also choose their supplier, not just big companies. The rules should keep getting easier over time so more people can benefit. NERSA should also set strict rules that stop people who are still stuck with the old supplier from being charged more than a fair price based on the wholesale cost plus reasonable delivery charges. Finally, I strongly oppose any system that makes ordinary households pay higher tariffs just to cover the costs of old, uncompetitive contracts or stranded assets. Those costs should not be shifted onto everyday consumers.	Clint	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:52:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linette	retired
	2026-09-14 14:53:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:05:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Calvyn G	retired
	2026-09-14 15:17:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, Wake up and make a meaningful and efficient contribution to the South African economy and people.	John	retired
	2026-09-14 15:33:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		peter	retired
	2026-09-14 15:48:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marilyn	retired
	2026-09-14 15:59:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner on a fixed income, I find it criminal that because Eskom has mismanaged, stolen, been corrupt for years, now ordinary citizens have to carry the burden of lack of funds. Those who can afford to install solar panels should not be penalised. They have created more power for others. Eskom has coasted along (1994 the ANC was advised to build more dams and power stations but did nothing) Those that have been built have design flaws, built badly and still not running at full capacity.	Patricia	retired
	2026-09-14 16:13:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not see how any government or private entity has the right to tell me what I can or can't do. When it comes to doing things that are not legal that's different. Next thing I will be told that my electrical car has to pay for petrol that It never uses or charge me a monthly fee based on expected driving I can or may do	Anthony	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:17:04	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and live in my house that was fully paid off 28 years ago .I am being taxed out of my home and , as with many other pensioners , is forced to sell my only property because municipal taxes/charges has escalated to such an extent that I simply cannot afford to continue to stay here much longer .	Esaias Engelbertus	
	2026-09-14 16:23:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ulli	retired
	2026-09-14 16:40:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mandy	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:45:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	retired
	2026-09-14 16:47:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karyn	retired
	2026-09-14 16:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom YOU wanted electricity consumers of YOUR GRID. Now stop crying and face the music. Stop robbing South Africans. We PAID for our solar systems, we didn't STEAL it. So leave us alone.	Francie	retired
	2026-09-14 17:01:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	
	2026-09-14 17:29:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is due to your inexperience, corruption and money laundering that you have collapsed a perfectly well oiled machine into a junk status. I will not pay for your demise any further. We c onsumers voted you into power, and we the voters will vote you out	Robin	retired
	2026-09-14 17:43:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petula	retired
	2026-09-14 18:08:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		K	
	2026-09-14 18:16:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to expect consumers to foot the bill for incompetence!	Dawid	
	2026-09-14 18:22:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-14 18:47:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar is the way forward, but for those who cant afford it, they should not be penalized by bearing the brunt of higher Eskom tariffs.	Angie	retired
	2026-09-14 18:54:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Government failure to invest in green, renewable energy is not our fault and we should not be footing the bill.	Neleha	self-employed
	2026-09-14 19:03:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jules	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 19:21:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No Municipality should burden citizens with taxes that is not their fault or cause. This law is ludicrous and should never have been tabled. Stop this madness	Wayne	retired
	2026-09-14 19:27:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-09-14 20:00:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edna	retired
	2026-09-14 20:25:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phindile	
	2026-09-14 20:36:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way to extract more money from us. Looks like a hidden agenda to distract from Eskom failure	Edwin Barker	retired
	2026-09-14 21:17:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are some consumers allowed to consume electricity for free? All must pay for this utility.	Mary	
	2026-09-14 21:26:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	retired
	2026-09-14 21:43:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs.	Luzanne	employed individual
	2026-09-14 22:21:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		leslie	retired
	2026-09-14 22:28:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ek stem nie saam nie. Stem reg sodat SA weer 100% werk. Landsburgers het sekere regte 9want ons betaal belasting.	Lizette	retired
	2026-09-14 22:52:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miriam	retired
	2026-09-15 00:22:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Aasif	
	2026-09-15 05:33:26	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rene	employed individual
	2026-09-15 06:02:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Their failure, we pay	Lee	self-employed
	2026-09-15 06:26:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jacqueline	business owner

	2026-09-15 06:42:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-09-15 06:46:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's failure over the years together with government incompetence has forced many South Africans to invest heavily in alternative power. Taxing the very same people who have made it possible for Eskom to better manage power supply is unfair. But even more so all South Africans irrespective of having or not having solar power will feel the brunt of this taxation- most of whom can ill afford additional financial burden.	Thanu	Non-profit
	2026-09-15 06:49:20	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is supposed to supply power. The Nationalist Government managed to make it work very well even with sanctions - yet the ANC fails miserably on a daily basis. Isn't it time the ANC admitted their total incompetence and stopped blaming apartheid for their own stupidity and greed, or have they not yet looted enough?	Charles	
	2026-09-15 07:37:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		spencer	business owner
	2026-09-15 07:47:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	retired
	2026-09-15 08:03:02	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have paid for Medupi and Kusile and we do not have knowledge of the final cost-plus repayment of the loans for the additional contract work to bring the emissions to an acceptable level. This is an effort to force the Citizens to subsidize the incompetence of the leadership cadre of ESKOM.	Deon Martin	self-employed
	2026-09-15 08:03:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theodor	retired
	2026-09-15 08:09:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will enough be enough. At first this greedy cANCer incompetent government collects more than R11-00 for every liter of fuel and now they aim to increase existing capacity and basic charges already amounting to over R400-00 per month before any of these two items mentioned has been used by consumer. Get rid of this cANCer this November and allow for a Party that can produce and run this country successfully. Through all their incompetence they are the reason for higher inflation and price hikes on essential food products the poor can no longer afford.	Gerhardus Johannes	retired
	2026-09-15 08:12:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	
	2026-09-15 08:19:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debby	retired
	2026-09-15 08:23:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those who cannot afford alternatives will end up having to pay more for basic needs - the government will end up choking the most vulnerable group of people.	Alex	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:27:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Filon	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:51:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dieter	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:09:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenni	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:20:34	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iza	retired
	2026-09-15 10:15:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douglas	retired
	2026-09-15 10:19:38	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and the municipalities, instead of fixing their problems, both physical (infrastructure decay, etc) and logistical (bills, non payments, etc) and providing a better, properly working service simply want to increase their revenue to fix their shortfalls. If this happens, then they will never improve simply because they'll have set themselves the precedent of "We're short of money ? We'll just charge more !"	Phil	retired
	2026-09-15 10:21:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:55:03	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is creating a monopolistic position re electricity supply solely for its own benefit & survival. Total disregard of all electricity users. We have a free market system in SA. Definitely a matter for the Competition Tribunal. Furthermore, our Constitution is clear about the rights of citizens - we cannot be held at ransom to pay to keep a state-owned entity profitable. Eskom wouldn`t have been in this position if it had managed it`s business like a private sector business which does not have the luxury of a government bailout in times of financial mismanagement problems. As a rural direct buying consumer from Eskom, my monthly Eskom electricity bill consists of 55% electricity usage, and the balance are all `milking` tariffs.	Lou	retired
	2026-09-15 10:59:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:11:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	
	2026-09-15 11:18:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Municipalities and eskom should solve their debt problems by cutting their top gun salaries and corruption and leave the struggling people of this country alone!!!!	Christelle	retired
	2026-09-15 11:37:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Candice	
	2026-09-15 11:37:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-09-15 11:57:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Desiree	retired
	2026-09-15 11:57:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Z	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:07:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To penalise the current homeowners who can not afford solar power is unreasonable. Municipalities are struggling to replace infrastructure and not leaving them room to receive electricity to distribute, but going for the wholesale markets to the mines and large corporations that can afford it is a not care policy. Solar was done to help Eskom creating enough power and if all the solar is suddenly gone will Eskom be able to give enough electricity to sustain the country. Households and small bussinesses will be hurt, in an already overburdened high cost of living situation. On top of this municipalities is also burdened to give "free" electricity to certain households. For good governance it is necessary not to go forward with captive consumer tariffs. Captive in this case say it as it is - unable to defend ourselves.	Maria	retired
	2026-09-15 12:21:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhardus	retired
	2026-09-15 13:11:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The end consumer get always taxed the heaviest as there is no further way down to collect money. Industry always get the largest benefit because they are the so called providers. They do not pass the benefits they receive to their customers because their mission is to maximize profit. To Eskom: Why can you not live and let live. Find better ways and manage more efficiently.	Abraham	self-employed
	2026-09-15 14:20:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Inez	
	2026-09-15 14:52:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Sune	employed individual
	2026-09-15 14:55:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N	employed individual
	2026-09-15 14:58:50	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	
	2026-09-15 15:19:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First, we are dealing with a corrupt system, they have looted/stolen Billion's from us the Taxpayers, the excuses are just unbelievable, they themselves created the situation, could not deal with it and will never be able to so Taxpayers solved issue and now we all need to be punished for their incompetence, absurd, needs to be stopped, they need to be removed and power generation needs to be privatized, remove the cash cow!!	Andy	
	2026-09-15 15:28:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-15 17:21:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way to fill your greedy pockets. You have totally messed up a fully working machine to junk in just over 30 years due to your incompetence, lack of knowledge and corruption. NO, I DO NOT SUPPORT YOUR RIDICULOUS POLICIES AND PROPOSALS	Robin	retired
	2026-09-15 17:32:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is political expediency to force the this bill through now. I agree with what has been said that this is premature; before the municipalities pay their debts. I believe that there will be many unemployed Eskom workers, that's another reason why the Govt wants to put this through unless these employees are agile enough to join the market place with their skills. We need to remember the load shedding and the change to solar that has brought much relief. People and businesses should not be punished for their ingenuity. Those who could not afford solar had to stick with Eskom and they cannot bear the brunt of the escalating costs. Eskom needs to be dismantled into the competitive market.	Billy	self-employed
	2026-09-15 17:45:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	self-employed

	2026-09-15 17:52:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Draconian penal whether you have solar or not. The energy problems are attributable to the inefficiency of those responsible for the whole system.	Mo	
	2026-09-15 17:56:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		May	retired
	2026-09-15 18:09:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hercule	self-employed
	2026-09-15 18:47:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zolani	employed individual
	2026-09-15 18:56:37	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	
	2026-09-15 19:21:28	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 22:08:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can't even afford the current prices. Of this greed from yhr supplier carries on we will totally have to go without electricity	Magiel	retired
	2026-09-15 22:59:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meryl	retired
	2026-09-15 23:22:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cut out the councils and let all electricity come from Eskom. The power needs to be cheaper and priced competitively.	Derek	retired
	2026-09-16 07:13:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Everybody that uses electricity should pay the same rate. Companies should not be able to bypass municipalities and buy cheaper electricity. There is not such a thing as free electricity, somebody must pay. If everybody pay for what they use, then they will appreciate it more and use it sparingly. This socialist model that others must pay for you ,has never worked and will never work. It leads to communism and look at the countries that embraced it. The ones that work must be rewarded, so that the others will also be inspired to work. That is how one make a country and za's electricity to work.	Alma	
	2026-09-16 07:14:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This law is totally unacceptable,because the cost of installing reliable non Eskom power is already high on consumers pockets.They do not own the sun.	Jaco	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:13:27	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to Eskom 'taxing' slar power users I object to shifting tariff increases on to ordinary ratepayers	James	retired
	2026-09-16 08:20:52	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Maricha	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:57:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:02:01	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How are pensioners supposed to keep up with rocketing prices when we are hardly using power but get hammered from all sides. I turn off my electricity except for my fridge, but the amount is still ridiculous. At night I run one light and a TV. You cannot expect a small proportion of the of the population to pay for the majority that receive free electricity. It is not sustainable.	Daryl	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:13:19	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	IZAK	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:45:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying exorbitant prices for everything including electricity and now they want to take blood from a stone. We can hardly afford to live as it is. The Government needs st start thinking about it's people. When will enough be enough.	Simone	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:01:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Objection to Disproportionate Fixed Charges and Tariff Increases on Captive and Solar Consumers	Nathi	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:27:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the consumers whether business or residential be held responsible for Eskom debts, in view of the increasing cost of living expenses this is totally unacceptable that we are paying for this increased high rates anyway	N	retired
	2026-09-16 12:31:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This another attempt to increase revenue from a dwindling consumer base- and punishing all and sundry for it. Any economic adviser will tell you that it makes sense to increase revenue by lowering costs and increasing user base- which every supermarket and their supplier knows! So LOWER the cost to consumer- and incentivise Eskom power use- and then make sure the production works and the supply is stable, and not failing every other day !! Municipalities have for too long been the horrible middle man- increasing costs to consumers after buying at lower rates from Eskom- like the big consumers!! And all this - to fund their own corrupt mal administration!	Inge	retired
	2026-09-16 12:48:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What happened to open and honest legislation, promoting freedom and choice, aiming to give fair access to services? Every law is currently aiming at screwing the consumer, the businesses, the taxpayers ....only criminals, corrupt authorities and money stealers are protected.	Helena	self-employed
	2026-09-16 12:50:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeremy	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 14:13:10	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again they are trying to rob the public of what little money we have. Most people are already living hand to mouth, some not even able to do that, this will make the cost of living even more unaffordable. My next question is do they include these charges/penalties/tarriffs when calculating the inflation rate? Probably not. I do not support this in the least. By all means open up the opportunity for other Electricity providers to supply Municipalities etc. This will be good competition for Eskom if they are able to supply electricity at a lower rate than Eskom. In this day and age, with this economy, cost cutting in any form is good. As for charging a tax for solar users, that is ridiculous. Previously it was encouraged to install solar, but now people are being penalized just because we haven't had load-shedding in a while, it makes no sense at all. That is a complete 180 and unethical in my opinion.	Nevilene	employed individual
	2026-09-16 14:38:55	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	
	2026-09-16 14:59:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a retired 86 year old pensioner and cannot afford the extra cost on my monthly pension	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-16 15:29:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-16 18:17:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Natalie	employed individual
	2026-09-17 09:28:23	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Celia	retired
	2026-09-17 09:35:42	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		FC	retired
	2026-09-17 10:00:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital.	Natania	retired
	2026-09-17 15:14:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Municipal Official / Councillor	Eskom is fokk3n Dom. It's about time it's monopoly ended. Eskom is being run by thieving idiots, now they want to tax hard working South Africans to death, we will fight this.	Alphonso	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 15:40:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-17 15:48:41	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gordon	retired
	2026-09-17 17:16:22	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nardia	retired
	2026-09-17 17:23:33	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renée	retired
	2026-09-17 19:15:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bongani	employed individual

	2026-09-17 22:05:39	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has lost it source of income since the public were forced to create their own power at their own cost. The plan is now to penalize the public for creating a solution to depend less on the grid. The lower demand, has rapidly decreased income revenue of a non-functional entity called Eskom. Mismanagement, corruption, excessive yearly rates for electricity with systems that is outdated and soon will cost more to maintain. Privatise electricity and use the resources in SA, like sun and wind to create electricity that is eco-friendly and more cost effective for all.	Denise	employed individual
	2026-09-17 22:43:00	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost of everything is going up and up. Now because Eskom is failing to run their business efficiently, we, the consumer, must bail them out with increased tariffs. Eskom should be going after the municipalities that are not paying their bills, and be holding or reducing the costs for the customers that are busy paying but not getting support in return.	Matthew	employed individual
	2026-09-17 23:44:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government untrustworthy & biased.	James	
	2026-09-18 05:26:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-18 07:13:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lonny	
	2026-09-18 08:06:46	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:08:24	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gill	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:26:57	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Una	
	2026-09-18 08:45:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thor	
	2026-09-18 11:07:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an ordinary working person, I can barely make it through each month while paying my bond and other rising living costs. I simply do not have the extra money to install solar. What concerns me is that I may now be expected to pay even more because the electricity provider is losing revenue from customers who can afford to generate their own electricity through solar. Why should households like mine, who cannot afford solar and therefore cannot benefit from it, be penalised with higher costs? I am already struggling with the high electricity tariffs. It feels unfair that those of us who have no alternative are expected to carry an even greater financial burden.	Reagan	employed individual
	2026-09-18 15:55:12	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not think it is moral or ethical that independent solar users get penalised for being independent and that those who cannot afford to go the solar route should be Municipal captive cash cows.	Clare	retired
	2026-09-18 16:06:51	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom/Government corruption is solely blamed on the financial fiasco at Eskom due to incompetence because of BEE and idiotic decisions made by totally incompetent management.	Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-18 16:14:49	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My electricity bill ; consumption - R765 SERVICE CHARGE - R304 NETWORK CHARGE ???? - R985 then VAT ON TOP OF ALL THE ABOVE ! - R308 So I am paying ± R2360-00 for less than R800 worth of electricity ! THIS IS BLATANT FLEECING OF CAPTIVE CUSTOMERS BY CITY OF JOBURG CONCIL	Vivian	retired
	2026-09-18 22:32:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shadrack	employed individual
	2026-09-19 03:30:54	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		E J H	retired
	2026-09-19 04:55:07	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-19 06:49:44	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	employed individual
	2026-09-19 09:18:25	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zaan	
	2026-09-19 10:10:53	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jang Choob	student
	2026-09-19 10:48:32	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-19 18:09:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's not fair that we have to pay for backup electricity supplies because of Eskoms incompetence in doing their job.	Hendrik	self-employed
	2026-09-19 22:11:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		H.S.	self-employed
	2026-09-20 06:20:18	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Muhammad	
	2026-09-20 12:44:56	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have an unstable grid, collapsing or in some cases already collapsed, infrastructure across all Government parastatals, including Joburg Water- a major health risk for all economic groups - and so we have no choice but to (at great personal expense) find alternative solutions. Government and Eskom are already essentially penalising us for this (and we are actively taking strain off the power grid) and now wish to further add to the increasingly unaffordable cost of living. Why are these costs (caused by shockingly inept government departments and their thieving high level employees) to be recouped from tax payers?	Elizabeth	self-employed
	2026-09-20 16:29:45	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-20 18:24:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N	
	2026-09-21 07:23:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garth	self-employed
	2026-09-21 08:48:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not fair that captive residents will have to carry the load financially should this become law	Annette	
	2026-09-21 09:35:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		oliver	employed individual
	2026-09-21 09:45:59	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Konrad	employed individual
	2026-09-21 10:19:05	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	retired
	2026-09-21 16:32:30	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-21 17:04:06	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clinton	employed individual
	2026-09-23 09:12:31	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephanie	
	2026-09-25 13:58:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zas	employed individual
	2026-09-26 13:20:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar charges are diabolical and mean the government is claiming the ownership of nature and charging the people. Captive and overcharging the citizens instead of fixing eskom	Selephi	
	2026-09-27 12:43:29	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariska	business owner
	2026-09-27 19:44:47	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This useless "ANC government" always runs away from its obligations , after messing everything up.	Jeremy	
	2026-09-28 06:30:43	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mada	employed individual
	2026-09-28 17:14:13	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	business owner
	2026-09-28 18:25:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been accepting Eskom's mismanagement ,lies and never ending price increases for to long.	Gerald	retired

	2026-09-29 07:59:48	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nkululeko	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 14:43:17	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The municipalities just want more money to waste, if Eskom did not have all the problems they face (because of their own doing) no one would have even considered solar. Now they want to penalise us more because they do not do what they are suppose to do.	Desire	employed individual
	2026-10-01 20:27:09	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vasco	employed individual
	2026-10-04 16:02:58	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	employed individual
	2026-10-06 14:12:11	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been held hostage and to emotional blackmail for decades now. The money is looted and in order to find new avenues of filling their coffers they devise intricate ideas to illicit illegal billing processes in the guise of 'gove. of the day 'progress' while none of any that are spending their days employed to do the looting. Whatever we, as citizens endeavour to do to overcome the restrictive stranglehold this gov. of the day has on us they are right there blocking all efforts. Yet we dont hear of what the non-payers whoever they are will be charged - to get the vote like without them some bad person is going to come in and destroy their lives. This level of discussion in it's underhand manner is criminal and targets a minority of those of us who do pay. We are in the grip of narcissistic power grabbing, money grabbing, greedy dictators. Everything they suggest is merely about topping up where they have stollen everything and continue to do so even as they are investigated. There are merely fancy words to mask what they are really doing, and that is avoiding the truth of what they have done to cause this from the top to the bottom. Call in the police and arrest them all, and take their possessions which they only have purchased with stolen money. Thank you	Jennifer	
	2026-10-06 19:46:21	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun does not belang to the state, sunshine is free, furthermore there is no financial input from the government for our solar units how can they now charge us, fix the corruption first and there will be more than enough money for all to have free electricity, why can some get free electricity and others not. Agent we all supposed to be equal	Nicky	
	2026-10-09 08:52:15	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This raises serious concerns about fairness. Large businesses will have the freedom to access cheaper electricity, while ordinary households and small businesses could be left paying higher tariffs to compensate for lost municipal revenue. Why should those with the least bargaining power carry an increasing share of the financial burden? Access to affordable electricity should not depend on how much electricity you consume or how big your business is. This risks creating a system where the biggest consumers benefit from competition, while everyone else pays the price.	Zene	
	2026-10-14 12:18:16	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are many users who work really hard to be low users without solar and they will be penalised unnecessarily. It is a ridiculous expectation to charge low users the same as high users.	Shannon	employed individual
	2026-10-27 14:18:35	No I do not	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francina	retired
	2026-08-25 16:29:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	for starters.. all levels will be tripple.. massice extra admin charges and salaries.. more chance for fraud... more staff and escom already over staffed by nepotism etc	arthur	retired
	2026-08-25 16:35:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Governments work for the people not the other way around time to put them in there place vote criminals out of governments. Enough is enough we choose how our home are powered not useless greedy thieving criminals dressed in suits.	Donald	business owner
	2026-08-25 19:48:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	unemployed individual
	2026-08-25 21:37:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Their tolal mismanagement. Ineffective work ,theft high price for puplic owned enterprise. Arrogance . Need i say more? We are done with this nonsense.	Gustav	employed individual
	2026-08-25 22:23:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mofokeng	employed individual
	2026-08-26 05:51:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilna	
	2026-08-26 14:30:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should revert to being Escom, generating power only where municipalities & others cannot. Household solar should be able to feed back into the grid.	Stephen	retired
	2026-08-26 15:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 15:25:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Madelein	retired
	2026-08-26 16:01:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Armand	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 16:05:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxes are the fair share you corrupt socialist dumb nitwits.So the government anc thieves speak about public to pay fair share ..what about taking tax ..not for salaries and corrupt nepotism racist ideology. Use iit for infrastructure and not stealing	Stefan	
	2026-08-26 16:06:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vaughn	retired
	2026-08-26 16:16:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicky	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:21:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:38:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They cannot run the grid but want to penalise us when we take matters into our hands to live a decent live they want to take that away as well.	Alfreda	retired
	2026-08-26 16:57:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The energy crisis falls squarely in the State's lap. Private citizens have, at huge expense, had to make alternative plans. Now, by penalising us all by blanket pricing, we once again are paying for illicit, unethical charges which make using Eskom's power provision next to impossible. Having it is of little use, making an alternative plan causes penalties. There is no freedom to move sideways in this over-reach of the State. The solution is that if free citizens draw on free sunshine, the state should back off and worry about how to provide sustainable power for the citizens that do elect to use it or who unfortunately can't make alternative arrangements for power supply.	Jenny Grinwis	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:01:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	
	2026-08-26 17:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We put in to have power that you couldn't provide now you short of funds because you helped close foundries and others now you have excess power through default.. not right.	Attila	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:03:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Any & ALL "Transformation" proposals and considerations MUST be open, soundly based on HONEST FREE MARKET principles and devoid from devious "hidden agenda" items of milking the consumer and stealing without restriction.	Kobus	retired
	2026-08-26 17:03:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom and government has the nerve to charge for solar whilst pleading for customers to go solar during their crisis that they created thenselves reckon it's another way of getting more money in their handout pockets	Muriel	retired
	2026-08-26 17:23:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:24:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-08-26 17:36:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-08-26 17:39:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N L	retired
	2026-08-26 17:50:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andy	retired
	2026-08-26 18:06:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When I lose money due to lack of electricity from load shedding and infrastructure failure I (historically and currently) bear the full cost at my home and micro business. Due to the continued failure of Eskom to supply electricity I absolutely NEED (not want) a backup solution such as a generator, solar and UPS. For this I must pay the full cost of the investment and maintenance. There is no sympathy, recourse or historical redress for me from the individuals who have penned this one-sided proposal. As usual: reeks of greed and corruption!	Eleanor	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:11:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vicky	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:25:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-26 18:25:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		K	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:27:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mrs I	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kogilan	retired
	2026-08-26 18:29:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-26 18:32:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lou	retired

	2026-08-26 18:34:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This Goverment can only draw up new Bills and Contracts to further take more and more from its citizens and businesses. They can't do anything right, showed it for 30 years plus. Borrow more from other countries yes ANC that is the solution, take more from everyone, build nothing.... The private sector has done more for SA than this Goverment can dream off.	Roan	
	2026-08-26 18:43:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-08-26 18:44:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anselmo	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:47:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Ian	
	2026-08-26 18:54:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trudy	retired
	2026-08-26 18:54:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and use the least electricity possible to keep it affordable for me.- I do not have solar. I am sick and tired of being penalised for government inefficiencies! Eskom got us into this situation because of bad governance and bad service delivery. Eskom needs to sort their own issues out first - reduce staff/ unnecessary middle man (i.e. City Power) and employ he correct people with the right skills. Very simple, but ANC government refuse to do things the right way. STOP using citizens as cash cows!!! I am a very unhappy and angry citizen.	Brenda	retired
	2026-08-26 18:54:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption is going to be a BIG ONGOING PROBLEMS. ESKOM IS A CORRUPT INSTITUTE. STOP THIS BEFORE IT BECOMES A MAJOR PROBLEM	Ian	
	2026-08-26 18:56:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-26 19:47:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-08-26 19:57:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	In our country all previous government and government related services are being replaced by private initiatives out of necessity. We pay taxes or fees for services not received, we pay for private initiatives to receive these services, and now we must pay additional penalties for using private solutions we are forced to use because the government and government related monopolies' services aren't working to begin with. It's an increasing vacuum sucking the life out of people and businesses. Please stop!	Erina	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:06:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	
	2026-08-26 20:12:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	retired
	2026-08-26 20:18:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brad	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:24:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johannes	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:31:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nowadays one cannot trust municipal employees any more. They steal where ever they can.	Matthys	retired
	2026-08-26 20:32:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	PLEASE NO MORE!!!

	2026-08-27 07:24:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This seems to be just another way for Eskom to screw the good guys whilst allowing the major consumers and freeloaders to get away without punishment. How about Eskom recovering the billions of outstanding debt owed by non-paying municipalities, perhaps if they hadn't allowed them to get away with it in the first place they wouldn't be in such a desperate situation today. As a 70 year old pensioner (without a pension...and still working!) it is becoming increasingly difficult just to get by. I expect the municipality will add their mark-up to this 'standard charge' thereby making it even more unaffordable. Eish!	Paul	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:24:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-27 07:25:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	retired
	2026-08-27 07:27:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cedric	
	2026-08-27 07:31:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All residents and ie businesses should've charged on what they use from Eskom not fixed rates.As it is the few that are paying for electricity are charged exorbitant amounts.Solar is expensive to install and it is free God given energy,why the manipulation?,it is always towards the pockets of a few	Lass	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:33:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need more players in the environment in order for the consumer to get more competitive pricing and not be held hostage by one.	Sarah	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:39:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africe has a free market system. STOP SUBSIDISING THE ESCOM CABAL AND THEIR PERSONNEL. Fire the bloody black management. Reduce personnel numbers and work towards profitability in a free market system. ESCOM is milking the consumers for their own benifit yet the consumers receive NO BLOODY BENIFITS but price increases and lead shedding/reduction/interruptions all called shit service.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 07:44:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maritza	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:51:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Some years ago government encouraged residential electricity consumers to install solar systems to alleviate the pressure on Eskom which could no longer provide reliable electricity supply due to corruption and mismanagement. The government even went so far as to offer cash back incentives for solar installations. As a result of these solar investments by private consumers, the demand on Eskom reduced significantly, resulting in a drastic reduction in load shedding. Now, because the demand on Eskom has reduced, this has meant less income for Eskom, despite the outrageous electricity hikes that we experience each year. So the next money making scheme by Eskom, in conjunction with government, is to penalize the very people that alleviated the electricity supply problem. Instead, government should be looking at dismantling Eskom, a corrupt and useless SOE, and instead encourage the private to take over, as we have seen in the rail transport sector.	Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:56:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The inability of Eskom & Municipalities to supply reliable electricity was the reason most citizens then looked for alternative ways to have a reliable source of power. To once again look to these same people for extra income is wrong. This is an additional tax suggested for your middle-income household which is already overtaxed!!!	Lloyd	retired
	2026-08-27 07:59:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to spend a huge part of my hard earned savings to look after my family during extensive electricity outages caused by goverment failures. We should have been rewarded for assisting during this crisis, instead we are now going to be punished for this! People who never save and provide are always better off in this country, there is no incentive to self care.	Gloria	retired
	2026-08-27 08:10:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-08-27 08:26:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are the honest home owners who pays monthly for there services being penalised when there are so many millions who do not pay, municipalities are broke not paying for the electricity due to mismanagement and theft of the money and we have to pay more and nothing happens to the people who do not pay.	Estelle	retired
	2026-08-27 08:30:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Vaughan	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:31:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This moronic government has destroyed Eskom and now they want to penalise us because of the damage they have done. Fix it yourself morons. Voetsek with making us pay more for availability. We already pay far too much	Eugene	
	2026-08-27 08:33:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:39:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation	Suzette	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:47:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot afford all these charges on top of already ridiculously high electricity rates	Konrad	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:47:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The years of poor maintenance were a result of poor management on Eskoms part. This has led to electricity prices increasing to the extremely high levels they are now. Why do additional maintenance fees be paid? What is the use of Eskom being a state owned entity if the people of South Africa receive no benefit from it	Aaliya	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:56:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judith	
	2026-08-27 09:06:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	
	2026-08-27 09:08:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption blatant theft inflated pricing monopoly incompetence tenders cadre employment. Paying for others free electricity. So many concerns! Installing solar was pushed on me through Eskom inability or deliberate sabotage that left me without power. The state does not owe the sun!	H R	retired
	2026-08-27 09:08:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It just opens the door to another pocket where the government takes as they please.	Alex	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:11:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iris	retired
	2026-08-27 09:15:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	This will ultimately destroy the electricity supply industry. You cannot force those who have to pay for something they do not get or use - it makes no economic sense. The solution is rather to work with these individuals to the mutual benefit of both (the municipality and the pro-sumer).	K	
	2026-08-27 09:19:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilgard	retired
	2026-08-27 09:38:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don't penalize the people's who made plans while loadshedding was implemented. Recently the minister of elektriese tyd declare that loadshedding whase not nesseciry and escom act in bad faith. They are the reason that customers moved away from the grid. So don't punish customers for escom s failtures.	De Wet	retired
	2026-08-27 09:39:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-27 09:40:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LATETIA	
	2026-08-27 09:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jh	retired
	2026-08-27 09:53:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It took them since 19994 to get all of this to a stage of near collapse. Why must the consumer pay for their greed that brought us to this problem. Solar was installed to help save the economy and now we must pay extra whilst big users get a better rate than the citizens of the country	Deneys	retired
	2026-08-27 09:59:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is redicules ! There is no freedom in this … why do we need to pay for solar… already payed to get it up!	Alta	
	2026-08-27 10:16:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:16:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the South Africa government was a governed, ethical organisation and not a criminal syndicate, then I'm sure the rate payers would be open to discussion. This is just another way to tax the population. A complete sham. Those that are trying to find the middle ground, proceed with caution.	Brendon	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:22:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not consent. Please note again, I do not consent.	Avril	retired
	2026-08-27 10:45:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	The ANC Government has systematically destroyed all service industries and stolen the revenues for party and personal gains to the detriment of the populace. Eskom and the municipalities are examples of this. Eskom could not supply demand and actually discouraged the public to purchase energy. The public expended capital to solve the energy supply problem . Now, as was predictable, the government hyenas are attempting to reclaw their stolen revenue by any means possible. This by imposing levies on the person's that bailed Eskom out after their ineptitude.	Norman	retired
	2026-08-27 10:46:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the government being incapable of providing steady electricity to consumers, many households and businesses installed solar as this affected their lives, livelihood and the economy. This action helped in reducing pressure on Eskom and now the government wants to penalise the very people who spent their own money and assisted the government in reducing loadshedding which was affecting the economy. Instead of appreciating their efforts, government wants to now penalise them, they want to control and manipulate prices. This overreach should be stopped, if they are incapable of providing electricity then let the private sector decide for themselves instead of introducing all these laws to control and manipulate the electricity supply, adding extra costs and penalising the very people who paid out of their own pocket to save the economy.	Stella	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:54:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DON	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:02:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ons het gedink dit sou Eskom help as ons ons eie krag genereer. Daar was nie genoeg krag nie,nou is daar n surplus en ons moet betaal omdat ons ons eie sonpanele onder druk laat aanbring het.Baie wat belê het in sonpanele, betaal nounog af daaraan. Dit is werklik baie verkeerd. Ons voel mislei.	Elmien	retired
	2026-08-27 11:02:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenny	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:35:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hugo	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 11:36:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired

	2026-08-27 11:37:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. A Penalty on Private Initiative: Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure. 2. The "Captive Ratepayer" Trap: While large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal lines to buy cheaper power directly on an open wholesale market, ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. 3. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Dominance: With Eskom Generation controlling the vast majority of baseload power, the risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation could spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails.	Malcolm	retired
	2026-08-27 11:39:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot supply to all of its consumers at the best of times, which is why solar has been the only option for many users. This has taken some pressure off the grid, which is a good thing. Why punish users for that? Ridiculous proposal.	Nicolr	retired
	2026-08-27 11:50:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom being a GMO is placing the burden of their survival on residents. Government is looking for an easy out rather than dealing with it's incompetence. Electricity must be charged on usage. Free market distribution of this utility will only subdivide the corruption amongst THEIR players only. What about the poorer citizens?	Barry	retired
	2026-08-27 11:55:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denis	retired
	2026-08-27 11:55:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis are now being punished and will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure. 2. While large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal lines to buy cheaper power directly on an open wholesale market, ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. 3. With Eskom Generation controlling the vast majority of baseload power, the risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation will spill over into retail tariffs if oversight fails and in our curret government this is almost guaranteed. 4. The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. 5. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid (“wires”) from electricity sales (“retail/trading”), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units. 8. Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital, and Eskom is not in a position to accomplish this end. 9. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses so where is the electioneering promise of "free electricity" now? 10. Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. THERE IS NO MORE FREE LUNCH!!	Jaco	retired
	2026-08-27 12:06:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annet	retired
	2026-08-27 12:10:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ALan	retired
	2026-08-27 12:39:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isabella	retired
	2026-08-27 12:45:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay for the corruption an incompetent	Ronell	retired
	2026-08-27 12:48:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is outrageous! Why pay for sunlight that do not come from municipality! It is municipality incompetency that put us in this situation to provide panels and batteries at our own cost!	madelein	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 12:57:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private sector is being punished for taking the initiative to generate their own electricity. The state should come up with a way to encourage private power generators to enter the grid to give ESKOM some competition.	Lothar	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:00:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If eskom and councils are loosing money retrench workers. Get contractors ti do rhe work at the correct rates with exsperianced staff complting on time. At one time you were given a rebate nowyou must be fined or forced to pay. We already pay a basic line fee as it is.	Mark	
	2026-08-27 13:01:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ghita	
	2026-08-27 13:01:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:05:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear City of Cape Town, The rising cost of living is becoming unbearable for many South Africans. How are low-income households expected to afford high electricity tariffs and rates? Many families are already struggling to meet their basic needs. We appeal to the City to show empathy and consider those most vulnerable. Please consider providing meaningful relief to struggling households. We hope our concerns will be heard and addressed.	Goolshan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:11:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daryl	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sherissa-Lee	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:25:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-08-27 13:30:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-08-27 13:31:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this represents just another way to charge more money	Claire	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:46:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop pushing more and more taxation onto the citizens of this country. It's like South Africans are being sucked dry by a vampire government. Stop the theft and corruption in the government and we will all live a lot better.	Matthew	
	2026-08-27 13:47:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		E	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	
	2026-08-27 14:41:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With ALL the taxes we have to pay, the Govt. to load ADDITIONAL charges on us, only for them to have more to siphon off through "tenders" !?!? NO, it has to stop !!	Siegfried	retired
	2026-08-27 15:00:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During load shedding people spent a lot of money to install solar panels and now you want to charge them more because of your inability to provide the needed power.	Deborah	retired
	2026-08-27 15:11:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	retired
	2026-08-27 15:13:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eva	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:22:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ken	business owner
	2026-08-27 15:42:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Time to rethink Eskom structures as they don't produce what they are supposed to do at affordable pricing. Eskom holds law abiding South Africans at ransom.	Vic	retired
	2026-08-27 15:44:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:53:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again targeting people who pay. Get taxis to pay tax and reduce politicians salaries - stop stealing and there is enough money.	Andrew	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 16:16:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heino	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:21:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I see it as a hurtful and harmful tax on those like myself who have spent the money and initiative on assisting the country & DBNLM (local municipality) in alleviating the dire electricity situation that we were in. ESKOM and the Government should first get their own house in order before burdening homeowners and taxpayers to an ever greater extent.	Lionel	retired
	2026-08-27 16:26:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sylvia	retired
	2026-08-27 16:33:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have spent a fortune on solar hard earned money. We have so many power outages. We need to work from home to survive. Eskom suggested we help save the grid by buying solar. NOW this government is screwing the people of this country. They don't own the sun. It's God's gift to the world.	Estie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:34:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renier	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:11:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anette	retired

	2026-08-27 17:13:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:15:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government mismanaged Eskom to the extent that it became not only corrupt, on an industrial scale, but fundamentally dysfunctional. These people who now govern need to be reminded that when the White man governed the country Eskom was not only managed responsibly, which made load shedding unheard of, but it also supplied --- sold electricity to several other States on the African continent, and profited from doing so. The cost of electricity to the consumer was also never an issue with the South African citizen, unlike the current iniquitous state of affairs that we endure which is utterly disgraceful! I personally can only recommend that those who are governing accept the need that they do not have the competence to do so, and that they accept that the only hope for the country is that the White man take over again and govern!	MICHAEL ERIC	retired
	2026-08-27 17:17:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hans	retired
	2026-08-27 17:32:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NO! Why should the very ones who are reducing grid pressure be penalised	Jenny	
	2026-08-27 18:22:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's unacceptable that the "man in the street" has to bear the brunt of the State's ineptness & inefficiency...	Charles	retired
	2026-08-27 18:33:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	retired
	2026-08-27 19:39:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	
	2026-08-27 19:43:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ruth	retired
	2026-08-27 19:50:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a thinly veiled attempt to enable the incompetent kleptocratic cadres to continue stealing and to hide their ineptness to manage by forcing the overstressed tax payer to support their bungling.	Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 20:10:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Slav	
	2026-08-27 20:37:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maggie	retired
	2026-08-27 20:54:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The present ANC government and all parastatals in RSA failed all the citizens, especially taxpayers	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 23:01:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bravo, Eskom — truly a masterclass in strategy. Act one: jack up electricity prices until half the country installs solar panels just to escape you. Act two, the sequel nobody asked for: now those same customers will upgrade to full battery storage so they can cut you off entirely. Two mistakes, one genius. Good luck with that, Eshkom.	Leon	employed individual
	2026-08-28 02:55:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anand	
	2026-08-28 04:23:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has always been on the back foot regarding electricity supply, resulting in extended periods of load shedding in the past. Residents who have taken the initiative and laid out the expense to install solar systems have actually helped to prevent load shedding and would now be punished for essentially helping in the long run. It is unfair and blatantly extortionate to implement such a tarrif system. If I walk onto a shop and decide not to get anything, should the shop still charge me for being there? It's the same as being charged for electricity I do not use.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:00:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is why we won't vote for the ANC - TOTALLY CORRUPT. The country needs growth not collapsing!!!	Andries	
	2026-08-28 05:20:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neill	self-employed
	2026-08-28 05:28:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilhelmina	retired
	2026-08-28 05:43:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex	
	2026-08-28 05:44:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 05:53:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity crisis in South Africa has been solved by the private sector. Leave what works alone and let Eskom be the power supplier to the masses.	Stephen	retired
	2026-08-28 06:02:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Estelle	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:07:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a cheek to think of charging resident for making a plan because tge Stste hss failed them. The sun 's energy is free.	Carolyn	
	2026-08-28 06:14:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am just SOOOO tired of getting screwed by eskom that overcharges us for NOTHING...	Lionel	retired
	2026-08-28 06:32:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:34:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object that people who have taken steps to convert sun energy into electricity - which is a gift from God - be penalized with a tax from a government who has let these same people down because the government has not responsibly taken care of its duty in providing electricity as it should	Annemarie	retired
	2026-08-28 06:51:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To decentralize certain government institutions such as Eskom is not a bad idea - for the right reasons. To me this proposal sounds too much like another scheme to milk the consumer. We are already experiencing that on Municipal level with water supply. Levies are openly raised on all water deliveries sometimes exceeding the actual water consumption. Electricity charges are exorbitant on prepaid supply compared to municipal billing. The ill concealed attempts to raise charges on own rooftop electricity is another clever way to have private suppliers of electricity to supplement or replace Eskoms responsibility. No I do not agree to this rather dubious proposal.	Nico	
	2026-08-28 07:00:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Dawie Roodt said, we have government of thieves that don't look after the people, but stealing from them. I reckon, you will pay according to your area and not usage. Gatvol of the ANC and DA.	Marthinus	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:23:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-28 07:45:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Why do we pay a higher rate if we use more electricity. It should be the other way around as we are not using any more infrastructure?	Guy	retired
	2026-08-28 07:52:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aeiden	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:59:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raoul	
	2026-08-28 08:05:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SHANE	
	2026-08-28 08:21:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	THIS IS JUST MORE DAYLIGHT ROBBERY ONCE AGAIN ,MORE CORRUPTION THATS WHAT THIS IS,THEY JUST DON'T CARE ABOUT THE PEOPLE AND HOW THEY MUST SURVIVE,SO LONG AS THEY CAN LIVE IN LUXURY THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT THE REST OF THE COUNTRY ?	Roberta	retired
	2026-08-28 08:26:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I already pay a fixed electricity charge per month over and above the electricity I purchase. I am not going to fork out more money for nonsense thought up by the ANC so that they can continue stealing this country i to bankruptcy	Selome	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:32:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	THIS IS ONCE AGAIN CORRUPTION ,DAYLIGHT ROBBERY,THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT THE PEOPLE,SO LONG AS THEIR POCKETS IS FULL AND THEY CAN LIVE IN LUXURY THEY DON'T CARE.?	Roberta	retired
	2026-08-28 08:40:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Root out corruption at all government and eskom. disconnect all illegal electricity theft. employ qualified individuals not anc cadres.	john	retired
	2026-08-28 08:53:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Basil	retired
	2026-08-28 09:14:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willemien	
	2026-08-28 09:18:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-08-28 09:24:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This inept government is milking the public in every way imaginable……The money only get stolen time and again WITH help from government officials and NOBODY gets into trouble. WE ARE SICK OF IT!!! Get the money back from those that steal so freely then there will be more than enough to fix infrastructure ?	Alta	retired
	2026-08-28 09:34:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elna	retired

	2026-08-28 09:47:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	aren't we all sick of paying high costs for electricity with Eskom staff earning such huge salaries for pathetic performance. enough is enough.	Sharon	
	2026-08-28 09:47:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another blatant attempt at corruption by the ANC and its chommies. They've destroyed Eskom and now want to penalise the the man in the street. Time for these blatant corrupt thieves to be voted out of power and put in jail.	Anton	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:47:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-28 09:55:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is simply another form of taxation. It shows no initiative to rectify the glaring problems in this market eg high salaries, to many employees, corruption. Easier to stifle initiative. Totally unacceptable.	Denis	retired
	2026-08-28 10:03:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carina	retired
	2026-08-28 10:15:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Choekie	retired
	2026-08-28 10:50:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Valerie	
	2026-08-28 11:22:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geoffrey John	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:32:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	
	2026-08-28 11:37:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	
	2026-08-28 11:37:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to spend an enormous amount of money to install solar power to ensure constant dependable electrical power to our home to supply our medically supportive systems. To date the electrical power suppliers can not guaranty dependable constant power supply.	Jacobus	retired
	2026-08-28 11:45:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luiz	retired
	2026-08-28 11:57:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Each time government asks "us citizens" to assist with the sad state of the electricity crisis, we do so AT OUR OWN EXPENSE. The government can go fuck themselves if they want to no tax us for "coming to the party".	Robin	retired
	2026-08-28 12:33:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They need to have a very hard look at their company. Double the staff required to operate and salaries that make others outside shudder at what it must feel like to earn so much. Reduce their overheads and only retain staff that are absolutely needed and unload all the free loaders.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-28 12:45:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Carl	
	2026-08-28 12:54:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	False promise of competition While the bill claims to open the market, in practice politically connected companies are likely to dominate. South Africa's history of tender corruption means "competition" often becomes a façade for patronage networks. Risk of regulatory capture NERSA and other regulators have struggled to enforce accountability. Without strong independence, SAWEM could be captured by the same corrupt interests that hollowed out Eskom. Eskom's unresolved debt Eskom remains financially crippled with hundreds of billions in debt. Splitting markets without fixing Eskom's balance sheet risks creating chaos rather than stability. Infrastructure decay Power stations are collapsing due to mismanagement. A wholesale market cannot function if the underlying generation fleet is unreliable. The reason why many consumers are looking for alternatives. SOE track record State-owned enterprises like SAA, Transnet, and Denel have all failed under corruption and mismanagement. Expecting a new electricity market to succeed under the same governance culture is unrealistic. Broader Context: Corruption & Mismanagement State capture legacy The Zondo Commission revealed how billions were looted from Eskom through inflated coal contracts and politically connected suppliers. SAWEM risks becoming another avenue for looting. Cadre deployment Key positions are filled based on loyalty rather than competence. This undermines technical expertise needed to run a complex electricity market. Public distrust Citizens have endured years of load shedding, broken promises, and failed reforms. Another "grand plan" without accountability feels like déjà vu Conclusion I don't support the SAWEM bill because it ignores the root problem: corruption and mismanagement in government and state-owned enterprises. Creating a new market structure without fixing governance is like repainting a collapsing house — cosmetic change without structural repair. If South Africa truly wants energy reform, it must first: - Prosecute corrupt officials and recover stolen funds. - Professionalise/Privatise management of SOEs. - Guarantee transparency in procurement and regulation. Only then can a competitive electricity market deliver real benefits.	Nicholas	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:08:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wimpie	retired
	2026-08-28 13:14:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Sheldon	business owner
	2026-08-28 13:32:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is exactly why public participation matters. South Africans who have invested their own hard-earned money in solar, batteries and other alternatives have done so to become less dependent on an unreliable electricity system — not to avoid contributing to the cost of the grid. If fixed network and capacity charges are going to become unavoidable, then there needs to be real transparency around how those charges are calculated, who ultimately carries the cost, and whether households and businesses that have invested in alternative energy are being treated fairly. We need an electricity system that encourages private investment and innovation, rather than creating new financial barriers for those trying to become more self-sufficient. Our voices matter. We need to make sure they are heard.	Ailsa	retired
	2026-08-28 13:43:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsie	retired
	2026-08-28 13:43:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is disgusting that Eskom wants to charge residents for using natural power from the sun. They wouldn't have to put tolar panels in the first place if the electricity was stable and reliable. Eskom keeps failing the nation and the people have to pay and suffer for their mistakes and mismanagement of funds!	Vicky	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:55:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jade	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:02:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petrus	Non-profit
	2026-08-28 14:46:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of penalising the concientious rate payers and legal users of grid and offgrid facilities Government should clamp down on all illegal connections and investigate the irregular activities surrounding "grants" made to supposedly poor people who's incomes are not recorded or subjected to PAYE, billions of revenue are list due to these irregularities	Mark	retired
	2026-08-28 14:50:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South African household electricity is higher than the global average, driven by continuous above-inflation Eskom tariff hikes over the past decade. The ordinary working class is already paying above and beyond towards the failed state entities. The monthly expenses with inflation is already a burden on the working class with zero relief in sight.	Mr Z	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:01:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anneke	
	2026-08-28 15:10:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is concerning that individuals who have used their own capital to continue keeping a constant electric supply are being made to pay additional taxes. Having a reliable supply of electricity is the responsibility of the state. The state has failed to provide this. It is also true to say that with more people supplying their own electricity, the amount of electricity that needs to be produced by the state is less. This should be a reason to celebrate, not penalise.	Margot	retired
	2026-08-28 15:38:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-28 16:06:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They should pay us the money we used to install solar..then they can see what comes next.	Lida	retired
	2026-08-28 16:27:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The initial reason South Africans tried (tried, but the government still want them to pay for this as well) to move off the national grid, was because of mismanagement of electrical supply and stealing, which caused the whole loadshedding fiasco. Now that they realise their underhanded ambitions are losing out, now they want to panic and try and fill that deep financial holes they had created for themselves. We as South Africans cannot try to make comfortable lifestyles for ourselves, because the people elected and hired to manage our country's services for us, are too selfish. Every little thing is taxed, levied, or stolen.	Zuraydah	
	2026-08-28 16:37:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hulle gatte man, mense het derduisende rand moes leen om krag in hulle huise te kry omdat die regering alles steel en niks instand hou nie..... Die son behoort aan God Almagtig nie die ANC nie.	Erika	retired
	2026-08-28 16:48:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding forced residential consumers to invest privately in solar. Imposing solar charges is unfair until the solar has paid for itself! Free electricity for indigents must be funded by kwph rates and not solar charges.	Linda	retired

	2026-08-28 16:55:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	other countries ie Australia are encouraging consumers to take the solar route. South Africa wants to punish solar users. WHY????	angie	retired
	2026-08-28 17:39:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a monopoly and it is looking for ways to finance and hide their inefficiencies, by passing it onto the consumer.	Wilhelm	
	2026-08-28 17:57:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private Citizens are already penalized on every front when it comes to Rates and Taxes, VAT and paying PAYE so it is totally unfair/greedy of the Government to want to impose further charges/costs on the Electricity Tariffs which are already through the roof high!	Antoinette	employed individual
	2026-08-28 18:19:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After close to forty years of Democracy since 1994, the rulers have stollen more than enough money from us to continue coming up with ever growing excuses to plunge this country in their ever-deepening deep hole. It is time to for them to put the interest of the future generations first. Services are supposed to become cheaper as Technology, Science and services are becoming cheaper the world over - communication, energy, health, education, the list goes on - should by now be free in a country most endowed with natural resources far above most countries in the world and having small population.	Sandi	retired
	2026-08-28 18:39:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-08-28 20:22:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maureen	
	2026-08-28 21:57:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 22:12:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unless the private sector gets involved and fair market of competition is made available, we will continue to be held hostage to whatever Eskom decides. Penalties being charged to those who could afford an alternative form of electricity is day light robbery. Eskom was unable to meet basic requirements and the entire South Africa economy suffered. Dismantle current state to make electricity affordable for all South Africans.	Denise	employed individual
	2026-08-28 22:40:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity price inflation is arguably one of the highest increases South African consumers are currently facing, at approximately 17%, yet as consumers we have very little choice or ability to avoid these increases. For years, when Eskom was unable to provide a reliable electricity supply, households and businesses were forced to invest their own money in alternative solutions such as solar systems, batteries, generators and other forms of backup power. Consumers did this out of necessity, not luxury. It is therefore extremely frustrating that those same consumers now appear to be penalised for becoming less dependent on Eskom. During two of the coldest days of the 2026 winter in Emalahleni, we once again experienced periods without Eskom electricity supply. The irony is difficult to ignore: when electricity was needed most, the supply was once again unreliable. The absence of widespread load shedding should also not be interpreted as evidence that Eskom has suddenly solved South Africa's electricity problems. A significant part of the pressure on the national grid has been reduced because households, businesses and the private sector have invested billions of rand in their own electricity-generation capacity. In effect, private consumers and businesses have had to take responsibility for a service that Eskom was unable to provide reliably. Yet consumers continue to carry the financial burden of years of poor planning, mismanagement, corruption, inefficiency and inadequate infrastructure investment through continually increasing electricity tariffs. What makes the situation particularly concerning is that many urban consumers have no meaningful alternative electricity supplier. Eskom and municipal electricity distributors effectively operate in a monopoly environment, leaving consumers with little choice other than to accept whatever tariff increases are imposed. South Africans have already paid for alternative power systems because the electricity supply could not be relied upon. We should not now be expected to continuously absorb excessive tariff increases in order to compensate for the very failures that forced us to become more self-sufficient in the first place. Consumers deserve reliable electricity, transparent and justifiable pricing, and a system in which efficiency and accountability are rewarded — not one in which consumers are repeatedly expected to pay for institutional failures beyond their control.	Wiehann	self-employed
	2026-08-29 00:06:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The top down approach needs to be flipped on its head. Residential should be the cheapest rates establishments 500 sq ft to 3000 sq ft the next tier 3000 and up the highest paying tier. Establishments falling in this category should have to lower their usage to the bare minimum to none or reduce their footprint and consumption. Most of these establishments air condition empty space ,outdoors hundreds of thousands of lights and power outlets. They need to reduce their footprint and their consumption of the power grid. They are the energy hogs! Let's get real!	Lori	self-employed
	2026-08-29 02:39:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It can never be right, as South Africa citizens you are required to pay taxon ever , we pay tax on the electricity we buying plus a service fee. Just today I bought electricity of R250 and only received 70 units. This can not be, the poor and middle class households are feeling the branch of decisions being made just so that corruption can grow.	Tessa	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 04:21:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lucelle	retired
	2026-08-29 05:36:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matome Phillip Cyril	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:06:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid from my pocket to fix what the government had broken and plundered through corruption and state capture. Why punish me? Because of my solar system the government has less money to steal and misuse, now they want to have some fancy tax system. This is more like communism than democracy	Johann	
	2026-08-29 07:11:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaughn	retired
	2026-08-29 07:37:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rene	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:43:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alice	retired
	2026-08-29 07:57:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential property owners have installed solar systems largely due to inconsistent electricity supply for Eskom. The state has decided to pursue renewables which are far more expensive than nuclear. This leads to expensive electricity. Then wants to charge the consumer more for availability. This is unreasonable. Most houses don't consume much electricity during the night so the argument is flawed.	Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:23:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity has become an extremely EXPENSIVE LUXURY, especially for the Old Aged SASSA dependents whose "grant" is NOWHERE NEAR the inflation level.	Cheryl/Fiona	retired
	2026-08-29 08:32:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jai	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 08:45:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were told to conserve electricity to help the country ,people / companies did this in many legal ways , paid import duties /VAT ,now they want more cash from us , sort out theft / illegal connections / municipalities to pay there dues first [not going to happen as this means the gravy train will collapse]	Mad	
	2026-08-29 08:47:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government will charge exorbat prizes to line their pockets.	Amanda	
	2026-08-29 08:51:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The sun is of the Lord no one pays for it,who are you wena to say people must pay for something that is given freely from God. Jesus Christ is coming soon.	Dineo	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:40:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can not be held responsible for the Governments incompetency to solve the countries electrical problems as they fail to maintain the facilities, "Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies" this is now to rectify the government inability to solve their shortfalls after we have already payed all the Taxes' required to maintain these.	William	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:44:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHAT ABOUT INSTALLING GAS EQUIPMENT LIKE STOWES AND GEYERS THAT ALSO REDUCE YOUR ELECTRICITY BILL. THIS GOVERMENT IS INSANE . NOT LONG AGO THEY REQUEST AND PLEAD FOR INSTALLING SOLAR BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO HELP ESCOM. EVEN GAVE A VAT REDUCTION ON INTALLING COST. MORE AND MORE SOLAR WERE INSTALLED, AND THAT REDUCE LOADSHEDDING AND AFTER THAT THEY CLAIM HOW GOOD THEY ARE TO RESTORE ELECTRICITY SUPPLY.	Jasper	retired
	2026-08-29 10:01:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus	
	2026-08-29 11:23:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The failure of the state to run Eskom efficiently as a low-cost reliable supplier of electrical power led to massive, wasteful capital expenditure by the private sector and individuals to ameliorate deleterious effect of widespread ongoing load shedding. There was little or no tax relief for early adopters of private solutions to circumvent problems related to intermittent electrical supply. The capital, ongoing maintenance and end of life replacement costs of private installations (with interest payable from date of cost incurred) must be recoverable from the state. Many individuals may find the proposed "connection tax" simply too high and then prefer to become totally independent of the grid. The government should be encouraging independence from the state rather than taxing independence and self-determination.	Neil	retired
	2026-08-29 11:39:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vuyisile	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:36:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They have just published in News Day that Eskoms Board Fees have risen from R5.9 m per annum to R23.4m. Maybe they must take a look within and stop expecting the public to continuously pay more. No doubt, there very little responsibility of any fiduciary duty within the Eskom upper echelon. Why would anyone believe what is published by them and any aspect of the financial requirements, while steeped in the lack of transparency and dishonesty	Megan	retired
	2026-08-29 13:54:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Currently almost all municipalities are unable to collect on their existing customers. Government must 1) get their house (municipalities) in order, 2) introduce penalties for non payment, 3) introduce jail sentences for electricity theft and finally grow the commercial and industrial sectors. Bleeding South Africans, particularly retirees and pensioners is unacceptable. A good idea would be to reduce the number of "Fat Cats" and their salaries who are associated with this industry whilst introducing competent qualified people who can reduce costs and have long term maintenance plans in place.	Pano	retired
	2026-08-29 14:08:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First Government suggested we should use solar to take pressure off the grid, because they can't supply enough energy and when citizens obliged now they want to tax us even more. We already paying for services that is not delivered. Our area experience regular power outages.	Riaan	self-employed
	2026-08-29 14:26:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	My businesses administrative costs have increased faster than any other cost, over the past ten years. I have seen no benefit to my increased costs - in fact the opposite. No, they do not need more money from unjust taxes!	Clive	business owner
	2026-08-29 16:03:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC does not own the sun. The solars on my roof, I paid for it with HARD EARNED MONEY !!! The ANC did not contribute 1c for it.	Siegfried	retired
	2026-08-29 16:12:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham	
	2026-08-29 16:51:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have paid a lot for solar because of the cost of electricity and inefficiency of Eskom. They should be rewarded, not penalised.	Margaret	self-employed
	2026-08-29 16:57:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about the thousands of electricity consumers who consume electricity through illegal connections?	Jon	retired
	2026-08-29 17:23:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sibongile	employed individual

	2026-08-29 17:32:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The money supposedly set aside for maintenance already isn't being put to use for that purpose. This fixed fee would similarly be squandered elsewhere while private citizens carry the weight. If they've invested in relieving themselves from the consequences of mismanagement of the grid they shouldn't be penalized.	Deidre	
	2026-08-29 17:44:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Elna	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:12:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they can proof ownership of the sun..... I spend MY money to improve my life and pay taxes so they can go jump in the sea	Rene	self-employed
	2026-08-29 21:49:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	
	2026-08-30 03:14:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-08-30 05:14:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	self-employed
	2026-08-30 05:27:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel that this is just another way for Government to rob us of our hard earned money, while they fail to fix their own problems. This is the only country in the world that is trying to tax their citizens to death, with no benefit to its citizens.	Joseph Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-08-30 06:20:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Collen	employed individual
	2026-08-30 07:05:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately i had predicted the situation many years ago, the maths were simple. Eskom had a problem with supply, the public played a major part in solving the problem which came at significant cost from the individuals. The inefficiencies and booming cost of Eskom also drove high using customers away and the result being more generation capacity than required. Add the fact that many people do not pay for electricity required the income to come from somewhere and one of those was to reshape the business model to further burden the very people that played a major role in resolving the initial problem. Let us not forget the government income derived from tax on the sale of all the solar systems, why are they not carrying the cost? Oh but they are because they bailed out Eskom for years because they allowed what was once the electrical supplier that was the envy of the world be run by a litany of incompetents for a quarter of a century.	Gary	employed individual
	2026-08-30 07:20:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One again the honest taxpayer must be punished for the government's incompetence, and lack of accountability.	Wynand	self-employed
	2026-08-30 07:30:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	retired
	2026-08-30 08:19:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marianna	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:28:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing us on the sun! Next we'll be taxed for the air we breathe. Might just as well live in Sneadville…	Henri	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:28:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the most reductionist idea ever. First they don't supply and now they want to tax you for self sufficiency. Since when was self help a taxable. Next they will want to tax you for not using the non-existing public transport. I think this is the ANC getting ready to loosing the election and control to divert money to comrades and friends. This way, by hiding tax money in multiple companies run by comrades, its open season to line their pockets even further.	Sam	
	2026-08-30 08:50:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacob	retired
	2026-08-30 09:24:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already have a two tier system in Bitou where pay an availability/connection fee which is to cover transmission, maintenance and Municipal costs before any consumption that is charged separately. The "basic" charge is already over R1000.00/month for a 63Amp breaker. We were incentivised to invest in solar to aid the power grid and now that there is exess power that is not been used due to political decisions that lead to non investment (usage) Eskom wants to recover costs from home owners.	Dave	retired
	2026-08-30 10:20:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	employed individual
	2026-08-30 10:56:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	
	2026-08-30 14:03:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Infrastucture collapsing and I had to make a plan to support my household. Not going to pay extra than my normal muncipal bilks for mismanagement of funds. Get the corruption out, apply funds correctly and problem in any way then solved.	Christine	business owner
	2026-08-30 14:36:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Typical. Taxing the ratepayers even more!	Chris	retired
	2026-08-30 15:50:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By generating our own power, we should be rewarded, not penalised. I fear that this is driven by corruption in that the BEE giants won't get their full share of the pie if SA citizens go green.	Jason	self-employed
	2026-08-30 16:33:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Failure Becomes a Tariff: Eskom, Solar Power and the Price of Public Distrust South Africans did not turn to rooftop solar because it was fashionable. They did so because the national electricity system failed them. Businesses and households were forced to adapt to rolling blackouts, lost productivity, damaged equipment and the daily uncertainty of whether the lights would stay on. In typical South African fashion, people made a plan. They invested their own money, carried their own risk and began insulating themselves from a crisis they did not create. Now, after years of load shedding and public frustration, Eskom appears determined to "balance the books" by targeting the very citizens and companies that reduced their dependence on the grid. That is not sound policy. It is a punishment for self-reliance. It asks responsible consumers to pay again for the consequences of institutional failure. The irony is impossible to miss. The sun belongs to no utility, no minister, no board and no balance sheet. It shines without permission and without invoice. Yet households that used that freely available resource to keep their homes running are now being treated as though they have undermined the system. The truth is simpler: they responded rationally to an unreliable service. No engineering degree is required to understand the anger. When an essential service collapses, people seek alternatives. When they seek alternatives, they should not be penalised for exposing the depth of the failure. Eskom's financial problems cannot be solved by discouraging resilience, innovation and private investment in energy security. That only deepens public distrust. South Africa needs a stable grid. It also needs citizens and businesses who are encouraged, not punished, for helping reduce pressure on that grid. Rooftop solar is not the enemy of Eskom. It is a symptom of Eskom's failure and a practical response to it. Instead of treating solar users as convenient revenue targets, the utility and the state should ask why so many people felt compelled to escape dependence on the system in the first place. If Eskom wants public cooperation, it must first rebuild public confidence. That begins with accountability, transparent pricing and recognition that citizens who invested in their own energy security did so because they had little choice. To punish them now is not merely poor judgment; it is an insult to every South African who kept going while the grid failed around them.	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-08-30 16:45:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally inept. They cannot run a tap, never-mind a country. Destroyer the power grid, now punishing entrepreneurs and long suffering small businesses and residents.	P	self-employed
	2026-08-30 17:30:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hoe does splitting a failed SOE into many solve any problems, all you are doing is multiplying the problems and opportunities for already rampant fraud and corruption. Then on top of this, people who have made their own plans and had to fork out a small fortune to get solar for their homes and businesses to somehow keep the economy going, and now going to be punished for the same failed organisation. Eskom was a power house of southern African electricity making money for our country from neighbors and charging tax payers much lower rates, but under the ANC has become corrupt, failing and all added to the taxpayer to fund, unacceptable.	Michael	business owner
	2026-08-30 17:49:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. This law is not going to solve the municipal income problem, but make it worse. The solar-powered population is going to exit the eskom/municipality grid. The ANC Government should've learned from the E-toll saga that it cannot just pass a rediculous legislation and think that the citizens will comply. To force people to commit to these rediculous laws will only succeed in driving customers away from the power grid. 2. We need to see an entry in this law that force the municipality to disconnect those households that don't want to pay the rediculous penalties, and instead use that money to increase their solar capacity. The lower income bracket population is already looking for ways and means to replace municipal eskom with solar. The proposed law is definitely going to speed up the off-grid migration.	Henry	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 18:48:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I totally object to the fact that when Eskom, or any government department, uses this tactic to cover up for their own incompetence, they make a new "law" in order to penalize the people with foresight. It is actually "legalized theft" that is being perpetrated on the private citizens who are able to plan better for their futures. Eskom received a world prize for being the best run, & cheapest supplier of electricity in the world, prior to 1994, & the sheer incompetence & destruction of Eskom by corrupt individuals has forced private people and businesses around the country take the actions that they did, by spending their own money, to help the situation. If this was not done, we would still be having load shedding. It is purely this one fact that has led to no load shedding over the last 18 or so months. Not the actions of either Eskom, or the government. It is a totally disingenuous action. Rather, the government needs to incentivize people & businesses for putting more renewable energy into the grid. This will bring the price of electricity down. Examples of this are available worldwide. The normal individual is already paying more for security due to all the other issues caused by government - no policing, potholes, crime, theft of both infrastructure & private property, & the list goes on & on.....	Tony	retired
	2026-08-30 19:25:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moira	retired
	2026-08-30 19:54:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mohamed	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 19:58:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	employed individual
	2026-08-30 21:15:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mothusi	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 05:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP the state to try and govern and thus steal out hard earned money by having fixed cost applied to every consumer of Eskom's electricity. This will make the poorer even poorer and the rich even richer. The state is unable to steal the public's money as there is nothing left and now with new legislation the state are trying to open new channels of so-called income, to steal even more. STOP THIS BS!	Chris	retired

	2026-08-31 07:21:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is both disappointing and unacceptable that the Government now appears intent on penalising ratepayers for its own inability to fulfil its mandate of providing a reliable electricity supply. It is precisely this failure in service delivery that has resulted in countless incidents of damaged household appliances, including refrigerators, televisions, and other electrical equipment, as well as the spoilage of refrigerated and frozen food. Faced with these ongoing challenges, consumers had little choice but to find alternative solutions. At first, most people regarded the Government's inability to provide a stable electricity supply as a temporary problem. As outages continued, however, households and businesses were forced to purchase generators to maintain some degree of normality. These generators are expensive to operate, consuming significant amounts of fuel and, in turn, generating additional revenue for the Government through fuel taxes and levies. As electricity supply failures persisted and became a long-term reality, consumers began exploring alternative energy solutions. For many, this meant investing in solar power systems. Solar energy was by no means an easy or inexpensive option. It required substantial capital expenditure, not an investment guaranteed to generate returns, and comes with equipment that has a finite lifespan and ongoing maintenance costs. Consumers made these sacrifices primarily to address the electricity challenges they faced, while simultaneously reducing demand on the national grid and easing the burden on the Government's electricity infrastructure. Initially, Government policies appeared supportive of the adoption of solar energy. However, this stance now seems to be changing. Instead of recognising the financial sacrifices made by consumers to compensate for service delivery failures, solar users are increasingly viewed as an additional source of revenue. This creates the perception that already overburdened consumers are once again being expected to carry the cost of Government shortcomings. One is left wondering what other forms of self-help could eventually become targets for taxation or penalties. Would residents who repair roads and fill potholes because of Government inaction be charged for doing so? Would communities that clean their own streets or maintain public spaces in the absence of municipal services be expected to pay additional levies? The principle appears no different. Consumers did not choose these alternatives out of convenience or profit. They adopted them out of necessity, to mitigate the effects of ongoing service delivery failures and to ensure a reasonable quality of life despite those challenges.	Monty	employed individual
	2026-08-31 07:22:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	
	2026-08-31 08:34:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we as the public pay more. Using our own resources because our government is not able to.	Leigh	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:52:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francesco	
	2026-08-31 09:25:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariaan	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:30:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		wimpie	retired
	2026-08-31 12:12:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The basis is substantively unfair and the taxpayer regardless, will be left to continue to foot the bill for corrupt municipalities and government institutions that continue to get away with this whilst the normal man in the street is already not able to cope with all of the current rising costs. You want to protect big business who use more electricity than a normal household would but we must continue to foot the bill. Not acceptable.	Sharon	
	2026-08-31 17:24:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	
	2026-08-31 17:30:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	self-employed
	2026-08-31 17:34:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-31 18:53:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and the Municipalities are a burden on the SA economy due to their lack of service delivery that's created a dwindling customer base, yet the regulator allows them to increase rates. The Regulator should allow independent producers to compete in the market and then we see how long this corrupt production and distribution chain continues to stay alive. Any commercial business would have gone into bankruptcy 20 years ago and no body would have cared.	Cas	employed individual
	2026-08-31 19:39:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not see why i have to pay a fixed rate when using solar as a lot of solar is put back into the grid. Also using solar delays the degrading of the transmission and distribution system. I will pay for what i use. ESKOM must retrain and adapt is work force for the future - it is not lean.	Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-31 21:22:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 02:05:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieta	
	2026-09-01 04:15:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The South African Government and Eskom have caused huge financial damage to livelihoods accross South Africa. Lockdowns were unnecessary. Mismanagement of Eskom's income and resources, together with gross corruption, have led to greater than necessary increases year on year for the last couple of decades. Eskom does not deserve to be an electricity provider, and it definitely should no longer have the monopoly it has had. The consumer has been getting a raw deal for decades now and it is enough. When corruption and mismanagement forced citizens to start financing renewable energy/solar solutions to survive the disruption and loss of income from lack of power, Eskom did nothing to pay reparations. Then, it started grabbing more and more from the same consumers it's employees stole from and intentionally sabotaged equipment to get kick-backs from uncrupulous suppliers, and little was done to deal with the corruption effectively. Now that citizens have gone out on a limb to purchase expensive alternative power solutions to help relieve the pressure on Eskom, the thankless, greedy directorship and beaurocrats want to punish us more to save municipalities through drummed up fixed charges that penalise the consumer for having helped them out. This is nothing short of criminal behaviour and an indictment on those who continue to propose further disgusting abuse of the consumer. The consumer does not have more to give. The government and Eskom and municipalities are drunk on abuse and think it is a game they will win. It will backfire very soon. The public has had enough of greedy, emotionally disconnected elite's abuses. The public is stretched and many cannot take any more of this financial rape.	Andrew	
	2026-09-01 08:13:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	retired
	2026-09-01 08:31:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The corruption and incompetence has to be stopped.	Craig Mark	retired
	2026-09-01 10:38:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanette	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 11:48:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hanneke	self-employed
	2026-09-01 12:20:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	employed individual
	2026-09-01 13:27:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-01 14:39:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sumaiyah	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 14:46:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	employed individual
	2026-09-01 14:46:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynne	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 15:04:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-01 15:54:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-09-01 17:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us felt we were saving the country's dire electricity situation by opting for the use od the Solar system. Now we will get shot down For our efforts	Lorette	retired
	2026-09-01 17:05:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marietjie	retired
	2026-09-01 17:20:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Opposing Market Power and Price Manipulation as a Policy Framework The proposed electricity market framework should reject the premise that market power and the possibility of price manipulation justify greater government control over electricity pricing. The fundamental problem is not that markets are inherently prone to manipulation, but that competition has been severely restricted by the State's own historical monopoly over electricity generation and distribution. Eskom's dominant position is not evidence of a market failure in the conventional sense; it is largely the consequence of a State-created and State-protected monopoly. The appropriate response is therefore not to impose additional controls, fixed charges, or regulatory mechanisms that make consumers more dependent on the existing system. Instead, government should remove barriers to competition and allow private generation, storage, wheeling, independent power producers and alternative suppliers to compete on a level playing field. Market power becomes dangerous when consumers have no meaningful alternative. The solution is to increase consumer choice, not to make consumers more captive. There is also a fundamental distinction between legitimate regulation against fraud or collusion and the broader claim that government must intervene because market participants might manipulate prices. If a company abuses a dominant position, colludes with competitors, or deliberately manipulates a market, such conduct should be addressed through transparent competition law and independent regulatory enforcement. But the mere existence of a large market participant does not establish that price manipulation is occurring. Nor should speculative concerns about wholesale price volatility be used to justify transferring greater pricing power to the State. A competitive electricity market can itself provide important signals about supply, demand, investment and scarcity. Suppressing those signals through politically determined prices or mandatory charges can conceal rather than solve underlying problems. Most importantly, consumers who have invested their own money in solar generation and batteries should not subsequently be treated as a problem because they have reduced their dependence on the grid. Their investment represents precisely the kind of private initiative that should be encouraged. The policy objective should therefore be clear: protect consumers from coercion and anti-competitive conduct, while expanding competition and consumer choice—not protecting incumbent institutions from competition.	Stegman	

	2026-09-01 18:30:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	'Free-riding' is an extraordinary way to label those who have used savings to shift to solar and shift the previous pressure on the grid. Mind boggling.	Lynn	Non-profit
	2026-09-01 19:51:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Close useless municipalities lets use contractors instead, no corruption, create jobs and receive real services without manipulation and communism. Stop eskom corruption and allow private sector as a competitive solution to user abuse.	Christelle	retired
	2026-09-02 08:22:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Blatant attempt to grab more power while not addressing systemic corruption in the electricity sector from the white collar. Shit flows from the top not the bottom. There is much more money being wasted on other things within eskom	Roger	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:30:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM was an efficient, viable entity before it was mismanaged and stolen dry. No amount of change to legislation can fix corruption if there is no accountability or law enforcement on corrupt officials. Taxing people who put in solar at great expense is beyond ridiculous. Stop trying to fix a problem by creating an even bigger one.	Charmaine	self-employed
	2026-09-02 08:44:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	
	2026-09-02 09:12:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-02 10:39:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will only trust Eskoms actions and motives if/once they: 1) right size their staffing levels: bloated 2) drastically reduce salaries paid to the employees by at least 50% 3) open all coal contracts for renewal: adjudicated by an independent panel (non-governmental) 4) Jail time for any employee involved in theft/corruption 5) accelerate privatization.	Gavin	retired
	2026-09-02 11:50:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samantha	
	2026-09-02 11:58:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-09-02 14:35:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally unacceptable to see the bonuses, salaries, directors fees and WASTE OF MONEY for incompetent employees where corruption is part of the ethos. ESKOM SHOULD DIE!!!!	Hein	self-employed
	2026-09-02 16:12:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Extra costs!!!! We are already heavily burdend!!!	Sheila	
	2026-09-02 17:08:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	employed individual
	2026-09-02 17:27:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-03 01:00:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as citizens are paying exuberant electricity fees for the inadequacy of Eskom and steep remuneration for top structure directors and employees. We see that under the tenure of the ANC government corruption in all SOE has had the citizens foot the bill for those inadequacies and poor service delivery. Taxation and increases is suffocating ordinary residential citizens. The ANC government must go, so that new governance can hopefully break the yoke of this existing ANC government.	Ivan	
	2026-09-03 06:47:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly- Eskom could not supply the country with enough power to function. We all suffered for e few years. Many took the initiative of paying for solar systems at own cost to help solve the problem - and now the municipality and the government want to punish us for bailing them out of a crisis! I object this absolutely.	Linda	retired
	2026-09-03 07:20:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has not been able to provide electricity at a cost affordable to individual households. It hasn't been able to carry out regular maintenance of its infrastructure. This is not the responsibility of households. We are responsible only for the electricity we consume.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-03 07:22:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-03 08:15:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The tax payer can no longer afford the massive and huge pay packages of ESKOM and their staff while we as tax payers bears the grunt of their bonusses and corruption. They cannot deliver, burns coal the look good while they are actually failing, Electricity prices are way to high already and private investment in solutions cannot be taxed to make a failed SOE work	Adriaan	retired
	2026-09-03 08:28:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ANNETTE	employed individual
	2026-09-03 08:36:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom staff from the bottom to the top CEO and Ministers included must be held accountable for allowing theft, fraud, free electricity handouts and mismanagement to continue. Solar systems are paid for by private users and not Escom and is driven by sun power that does not belong to Escom. Currently where I live I pay R493-21 per month for domestic electricity prepaid service and capacity charges that is added to my municipal account before a single unit has been used which I must buy separately. Enough is enough and this evil unjustified milking of the taxpayers must stop and for this underperformance of Escom no increases or bonuses should be considered for like I said all staff from the bottom to the top the CEO and Ministers included.	Gerhardus Johannes	retired
	2026-09-03 09:29:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	
	2026-09-03 11:04:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bryan	retired
	2026-09-03 12:03:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leigh	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:08:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a continuation of civil extortion, not a solution. After being forced to spend fortunes on power, water & security infra-structure, just so we can continue to earn & to live, law-abiding citizens are now forced by the same authorities responsible for this mess, to perpetually keep on spending more so they can remain entrenched in position.	Sonnie	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:11:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeshurun	
	2026-09-03 20:47:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Barry	business owner
	2026-09-04 09:18:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have the right to free and independent energy - nobody owns the sun - if individuals wish to install solar panels to protect and ensure their energy needs amoungst rising cost of living - then that is their right to do so !!!!! Stop the corruption in government and get big business to pay correct tax- leave individual households and smaller business alone to try and survive in this corrupt country - without trying to milk us yet again for more money to line the fat cat pockets and salaries in government and big business.	Debra	self-employed
	2026-09-04 12:34:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lester	
	2026-09-04 14:09:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samantha	retired
	2026-09-04 20:54:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Leaching money off hard working people’s money. The tax system alone is unjust as it is. Furthermore adding to the fact that the tax money does not work for the people	Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-05 03:53:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Thulile	employed individual
	2026-09-06 16:54:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		chris	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 18:21:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop making bullshit policies that punish those who still do pay. Make a fixed rate for companies so they know how to structure their business. Stop supply to those Municipalities who are not paying. Everybody that uses electricity must pay their fair share or be cut off.	Sharon	self-employed
	2026-09-06 20:02:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has had the monopoly on energy for far too long and have taken full advantage in dictating astronomical price increases which is crippling consumers. We are tired of paying for other people's consumption and Eskom's incompetence. It is about time that the govt introduces competition which was suggested years ago but has been ignored.	Tracy	
	2026-09-06 20:49:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It seems the government is not conscious about poor people when they price electricity . Its a shame that those who manage electricity increase their salaries at the expense of the people They must reduce their salaries if there’s a crisis that requires increased tariffs	Violet	retired
	2026-09-07 08:10:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers.	Nico	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 16:17:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die son is deel van die Skepping. Maar alles wat die God geskep is om ons te help, word gepatenteer en belas, net soos baie natuurlike medikasie. As iemand nie kan wins maak daaruit nie word dit ‘n taboe verklaar.	Gerda	employed individual
	2026-09-07 18:44:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		vernaline	business owner
	2026-09-08 06:11:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-08 09:03:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First off a company that spends R27 million on a family day, doesn't need our money! The debt burden that Eskom now carries was of their own making. Sleep in that bed you made. How did Eskom go from one of the best electricity producers in the world to one of the worst. Maladministration, greed, nepotism, the list goes on, have all led to the state Eskom is now in. They are raking in the funds to feed their investors, who they serve, not us the public. How do defaulting municipalities keep getting away with write offs? A badly run business will always remain that. Badly run. But somehow the public has to bail them out time and again.	Guy	self-employed

	2026-09-08 09:11:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzette	employed individual
	2026-09-08 10:09:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I got solar power, as I got very tired of losing my food as the power was off again. As a pensioner it is very costly to keep losing your food. The power would go off for 3 weeks at a time. So I finally I did something so that I did not lose my food etc again	Stella	retired
	2026-09-08 11:25:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaco	employed individual
	2026-09-08 12:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	retired
	2026-09-08 12:12:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verna	retired
	2026-09-08 13:18:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicolaas	employed individual
	2026-09-08 14:09:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Can not supply so help us out, Demand drops so you decide to penalize, Typical, Want your bread buttered on both sides,	Frank	retired
	2026-09-08 17:52:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is so stupid! Nersa just approved a raise in electricity tariffs. Soon more people will leave the grid because of ridiculous electricity prices! What then? Make it even more expensive to fill the shortfall? Rather make it cheaper and retain some users! And stop the illegal connections!	Charl	retired
	2026-09-09 14:03:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die son behoort aan almal en dit is my keuse as ek solar wil installeer en gebruik. Net nog 'n uitweg om die kas leeg te maak	Beat	employed individual
	2026-09-09 18:15:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM should be un-bundled and electricity provision privatized. We are paying ridiculous fees for constantly failing electricity supply from Eskom. They used to be one of the best and cheapest energy generators and suppliers in the world. BUT UNFORTUNATELY NO MORE...	Marietjie	retired
	2026-09-10 01:49:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-09-10 11:06:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roelf	retired
	2026-09-10 13:10:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are forced to install our own power systems for over 20 years because of corrupt and inept Eskom management, now they want to force us to pay 'THEM' monthly fees because we did what 'THEY' were unable to do. This is simply bullshit and blatant theft from the ratepayers.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-10 19:30:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	
	2026-09-11 07:43:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary	retired
	2026-09-11 14:15:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	
	2026-09-11 14:28:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-09-11 14:35:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the Government decides to stop being childish and Unfortunate, and grow into ADULTHOOD, then He/She will realise that CONTROL is SELF, and One OUT of CONTROL Cannot create anything of Value From NOTHING, IE, ADD SOMETHING OF VALUE THEN SEEK RENUMERATION.....	Warren	self-employed
	2026-09-11 14:38:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just plain robbery. No person should have to pay for the sun, Eskom DOES NOT OWN IT. Solar users push power in for Eskom and now they want to treat users like their cash cow. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. WHEN WILL THE GREED END	Natalie	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:01:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	retired
	2026-09-11 15:16:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get rid of the corruption inside Eskom first and then treat citizens fairly in an open free market. Eskom is not 'god' it is only a business that needs to adapt to changing technology to better service delivery to it's customers and if it wants more customers then offer the best options and prices. Take care of your infrastructure, service delivery and costs. Maybe then you will recover. Nobody wants to buy a dying horse.	Mrs. D	
	2026-09-11 15:40:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Nobody owns the sun so stop acting like you do, you have many loans to honor and us consumers are not paying for your loans that were only because of incompetence on eskoms part stop looking for money following stupid avenues like thinking you can charge "Sun Tax", come on get real how ridiculous can you get, do your job and leave us law abiding, tax paying people alone.	Damien	self-employed
	2026-09-11 15:42:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Will	
	2026-09-11 15:59:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At some point, P. Ramaposa, in answer to the electricity/load shedding that ESCOM experienced, both from their own internal mis-managment of funds, and the corruption in municipalities. If if is not clear by now, when will we 'wake up'?' All the resultant financial losses incurred by the corrupt of which their is a frightening figure of how many fall under this plunder of SA - basically it 'bumps' down to us the comsumer/general public. Excom has done nothing to stop the non payers illegal connections. Those getting the grant should have money deducted directly paid to ESCOM and water. As a consumer who consumes has to pay. Anyway P. Ramaposa encouraged us to 'get solar' as a solution, even went so far to offer a R 15 000.00 tax reduction - ha ha ha. Personally my business would have closed, I was paying people to sit around the best part of the day as we could not function in our work. So job losses, product increases as factories couldnt run their machinery the impact is over whelming - ruining lives, livelihoods and plus plus plus. The gov. does not even pay for electricity/water it's part of their perks along with the corrupt activities. This is another criminal act on the highest of scales and if the eff party can threaten to 'bring SA to a halt' for whatever issue it is time we had an opportunity to STOP this immediately. We are held hostage under abuse, financial loss, emotional blackmail, threats to our existance all by the same group of users, abusers, non functioning greedy minded sociopathic mental disorder - Job creation promises - ha ha ha - everything they do destroys efforts made and motivation has been reduced to 'why even bother' they are taking everything from us ..... the poor are the poor and have been rendered more so. Speachless, when he had 580 000.00 thousand US dollars in his couch that in itself is a criminal offence that all is being done to wriggle out of and how much is that shin-dig costing us tax payers - We have always paid for services they make it sound like we live in kindergarten when it is them who covert the prize of the creators of all our problems. Let them pay the money back	Jennifer	
	2026-09-11 16:07:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm just so fucking over this country. Let the peasants pay and fuck the poor. Viva poverty, viva.	Lee	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:11:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phil	retired
	2026-09-11 16:13:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a household that has invested significantly in rooftop solar, I am not in favour of a system that imposes increasingly high fixed grid charges on solar users. We have invested our own money to reduce our reliance on the grid, lower electricity demand, and contribute to a more sustainable energy system. Penalising households for generating their own power undermines that investment and discourages further private investment in renewable energy. Any new electricity market should ensure that households with solar are treated fairly, with transparent and reasonable grid charges that reflect actual network usage rather than simply shifting costs onto those who have invested in alternatives.	Sasha	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:20:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will not pay to anyone because I am off grid and the sun does not belong to them.	casper	retired
	2026-09-11 16:25:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vaughn	retired
	2026-09-11 16:28:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		João Paulo	
	2026-09-11 16:30:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Effectively yet another form of 'wealth tax' where those who are actually keeping the country running are being burdened to breaking point with the rising cost of living in SA. Sad that if tax were utilised effectively and without theft and corruption this conversation would not be being had.	Alison	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:33:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not provide a basic need and consumers had no choice now this market monopoly with corruption to its core (that in fact made a profit off us all!!) want to screw us over even more. I'll invest in more panels and batteries and go completely off grid if all of us to this they are even more screwed and the vulnerable suffer more	I	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:36:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Godwin	
	2026-09-11 16:38:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	RYAN	business owner
	2026-09-11 16:49:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Msrk	business owner
	2026-09-11 16:56:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeffrey	retired
	2026-09-11 17:00:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ken	retired
	2026-09-11 17:02:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government has no care for the man in the street.	Roslyn	retired
	2026-09-11 17:04:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	TAXED IF YOU DON'T, TAXED IF YOU DO. WE ARE NOT HERE TO BE YOUR SLAVES, MANIPULATED INTO A CORNER. GET OUT YOU FILTHY ROTTEN REGIME	DEIRDRE	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:06:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hildegarde	

	2026-09-11 17:06:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annet	retired
	2026-09-11 17:09:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-09-11 17:10:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maurice	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:12:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Farieda Miller	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:16:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:19:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already having enough issues trying to keep our head above water and now...just more strain and more suffering...Eskom has been hiking prices for a while now and it is getting out of hand, now they want money for doing nothing. Stop giving businesses the ability to drop their costs but not the people, do not be like the US where you give businesses a lesser rate and the rest of us have to carry the cost.	Jaco	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:23:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thys	retired
	2026-09-11 17:26:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Evan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:27:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:29:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maureen	retired
	2026-09-11 17:36:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-09-11 17:47:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Wayne	business owner
	2026-09-11 17:49:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynne	
	2026-09-11 17:58:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to recover the deficit by getting money back from those who stole the money or by passing on its governance to the private sector as it seems totally incapable of managing efficient power generation.	Caroline	retired
	2026-09-11 18:02:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	retired
	2026-09-11 18:02:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bryan	retired
	2026-09-11 18:19:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This nothing less than legalised theft from people who are being held hostage by an underperforming electricity supplier who in a free market society would have found themselves out of a job a long time ago.	Timothy	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:20:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-11 18:23:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gene	retired
	2026-09-11 18:25:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:26:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:28:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	
	2026-09-11 18:34:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Guy	Non-profit
	2026-09-11 18:37:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom encouraged electricity users to install alternative generation equipment to lower the required load, now they want to punish those who helped them.	Vic	retired
	2026-09-11 18:37:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erika	retired
	2026-09-11 18:37:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner stay in a old age home. We don't get the 50 units free from the government because the old age home make use of private prepaid meters as it falls within the business layout . As this put a extra burden on us as the prepaid cost is R3.45 per kw unit . Eskom is not supposed to make a profit because it is run by the state. The poorest of the poor has to suffer while the state lives like kings .	Willem	retired
	2026-09-11 18:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has a massively bloated, vastly overpaid 'workforce' of deployed ANC cadres. Eskom is still riddled with corruption. Eskom is a totally anti-competitive price fixing monopoly. Combined these destroy hundreds of thousands of jobs across the SA economy. Fix these or face a total payments boycott from the few who still pay fir electricity.	Nigel	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:41:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vossie	retired
	2026-09-11 18:54:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:56:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ellen	
	2026-09-11 19:08:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should find other ways of recovering financially , not squeezing homes under pressure already further. Like stop selling wholesale electricity to neighbouring countries at a loss??	Richard	business owner
	2026-09-11 19:13:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelisv	retired
	2026-09-11 19:18:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantelle	
	2026-09-11 19:25:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely pathetic and unconstitutional. Find other ways of generating revenue and stop penalizing consumers that assisted you during loadshedding days.	Rosa	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:27:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Rooftop solar is an act of self preservation against bad management and total collapse of the economy by an incompetent State. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalizes energy-conscious citizens and does not solve the problem of the enormous debt burden of ESCOM and does not solve the problem of unpaying (pirate) users.	Lourens	retired
	2026-09-11 19:33:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The second quarter of 2026 and our economy is officially -0.2%!!! The people in this country can not carry the government any more!	Leonard	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:34:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beulah	retired
	2026-09-11 19:41:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:42:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelus	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:47:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tsheko	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:52:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government failed citizens. Eskom failed due to corruption. Citizens cannot keep funding failures	R	
	2026-09-11 20:03:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-11 20:09:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am staying alone and don’t use a lot of electricity for not being at home most of the time due to long hours of working conditions. They need to investigate before just accepting that everyone is using the same amount of units. Plus this feels as if they want to steal form the few people who are carrying the financial burden in this country by draining us with tax hikes, bore hole tax and now sun tax that is a free supply. They are not God	Cornelius	employed individual

	2026-09-11 20:23:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can not afford this prices. How are we going to live.	Skalk	retired
	2026-09-11 20:27:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nkosingiphile Gift	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 20:48:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired
	2026-09-11 21:03:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'll be frank: this is legalized theft. The very people that forked out thousands of their own funds (in my case borrowed) to help reduce the load on Eskom, are noe the very people that will be forced to pay even more. And you don't stop there, you are also going to hit the middle-class and the poor the hardest, whether they have solar or not, and mines and factories get a (near) free pass. You cannot create wealth by dividing it, just as you cannot tax yourself out of finical mismanagement. Fix your mistakes from te past three decades without transferring the debt to the consumers that pulled you through your lowest points.	Charl	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:07:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-11 21:23:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	retired
	2026-09-11 21:39:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Praveen	retired
	2026-09-11 22:06:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wade	
	2026-09-11 22:40:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Lets face facts: When As goverment you promise to supply free power to a certain majority of people, the question arrises for where will the money come from to compensate Eskom for that supply. It will come from the people living in the city that is not squating. Goverment own ESKOM. So it is all a political thing. Its like the petrol thing. Up and down as they like. Investments are inportant, for what? to be stolen , mis managed to prescribed investors how to work with their own money. What a circus No no no South Africa, stand up and fight for your rights don let this people milk us dry.	Marius	
	2026-09-11 22:40:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mmamotlele	retired
	2026-09-11 22:46:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-09-11 22:57:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Callie	
	2026-09-11 22:58:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelly	self-employed
	2026-09-11 23:02:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-11 23:07:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous, increasing tariffs and forcing the public to pay for a service not rendered. As it is, our electricity is too high and unaffordable for pensioners. Just this past week of our neighbours in the street were without power for 5 days. We got nowhere with City Power who could not be bothered to assist. Staff are rude and incompetent and eventually the job reference is closed as attended to when nothing was done at all. The public is not responsible for Escom's bad management of funds or lining senior management's pockets.	Tersia	retired
	2026-09-11 23:17:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jolene	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:09:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:29:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Pat	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:46:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Lorraine	self-employed
	2026-09-12 00:52:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are constantly without electricity in Gqeberha… how can we be penalised for creating a solution… Can’t we feed electricity back into the grid? Surely that is a better solution	Ceridwyn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 00:58:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ravi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 01:30:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shy	
	2026-09-12 02:00:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Go back to the beginning. Like the government itself and all state owned companies, ESKOM must have reduced it's massive overstaff to cut it's massive overspending on labor in order to operate efficiently like private companies, reject disastrous BBBEE as well as huge tender corruption. Refusing to adhere hereto led to massive tariff hikes to the consumer which could have been avoided. The consumer and ESKOM would indeed be in a much stronger long-term financial situation which would strongly reduced the need of such ridiculous legislation.	Hermanus	retired
	2026-09-12 03:13:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hemali	
	2026-09-12 04:25:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ina	retired
	2026-09-12 04:43:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaime	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:17:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Colin	business owner
	2026-09-12 05:21:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	richard	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 05:36:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As people of SA we cannot afford all these additional charges that the goverment is loading on the people of SA. Business is going bankcrupt people are in financial stress .Pensioners are below zero toelance finacialy to all the price hikes that is laid on us. By goverment so they can keep up have the highest salaries in the world paid by the people who try to keep heads above the water .. The goverment is thru legistration preventing free trade. Where we have to look for ulternative methods to be able to put food on our tables and keep up with rising fuel cost electricty becoming unafordable.	Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 05:39:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noel	retired
	2026-09-12 06:04:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should not pay for gross mismanagement and corruption at Eskom and municipalities that caused load-shedding and the astronomical increase in energy costs.	Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:13:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many households opted for solar when the state failed to provide grid power. The failure was due to state capture and corruption. By implemented solar charges to households and low end users, the repayment period for investment into solar will be greatly extended ensuring that many homes will be over burdened and financially strapped.	Ebrahim	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:18:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are done with being fleeced and seen as the pot of gold for those that make a handsome living off the public sector with a blatant disregard for the tax payer and the public at large.	Raimond	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:29:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The average person is drowning in heavy monthly mandatory cost already, fuel, utilities, electricity, etc. The government/people in power care nothing for their people. They squander their budgets, steal, misappropriate and when they need more, they just take from the public.	Dustin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:35:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nikki	employed individual

	2026-09-12 06:35:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid	Michelle	retired
	2026-09-12 06:36:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cut staff and management salaries at Eskom Why should we pay for their excessive salaries which are not necessary considering the state of the Eskom Power Stations which are not working. Gas powered turbines are carrying the load. Makes no sense. Another SOE making money to steal.	Mary	retired
	2026-09-12 06:36:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:45:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government is finding ways to increase their salaries.	Tony	retired
	2026-09-12 06:47:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are broke go after the locations and squatters thats where they are stealing electricity and making it so expensive for everyone els.	Rogerio	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:47:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government must first recover the embedded funds from the municipalities	Nthako	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:50:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hans	retired
	2026-09-12 07:07:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 07:10:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patricia	retired
	2026-09-12 07:37:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	4: Municipal Financial Collapse & Loss of Cross-Subsidies What the Policy Proposes: The position paper mandates the unbundling of electricity distribution businesses into separate regulated network service providers (“wires”) and licensed retail trading businesses. It also enforces strict prudential (creditworthiness) requirements for wholesale market participation, while acknowledging that many municipal distributors currently fail to meet baseline financial viability criteria. The Underlying Risk: Local municipalities rely heavily on the profit margins generated from bulk electricity sales to industrial and commercial clients to cross-subsidise indigent households, free basic electricity (FBE), and municipal service delivery. If large customers bypass local councils to purchase from private traders, municipal distribution revenues could collapse, accelerating local government insolvency and worsening service delivery failures across towns and cities. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. Demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 07:39:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glenn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:41:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Valentino	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:54:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How much more is going to be stolen from us, the consumer , in the guise of taxes? Has Eskimo, nersa and other energy regulators not stolen enough from us as consumers and pensioners ? Maybe we should just nit buy into their heinous monopoly and go back to dark Africa because it seems that is what they want, but their employees who hike the prices get millions in increase in their annual salaries. Nee man ons is nou keelvol van al die bedrog. Ons verdien nie miljoene waarby die bedrog spul ons kan besteel op n daaglikse basis nie	Wasela	retired
	2026-09-12 07:57:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-12 07:58:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Captive market create complacency and indifferences to the detriment of the consumer and rewarding the provider whether or not services are up to acceptable standard.	Mariana	retired
	2026-09-12 08:01:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	retired
	2026-09-12 08:05:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-09-12 08:10:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I support electricity-market reform, but I strongly object to any policy that places an unfair financial burden on ordinary households, small businesses, or people who have invested their own money in solar power. Solar users should not be penalised through excessive fixed or capacity charges simply because they buy less electricity from the grid. Any network charge must be reasonable, transparent and directly related to the actual cost of providing the grid connection. I am equally concerned that households and small businesses who remain dependent on municipal electricity could be forced to carry higher tariffs and cross-subsidies as large industrial users move to alternative suppliers. Government must ensure that electricity reform does not shift the financial burden onto captive consumers. Tariffs and fixed charges should be cost-reflective, transparent and independently regulated, with clear protection for vulnerable consumers. I therefore object to any tariff structure that effectively becomes a penalty on solar investment or unfairly increases the burden on ordinary residential and small-business consumers.	Francis	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:10:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Decentralisation is your answer, let the market’s dictate investment and direction	Gordon	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:15:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-12 08:23:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans ARE ALREADY AMONGST THE HIGHEST TAXED CITIZENS IN THE WORLD!. Without any of the social benefits other high tax rate countries provide their citizens. In addition, NERSA and Eskom are already over collecting in above inflation rates due to incompetence and a shocking lack of management. If the government is trying to cause a tax revolt by the tiny percentage of tax payers who keep the treasury alive them keep doing stupid stuff like this. Tax payers have had enough. Look at the polls and the lack of support in the government and be smart enough to see that this is no longer going to be tolerated by South Africans paying taxes. Do your jobs and stop looking for additional ways to rip off tax payers. Enough is enough.	rolf	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:28:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Nicole	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:30:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	retired
	2026-09-12 08:31:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Theft is illegal Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalize private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Kenny	retired
	2026-09-12 08:34:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	
	2026-09-12 08:36:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Warrick	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:38:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More bullsh*t to grab more money for decaying services - we have truly become a 'banana republic'!!!! What a shame after such a promising start in 1994!!	Dirk	retired
	2026-09-12 08:41:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will the citizens of South Africa be free from the corruption and incompetence of state institutions who are supposed to be protective of it’s citizens and their escalating costs of living?	Mariam	retired
	2026-09-12 08:44:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luis	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 08:54:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They will not use the profit for improvement, but cheese us out from our homes with price hikes	Ibolja	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:54:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	
	2026-09-12 08:56:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	retired
	2026-09-12 09:01:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired

	2026-09-12 09:07:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Nicholas Gaelan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:10:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CECILY	
	2026-09-12 09:14:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am an elderly person who, as it is, can hardly afford the municipal charges. and at 67 still work to afford to live. I hardly use refuse, because I compost, use as little plastic as possible and recycle - yet I have to pay the monthly refuse fee without having any option. I use electricity sparingly because it is already so expensive, never switch on the geyser, boil water on gas for tee and personal hygiene instead of using the geyser, switch on a small lamp in the evening instead of main lights and have the most power for a washing machine and a fridge - yet pay a high levy on the lines. Same with water, I have a well point - which does use electricity but I am afraid to water my veg too often for that reason, use whatever I can of "dirty" water to water plants and flush the toilet, yet I pay more for the usage of the water facility than what I pay on the actual used water. In which world is this the correct thing to do. How are people like me supposed to carry on a decent life when tariffs are increased without concern for the human in the street. The huge companies who can afford must pay their usage fee like everyone else and the corrupt Eskom officials must be brought to justice, including their inflated salaries (question remains, what they are doing to deserve these salaries - besides stealing from tax payers to line their own pockets). These people are driving the country into ruin and not to mention the poor in the informal settlements who now already cannot afford their lives, they will continue to live like in the stone ages without enough water and electricity while the big companies get all the benefits and the poor get none. Surely there is something major wrong with this picture. People, wake up and stop this madness.	Ursula	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:20:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If eskom can not compete in an open free market it should be completely privatise and not seek legislature to protect its existence at the cost of the consumer. The consumer must be protected from exuberant connection and line fees	Fred	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:20:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	retired
	2026-09-12 09:20:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:38:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 09:42:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 09:43:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:59:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-12 09:59:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	
	2026-09-12 10:10:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC government has brought this dilemma on themselves as they were using useless service providers, paying more for the actual cost for the work and then their corrupt ministers.	Oliver	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 10:11:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beryl	retired
	2026-09-12 10:11:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	
	2026-09-12 10:15:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will just be another cadre rip-off to protect the useless Escom and socalled Minister and other gevernment people.	JP	retired
	2026-09-12 10:16:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts.	Don	retired
	2026-09-12 10:21:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Dave	self-employed
	2026-09-12 10:27:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-12 10:29:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please start behaving like you care about us. Please start thinking about people as human beings. Please respect the environment and work towards climate stability.	Damon	
	2026-09-12 10:34:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Poor infrastructure maintenance and high prices for power. Manipulating the power market and unfair treatment of Eskom consumers with unreasonable and unrealistic price increases. Poor management of Eskom and inadequate governance leading to fraud and theft of resources and financial loss. No concern for poor and vulnerable people.	Shinaaz	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:39:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	retired
	2026-09-12 10:49:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-09-12 10:49:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop looting money then using us to pay for the damage, this is criminal	Thatohatsi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 11:04:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shannon	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:09:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	JOHANNES JURIE	retired
	2026-09-12 11:14:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I sent photos of my METER reading and sent to Joburg Lights&Water (in time) - received my account for June , my meter reading did not show on the account they put there OWN reading?	Margret	retired
	2026-09-12 11:39:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Another way to steal and mismanage our country	GLADYS	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:48:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another tax levied to cover up fraud, corruption and gross incompetence. Greed before citizens.	Dave	
	2026-09-12 12:09:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-12 12:11:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elna	retired
	2026-09-12 12:14:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jayni	retired
	2026-09-12 12:21:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judy	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:33:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sooner the current political dispensation lands on the trash heap of its own making, the better: no sense in putting bandages of any kind on a dying body.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-12 12:51:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Yet another example of government serving itself rather than the people it is supposed to be serving. And yet again it will be the working class and poor people that are suffering the most	Brad	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:05:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As the majority of people who switched to solar are white they must acknowledge that the current govt and piggyback parties really only care about their own self-interest which is being paid salaries and kickbacks of the highest amount in comparison to other countries. I believe that I will pay what if fair and not what a corporation demands. Eg. if I was using Eskom for top up at night, I will then pay a higher fee. If I use my own Generator for topping up then I will NOT pay. Therefore as I do not use anything remotely linked to Escom they can go and get F++++d. I will not abide by the demands they want and do what is necessary to ensure my independence. I have yet to hear what the political parties, DA etc are doing about this travesty of rights.	Ashley	retired
	2026-09-12 13:17:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has done enough damage. I think it’s time for them to step aside. How can they propose fines and levies on people who are seeking to fix a problem that Eskom created. After years of load shedding and blackouts, people are taking matters into their own hands and rightly so! When countless people suffered massive losses due to being unable to work because of load shedding or blackouts, did they receive compensation? No!! So why does Eskom suddenly feel they are owed something? Step aside!!!	Tanya	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 13:25:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First there was Eskom's inability to prove stable grid power which forced businesses and private homeowners to invest in solar power, at great cost and now they want to penalised us for using our own power. This is gross incompetency on the part of the ANC and I deem it, corruption at its worst. People should make a stand against government manipulation.	Rocky	retired

	2026-09-12 13:40:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No fixed charges. and no price manipulation. Typical of this government trying to milk the hard up consumer. Where will the money go ? Into the endless ANC gravy train for the benefit of the ANC cadres	Angela	retired
	2026-09-12 13:41:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Khethiwe	retired

						Disadvantages of South Africa's proposed open electricity market The proposed South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) would change how electricity is bought and sold in South Africa. Instead of Eskom being the primary single buyer of electricity from generators, the system would allow multiple buyers and sellers to participate in a competitive wholesale market. Although this could create opportunities for competition and investment, South African citizens could face several disadvantages during the transition and if the market is poorly regulated. 1. Possible increase in electricity prices One of the biggest concerns is that competition does not automatically mean cheaper electricity for every household. Cost-reflective tariffs: The government is moving toward electricity prices that recover the costs of producing, transmitting and distributing electricity. If these costs are passed on more fully to consumers, households could face higher bills or prepaid electricity running out faster. Market price fluctuations: Wholesale electricity prices could vary according to supply, demand, generation availability and other market conditions. These fluctuations may eventually affect electricity tariffs. Higher fixed charges: Consumers could pay more in fixed network or capacity charges, even when they reduce their electricity consumption. South Africa's draft electricity pricing policy explicitly supports cost-reflective tariffs, while also recognising the need to protect vulnerable and low-income households. Department of Electricity and Energy +2 2. Poor households could be affected the most Low-income families may not benefit equally from a competitive electricity market. Wealthier households may be able to install solar panels, batteries or alternative energy systems. Poor households, tenants and people living in informal settlements may have little ability to switch suppliers or invest in backup electricity. This could create a two-tier electricity system: Wealthier households Can potentially invest in solar, batteries and alternative electricity suppliers. Poor and vulnerable households May remain dependent on the public grid and have fewer options when tariffs increase. The risk is that competition could improve choice for some consumers while leaving others exposed to rising costs. Government's own pricing framework recognises the importance of Free Basic Electricity, lifeline tariffs and other protections for vulnerable consumers. Department of Electricity and Energy +1 3. Eskom's financial problems could affect citizens Eskom is already carrying substantial financial obligations. Restructuring the electricity industry could create additional financial and operational pressures if the transition is not carefully managed. Potential consequences include: Higher electricity tariffs to recover Eskom's existing costs and debts. Government having to provide additional financial support, potentially placing pressure on public finances. Reduced funds available for other public services if the restructuring requires further taxpayer assistance. Increased risk of service interruptions if financial instability affects maintenance or investment. The government's restructuring task team has specifically identified municipal arrears owed to Eskom as a threat to Eskom and the broader electricity sector. South African Government +1 4. Risk of private-sector profit taking priority over public interest Under a competitive market, private electricity generators and traders may seek to maximise profits. This is not necessarily harmful, but it creates a risk if regulation is weak. For example, companies might: Charge higher prices during periods of electricity shortages. Focus on supplying profitable commercial and industrial customers. Avoid investing in areas where household electricity demand is low or collection rates are poor. Reduce services or withdraw from markets where they cannot make sufficient returns. This could particularly affect rural communities, low-income households and municipalities with limited financial resources. Important: These are potential risks, not evidence that SAWEM will necessarily result in exploitation. Effective regulation, competition and consumer protection are intended to prevent such outcomes. 5. Municipal electricity services could become more complicated Many South Africans receive electricity through municipalities rather than directly from Eskom. A multi-buyer market could introduce additional trading arrangements, network charges, contracts and billing responsibilities. Possible disadvantages include: More complicated electricity bills. Confusion about which company is responsible for supply interruptions. Disputes between municipalities, electricity traders, distributors and consumers. Increased administrative costs that could ultimately be passed on to households. The proposed market architecture includes arrangements for transmission and distribution charges, market settlement and retail supply. These systems must work effectively to avoid consumer harm. Government of South Africa +1 6. Job losses or uncertainty during Eskom restructuring Moving away from the single-buyer model and restructuring Eskom could affect employees, contractors and businesses that depend on the existing electricity structure. Potential risks include: Changes to Eskom's organisational structure and staffing requirements. Job uncertainty in affected departments or businesses. Possible retrenchments if certain functions become duplicated or are outsourced. Disruption to communities that depend on Eskom-related employment. The scale of any job losses cannot be determined from the market roadmap alone. It will depend on the final restructuring arrangements, labour agreements and implementation decisions. 7. Greater complexity could create billing and supply disputes A competitive market may involve several entities performing different functions: Electricity generators Produce electricity Wholesale market and traders Buy, sell and settle electricity transactions Transmission and distribution networks Transport electricity to customers Households and businesses Receive and pay for electricity If the market rules, payment systems or responsibilities are unclear, customers could experience delayed refunds, incorrect bills, disputes over supply and difficulty obtaining assistance. The market design recognises the need for settlement arrangements, consumer protection and a retailer-of-last-resort framework. Parliament of South Africa +1 8. Competition may not immediately improve electricity reliability The purpose of SAWEM includes attracting investment and improving electricity supply. However, establishing a market does not automatically build new power stations, transmission lines or distribution infrastructure. Citizens could still experience: Electricity shortages if generation capacity remains insufficient. Delays in connecting new power projects to the grid. Continued load-shedding risks during the transition. Higher costs if emergency electricity procurement becomes necessary. Government acknowledges that major investment in transmission infrastructure is needed to connect new generation projects and support a competitive market. South African Government +1 9. Potential inequality between regions Electricity suppliers may prefer areas with high demand and reliable payment. This could make it more difficult to attract investment to poorer rural areas or municipalities with weak electricity infrastructure. Unless the regulatory framework guarantees fair access and protects less profitable areas, regional inequality could increase.		
				Market Power &	Residential Electricity	10. Citizens may have less certainty about future electricity costs		

	2026-09-12 13:51:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruth	retired
	2026-09-12 13:58:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All of the proposed changes are punishing the very people that have kept SA power and electricity going. We need to be rewarded and not punished with even more severe and escalating costs. Eskom's management has to stop skimming off money for personal gain, and pull up their socks by doing their job effectively and honestly.	Gabriele	retired
	2026-09-12 14:12:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JULIE	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:26:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jurie	retired
	2026-09-12 14:27:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheryl	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:27:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jan	
	2026-09-12 14:30:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Become self reliant. Have nothing to do with any of these ridiculous ideas!	C	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:33:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For the vast majority of ordinary people Eskom will remain the monopoly supplier, via municipal accounts. Forcing them to pay for all the shortfall caused by bad business decisions in the past and present, will be unsustainable. How can we force Eskom to be leaner end efficient if there is no competition and no incentive. Captive consumer will always foot the bill.	Dianne	retired
	2026-09-12 14:37:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	free or fully controlled, only option and Escom has become a joke in comparison to what it was , such a shame, I believe	George	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:52:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 14:53:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steevo	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 15:01:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lettie	retired
	2026-09-12 15:17:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	retired
	2026-09-12 15:19:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must get it's own house in order before entertaining any thoughts of further gouging the consumer! We have suffered massive electricity cost increases over the past several years even whilst load-shedding has crippled much of the economy and loaded consumers with the vast cost burden of alternative energy systems. This latest wet-dream of Eksdom is just another appalling decision of the wretches who manage Eksdom!	Stewart	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:26:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	retired
	2026-09-12 15:27:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is so unfair that ALL suppliers of services to consumers are allowed to willy nilly create all types of taxes to satisfy their needs in terms of getting MORE AND MORE out of their clients! There are numerous users who are unable to weather the STORM of INCREASES which continues to come their way because they are last in the line! Such behaviour leads to enticing corruption as consumers are unable to keep up with the demand s from the SUPPLIERS of the entities concerned! I do not support this proposed policy!!	Edwin	retired
	2026-09-12 15:28:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom will have to get their house in order. We read the news. We see the profits made. We see what salaries and bonusses the execs get. We speak to Eskom techs and hear first hand of ongoing irregulatities and cader employment.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 15:31:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	hilton	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:58:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:22:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are already paying to much for electricity under the present pricing. The previous model was way better for the consumer to manage their billing.	Deandre	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:33:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	retired
	2026-09-12 17:06:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johann	
	2026-09-12 17:26:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom is making huge profits from a captive market with exorbitant increases and managers getting promotion and bonuses for a lack of service. No person who chooses should pay for a service they do not want or need and those wh do choose it should not be milked to fund the system. Take it from the ministers and managers	Don	business owner
	2026-09-12 17:43:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-09-12 18:09:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Flaminio	retired
	2026-09-12 18:23:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DelRay	
	2026-09-12 18:29:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again we are expected to pay for incompetence and corruption!!!	Helen	retired
	2026-09-12 18:38:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so tired of the corrupt ESKOM, as well as the parasites (Municipalities in arrears) feeding off us.	Leon	retired
	2026-09-12 18:53:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geja	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:32:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom was a private company the senior management would've been fired, or it would have to declare bankruptcy. This is just another attempt for ANC appointees to enrich themselves, by stealing from the poor.	Maria	
	2026-09-12 19:38:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 19:49:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadira	retired
	2026-09-12 20:29:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	retired
	2026-09-12 21:25:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is overstaffed and overpriced. From the world's most efficient power producer during the previous regime, it has become an inefficient and autocratic producer of very expensive electricity generator. Kusile and it's twin have overrun it's timeline and costs due to corruption, cost overruns and BBEEE. The public are now being forced to pay for their inefficiencies. It is a case of "we stole your money, so please pay up"	Arvind	retired
	2026-09-12 21:36:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	State capture compromised our two newest power generating stations; these inefficiencies need to be addressed properly and the corrupt need to be punished by the full extent of the law!	Warren	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 21:51:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were good enough when we used solar to relieve pressure on the grid when state capture had looted the coffers causing g a power deficit - now there are plans to penalise the consumer. This is unacceptable. It's a great shame that government has been so shortsighted.	Jane	
	2026-09-12 22:32:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Shaun	retired
	2026-09-12 22:38:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Alternative power sources should be made use of as much as possible !	Roman	retired
	2026-09-12 22:52:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom is worried about solar becoming a competitor it needs to act competitively. Make their electricity more appealing than solar panels not less so	Megan	
	2026-09-12 23:14:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riana	employed individual
	2026-09-13 01:11:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	self-employed
	2026-09-13 02:52:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gisela	
	2026-09-13 03:42:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	retired

	2026-09-13 04:27:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janniw	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:34:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonelda	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 05:58:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ina	
	2026-09-13 06:02:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hoosain	
	2026-09-13 06:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The flagrant misuse of power and influence, and non-protection of the interests of citizens must stop.	Elmarie	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:13:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Asma	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 06:19:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:40:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ansie	retired
	2026-09-13 06:52:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magdel	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:59:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is clear that these proposals are NOT for the benefit of the ordinary citizens of this country, but are simply a money-grabbing ploy to keep funding corrupt officials. We are tired of being burdened with your criminal neglect, greed and incompetence.	Glenn	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:14:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The 'Sun tax' is yet another example of double taxation in SA. Citizens who were forced to provide their own power when government failed us should not be further penalised, especially since the 'rebate' was selectively applied. Eskom is now celebrating profit and end of loadshedding, but that is as a result of lack of demand, and high pricing. It remains a wasteful enterprise. I strongly feel that we should fully de-regulate the energy market and allow open private competition. It is well demonstrated that government regulation is neither effective nor efficient. Municipalities are poorly managed and this bill provides no protection to residential households. Strict caps should be introduced.	Tina	
	2026-09-13 07:23:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	
	2026-09-13 07:31:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andreies	
	2026-09-13 07:44:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-13 07:46:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edrwad	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:58:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The residential consumer cannot and will not continue to absorb costs in the municipalities and Eskom as a result of rampant corruption, theft and graft.	Diane	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:03:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wikus	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 08:07:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hermanus	retired
	2026-09-13 08:11:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 08:12:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another ploy by municipalities to put the costs on the people, of which the fault for all the mismanagement, corruption, incompetence and wasteful expenditure is the fault of the government itself and their cadre employees who obviously don't have a clue about good governance or management.. Most municipalities are seemingly employment agencies of tge ANC , expressly to create votes for themselves!	Graeme	
	2026-09-13 08:12:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merle	retired
	2026-09-13 08:19:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear Eskom, there is no necessity for you to bow down to overseas agencies who has your destruction as the goal. May I suggest a much healthier alternative that will Make Eskom Great Again - MEGA - lets build Eskom the South African way. We have the brigtest minds who have OUR interest at heart. We can do it, just stop implementing the clearly criminal ideas of the deranged overseas entities and do what is good and wise. Otherwise you will be destroyed in any case - no one is able to prosper through hate. Should you wish, even our commoners can provide you with a list of wise deeds to implement, enabling a happy South Africa. MEGA!	Jacques	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:38:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public whether private or business sector are as it is being charged to much for electricity due to mismanagement and under performance by Eskom and almost every municipality in the country - it's not our responsibility to pay for your shortfalls. And we know your mismanagement of the grid is in the billions. Sort your own house out before trying to rip the public off for your failures. The public and businesses have had to spent millions on trying to secure a constant and reliable sourse of electricity and backup cause of Eskoms failure and now you still want us to pay more and you will only increase it as you please. Don't agree with this bill at all.	Darren	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:52:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am just tired of thevthieving government. We need urgently a change in government that actually work for the people and not for their own pockets.	Cornelius	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:59:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Franchesca	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:19:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joseph	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:22:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwyn	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:23:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 09:37:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	.....do not let ESKOM keep it's stranglehold on our electricity sector and continue to milk the fiscus!	John	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 09:44:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	
	2026-09-13 09:56:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	retired
	2026-09-13 09:58:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can make up his shortfall by collecting from non-paying consumers. Eskom's non ability to supply consistent power forced us to install solar of which Eskom encouraged consumers to do in the early stages just to turn around and make the consumer the culprit.	Nic	retired
	2026-09-13 09:58:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathleen	retired
	2026-09-13 10:03:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As tax payers and hard working citizens, its appalling to have to keep on taking a stand against corruption and misuse of our money. Our money is what pays to run this country. Stop preying on the poor and marginalised and abusing funds to line your pockets.	Ann	
	2026-09-13 10:22:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	
	2026-09-13 11:00:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. As a residential electricity consumer and ratepayer, my primary concern is market power and the potential for price manipulation. Electricity consumers should not be forced to carry increasing costs because of restructuring, reduced electricity consumption, or declining municipal revenues. I particularly oppose any new or increased tariffs, fixed charges or other fees that raise the cost of electricity. Consumers who have invested their own money in solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be penalised for reducing their reliance on the grid. Electricity distributors should improve efficiency and control costs rather than using increased tariffs and unavoidable charges to recover lost revenue from consumers. I therefore object to any policy that allows market restructuring to result in higher or unfair electricity costs for residential consumers and ratepayers. Electricity must remain affordable, transparent and fairly priced.	basson	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:01:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We need less government interference & taxes. Eskom can run profitably if they root out corruption and employ competent technocrats. What they propose is extrortion like most other taxes. Cut government staff & renumeration. Few business owners can even make as much as their saleries and yet they add very little value to anyones' lives.	Henk	business owner
	2026-09-13 11:01:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolutely ridiculous. There are numerous other ways in which people avoid using electricity from Eskom to reduce consumption of electricity. Are they now going to place an extra charge on those that use candles, those that switch lights off to conserve cost, those that braai, those that have gas stoves etc. In an effort to get people to use more electricity, perhaps they should rather encourage the use of electric vehicles, restoration of the electric rail system. Raising revenue to compensate for the free electricity being dished out to those who do not deserve anything is another step in the right direction. Many countries have been very successful in reducing pollution, saving lives by encouraging people to invest in solar energy. Independent access to energy generated by homes provides access to energy in the event of major blackouts.	David	retired

	2026-09-13 11:02:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear Eskom. Remember SANRAL? You are next. If you did your job you would not havethis problem. I will not pay for a service you cannot provide. Quit trying to find ways to rob South Africans. Because it is robbery.	Debbie	
	2026-09-13 11:02:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. As a residential electricity consumer and ratepayer, my primary concern is market power and the potential for price manipulation. Electricity consumers should not be forced to carry increasing costs because of restructuring, reduced electricity consumption, or declining municipal revenues. I particularly oppose any new or increased tariffs, fixed charges or other fees that raise the cost of electricity. Consumers who have invested their own money in solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be penalised for reducing their reliance on the grid. Electricity distributors should improve efficiency and control costs rather than using increased tariffs and unavoidable charges to recover lost revenue from consumers. I therefore object to any policy that allows market restructuring to result in higher or unfair electricity costs for residential consumers and ratepayers. Electricity must remain affordable, transparent and fairly priced.	Beatrix	retired
	2026-09-13 11:03:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. As a residential electricity consumer and ratepayer, my primary concern is market power and the potential for price manipulation. Electricity consumers should not be forced to carry increasing costs because of restructuring, reduced electricity consumption, or declining municipal revenues. I particularly oppose any new or increased tariffs, fixed charges or other fees that raise the cost of electricity. Consumers who have invested their own money in solar, batteries and energy efficiency should not be penalised for reducing their reliance on the grid. Electricity distributors should improve efficiency and control costs rather than using increased tariffs and unavoidable charges to recover lost revenue from consumers. I therefore object to any policy that allows market restructuring to result in higher or unfair electricity costs for residential consumers and ratepayers. Electricity must remain affordable, transparent and fairly priced.	Jan	retired
	2026-09-13 11:11:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eddie	retired
	2026-09-13 11:19:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meeuwsen	retired
	2026-09-13 11:26:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	
	2026-09-13 11:34:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IT'S TIME TO LOOK AFTER THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA!!! AS Our Government, why does it feel and why do you always work against your own people! You are our biggest enemy, your own people!!! Have you no shame, do you take no pride in running this beautiful country??????	Ifat	business owner
	2026-09-13 11:44:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay so much for electricity. Now you want to screw more out of us. Do not blame us for your mistakes	Theresa	
	2026-09-13 11:49:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The costs of electricity are too high already. Stop all the corruption and illegal connections. Why do ordinary citizens need to pay for the incompetence.	Wendy	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:06:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renee	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:08:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:10:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-13 12:14:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Employ people who know what they are doing.	Merrill	retired
	2026-09-13 12:42:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposed legislation is a scandal. None of it makes sense and the effect on private individuals and local municipalities will be wholly detrimental. I view the proposed legislation as devious and lacking the integrity which one expects from leaders who serve this country's people - not themselves	Gordon	retired
	2026-09-13 12:45:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Freddie	retired
	2026-09-13 12:55:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	
	2026-09-13 13:01:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Before this corrupt, theiving bunch came into power, the contract we had with the power supplier was simple; 1. They agreed to generate power at a reasonable cost 2. I agreed to use and pay for said power and a reasonable price That agreement worked well for both the supplier and the user. Then the ANC happened! With all their "expertise" they could not generate the same amount of power at the same cost as the people before them had done. Over the last 25 years the graph shows costs moving up at a 45 degree angle, while the amount of power being produced at that ever increasing cost declines steadily. It's time we stopped paying for the ANC's inability, not just in power production, but in every aspect of running the country. That said, we must give credit where credit is due. The ANC has run the country incredibly well... into the ground!	Mark	retired
	2026-09-13 13:36:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ludicrous "tax"	Claire	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:46:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Teri-Lin	
	2026-09-13 13:52:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-09-13 13:55:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-13 14:09:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its entirety. This policy is not reform—it is exploitation. The government seeks control, and unfair policies that strip citizens of free will. It is a corrupt attempt to penalise households for solving a problem the state itself failed to fix. It is simply another way for government to be corrupt and steal money from ordinary citizens. We needed solar because the government could not provide reliable electricity. Families invested their own money to secure power when the grid collapsed. Now, instead of supporting self-reliance, the government wants to punish those who made alternative plans with punitive fixed grid fees and capacity charges. I specifically reject: 1. The Sun Tax: unavoidable monthly levies on solar households, penalising private capital and discouraging clean energy adoption. 2. Tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, forced to subsidise industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. 3. Market unbundling that allows large mines and factories to bypass municipalities, leaving ordinary homes to carry the financial burden. 4. The erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. 5. The lack of transparency in wholesale reforms, which risks leaving everyday citizens footing the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is an overreach. It discourages clean energy, undermines private investment, and traps households in spiralling costs. It is fundamentally unjust to penalise citizens for taking initiative when government failed to deliver electricity in the first place. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Ensure transparency so reforms do not burden ordinary households. The government has become a burden, seeking only to extract money and consolidate power. Citizens do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, transparent policies that protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Danie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:51:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-13 15:05:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar must remain independent and free from government interference and control. Governments do not maintain the sun, nor do they control our solar system, nor do they pay to maintain our solar infrastructure. This is just another free ride at the cost of the people. The entire network should be entrusted to competent, accountable people who have the expertise to maintain the infrastructure properly—without constantly creating problems and then using the public to shield or excuse their own incompetence when things fall apart.	Carin	
	2026-09-13 15:30:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mary	
	2026-09-13 15:49:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lufuno	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:52:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM remains corrupt and incompetent and allows municipalities to not pay for electricity then burdens the man in the street with higher tariffs.	leon	retired
	2026-09-13 15:54:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again this "government" is screwing ALL of the taxpayers. The electricity prices are already high enough and Pietermaritzburg already has a mandatory "mcb" charge which costs the ratepayers, on average, around R2000 per month, EVEN BEFORE we have used any electricity. They say that it is to "maintain" the infrastructure, which they never do, as we have so many "unplanned" outages, EVERY SINGLE DAY. The "govt" needs to come to the party and discuss this with EVERY taxpayer, before making unilateral decisions, which affect all of our lives. Every time, the electricity goes up, so does food, etc and it is never within people's budget to afford this.	Michael	
	2026-09-13 15:57:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hettie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 16:17:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jed	self-employed
	2026-09-13 16:32:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matty	self-employed
	2026-09-13 17:13:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired

	2026-09-13 17:23:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	retired
	2026-09-13 17:38:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another scam to bleed ratepayers of their hard-earned cash! Government should pay back all the stolen monies over the years, then there'll be enough to run the infrastructure of this poor country. Sick and tired of government coming for law-abiding citizens! Why not target the crooks first?	Ilona	retired
	2026-09-13 17:42:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not sure why the fat cats at Eskom are receiving bonuses. Surely, they should be fired, if not shot, for the sheer fraud they perpetrate?	Afzal	retired
	2026-09-13 17:44:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemarie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 19:16:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tshepiso	employed individual
	2026-09-13 19:35:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	in this day and age production of solar power should be subsidised not penalised -eskom can not supply enough electricity as it is and Escom should/could be run much more costeffectively.Every KW which is produced privately helps to expand eskoms electricity delivery	dagmar	self-employed
	2026-09-13 19:46:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	
	2026-09-13 19:56:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:25:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Any changes made by the "Energy Department" must be based on totally transparent and logical base information. They do not have a good reputation over the past three decades and simply cannot be trusted.	John	retired
	2026-09-13 20:37:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	retired
	2026-09-13 20:58:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-13 21:04:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This once more a double payment for ANC Eskom fund theft thru corruption.	Danie	
	2026-09-13 21:04:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicholas	retired
	2026-09-13 21:18:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monika	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:18:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:23:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly reject any policy that requires ordinary households to pay substantial fixed electricity or grid charges for services they are not actually receiving or meaningfully using. It is fundamentally unfair to expect a consumer to pay simply because they are connected to a network, particularly where that consumer has invested their own money in solar panels, batteries and other alternative-energy solutions to reduce their dependence on the grid. We cannot be expected to pay for electricity we do not consume, services we do not receive, and infrastructure we barely use, simply to protect the revenue of an inefficient system. If the grid is being used, consumers should pay a fair and reasonable charge for the actual service provided. But the government must not turn the grid connection into an unavoidable source of revenue while simultaneously making it increasingly expensive for households to generate their own electricity. This is especially concerning when large commercial and industrial users may be given greater freedom to negotiate or source electricity elsewhere, while ordinary households remain effectively captive to municipal distribution systems. Why should ordinary households carry the burden while larger consumers are given greater choice? A household that has spent its own money investing in solar should not be punished for trying to become less dependent on the national grid. Such investment should be encouraged because it can reduce demand on the electricity system—not penalised through excessive fixed charges. I refuse to support an electricity model in which consumers are treated as captive ratepayers whose primary purpose is to keep paying for a system regardless of how little service they actually receive from it. Electricity reform should deliver better service, greater competition, affordability and genuine consumer choice. It must not simply create new ways of collecting money from ordinary South Africans. We deserve to pay fairly for the electricity and services we actually receive—not be forced to pay indefinitely for a service we have increasingly had to provide for ourselves.	Florina	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:39:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Your inefficient business practices are not our problem. Stop freeloading.	Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:48:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maarten	student
	2026-09-13 22:40:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Shaine	self-employed
	2026-09-13 22:42:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	JL	self-employed
	2026-09-14 00:53:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot see this govt improving anything but punish those who are creative in solving problems. Govt wants to crush any type of sovereignty. Instead of encouraging this AND cutting down on own gross expenditure using Eskom as a cash and job creation vow they punish those who make a plan. Instead of clamping down hard on theft of electricity and copper cable theft and deliberate theft of facilities/ infrastructure they clamp down on those who can be easily accessed. Eskom and ANC are clueless… but brutal in their communist clampdown. No freedom here.	Ann	
	2026-09-14 03:18:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Cornelius	business owner
	2026-09-14 04:21:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ron	retired
	2026-09-14 04:44:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jolene	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:08:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-14 06:19:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Candice	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:21:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:22:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corinne	retired
	2026-09-14 06:27:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	
	2026-09-14 06:35:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stella	retired
	2026-09-14 06:39:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. At what point is this government going to stop stealing from its people? We pay ridiculous amounts for electricity already. Get the big corporations and companies to carry their fair share of the costs. They use the most electricity so why exactly do they pay less????	Marisa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:52:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		WESSEL	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:00:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-14 07:05:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Omar	
	2026-09-14 07:06:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:14:32	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Rosa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:29:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fix the pricing structure, ESKOM is in the death spiral due to mismanagement, firstly ESKOM itself, and a prime cause, the municipalities with their opaque methods. Why not ESKOM supply direct like in SOWETO?	Ronald	retired

	2026-09-14 07:40:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government does not own the sun, it belongs to Jesus Christ(God). Therefore the government has no right to charge anyone, let alone the ordinary person for having solar panels or increase the electricity tariffs. This is just another way for the ANC to make more money for themselves and continue to steal what doesn't belong to them while Eskom remains the same. Eskom should be privatized and no government official or politician should be involved especially the ANC.	Wesley	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:58:54	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	retired
	2026-09-14 08:12:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	dont allow this	cheryl	
	2026-09-14 08:24:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Justin	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:25:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kerryn	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:31:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Hannes	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:32:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:35:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Once again, government have messed up & now they want to place the burden on the ordinary man in the street. How is it, during the "apartheid" era, when there were big sanctions, SA had the cheapest electricity in the world - yes including America. Now under the ANC's disgusting "rule" we have amongst the most expensive electricity in the world?? Probably 30% to 40% of electricity is stolen - "inyoka"!! This government goes from bad to worse.	Paul	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:40:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to charging residential clients penalties for having put in solar to protect their properties from crime and loss during outages. This will bring about yet a further price hike for those who can not afford to go off the grid. We are already burdened way above our means.	Karin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:46:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Boon	retired
	2026-09-14 08:47:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	
	2026-09-14 08:53:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's inefficiencies is not my concern, it was self orchestrated. It caused the public to make a plan unsubsidized and unsupported. We have been left to our own devices. To now think the public has an obligation to help salvage Eskom is unthinkable. In my view they must collapse, and allow the public sector to pick up the rains and go forward un/ or less corrupted. Collapse ESKOM!!!! The same applies to all the municipalities. The days are long gong where they mean anything for us. Municipalities must ALSO collapse. Away with government controlled stuff	Marius	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:02:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		monica	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:08:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	as long as Soweto gets free Electricity the rest of us are going to carry their Bill. its insanely unfair.	john	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:09:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Communities require adequate protections for this transition to be just. Creating a predatory commercial unit that abuses its market position is no different from a bloated state run enterprise riddled with corruption. The only entity that has been "free-riding" is Eskom, with the numerous bailouts of tax payer money and the government's unwillingness and inability to prosecute corruption at the highest levels.	Bys	
	2026-09-14 09:30:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-14 09:39:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, therefor the Government of South Africa, has the responsibility to supply all residents with affordable energy. Due to bad management and corruption this obligation was not met and along with the rest of world who was thinking ahead in terms of energy, some of the energy users I the country made other plans to fulfil the mandate of their own energy supply as in any other democracy. If Eskom, therefor the government, had any inclination of serving the people of they country, they would come up with alternative solutions to the problem instead of just continuing to overburden their customers for their mistakes. If Telkom and OpenServe could get it right, why not Eskom. Give a better alternative and people will gladly buy in	Asher	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:43:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill will make electricity prices skyrocket at the municipal level and I cannot see how it is fair for businesses to save costs and people pay for it	PH	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:46:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People already cannot afford electricity. Some have made the the move to solar systems as a move to try stay above the water. Forcing people to pay for a service the sun, AND NOT THE DEPARTMENT, is providing is criminal. Everyone involved in making and approving this policy must be investigated. Because only people who are not directly affected by this crime, or severely affected are the criminal themselves. That's why they would want it and accept it as law.	Onthatile	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:01:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity tariffs must remain fair and affordable. South Africans cannot continue to absorb steep annual increases caused by years of mismanagement, inefficiency, and poor decision-making within Eskom. Consumers should not be expected to pay the price for failures they did not create. Those of us who have invested our own hard-earned capital into solar energy have done so to secure reliable electricity for our families, businesses, and communities. These investments have also contributed to economic growth, job creation, and reduced pressure on the national grid. Government has no right to penalise citizens and businesses for taking responsibility where state-owned infrastructure has failed. The proposed "Sun Tax" and punitive fixed grid charges unfairly target homeowners and businesses that have invested in renewable energy solutions. Instead of discouraging private investment, government should be supporting and incentivising initiatives that strengthen energy security and reduce dependence on an already strained electricity system. Key principles that must be protected include: No punitive solar taxes or excessive fixed grid fees that penalise private investment in renewable energy. Protection for captive consumers, ensuring municipalities do not increase tariffs on non-solar households to recover revenue lost through industrial and off-grid migration. Transparency in electricity market reforms, ensuring ordinary households are not left carrying the financial burden of grid infrastructure costs. Fair and reasonable electricity pricing that reflects efficient management rather than the cost of historical failures. Solar power does not belong to any political party or government. Sunshine is a natural resource available to all South Africans. The rapid expansion of solar installations across the country has helped reduce demand on Eskom and contributed to greater energy stability. Consumers should be recognised for this contribution, not punished for it. It is neither fair nor sustainable to manipulate electricity pricing in ways that make South Africans poorer. Around the world, governments encourage cleaner energy adoption and reward efforts to reduce emissions and ease pressure on national grids. South Africa should be doing the same. Furthermore, it is unreasonable for households and small businesses that have reduced their consumption and invested in self-generation to subsidise inefficiencies elsewhere in the system. The focus should be on improving governance, reducing waste, strengthening infrastructure, and attracting private investment into energy generation and distribution. South Africans have demonstrated a willingness to invest in the country's future. Government should work alongside citizens and the private sector to build a reliable, affordable, and sustainable energy system, rather than introducing policies that discourage investment, innovation, and economic growth.	Derick	
	2026-09-14 10:01:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Lucienne	
	2026-09-14 10:04:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The impact on already-struggling consumers should be considered before making world-altering changes to the laws. The consumer is not the enemy.	Erin	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:12:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot charge a sun tax... the sun does not fall under Eskom, it's given free to all who live on earth. So don't understand who these people think they are. If they cannot supply enough electricity for the public of South Africa then people should have the freedom of choice to use the sun. It doesn't cost Eskom anything, therefore they have no claims on the people who use this free resource. I pray that all South Africans get the chance to improve their lives with heat from Gods gift in the Heavens	Patricia	retired
	2026-09-14 10:15:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-09-14 10:23:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	retired
	2026-09-14 10:34:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't feel it is fair that Individual small households should be penalized for going onto solar, the electricity grid is unstable, in my area where I stay we are without power frequently and it very seldom is resolved within less than 48 hours. And this has been ongoing for over 4 years. Some weeks we are without power for more than half the week. We can't live like this. And then if you are capable to get solar, you are penalized for it as well. Not even mentioning the ridicilous rate increases every year. We can't keep up anymore. In other countries, residents are being rewarded for going of the grid. Eskom has been mismanaging funds for years and years, and the country and it's residents keep footing the bill and being held randsom by Eskom and there is absolutely no consequences to Eskom.	Tanya	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When did the cANCer buy the sun. How much did they pay for it. More theft, more corruption, more fraud, more failure to deliver The cANCer through the Zuptas and the Ramaphosa brothers-in-law, destroyed Eskom Now that it is destroyed we must pay more Simply NO No No more	Gary	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:42:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:47:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruben	
	2026-09-14 10:48:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Naomi	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hardie	retired
	2026-09-14 10:50:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desiree	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:52:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conrad	

	2026-09-14 10:53:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Madelien	
	2026-09-14 11:03:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenni	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:11:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lourette	
	2026-09-14 11:11:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM has failed dismilly in maintaining the infrastructure with "mismanagement" and gross negligence. Expecting the taxpayers to continue funding a free for all with no consequences. Municipalities have done exactly the same. All these government institutions are meant to employ public servants who serve not exploit and enslave the nation. It's a total disgrace.	Kaslo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:14:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yasmin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:22:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vincent Naidoo	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 11:28:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must focus on cost reduction rather than passing on their inefficiencies to the consumer. are they still paying R20 for a toilet roll and R59 for a litre of milk ? These are low hanging fruits.... Spending R21bn per month in operational costs is mind boggling !	Khooblall	retired
	2026-09-14 11:28:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wilfred	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:33:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To whom it concern, I write to formally register my objection to the proposed introduction of punitive fixed grid fees, commonly referred to as the “Sun Tax.” 1. **Stop the Sun Tax** Penalising private citizens and businesses who invest in solar energy undermines national energy resilience. These investments represent private capital directed toward solving our shared energy challenges. Punitive grid fees discourage innovation, weaken investor confidence, and contradict the government’s stated commitment to renewable energy. 2. **Protect Captive Consumers** Municipalities must not be permitted to raise tariffs on non-solar households to compensate for lost revenue from industrial or off-grid defection. Such measures unfairly punish captive consumers who remain reliant on the grid, deepening inequality and eroding public trust. 3. **Transparency First** Wholesale market reforms must be implemented with full transparency. Everyday households should not be left carrying the cost of grid infrastructure while larger industrial players benefit disproportionately. Clear, accountable mechanisms are required to ensure fairness in cost allocation. Whether households generate their own power or purchase every kilowatt from their local council, this policy directly affects affordability and fairness. I urge the Department to reconsider these measures and instead pursue reforms that encourage renewable adoption, protect vulnerable consumers, and uphold transparency in energy governance. Thank you for recording this objection as part of the official government record. Yours faithfully,	Juan A	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:34:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must focus on cost reduction rather than passing on their inefficiencies to the consumer. Eskom can't provide electricity for the whole country, so why do they want to penalise users that actually do something to create their own electricity. Eskom should thank such people.	Petro	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:34:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liesl	
	2026-09-14 11:37:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ditmar	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:38:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rhonda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:39:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity from the grid will simply become unaffordable. I would have to consider taking a loan to free myself completely from the grid.	Anthon	retired
	2026-09-14 11:42:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-14 11:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is concerning that consumers who have taken proactive steps to secure their own electricity supply and reduce their reliance on the grid could now face additional charges or financial penalties as a result.	Andre	
	2026-09-14 11:45:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosalie	
	2026-09-14 11:49:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dale	retired
	2026-09-14 11:55:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about citizens who use solar geysers to heat their water for domestic purposes? Why are they not targeted by Escom? Surely solar geysers have the same effect on the entire electricity supply?!	Fred	retired
	2026-09-14 12:03:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angelique	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:06:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mohamed	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:12:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am so tired of inefficiency, corruption & money grabbing, that is what this is AGAIN!!!	Stephanie	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:17:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	retired
	2026-09-14 12:22:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure	claire	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:23:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hein	
	2026-09-14 12:23:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so sick and tiered of caring a bloated top heavy Eskom and failed state,	Dennis	retired
	2026-09-14 12:23:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure	joan	retired
	2026-09-14 12:33:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to any electricity market reforms that impose excessive fixed charges on solar users or shift lost municipal revenue onto households with no affordable alternative to grid electricity. Grid charges must be fair, transparent and justified by actual costs. They should not penalise investment in solar or make basic electricity unaffordable. Before implementation, the Department must publish a clear assessment of household costs, protect vulnerable consumers and explain how municipalities will be held accountable for efficient spending. Reform should improve affordability and reliability, not make residents pay more to cover inefficiency.	Samantha	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:40:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ashok	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:41:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Jus like with all my reasons for all of this, get the current government's hands out of all these so-called Bills. 1st get rid of the current government and then we start from scratch. Our government is where all the problems lie or start.	Koos	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:44:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that government penalises its citizens Both those who can afford to go off the grid And those who like me sadly cannot afford the intolerable hikes Instead of running Eskom or privatising it do it can be managed properly	Carol	retired
	2026-09-14 12:50:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom begged us to help solve the electricity crisis. We complied, and now we must be punished for this?!	Angela	business owner
	2026-09-14 13:09:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	retired
	2026-09-14 13:11:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s absurd that the ANC thinks that they can charge solar users for something that they do not control and if one has solar then it’s their right to benefit from solar by utilising the sun. The ANC has stolen and looted from the citizens and this is another way to steal what’s not theirs and it costs them nothing .	Dean	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 13:22:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Whilst I understand and support that there should be a National Energy producer and distributor, I do not support that it is done at the expense of the few who do pay their accounts. The biggest elephant in the room should be addressed, that is that the burden of running and maintaining ESCOM rest on the shoulders of the minority that does pay their accounts. And then to add insult to injury ESCOM is overstaffed and their staff overpaid by at least 30 to 40 %. It should not be the Consumer who must foot the bill for the Government's detrimental policy of Cadre Employment. This scenario is not sustainable and counterproductive to lure investment.	Ben	business owner
	2026-09-14 13:41:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:42:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philani	

	2026-09-14 13:52:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rian	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:54:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	
	2026-09-14 13:58:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just more of the same from eskom. If the SA government had made an effort to prevent corruption over the last twenty years we wouldn't be in this difficult situation. Why should we trust the SA government now? The corruption hasn't stopped—it has escalated! This is just another money grab because you have run out of options for escalated theft. We say No.	Grant	
	2026-09-14 14:06:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adele	retired
	2026-09-14 14:12:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corrupt organizations and greed. I want the freedom to choose how I generate electricity supply for my home. To be penalized for choosing a greener solution, when Eskom failed for provide and keep charging more. ITS is senseless, CRAZY. Where will this end?	Zelda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:15:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again we are paving the way for an institution to manipulate and dictate as opposed to allowing free and fair competition - especially where the private consumer has been an ally and indeed the saviour of ESKOM - especially when they couldn't provide / keep the lights on. The public were manipulated and threatened then and again now. Competition should exist and there should be a free and fair regulator for all parties concerned!	Richard	retired
	2026-09-14 14:15:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must consult all he way down to residential level, stop assuming online and print communication reaches every person using electricity	Phumzile	
	2026-09-14 14:16:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am really battling to pay for electricity as it is. The cost is just too much ?	Ian	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 14:17:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danielle	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:26:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay an exorbitant Ampere charge before we even consume a single kw.	M	
	2026-09-14 14:30:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We, the ratepayers are punished for Eskom's crookery and corruption. When an appeal was made during the worst of loadshedding for ratepayers to connect solar panels so that Eskom could cope. Now we are all being punished financially, while Eskom's employees are receiving enormous paychecks at the expense of the poor and those who pay taxes. Please reconsider this mad idea. Bring back honesty and decency to our country.	Elsie	
	2026-09-14 14:34:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has no right to penalise people for having solar, end of story. They failed to provide enough power and caused the drive to solar in the first place. Just because they are now losing out on power as a result is not our problem. Anything past the municipal box on the pavement should be of no concern to them. As usual, the current runners of the country bleed everything dry with no return or investment and then come looking for more money where they have no right.	Sharon	
	2026-09-14 14:39:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charleen	
	2026-09-14 14:45:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:50:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		GB	retired
	2026-09-14 15:06:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paula	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:25:07	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Babongile	self-employed
	2026-09-14 15:28:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		chantelle	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:34:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-14 15:50:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer is tired of having his pocket pillaged to prop up the consequences of the mismanagement, and incompetence, of those who govern us at both the national and municipal levels of government. The time has surely come for the people to make their stand and say Enough is enough! What is proposed offends free enterprise and the indisputable right of people to invoke ways and means to reduce the cost of living for themselves if done so lawfully which is the case when we invoke solar power and other clean energies. As I have stated before, many times, when are those who are currently governing us going to recognize that they don't have the qualifications or expertise to do so, and accept that they should resign and allow those who have the expertise to take over. MICHAEL HOOD	MICHAEL ERIC	retired
	2026-09-14 15:53:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the looting. This is criminal to pass such a law.	John	retired
	2026-09-14 16:24:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gill	retired
	2026-09-14 16:40:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wendi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 16:41:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose any policy that penalises South Africans for investing their own money in solar, batteries, and energy independence. Many households and businesses were forced to make these investments because of years of unreliable electricity supply, load shedding, rising tariffs, and deteriorating infrastructure. It is unacceptable to now treat those same people as “free riders” simply because they have reduced or eliminated their dependence on the grid. If a consumer uses Eskom’s electricity or reserves genuine network capacity, fair and transparent charges for services actually provided can be justified. But government and utilities should not create ever-increasing compulsory fixed charges simply to recover revenue lost because consumers have become more self-sufficient. South Africa should be encouraging private generation, storage, competition and genuine energy independence — not constructing new tariffs and regulatory barriers to protect an incumbent system from competition. The same concern applies to households who cannot afford solar. They must not become the captive revenue base left behind to carry escalating municipal and grid costs as larger customers gain alternative supply arrangements. Energy reform should produce more competition, lower costs, greater reliability and greater consumer choice. It should not become another mechanism for extracting money from citizens regardless of whether electricity is actually supplied to them. I therefore reject any policy framework that shifts the burden onto ordinary households through unavoidable capacity charges, punitive treatment of self-generation, or artificial restrictions on genuine private electricity competition.	Jason	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:45:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darryl	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:55:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-14 17:00:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Give the South Africans an energy supplier that actually favours the people, provides transparency and supports endeavours to lessen dependency on the grid.	Elma	retired
	2026-09-14 17:12:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	retired
	2026-09-14 17:56:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-14 18:12:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another ANC effort to loot the citizens. It's appalling that this continues when one considers that as a result of decades of unreliable power supply many citizen's 'made a plan' and are now being penalised. What a mess.	Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-09-14 18:12:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A bunch of thieves	John	retired
	2026-09-14 18:13:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Bruette	retired
	2026-09-14 18:28:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Concerned and productive SA's who try and survive in a country must now foot the bill and make up for the gross miss managed of State assets [ESCOM] as well as municipalities. Not on and not acceptable!!	Gerrie	retired
	2026-09-14 18:29:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No price fixing by Eskom. Wholesale electricity should be made available to purchase from anyone.	Anthony ian	retired
	2026-09-14 18:49:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How are we supposed to conform to using clean energy when this is clearly punishing us for doing so? We should not be punished for the current state of affairs...	JC	
	2026-09-14 19:06:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonto	retired
	2026-09-14 19:56:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to control its expenditure. The business of paying exorbitant salaries and bonuses to their top management. Control the illegal electricity usage by individuals. Carry out constructive monetary control over municipalities and start proper collection of monies owed.	A E	retired
	2026-09-14 20:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Costa	retired

	2026-09-14 21:08:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-14 22:00:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has inadequate capacity to supply in the countries needs. Private initiative such as solar should be seen as partnering with Eskom to balance supply and demand	Wilhelm	retired
	2026-09-14 22:31:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chalmers	retired
	2026-09-14 23:56:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-15 03:17:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joseph Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-09-15 04:37:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You ANC rubbish can fuck the hell righ off back to hell. Start first by stopping the illegal grid connections. Get these theives to pay for the electricity they steal, bu no, rather show that you are shit scared of these gangsters and just pick the easy way out by targeting those who look to improve their own lives away from your sticky hands.	Albert	
	2026-09-15 06:10:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Twane	
	2026-09-15 06:14:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is blatant criminalism! A state owned utility, that steals, bEE racist policies, does not do its job.. and then wants to change regulation and law in order to keep on taking the people's money... Is this a joke? Everything must be privatised AND government must shrink to 10% of its size. GO TO HELL ESKOM.	Allister	
	2026-09-15 06:17:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tshepo	employed individual
	2026-09-15 06:28:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	employed individual
	2026-09-15 06:33:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	retired
	2026-09-15 06:44:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	retired
	2026-09-15 06:49:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margie	
	2026-09-15 08:37:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is a very scary place to be in the hands of incompetent and corrupt entities that we have to rely on and they cant sort out the problems but just increase charges to the customer. This cannot go on and on and on.	Barbara	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:48:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to keep on inventing ways to burden the citizens of South Africa for the sake of making money. The average South African is already not so average anymore. Life is so expensive and everything keeps on increasing. It is expected that we must just absorb all levies, taxes and additional charges. The truth is that most of the middle class and below cannot afford any more increases, be it electricity, municipal charges, fuel price increases and the list can go on and on. Things like this is the reason why there are so many financially struggling people in our country. I do not support the Transformation position paper at all.	Renee	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:52:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kelvin	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:53:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geert	retired
	2026-09-15 09:12:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sick of increasing cost of electricity. As a pensioner, my funds are limited and I cannot afford to pay for Eskom's inefficiency.	Elizabeth	retired
	2026-09-15 09:20:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have serious concerns about the proposed legislation and the direction in which our electricity policy is moving. For years, ordinary South Africans were subjected to load-shedding and an unreliable electricity supply. Many households who could afford to do so were eventually forced to invest significant amounts of their own money in solar systems, inverters and batteries simply to maintain a basic and reliable electricity supply. These investments were not made to avoid contributing to the country's electricity system. They were made because people had been left with little choice. It is therefore extremely concerning to now hear proposals that people who have invested their own money in alternative energy solutions may be required to pay additional monthly charges because the traditional electricity revenue model is under pressure. Where is the fairness in this? Those who cannot afford solar and battery systems remain dependent on the grid and are already facing substantial electricity increases. Those who managed to save and invest in their own backup systems are now potentially being penalised for reducing their dependence on the grid. Before government looks for yet another way to extract money from already financially stretched taxpayers and consumers, I believe there needs to be far greater transparency and accountability regarding how existing public funds are managed. South Africans need confidence that the money they contribute through taxes, rates and electricity tariffs is being used efficiently, responsibly and for the benefit of the country — not simply that additional revenue will continually be found whenever government entities face financial shortfalls. People have already paid the price for years of inadequate electricity supply. Many of us spent money we could barely afford because we needed to keep our homes, businesses and families functioning. Government should be asking how it can restore public confidence, improve efficiency, reduce waste and protect the electricity system — not continually find new ways to charge the people who are already carrying the financial burden. We need responsible governance, accountability and sustainable solutions, not an endless cycle of increasing costs for ordinary South Africans.	Lisa	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:17:03	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WE ELDERLY RESIDENTS ARE BEING FORCED TO LEAVE OUR HOMES DUE TO THE HIGH COSTS OF RATES, ELECTRICITY ETC . PERSONALLY WE RELY ON THE GRID FOR OUR ELECTRICITY SUPPLY AS WE HAVE NOT INSTALLED COSTLY ALTERNATIVES AND SAVE ELECTRICITY BY USING LESS THAN R1000 PER MONTH . THESE COSTS REPRESENT A HICH PERCENTAGE OF OUR INCOMES.	LYNETTE	retired
	2026-09-15 10:19:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I can't pay for these stupid criminals because they are the ones that didn't listen to suggestions from the people instead they turned Eskom as their personal milk cows with their cartels we have been struggling for more than 10 years because of the economy they create as gatekeepers of their handlers, this is the reason democracy will never work because it doesn't serve us but those who are controlling everything while we remain poor therefore we have to stop this voting system n look for better way to sort our policies even if will be bullied by so called first world countries but will die trying to fix for our children because i don't see any political parties that are going to sort problems that we are experiencing.	Thembisile	business owner
	2026-09-15 10:21:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-15 10:35:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penelope	employed individual
	2026-09-15 11:50:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rika	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:52:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JULIE	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:54:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-15 12:00:23	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I hereby object to the proposed mandatory fixed solar charges, captive-consumer price increases and related tariff changes. These measures risk placing an unfair additional financial burden on ordinary households and small businesses, particularly those that have invested their own money in solar generation and battery systems to reduce their reliance on the electricity grid. Consumers who generate part of their own electricity should not be penalised through compulsory fixed charges or higher tariffs simply because they have taken steps to reduce their electricity consumption and become more energy independent. Such charges could also discourage further private investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency. I am also concerned that reduced municipal electricity revenue could result in these costs being shifted onto remaining electricity consumers, creating a cycle of increasing tariffs and declining affordability. I therefore strongly object to the proposed measures in their current form and call for a fairer tariff structure that protects ordinary households and small businesses, recognises private investment in electricity generation, and does not penalise consumers for reducing their dependence on the grid. I request that these proposals be reconsidered and that meaningful consultation with affected consumers take place before any such charges or increases are implemented.	Jean	
	2026-09-15 12:27:16	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham	
	2026-09-15 13:02:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption and theft	Karen	employed individual
	2026-09-15 13:09:02	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius Johannes	
	2026-09-15 13:10:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and government should be taken to court and FINED for failing the people of South Africa. We ALL SUFFERED because of their poor decisions when told about not having enough capacity to supply electricity to the country yet THEY DID NOT CARE about the PEOPLE and Businesses of this country, and we LOST very productive companies and people because of GOVERNMENT and Eskom. Then ESKOM asked the PEOPLE of South Africa to help them and put in Solar, and we would be paid back certain amounts. So, Eskom and Government MUST Answer to that in Court.	Gail	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 13:39:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	
	2026-09-15 14:53:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large consumers who drop the municipal supply will get away scott free. They should share the burden of paying for the infrastructure that they have partially or fully moved away from.	Carl	

	2026-09-15 15:22:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nzama	employed individual
	2026-09-15 15:47:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Affordable financial limits have been exceeded resulting in less spending, companies going out of business and lower tax base ending in an ultimate economic collapse.	Elizabeth	retired
	2026-09-15 16:20:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Loraine	self-employed
	2026-09-15 16:35:19	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why make us pay for your ineptitude, we saved your ass when you could not and were stealing from yourselves and us , an average wage at Eskom R1,8m/year, a disgrace. You only have a surplus because of private funding thro solar	Brian	retired
	2026-09-15 17:28:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-15 19:21:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dasegan	self-employed
	2026-09-15 19:30:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Giacomo	
	2026-09-15 19:55:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	retired
	2026-09-15 22:19:59	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a nation we were forced to provide for Eskom's poor performance with interuptions and loadshedding to Eskoms benifit at the time. Add to that the massive increases over the last 20 years. In case of councils interuptions are frequent. It is unconstitusional for the government to work against its citizens which this clearly does.	Armin	retired
	2026-09-15 23:16:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lindy	retired
	2026-09-15 23:22:09	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaretha	retired
	2026-09-16 04:20:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sinche	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 07:00:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its totally unreasonable.	Malcolm	employed individual
	2026-09-16 07:35:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The Underlying Risk: Local municipalities rely heavily on the profit margins generated from bulk electricity sales to industrial and commercial clients to cross-subsidise indigent households, free basic electricity (FBE), and municipal service delivery. If large customers bypass local councils to purchase from private traders, municipal distribution revenues could collapse, accelerating local government insolvency and worsening service delivery failures across towns and cities.	Elna	self-employed
	2026-09-16 07:47:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	self-employed
	2026-09-16 09:19:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	self-employed
	2026-09-16 09:24:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is becoming increasingly difficult to survive financially. Eskom seems to be claiming rights to the sun and it's usage.	André	retired
	2026-09-16 10:43:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simone Danielle	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:44:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lida	retired
	2026-09-16 11:07:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cobus	
	2026-09-16 11:29:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nico	
	2026-09-16 12:37:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sam	self-employed
	2026-09-16 13:29:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed the public and the people hat to do something to have electricity. Now they have a "loss" of income due to their own incapability to supply the demand. If they keep on raising the electricity tariffs,more people are going to solar and they will have less income. People are also buying less electricity as it has become too expensive. Some people in some areas do not pay per unit the same as others. That too is a problem where they could get more income. I will also be forced to buy less electricity units per month if it goes up again. As a pensioner,i cannot afford this ridiculous and frequent increases.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-16 13:40:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	retired
	2026-09-16 13:53:28	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired
	2026-09-16 13:56:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is bleeding South African citizens dry. It is plainly said - SKELM.	Anita Magdalena	
	2026-09-16 14:00:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you expect to charge anything if it's not yours in the first place? God made the sun the moon and the stars. Next, you want to charge for the moon and stars. Who made them, God did how can you charge for anything that you did not make.	Rachel	retired
	2026-09-16 14:34:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must be stripped of power to manipulate charges to backup a failing, maladministered, corrupt corporation!!! They cannot make up their own laws to use the consumer as ATM!	Pat	self-employed
	2026-09-16 14:38:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a parastatal disaster - one minute theyre begging the public to invest in solar so that they have a lesser load burden , then after we have all invested our hard earned money and they have capacity they want to punish the public with additional tariffs. Its absurd. None of this disastrous state of affairs would have happened if not for the ANC's cadre deployment strategy and general incompetence as well as massive corruption.	Darryl	retired
	2026-09-16 15:40:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		MICHAEL	self-employed
	2026-09-16 15:59:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-16 21:00:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom shouldn't have the amount of market power it has under the current "failed state". To give it more is counter intuitive.	Riaan	
	2026-09-16 21:32:56	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Izak	retired
	2026-09-16 22:28:40	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		freddie	
	2026-09-16 23:22:38	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Franklin	employed individual
	2026-09-17 05:25:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronell	employed individual
	2026-09-17 06:26:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Petru	employed individual
	2026-09-17 08:36:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so tired of paying high taxes while paying private service providers to perform the functions the taxes should pay for. This is yet another money grab to try to fill the hole caused by corruption and incompetence.	L	retired
	2026-09-17 08:44:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zanele	employed individual
	2026-09-17 08:58:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kelvin	retired
	2026-09-17 14:59:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa and Eskom may be the only country and power utility in the world to actively victimise its own customer base. When you live in countries in Europe, Scandinavia, Australasia and Canada and you put up rooftop solar or a similar small-scale method of augmenting your electricity and feeding back into the grid, you get rewarded for being forward thinking and alleviating pressure on the grid. But because of our corrupt government and its equally corrupt power utility, people trying to lessen the load on the grid are actively threatened with fines, victimised for doing the right thing. Eskom's faulty logic: They can't generate enough electricity, but they still force you to use them because they are a monopoly, and have raised their tariffs by around 2 000% since 1994. Electricity prices in South Africa have increased by nearly 2,000% since 1994, far outstripping the country's cumulative inflation rate. In 1994, Eskom's average electricity tariff was roughly 10.32 cents per kilowatt-hour (c/kWh). Following decades of compounding price hikes, the average tariff escalated to approximately R2.12 per kWh. In 2008 a 27.5% increase. In 2009 a record 31.3% increase. From 2010 to 2012 successive annual increases averaging around 25% each year. Between 2007 and 2026, electricity tariffs have grown more than six times faster than general consumer inflation, and the trend looks likely to continue.	Theuns	employed individual
	2026-09-17 15:28:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Diane	unemployed individual

	2026-09-17 17:07:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stan	retired
	2026-09-17 18:04:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Schalk	retired
	2026-09-17 18:34:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgusting abuse of power	Jill	retired
	2026-09-17 18:34:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	
	2026-09-17 18:58:11	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Preshen	employed individual
	2026-09-17 19:09:21	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absurdly increasing tariffs and placing the burden on ratepayers can't be the only way to keep Eskom afloat and profitable, the people who are leading Eskom (including government leaders) are a disgrace.	Motsepe	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 23:49:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Captive consumer price hikes.	Gloria	retired
	2026-09-18 08:05:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simphiwe	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:08:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-18 08:33:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicoletta	
	2026-09-18 10:41:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Audrey	retired
	2026-09-18 10:52:45	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-09-18 11:04:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	business owner
	2026-09-18 11:33:53	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-18 14:41:17	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kharmen	
	2026-09-18 15:10:34	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free electricity that is subsidised by us who have to keep on paying extra every month. We as rates payers gets less and less for what we are paying for. We have one street light that works in our street, but we have to keep on paying, if you don't pay, the municipality simply takes it from your prepaid electricity purchase, for which they anyway overcharge us...	Louis	employed individual
	2026-09-18 15:24:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired
	2026-09-18 17:07:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Over the years we've been loyal to Eskom and then it stopped delivering what we,prepayers, already paid for tariff increases but no better service delivery.Yes you need to come up with a plan but taking it out on the citizens in a country where every second house depends on SASSA grants does not seem right to me.Now you want to punish people who dared to go without Eskom power.start helping us not ruining us please	Frikkie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 19:42:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-19 02:12:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neill	
	2026-09-19 06:20:06	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kerry	
	2026-09-19 06:23:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this law is daylight robbery	LETTIE	retired
	2026-09-19 08:22:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-19 08:43:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	There is so much corruption and hidden agendas happening. Eskom is supposed to supply electricity to citizens - they cannot provide the same and the citizens make a plan and have to spend to buy solar and now they are not having people pay them and the viability of municipalities is in question - also no accountability in the finance departments and there will be more stealing and price hikes that people cannot afford.	Martina	self-employed
	2026-09-19 08:49:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Des	retired
	2026-09-19 09:05:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Suid Afrkaners, Wil ons Regering wat veronderstel is om ons land te onderhou en veilig te maak vir sy bewoners ons onderdruk. Ons mag nie vry denkend wees en planne maak as hulle nie hul ooreenkoms na kom nie. As ons dit doen word ons belas of beboet. Dis nie net die staat eat ons wurg nie maar ook die munisipaliteite wat heffings op krag sit…	janet	self-employed
	2026-09-19 09:56:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-19 09:59:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper appears to avoid the actual and relevant underlying issues by not addressing these issues. Adaptation to incorporate the changing technological development of alternative electricity into the supply grid is understandable and make sense from a security perspective when it comes to network maintenance. However, to charge an availability fee for low level users who started to switch to solar energy obscure the real issues that needs to be addressed. Electricity from a household perspective is only a lifestyle product, not a life threatening thing if a household does not have it. It is merely a convenience product. When this product becomes too expensive the price and demand principles will operate and substitutions will be pursued like solar, coal, gas. Affordability is a great factor especially when the bill for electricity becomes the main expense of a household. Charging of an available fee is just another factor that will quicken the move to substituting products. More sadly, the portion of the populace that cannot afford alternatives runs on “flocking the dying horse”. Electricity is an infrastructure thing especially for the welfare of a countries economy. Supply thus needs to remain stable, reliable, and cheap enough to support economic growth. The shifting of mega users to bulk supply networks make sense, but it ignores a major part of the economic contributing businesses and smaller enterprises. The proposed way forward has an extortion implication, which sadly hides the issues of poor long term strategic leadership regarding technological advancements, and considering the strategic implications of income loaded onto a lifestyle product sold as a necessity for survival. Survival and an ability to operate is not the same. The proper structuring of municipal and national income is what is needed based on governmental responsibility (no matter at what level) considering provision of reliable and affordable infrastructure marginally above breakeven pricing levels. Failure in this will lead to a social-economic death spiral. Please revisit this proposed policy’s underlying assumptions responsibly.	Douwe	retired
	2026-09-19 10:07:44	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-09-19 12:29:27	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lydia	
	2026-09-19 16:58:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alfred	retired
	2026-09-19 18:36:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marilyn	retired
	2026-09-19 22:03:33	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is redicules because the people who are supposed to provide electricity is not… now we have to pay for their mis conduct!	Alta	
	2026-09-20 00:57:18	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	
	2026-09-20 07:12:22	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-09-20 10:09:29	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Businesses and Households have invested private savings into rooftop solars and batteries. This is to keep their lights on (which Eskom can not do on a daily basis) This Solar is not Eskom Property or Electricity. Mandatory high fixed monthly charges are unexceptional. Stop making the consumer to pay for the mistakes Eskom make!	Suzanne	retired
	2026-09-20 12:59:24	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		eric	
	2026-09-20 13:13:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, this whole plan(set-up) is another attempt to cover their terrible mismanagement, corruption, incompetence and straight forward disregard for the people of South Africa.. They run at an unbelievable loss, yet reward their Board Officials with huge bonuses.. what utter madness!! We need a new government! We need a new , competent team of leaders (not leeches) to take over the running of an enterprise correctly. Away with ANC CADRES !!!	Graeme	retired
	2026-09-20 15:31:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chrid	self-employed
	2026-09-20 17:51:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veda	retired

	2026-09-20 18:17:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is Big Government Scam to overregulation. 'Renewable' energy, particularly solarnot sustainable at all and will lead to more tax hikes of energy usage. Solar should be privatised to Independent Energy companies but not forced nor regulated.	Marx-Lenin	employed individual
	2026-09-21 12:01:15	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IT IS EVERY CITIZENS RIGHT TO ELECTRICITY & CLEAN WATER IN THIER HOMES This has been the World Wide Rule for 1000years. Now the Government is GREEDY and sees a means of filling his /her pocket at the expense of the people!! Due to technology that has not been detected/developed or sourced by the 'power crazy government', but by resourceful & intelligent common hard working individuals. These individuals have evolved their technology so as to help others and make an easier life for many who are struggling financially. The 'power crazy' see a means of getting even richer and now want to penalize these intelligent individuals by charging them for their brilliance!! Solar power is from the sun and the sun is provided by a greater power than man	Erica	
	2026-09-22 04:55:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vegan	
	2026-09-22 05:44:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Drew	
	2026-09-22 09:36:42	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iulama	employed individual
	2026-09-23 19:55:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom wants the businesses and the normal household to be taxed for solar. My question is this, eskom can't produce enough power at this stage, how is taxing the solar users help eskom to be more stable and produce more electricity. The other thing that eskom must bear in mind is that all the solar systems currently in use in South Africa was bought by the owner and is maintained by them, eskom has not supplied any funds towards a solar system, but now the consumer must be taxed because eskom is to corrupt to be operated properly. Eskom should first clean inhouse before going to the consumer for their mistakes. This is a failing plan!	Jacobus	employed individual
	2026-09-24 08:25:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lou	
	2026-09-25 08:27:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christia	retired
	2026-09-25 16:07:57	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		C	retired
	2026-09-25 18:08:05	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am writing to formally object to the proposed South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) roadmap. While transitioning to a competitive market is necessary, this specific policy framework unjustly shields large industries while penalizing standard households and small businesses. My primary objections are as follows: Unfair Fixed Grid Charges: Imposing high, unavoidable fixed monthly fees on rooftop solar owners under the guise of an "anti-free-riding" principle is unacceptable. This punishes proactive citizens who invested their own private capital to survive load shedding and stabilize the grid. The "Captive Ratepayer" Burden: Allowing large industrial users to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders will hollow out municipal revenues. This leaves ordinary households and small businesses as "captive ratepayers," unjustly shifting the massive financial burden of legacy cross-subsidies and municipal deficits onto those least able to afford it. Price Volatility and Monopoly Risks: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, the proposed market is highly vulnerable to price manipulation, trading speculation, and severe retail tariff volatility. The draft currently lacks adequate regulatory protections for standard consumers against market power abuses. Cost Duplication in Distribution: Forcing the separation of the physical grid ("wires") from electricity sales ("retail") introduces the high risk of stacked, duplicative fees. This restructuring will inevitably drive up the total cost of electricity for the end-user. This policy facilitates an inequitable transition that benefits large industrial players and traders at the direct expense of the average South African ratepayer. I strongly urge a revision of this framework to protect standard consumers from bearing the costs of this market restructuring.	Garreth	employed individual
	2026-09-25 22:54:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maxwell	employed individual
	2026-09-26 04:09:08	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	employed individual
	2026-09-26 06:48:31	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nadia	employed individual
	2026-09-26 09:31:49	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already suffering because of the cost of living, and this will just make things worse for every household.	Celeste	retired
	2026-09-26 09:32:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already suffering because of the cost of living, and this will just make things worse for every household.	Celeste	retired
	2026-09-27 05:26:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Concerned that we as paying consumers will bear the brunt of any plans or mistakes or collapse that occurs (and whichw e have seen over the last 20 yrs). We have NO say! We are price takers. Why should we be punished for eskom's endless problems?	Elizabeth	
	2026-09-27 06:12:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vaughan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-27 07:25:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	
	2026-09-27 18:16:37	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nditsheni	employed individual
	2026-09-27 18:26:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jytte	self-employed
	2026-09-27 19:48:50	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilde	retired
	2026-09-28 07:32:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public, especially the middle class, has had enough of being targeted for greater financial extraction to counter balance corruption, for the benefit of elite investors and political interests. Recover losses by ending corruption. Stop going after the tax paying public, that has suffered the government's gross mismanagement of COVID and SOEs to the detriment of the next generation, and then still have the gaul to come after us for more. You are pushing people to the brink. If this does not stop there will soon be another uprising and that will surely be the end of the economy and all the investments of the elites will suffer more than they ever intended to benefit. Greed leads to stupid decisions, and stupid decisions eventually lead to destruction.	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-28 08:58:47	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helena	employed individual
	2026-09-28 12:50:30	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elbé	employed individual
	2026-09-28 13:29:52	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm tired of having to pay, pay, pay to enrich the governments pockets and their lavish lifestyles. It is not fair to the law abiding citizen that has to keep on giving and get nothing in return.	Jackie	employed individual
	2026-09-28 15:57:39	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will the government stop taxing people who pay taxes anyway? Just now the local government will charge us for breathing .. Sell affordable and reliable electricity and people will not move to solar!	Birgit	self-employed
	2026-09-28 16:31:13	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pippa	retired
	2026-09-28 18:47:35	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riana	retired
	2026-09-29 02:19:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	retired
	2026-09-29 05:56:12	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has for 25 years had a bad record of financial management, disorganisation and a lack of transparency. No-one trust Eskom. This is its own fault and it is foolish to increase its powers.	Tom	retired
	2026-09-29 09:10:58	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	
	2026-09-30 07:54:25	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already one of the highest taxed countries in the world...enough is enough	Kevin	retired
	2026-09-30 19:11:36	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Niké	employed individual
	2026-10-01 19:29:51	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With the petrol price going up, electricity and municipality charges going up but salaries and pension stays the same, it is almost impossible to cope financially	Anna	retired
	2026-10-06 19:46:46	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As taxpayers we are forced to pay exorbitant taxes to carry the corruption burden due to the illegal activities perpetrated by Eskom officials and their Cadre handlers. Using energy freely available after investments to reduce your dependency on a corrupt organisation is proper planning and like oxygen should be free to use.	Johannes	employed individual
	2026-10-06 22:58:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	employed individual
	2026-10-08 07:45:01	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	unemployed individual
	2026-10-09 06:35:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quenton	employed individual
	2026-10-09 12:13:41	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dane	employed individual

	2026-10-09 12:36:14	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Otto	retired
	2026-10-16 05:55:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frik	retired
	2026-10-16 21:24:26	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-10-18 20:12:48	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Private solar use added to the grid could bring down electricity costs .	Thomas	self-employed
	2026-10-19 18:11:00	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	business owner
	2026-10-22 22:17:55	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's power generation and distribution infrastructure had been systematically damaged by incompetence and mal-administration, resulting in excessive costs to the consumer and a severe degrading in service. This has resulted in consumers having to provide costly alternatives, like solar panels to supplement their continuity of electric power. The new position paper tries to shield the culprits form the consequences of their historic mal-administration by further putting a burden on the business owner and consumer by a misguided effort to force consumers to pay for access rather than usage and is equivalent to force a consumer to pay upon entry to a supermarket - even before buying a single item in the store.	Gina	retired
	2026-10-24 00:36:04	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liza	employed individual
	2026-10-27 05:52:43	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-10-27 07:48:20	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Municipal Official / Councillor		Joan	retired
	2026-10-31 21:46:10	No I do not	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	why must people who have spent money on having solar so they can have power because ESkom couldn't supply now you want to punish those people, you cant charge people for using the Sun! it free its just another way this country is trying to find ways to force people to pay when they have already paid for the solar some are paying off the loans now you want to charge them more, the ANC government needs to learn the the people are Gatvol of there shit, look what they did to the SABC we complained and were told we are not catering for you, you the minority so we stopped paying TV license we dont watch that shit but still they try find ways to force us to pay, another example is E tolls they took it upon themselves to upgrade the existing roads then told us we are now paying for them they did the upgades before the soccer world cup why didn't they use that money to fund there roads they decided to upgrade, now after years of people saying no they have now switched them off, we have had enough of this government trying to decided what we must do with our money who tell them what to do with their money because they dont pay for half the shit we do they get it free. now they should be sitting around the table trying to find ways to make the SA citizins lives easier not more difficult after all isn't it what they paid to do help the citizens not screw them over	Heather	
	2026-08-25 16:58:20	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) ESKOM IS SUPPOSED TO BE A NON-PROFIT!!! 2) The unbundling of ESKOM is the Worst Mistake ever!!! 3) Renewals are NOT Green or Sustainable!!! 4) A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils.	Zane	retired
	2026-08-26 15:19:30	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robyn	retired
	2026-08-26 17:13:37	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-08-26 17:14:10	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvone	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:42:14	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		graeme	retired
	2026-08-27 07:36:27	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-27 12:00:01	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My wife is on oxygen. Had it not been for a small solar system we are not sure what could of happened.	Aubrey	retired
	2026-08-28 07:58:32	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If private citizens disconnect their photovoltaic systems from the grid, Escom cannot provide the power required. It is therefore ridiculous that Eskom cannot supply sufficient power and when privat citizens fill the void they are punished.	Jack	
	2026-08-28 10:43:27	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-08-28 11:34:28	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aneesa	
	2026-08-28 14:39:41	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Governance continues to be a major issue with government and municipal authorities. This leads to major corruption and misuse of taxpayer monies. Instead of cleaning up financial irregularities there is a rush to collect more money from consumers in different ways.	Rene	retired
	2026-08-29 09:19:30	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This wil create a situation where ESCOM can force higher subsidies from consumers in the future without constraint	Thomas	
	2026-08-31 09:15:14	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am strongly against punishing the good Law abiding citizen. The Gov is living cost free , lavish lifestyles and it is mostly paid for by the tax payers! By taxing everyone to death will also kick back to the Gov as they will not be receiving taxes once a TAX REVOLT occurs in this country! Please publish your Deed of Ownership of the SUN??? The natural resources has been taxed by Gov from beginning of days! Who permitted this illegal activity????? Technology continues to advance and Gov wants to remain on the back seat doing nothing for the people, except taxing everyone to death!!! This is like the water mafia , money made out of pure incompetence!!! Focus on the illegal theft of electricity and the millions of thugs living and benefitting from these criminal activities. Once again as the Gov cannot police the country and curb criminality they pounce on the Law abiding citizens!! Stop acting as if you the Gov owns everything, you dont!!!	Neil	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:02:49	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Thea	business owner
	2026-08-31 22:07:33	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing households that help relieve pressure on the national grid creates a perverse incentive. Power generated and consumed at the point of use reduces strain on aging transmission networks and helps offset challenges associated with maintaining existing infrastructure. Most households have already assumed the debt, financial costs, maintenance responsibilities and capital outlay required to secure a reliable power supply due to the government's ongoing inability to provide this service consistently and with minimal disruption. This approach contradicts efforts to encourage the transition to greener energy solutions and achieve climate-friendly targets. Households that are already contributing to these objectives may now be penalized, while many families, already under significant financial pressure in the current economy, are finding it increasingly difficult to remain above the poverty line.	Carina	
	2026-09-01 11:52:06	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No comment , I beieve those that have been invested in solar to be left alone as they releave the grid from demand so in essense they helping the grid	hylton	employed individual
	2026-09-07 21:29:15	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helga	retired
	2026-09-09 11:30:30	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zelna	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:32:18	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Daar is niks waarmee hierdie korrupte regering vertrou kan word nie. Geen wet weer hou hulle daarvan om te doen wat hulle wil nie.	Inah	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 19:10:59	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We recently came off a 5 day power outage that was fixed only after multiple reportings, phone calls, WhatsApps etc etc. I'm not feeling they deserve more money for the level of service I've gotten recently.	Cindy	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:03:07	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The persons who had to control escom died do a good job. They should have control e-commerce and the problem is the top persons and the government should have catch the corruption persons responsible for the trillions of rand that was stolen.	Johannes	retired
	2026-09-12 06:45:39	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:10:03	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't think they have the right to tax someone for solar that they didn't supply or maintain im fully offgrid for almost 3 years now and wont look back	Abrie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:27:50	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	retired
	2026-09-12 10:18:38	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am against anything the ANC does or even thinks about !	Gregory	retired
	2026-09-12 21:51:18	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brilliant	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 13:20:14	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hein	retired

	2026-09-13 19:03:37	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot condemn individuals from going off grid as government is failing to deliver quality services. Rather focus on job creation than trying to tax the sun. Which is not owned by anyone on this planet. Rather focus on cleaning up corruption.	Madelein	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 07:36:52	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Owners of Residential Solar Power systems have personally invested large amounts of capital to ensure their own stable electricity supply. Government cannot and has no right in penalizing us for taking iniative in investing in a more reliabe and stable solar economy. They should rather embrace Solar Power owners for their iniative in alleviating the strain on the electrical grid. Current Solar owners are also preventing these people from enriching their pockets. We are also assisting in laying a Safe and Sound foundation for the fuure with people investing in Solar Energy.	Gordon	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:29:56	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why muast I pay now for my solar when before I put up solar I had to use candles and torches because some one in ESKOM was stealing so much by putting cheap coal in the furnacsis and stealing so much by doing no maintenance and leaving coal dust by the furnices that the dust wore out the rolers carrying coal. there were so many stories and the main man in charge of maintenance reported empty crates arriving in durban harbour that should have had replacement parts for servicing the stations. when he reported back to management he was dismissed. He told me stories about what was going on. He now is in charge of the intire power for another country. I am saying this as we visited this man overseas and heard lots of stories.	Barrie	retired
	2026-09-14 10:43:10	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Serushan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:25:11	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I strongly disagree with municipalities trying to penalise the people for going solar to make up for the funds that are being embezzled within government !! Rather Stop the corruption and massive Salaries government officials receive - do not try and milk the people even further !!!!!!! Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Debra	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:49:42	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicol	
	2026-09-14 14:32:03	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	
	2026-09-15 13:01:28	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darroll	retired
	2026-09-16 09:45:03	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Escom can make R30 billion profit, and municipalities can not sustain power to the people, we pay our basic fees wether we have power or not. With 4hour loadshedding period we were encouraged to go alternative. Spend huge amounts still pay basic fees. Being out of power for days, we lost food, meat in freezers. Those with solar try to assist neighbours and friends, then we to fell victim to no power. No hot water to bath. Those with gas stoves assisted then special with babies. Service delivery is not fun in the park experience when you have to buy food at oulets because you lost 30 days food in a freezer. Why encourage us to install and now want to penalise us. We support power shortage.. now still making billions of profit... who is raking in these profits. Is it Data Centres... or shareholders.	Alet	retired
	2026-09-18 12:44:03	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When escom ran into trouble they urge people to do solar in order to assist escom. Now escom want to misuse their pathetic management to penalise solar users??? If escom want people to support them they must get into the market at a reasonable price.	Piet	retired
	2026-09-20 11:29:20	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	self-employed
	2026-09-21 10:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	ESKOM was never build to compete for providing power to the citizens of this country. It was a national asset for the citizens of this country providing us with the best sustainable and cheapest power on this planet! This Government and its Elite caders looted Eskom to the brink of destruction. Now this Government proposes "unbundling" the remaining assets in ESKOM so it can be stolen like it was done in SAA saga! The proposed companies to deliver so called "new power" to the grid are ALL Government Elite CRIME Caders and definitely will not maintain a struture to sustain delivery of power to municipalities or individuals. These Caders will LOOT the remaining ESKOM Infrastructure until it is stripped from its last penny's worth of wire and metal!	Daan	business owner
	2026-09-26 06:58:48	No I do not	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrea	
	2026-08-25 17:18:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	retired
	2026-08-26 07:08:14	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	as a pensioner electricity prices are out of hand as well as sewerage and water but after years off paying have to go without alot its ridiculous	Dawn	retired
	2026-08-26 15:21:58	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should people who have paid for solar, which is not cheap, have to pay more because of an incompetent and corrupt government?	Charmaine	
	2026-08-26 15:37:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	New way of generating money. As every one goes of grid, the rest of the users have to carry the load.	Andries	retired
	2026-08-26 16:01:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham	
	2026-08-26 16:07:57	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carel	retired
	2026-08-26 16:14:09	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In Jhb , I already pay a fixed charge of R250 / month to remain on the grid. Most months my consumption is very low, so my cost/ unit is very high. If the fixed cost increases further I'll just remove my property from the grid and use a generator on very overcast days	Alastair	retired
	2026-08-26 17:01:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy should open things wide open for users to buy electricity from any provide: municipality or private energy wholesaler The problem here is that as a rate payer I am being taxed on three levels for the same thing : 1. Municiple rates & taxes: should already cover the electricity connection charge 2. Eskom Electricity pricing: likely already factoring in connection cost into pricing 3. Now add on a fixed electricity connection charge which is already included in the above (in Cape Town we already pay this - something like R300 /month) So I have no option to chose a lower cost provider/reseller of that electricity and I am double paying Eskom and the Municipality for the same connection "service". What a scam	Nathan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:14:14	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Henry	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:17:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcella	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:41:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly its not our problem that less electricity are consumed. Originally the government asked f us ti go less om the grid because of load shedding and their Inablity to supply. Now that paying customers went of the grid you dont make money anymore to pay your super high overpaid employees... Because your othet vustomers are the ones that don't pay... Your biting your own tail now abd is desperate to in money ti survive.... Try another scheme please	Pat	
	2026-08-26 18:32:09	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The grabbing at money from the administration here is unbelievable. We should all only be paying for what electricity we use, nothing else. No extra charges for using solar, no extra charges prepaid or postpaid electricity consumers. We are tired of financing thieves and liars. Why don't we cut salaries for MPs and SOE CEOs? They are far too high.	Candi	
	2026-08-26 18:48:09	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	
	2026-08-26 18:52:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was Eskom that urged people to put in solar because they could not cope, it was also Eskom that destroyed the industries of South Africa starting with the Aluminium smelter. This is a joke.	Hugh	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:09:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot pinelise the public for your shortcommings. Stop paying huge salaries instead	Gerhard	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 20:37:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-08-26 20:40:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rene	
	2026-08-26 21:02:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maureen	retired
	2026-08-26 21:05:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	business owner
	2026-08-26 21:29:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fharhaad	retired
	2026-08-26 22:41:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desne	
	2026-08-26 23:48:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thembekile	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:17:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having helped Eskom get back on its feet, by reducing the load on it when I installed solar, why should I now have to support a useless municipality which will have less reason to become efficient.	Patrick	retired
	2026-08-27 06:40:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 06:47:20	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	it is outrageous that the state has forced us to get our own power sources because of its corruption and mismangement and now expects us to pay more so cadres can steal more	Peter	
	2026-08-27 07:22:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM/LOCAL AUTHORITIES realizes that their income (profits) are dwindling. These are their ways of making up for the loss of income. Sunshine is free and solar panels are at the cost of the property owner.	G C	retired
	2026-08-27 07:48:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lou	

	2026-08-27 07:50:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		tau	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:05:22	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	retired
	2026-08-27 08:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is one more bullet to support corruption and mismanagement and drive taxpayers out of SA!!! Wake up! Who is going to be left behind?	Gracie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:09:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:54:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its the duty of the government to provide for basic needs water, electricity , transport , education and health. We pay one the highest tax rates in the world with no service delivery , especially the one in need.	Andal Nalini	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:05:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ALAN	retired
	2026-08-27 10:07:16	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 11:13:43	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With this proposed bill they are shooting themselves in the foot. This will be making the whole deal unaffordable for the consumer resulting in the public not paying the electricity bill.	Anthon	retired
	2026-08-27 11:47:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-27 11:48:22	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:00:14	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	have installed Solar because of the states failure to supply uninterrupted electricity to my home. This has cost me a lot of money - if you are thinking of charging me for freeing up electricity for others then you are seriously barking up the wrong tree. I refer to the following statements made recently: Ramokgopa revealed that diligent, paying consumers are forced to subsidize non-paying customers because the current tariff structure bakes unpaid municipal debt into the cost of supply. " - Unveiled in August 2026, the new policy aims to ban Eskom and municipalities from passing these uncollected debts onto compliant users. - Ramokgopa noted that from 2007 to 2024, electricity prices surged by 937%, far outpacing the 155% inflation rate over the same period. - Under the proposed framework, Nersa will enforce transparent, cost-reflective tariffs and a 10-year price forecast to protect consumers and help industrial investors." So, all of the above are just lies masked as promises to placate the desparate public and garner votes whilst taxing the already overburdened tax payer.	Gerda	
	2026-08-27 12:27:55	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	BECAUSE OF WIDESPREAD CORRUPTION AND INEFFICENCY WITHIN ESKOM AND THE GOVERNMENT IN GENERAL WHY MUST WE BE CONSTANTLY PENALIZED TO PAY FOR THIER INCOMPETENCE AND STUBBORN REFUSAL HAND THE COUNTRY OVER TO PEOPLE WHO CAN RUN IT	Sharon	
	2026-08-27 13:16:46	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcelle	retired
	2026-08-27 13:17:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In addition to the points raised above ,which are in opposition to this Proposal, I'm extremely concerned that the proposal is to split up the control into various STATE CONTROLLED entities. This is a recipe for more opportunities for graft, fraud, and all types of money loss. Surely we are already looking at a raft of mismanagement, to say the least, in all aspects of our economy. Not to mention theft on a grand scale. Look at where once thriving operations failed once this happened. Transnet, Postnet, SAA, etc etc.	BARBARA	retired
	2026-08-27 13:22:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This would be infringing on our freedom to choose and a breech h if the consumer act	Patrizia	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:13:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Perry	self-employed
	2026-08-27 14:52:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government did not give those that installed Solar any assistance, it was all paid out of after tax money. The extra money the Government will receive from Sun Tax will just add more money to the Cader Coffers and not go to settling the enormous bills the municipalities owe Eskom.	Owen	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:17:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	retired
	2026-08-27 15:24:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bangar	retired
	2026-08-27 15:25:43	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		GLADYS DENISE	
	2026-08-27 16:00:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must Ratepayers pay Eskom/Muncipality failers?	Lance	retired
	2026-08-27 16:24:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A incompetent civil servant organization CALLED A NC	Kevin	
	2026-08-27 16:37:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	retired
	2026-08-27 18:24:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgusting abuse of power by a minority group who socialize losses while privatizing gains for their small group of politically connected elites.	Jacob	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:43:44	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and City Power are thieves. Service delivery is non-existent and this is just another means to ''steal'' from rate payers and line their pockets.	Ziyaad	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:35:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-08-27 19:48:29	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First sort out your delinquent government ratepayers and organisations and officials and the employed ANC caders that are openly stealing everything barren before trying to charge honest ratepayers any more taxes while delivering less and less services. This is nothing more than yet another tax grab dressed up in ANC sh1t speak because they do not have the decency to openly steal everything and try to hide it behind any b00lsh1t law that AI can generate for them. We refuse to accept laws and regulations proposed by common criminals and skelms like the current minister.	Jan-Hendrik	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:37:56	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Our business already paid a vast amount of our savings to install solar panels, because municipal electricity is not a reliable source. City of Matlosana's infrastructure is falling apart because of the openly corruption that is ongoing. to pay penalty tax is unfair.	maria	business owner
	2026-08-28 02:16:13	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More and more taxes is NOT the solution - proper management of the grid is needed!!	Paul	
	2026-08-28 04:28:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	self-employed
	2026-08-28 04:59:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	retired
	2026-08-28 05:31:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tanya	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:39:58	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way in which this criminal culture devises ways to steal more because it itself is too stupid to earn money, lazy and useless.	Leo	
	2026-08-28 05:41:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:36:13	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelus	retired
	2026-08-28 07:04:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are taxed to the maximum on every level The funds in from the tax payers to waste South africa is falling apart	Louisa	retired
	2026-08-28 07:25:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the tax payers and consumers are expected to pay for mismanagement and corruption. No more.	Gert	retired
	2026-08-28 08:21:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon-Ann	retired
	2026-08-28 08:46:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As we are assisting Eskom reduce the load of consumption which they cannot provide in any case why should we be held liable for their mismanagement? Never in history had we had so much problems. Back in the 80's South Africa had one of the best electricity platforms in the World. What changed? Corruption? Poor management? Uneducated leaders? This is absolute nonsense.	Wayne	employed individual

	2026-08-28 08:56:42	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No entity owns the sun! It is the individuals prerogative how to run and safeguard their house and business.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-28 09:22:18	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-28 09:28:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having invested in a solar system to ensure we have power on the farm, to pump our water, power our security system, as Eskom supply is so unreliable, we shouldn't be penalized and be charged	Lyn	retired
	2026-08-28 09:59:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:41:52	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rensche	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:08:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The municipality has a history of mal-adminisration and incompentance. They want to pass these failures on to captive consumers with no incentive to improve the conditions and face the consequences of their actions.	Allan	
	2026-08-28 11:22:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First fix the corruption at state and municipal level and in para-statal entities before changing the laws about compensation.	M	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 11:40:22	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	we have used post tax money to protect our electricity supply, definitely no happy to pay a tax on good money i have spent. Eskom should have provided a better service, then we would have no need to looking elsewhere	Andrea	retired
	2026-08-28 11:46:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debora h	
	2026-08-28 11:52:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diana	retired
	2026-08-28 12:04:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities and the SA government are failing to provide citizens with affordable and reliable electricity. Corruption plays a role and consumer confidence is very low. It is not fair to penalise those who are already spending more money towards fixing a problem they are not creating. Furthermore, ordinary households cannot stretch any further in bearing these additional costs	Johanna	
	2026-08-28 12:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unjust and corrupt to penalise hardworking residents because the government has mismanaged funds for decades! Electricity and running water is a BASIC HUMAN RIGHT and as such we should not be penalised for exercising foresight and wisdom because Eskom was mismanaged and power stations were never maintained.	Paul	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:07:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	
	2026-08-28 14:19:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To whom it may concern I write as a grid-connected customer who, like many households, invested in solar generation because the national utility could not keep essential equipment running. Eskom and the State now argue that solar-equipped households “free-ride”: we buy fewer kilowatt-hours, yet still use the grid for backup and night-time supply, and therefore do not pay our “fair share” of fixed network and generation-capacity costs. That is the principle used to justify higher fixed charges, the generation capacity charge, forced migration onto Homeflex time-of-use tariffs, and the registration regime for small-scale embedded generation. That principle is economically tidy and historically false. Households did not install solar to dodge network costs. They installed it because years of load shedding, delayed maintenance, and tariff shocks made the grid an unreliable last resort. People spent their own capital so fridges, medical devices, pumps and lights would not fail. In doing so they reduced demand on a strained system at the very moments when Eskom most needed relief. To treat that investment as a subsidy extracted from “full-paying” neighbours is to blame the customer for a failure the supplier created. Countries whose governments plan ahead treat distributed solar as load relief. They subsidise, net-bill or otherwise reward households that generate their own power and ease peak pressure on the grid. South Africa’s response is the opposite: after citizens did, at private cost, what the State failed to do, the policy is to recover “backup” costs from them and to restructure tariffs so that using less energy is punished. If the grid must recover fixed costs from those who remain connected, say so plainly and design charges that track actual use of the network — not a moral claim that self-reliance is free-riding. A household that invested to keep the lights on is not a free-rider. A utility that first made the grid unusable and then billed citizens for still needing it is. I ask Eskom and the Department to abandon the language of “discouraging free-riding” and to align policy with what every competent energy administration already knows: private solar that reduces system load should be encouraged, not penalised.	Jan	retired
	2026-08-28 14:43:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Is this change to steal more from the ratepayers or to improve service delivery? Another ANC plot to enrich themselves and their comrades.	MOHAMED Ali	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:42:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the UK , my daughter also have solar panels on the roof of their home and they get refunded by their municipality for the generation of electricity. Now here in our country the Government wants to steal from home owners that spent their own funds to get ESKOM out of their generation predicament. Typical of the corrupt ANC cadres.	Patrick	retired
	2026-08-28 17:06:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Both my husband and I work from home. We are not able to afford solar but do have an inverter (lasts about 4 hrs at a time, sometimes 6 - batteries terribly expensive) to keep our computers on during load shedding .	leona	business owner
	2026-08-28 21:03:02	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as consumers CANNOT AND WILL NOT be held accountable for Munici cipal shortcomings, theft, corruption and non maintained and dept with misconduct of OUR monies NOT paid over to Eskom and state failure. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH..	Henno	employed individual
	2026-08-28 21:52:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Verna	business owner
	2026-08-29 05:56:20	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beryl	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:03:59	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gloria	retired
	2026-08-29 07:49:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:50:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmain	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:06:20	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power was a solution that individuals, corporate consumers and other role players chose to overcome the inefficiencies and ineffectiveness of Eskom as well as the lack of maintenance in the infrastructure that the current government pursues. Instead of rewarding problem solving, they just find ways to continue to fill their own pockets, "LEGALLY". This is the very definition of toxic governance that is rife in South Africa. Rather than taking a brutal and honest self-reflection and say, "Let's reward these problem solvers for trying to ease the burden on the grid and let's see how we can make the infrastructure better.", they take the convenient route and say, "Problem solvers have provided us an opportunity to make easy money, let's see how we can do that legally." Too many people trying to take too much money from a system that is not working rather than using the brain power to fix the situation and encourage people to solve practical problems with practical solutions rather than taking the convenient fiscal route that just lines some bureaucratic sphincter muscle's pocket.	Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:28:14	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:02:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Faisal	
	2026-08-29 11:20:02	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So they now believe that the sun also belongs to them, then maybe we should sue them for droughts, sin cancer excessive heat, they are all morons that just want to steal money and when people find ways to rectify their failures with there own money they still want money from that as well, all a bunch of criminals in the anc government	Wayne	retired
	2026-08-29 11:42:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		victor	self-employed
	2026-08-29 12:29:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and feel like I am being taxed to such an extent I cannot live anymore. My staple food is bread and beans. Now another tax No, no, no!!!!	Patricia	retired
	2026-08-29 13:02:56	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Before imposing additional fixed/network costs on electricity consumers who have invested in lawful private generation, what measurable targets and enforcement mechanisms will be applied to electricity theft, illegal connections, municipal non-payment, municipal revenue diversion, non-remittance of collected electricity revenue, and municipal financial mismanagement? Why should a compliant customer who pays every electricity account in full and has invested privately in reducing demand from the national grid be treated as a “free rider”, while municipalities that collect electricity revenue and fail to remit it to Eskom can accumulate billions in arrears?	Vanessa	retired
	2026-08-29 14:24:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a way the government can access more finance. If we want to have a fair environment then open it fully. Allow private sector to supply electricity to anyone. We are in the situation because government stuffed up the ESKOM. We are surviving because of a massive shift off ESKOM to solar and alarming amounts of Diesel used to top up the base power. ESKOM has not solved the supply problems but have lost massive business hence revenue. This is just a move to increase the revenue again without solving the real problem.	Simon	retired
	2026-08-29 14:31:05	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM should spend their time and energy to address those Municipalities owing Rbillions to ESKOM! They want the easy way out and we are like sitting ducks to them.	Leon	retired
	2026-08-29 15:33:59	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was good enough for us to be encouraged (with tax relief) to fit a solar panel system at the time when Eskom was abjectly failing. I believe the solar equipment that was installed had a positive effect on Eskom's ability to revive. Now that they are on their feet and up and running, must we be penalised for helping out. Is that fair?	Robert	retired
	2026-08-29 17:56:29	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-29 18:14:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced the people to get solar, they demanded it in certain aspects. Now they want to punish us. They want to install green power which will not be reliable and cause more damage and then continue to penalize the citizens. Where does this abuse of power stop. Where is the regulatory body through out this or are we the citizens paying their salaries to get abused and robbed. So sun tax, what is next, wind tax, breathing tax. Live tax. This is absolutely criminal.	Tinus	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:27:22	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We’ll be penalised for saving municipality’s power generation. We’re already paying ridiculously for municipal “services”	Dinesh	retired
	2026-08-30 07:29:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired
	2026-08-30 07:39:27	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its obvious by the number of outages that revenue is not being used properly to maintain supply to suburbs.	Menachem	business owner

	2026-08-30 14:45:18	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is an after the fact, bad faith action. While I have sympathy for the thought. it is fa fact that if every person that has solar were to immediately abandon the Solar and start consuming "normally" the grid would immediately fall apart. I installed Solar to protect my equipment and ensure continuity. Both Eskom and municipalities offer not warranty of service and availability, they accept no punitive or even just compensatory responsibility for lack of service, yet want to bite the hand that fed them. The government was criminally derelict. First of all it encouraged consumer to become independent. They overpay all Eskom employees, (more than market median for sub-par delivery). They did not plan, participated (as an organisation) in corruption, paying for services not rendered or rendered shoddily. way beyond what is the international norm for both maintenance and expansion. Once there is a semblance of stability, wholly enabled by the very people they want to overburden, they now feel that we must sponsor further incapacity and malpractice because we invested some of our money to become largely independent of them. If they don't want to sell us electricity cut us off, we will make our own plans, but I will not pay a cent more than my neighbour. I use Eskom as a backup because its available, but if they don't want even that income, I will gladly forego the convenience. The state wants to have "favourite" children! I already participate beyond most in the wellfare of my compatriates, on my own terms. its not the government's role to be anyone's conscience. If they are serious, ban all further installations stop our ability to buy stuff, which would be unconstitutional, but those are signs of being serious, but milking your neighbour's cow, that is criminal.	Jose	retired
	2026-08-30 21:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government wants to penalise everyone who is tired of the lack of service delivery in the electricity field. We have to spend large amounts of money to compensate for Eskoms' corruption and inefficiency.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-31 10:52:37	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government keep on spending money as if there is no end to it and we must just keep on giving.	Lodewikus	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:53:50	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		HENNIE	business owner
	2026-08-31 14:43:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leana	retired
	2026-08-31 19:32:22	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Indran	retired
	2026-09-01 08:05:49	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kirsten	business owner
	2026-09-01 08:45:34	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Presently municipalities are not paying their bills with the money they receive for this purpose. If they receive even more money, what will they do with it???	Hester	retired
	2026-09-01 09:31:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Ross	retired
	2026-09-01 09:46:52	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding was the result of pure incompetence on the part of the government. We were forced to seek alternative energy supply at considerable personal cost and are now being penalized by the government as they are seeking to regain the income they lost, again, due to their incompetence.	Eddie	retired
	2026-09-01 11:37:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 16:07:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	retired
	2026-09-02 06:53:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nathalie	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:50:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelia	
	2026-09-02 22:51:48	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Enough nonsense. When will govt do something good and right??	Alf	
	2026-09-03 14:12:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must be the only country in the world that introduce penalties against private entrepreneurship. Government dismally failed to deliver power to municipalities and the only reason it has not happened again, is all the private solar and wind turbine installation by individuals and corporates. Energy usage on the Escom grid is now lower than a decade ago due to these private initiatives, and not because they now manage the State entity better. Such a shame	Nico	retired
	2026-09-04 21:50:44	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kirsten	retired
	2026-09-05 07:35:25	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 09:42:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Anyone who has solar has it because the state is destroying Eskom with corruption, theft, and negligence. They must not be punished for taking care of their needs, they should be given tax breaks. They should be given lower tarrifs. They should not be charged any more from worthless municipalities. The municipalities are failing and collapsing. We should not be forced to foot the bill for their mismanagement.	Cyrilene	
	2026-09-06 07:12:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again the consumer pays for anc incompetence.	L	self-employed
	2026-09-06 11:44:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maphaka	
	2026-09-06 14:24:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They just want more and more money for their pockets	Jakkals	retired
	2026-09-06 14:32:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	1. The govt cant be trusted not to give lucrative deals to their buddies in bad coal or the Chinese govt who will rape us dead. 2. Because they ruined what was once the best energy utility in the world is not a reason to give them licence to tax the sun we enjoy or the air we breathe. 3.again with the overreach.	Suzy	
	2026-09-06 16:26:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noel	retired
	2026-09-06 17:47:37	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is due to the improper handling of our country that we as a consumer had to look for alternative ways to sustain our life styles and now that the government is not making money of off us they are trying to put tax onto our improvements where they fell short	Lydia	
	2026-09-07 14:40:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luana	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 18:45:52	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L T	self-employed
	2026-09-10 14:16:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		JG	
	2026-09-11 15:17:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eran	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:10:16	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not consent.	Bernd	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:19:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am tired of paying for Eskom mismanagement. As a retired person on a fixed income I just cannot afford any of these increasing costs.	Debra	retired
	2026-09-11 16:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cadredeploiment led to theft and that led to unqualified people that runs everything in SA	Gabriel	retired
	2026-09-11 16:35:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-11 16:44:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop stealing and overpaying unqualified management and there will be enough money for services.	Albie	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:48:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Municipal Official / Councillor	There are far too many politicians who are ill equipped and qualified. When I was still working I had to take as a specialist graduate commands from a grade 10 qualified Councillor who had no insight in running a business. Also, lost of money can be saved by employing skilled people, who is willing to work efficiently and focus on optimum service delivery. Cutting back on labour costs will bring down all other related costs. Currently, it is socialist oriented politicians and trade unions with ill and unpractical policies that make major decisions.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-11 17:36:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper and reject any policy that shifts the financial burden of maintaining the electricity grid onto ordinary South African households. Consumers who have invested their own money in solar should not be punished with excessive fixed charges or so-called “anti-free-riding” fees simply because they are reducing their dependence on Eskom, while households that cannot afford solar must not be forced to carry the cost of declining municipal revenue through higher tariffs and compulsory charges. Government must protect consumers, not penalise them for reducing electricity costs or make them responsible for the financial consequences of restructuring the electricity market. Any reform must be transparent, fair, affordable and sustainable, with clear protections for both solar and non-solar households. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to withdraw any measures that unfairly increase household electricity costs, reject punitive charges on private solar investment, and ensure that ordinary consumers are not used as a financial buffer for failing municipal systems or market restructuring.	Jan	retired
	2026-09-11 17:39:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:53:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leandre	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:58:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Total mismanagement of the electricity situation in SA has now brought us to this point. Another tax to be added to an overtaxed population. That while electricity consumers are already paying a large infrastructure fee every month. Nobody wanted to invest in solar electricity, but was forced into it by ESKOM and NERSA.	Arthur	business owner
	2026-09-11 18:13:02	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annie	

	2026-09-11 18:15:17	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andi	retired
	2026-09-11 18:44:02	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are faced with a situation where there is no competition and therefore those that remain dependent on Eskom will bear the full costs of a bloated and inefficient operation. This coupled with Municipal failure will place a significant burden on households that can already barely survive as municipalities are also giving away electricity to poor citizens and this us funded by the very left who can pay. Unless there is competition on the supply side this is simply not affordable	Stephen	retired
	2026-09-11 18:52:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-11 19:18:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronald	retired
	2026-09-11 19:30:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goverment gave us loadshedding that we had no say in or object. We were forced to make our own plans in darkest Africa. People with solar and battery systems must gang up against Ramaphosa and company. Mass action. They can't take everyone to court.	J	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 19:57:26	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle Fanoe	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:09:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:10:50	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eileen	retired
	2026-09-11 21:32:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dudley	
	2026-09-11 22:56:29	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-09-11 23:17:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gopalan	retired
	2026-09-12 04:26:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan Holtzhausen	retired
	2026-09-12 06:20:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wulf	retired
	2026-09-12 06:50:25	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	
	2026-09-12 06:54:55	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The municipality cannot supply reliable power. On top of this, they spend rate payers' money foolishly. We will have loadshedding again if we switch off all pv system. Solar owners should be compensated for relieving the governments burden to supply reliable power. Not the other way.	Adele	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:08:49	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marie	retired
	2026-09-12 07:13:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If households can afford to install solar power that is their choice & there is no burden of finance on the part of the energy provider. There should be no penalties for this installation. Eskom should be grateful responsible citizens are taking action. Off grid doesn't mean that a customer will not purchase power from the power utility. Eskom must work within a realistic budgetary framework. Eskom should go back to their board room and rethink what they are trying to achieve but not athe the expense of the ordinary citizen trying to make a living.	Beverley	retired
	2026-09-12 07:42:26	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes L	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:41:16	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers must not foot the bill for exorbitant salaries, bonusses and theft by officials	Christo	retired
	2026-09-12 09:03:49	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dlabantu	retired
	2026-09-12 09:45:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shevaughn	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:59:56	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roz	retired
	2026-09-12 10:02:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anemie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:10:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Municipal HR scaledown and get proffessional artisans to do jobs Outsourcing while paying salaries ?	Jackie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 10:28:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If ESCOM / municipalities loose money through personal solar installation, it's on THEM !! THEY caused the situation in the first place. They cannot expect the ratepayers to fund their lavish lifestyles and money wasting.	Siegfried	retired
	2026-09-12 11:57:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because all government & municipal; depts are virtually bankrupt through theft & mismangement, the law abiding citizen must subsidize everything .	Bridgid	retired
	2026-09-12 12:10:44	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cathy	
	2026-09-12 12:11:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot trust the ANC with any decisions Eskom is seemingly a bottomless pit of monet that they steal from and we have to fund it.	Beula	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:35:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	retired
	2026-09-12 12:37:15	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No use in bandaging up a dead body	Pieter	
	2026-09-12 13:28:26	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felicity	retired
	2026-09-12 13:31:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margo	retired
	2026-09-12 13:53:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vino	retired
	2026-09-12 14:24:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	retired
	2026-09-12 14:48:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius and Wilna	retired
	2026-09-12 15:15:55	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-12 15:32:45	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	
	2026-09-12 15:37:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Kons kan nie meer krag bekostig nie. Verstaan die lot nie dat as daar minder mense is wat koop nie daar meer krag beskikbaar is nie, wat dan weer goedkoper verkoop kan word nie en so gebruik mense meer. Daar moet nou van die anc ontslae geraak word. As ons slegs sonkrag kon bekistig het ons gekry en sodoende vir eskom in sy kanon gestuur. Maar ons is pensioenarisse en ksn glad nie meet die voirafbetaalde krag bekostig nie. Ons word absoluut betoof!	Anel	retired
	2026-09-12 16:11:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So tired of the ANC looking for ways to bleed this country dry, now even God given power is being manipulated and I hope the ANC GETS WHAT IT DESERVES	Lynn	retired
	2026-09-12 16:25:13	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So tired of the ANC looking for ways to bleed this country dry, now even God given power is being manipulated and I hope the ANC GETS WHAT IT DESERVES From the power house of Afrika to almost an unaffordable existence!	Werner	retired
	2026-09-12 16:40:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	

	2026-09-12 17:30:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The solar users took pre-emptive measures to stop global warning, in the past under the Guptas and Zuma, Escom was captured and to pay for electricity was to pay thieves to spend your money, the way to go was solar.	Jan	retired
	2026-09-12 17:52:59	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At eighty-three years of age, I still work to earn a very small income. Increasing costs such as municipal rates, electricity, water and foodstuffs will force me to sell my home of forty years, a home which I purchased to live in and to and die in. Something is very wrong with our country, yet our president does nothing to improve our services, our security and the ives of the elderly South Africans who have dedicated their lives to the country which was once world-renowned, but has been destroyed by racism, corruption, and total mismanagement. I cannot afford any more increases! WHAT IS MY COUNTRY GOING TO DO TO HELP ME, A RETIRED SCHOOL TEACHER?	John	retired
	2026-09-12 18:15:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariska	
	2026-09-12 18:15:59	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariska	
	2026-09-12 18:18:17	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	retired
	2026-09-12 19:49:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ceceilia	retired
	2026-09-12 20:47:30	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	
	2026-09-12 21:23:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 22:39:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:36:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	And the poor will become poorer. We are forced to pay for the high increases while Eskom makes a profit. Supposed to be a Government controlled company. Doesn't cater for the man in the street.	Vernon	retired
	2026-09-13 06:44:50	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:54:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maxine	retired
	2026-09-13 07:48:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The municipal grid in our town has collapsed under illegal connections, lack of maintenance and skills, with no budget to provide the necessary upgrades. No hope for the future. Residents and small businesses have invested heavily in solar back-up which also requires maintenance and we're still charged a monthly fee for electricity which we do not use and cannot use because it doesn't exist. Our area has electricity 50% of the time which makes it impossible to run a business and pay salaries. We have been paying repeatedly for government incompetence and greed. We have nothing left.	Barbora	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:28:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	retired
	2026-09-13 08:32:37	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chrissie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:02:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-09-13 11:09:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:20:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just become effective in your work! Produce good products (real electricity at lowest possible price) to impact the nation without expecting bribes, subsidised work (less value/effort for product and political interferences).	Willie	
	2026-09-13 11:46:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trynie	retired
	2026-09-13 12:06:27	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:08:58	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jasper	retired
	2026-09-13 12:12:49	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	God gave us sunlight and oxygenfor free. Incompetent, corrupt officials and especially politicians who do not contribute anything to the economy, are exploiting ordinary citizens	Rea	
	2026-09-13 12:27:17	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nick	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:27:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual anything the ANC touches is punitive to collect more and more money, which disappears into the ANC abyss of corruption. Over thirty years later and they have not made any meaningful changes to the country. One only have to look at the dismal state of our municipalities.	Brian	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:28:30	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should be treated as just one source for povision of electricity and should do so on a responsibly managed basis - and should not seek to punish anyone who makes alternative arrangements. Eskom is not entitled to deter competition!	Jennifer	self-employed

	2026-09-13 14:29:34	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Skip to content Dear South Africa Democratically Engaged, Active and Responsible Menu Electricity Transformation paper 8,893 comments individually delivered to the Minister, so far The Department of Electricity and Energy has published a structural roadmap to dismantle South Africa's single-buyer electricity model and replace it with a competitive open market: the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM). While market competition aims to end Eskom's generation monopoly and encourage private investment, the underlying policy introduces fundamental shifts that directly affect your monthly utility bills and private solar investments: Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an "anti-free-riding" principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees. The "Captive Ratepayer" Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain "captive" to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies. Wholesale Price Volatility & Market Power: With Eskom Generation remaining the dominant producer, risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and trading speculation could translate into retail tariff volatility if regulatory protections are inadequate. Restructuring the Distribution Value Chain: Municipal and Eskom distributors must separate the physical grid ("wires") from electricity sales ("retail/trading"), introducing separate fees for grid delivery and energy units. click the link for more info, or scroll down to have your say Where Do You Stand? Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded. Have your say – shape the paper. The field is required. The field is required. The field is required. The field is required. The field is required. The field is required. Do you support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper? No I do not What is your concern? (scroll down for an explanation of each) All of the above As you've chosen "all of the above", if you had to choose one concern, what would it be? Select your answer The field is required. I am participating as a: Select your answer The field is required. USE THIS SPACE TO ADD YOUR COMMENT. If you are lost for words scroll down to view concerns and perspectives. Feel free to suggest alternatives, amendments or solutions. You can also copy and paste your comment here from another source. First name The field is required. Last name The field is required. Your email – (please double-check) The field is required. Select your province The field is required. the fields below are optional —————————— Your suburb What is your preferred channel for feedback on this campaign? e-mail Your preferred language? English What is your status? (for our reporting purposes only) retired Check your email address then hit send! You will be redirected to a confirmation page. 1.4k Shares Top concerns 1: Mandatory Fixed Network Charges on Solar & Low-Volume Users ("Anti-Free Riding") 2: Captive Consumer Protections & Two-Tiered Tariff Risks 3: Wholesale Market Power & Price Manipulation Risks 4: Municipal Financial Collapse & Loss of Cross-Subsidies 5: NTCSA Structural Conflicts of Interest & Independence 6: Transmission Congestion, Bottlenecks & Private Grid Expansion (ITPs) Perspectives: What is the debate? The proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper represents the most consequential restructuring of South Africa's energy landscape in decades. At its core, the policy navigates a fundamental conflict: introducing free-market competition and cost-reflective tariffs versus protecting municipal financial viability, rooftop solar investments, and vulnerable captive consumers. What SUPPORTERS Say (The Case for Market Reform & Wholesale Competition) What OPPONENTS & SKEPTICS Say (The Case for Ratepayer & Solar Protection) A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The "Captive Ratepayer Trap" and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils. Discover more Energy & Utilities electricity trading We simply cannot afford to carry the burden of eskom's failures , and the defection of larger companies and affluent households from the grid. We are just about making ends meet with all the recent petrol hikes - and the ripple effect it has on tge prices of EVERYTHING ELSE. How do you politicians sleep at night ?!?!?!?	Loganathan	retired
	2026-09-13 15:12:59	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-13 15:19:05	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the non-solar consumers pay for the loss of income caused by solar consumers when Eskom almost requested the consumers not to use their product, being the only company in the world to do that. Eskom even gave discounts to consumers that wanted to go solar then took the discounts away. Now, after years they realise that was wrong and now they want to penalise the loyal paying non-solar consumers, which is not right. Eskom has failed because of the greed and incompetence of those who have been running the SOE. We have been 'punished' with tariff increases of over 900% since 1988 and gruelling loadshedding since 2007! Eskom has apparently now made double its profits! So why are we being punished every which way by Eskom? They need to sort their house out before they destroy our lives even more. All the above is totally against our World Class Constitution of South Africa and thus totally illegal as well as unlawful!!!!!	Leslie	business owner
	2026-09-13 16:09:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 18:11:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	retired

	2026-09-13 19:50:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private individuals and companies have been forced to invest in Solar Power because Eskom and our municipalities are unable to manage the power grid, expenditure, maintenance and Government proxies such as cadres and municipal managers have captured and are stealing our taxes. We should be allowed to provide power back into the grid and have our bills credited with the amount provided.	Roland	retired
	2026-09-13 20:12:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Both eskom and nersa should be taken to court for extortion, both does not have public participation where we as residents can air our view, they sit behind close doors and in their own world and views they agree to do price hikes and we must laugh it off. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH	Isgaak	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 20:18:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	self-employed
	2026-09-14 05:39:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bafedile	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 05:58:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simonette	
	2026-09-14 06:03:18	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 06:04:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	retired
	2026-09-14 06:47:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hugo	Non-profit
	2026-09-14 07:19:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipa l networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs for us households and making life unaffordable	Marc	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 07:30:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-09-14 07:59:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		HENNIE	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:01:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer is already burdened with high rates of electricity due to the mismanagement of the municipality this is another avenue that they can exploit the situation instead of ensuring that ALL consumers pay using electricity. They need to seek ways of taking away all illegal use and the more people pay for electricity the less municipalities will need to look at price hikes to cover shortfalls. STOP CURRUPTION, MINIPULATION AND UNETHICAL USE OF ELECTRICITY	CHRISTINE	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:19:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential electricity consumer, I will be affected the most. Electricity units are currently very expensive (R100 - 27 units). R50 - 15.10 units. We really are struggling as the poor, while the rich and private sector are benefiting.	Beverley	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 08:20:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leona	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:34:20	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1) Business and Households invested savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. 2) A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar 3) Fair System Cost Allocation (“Anti-Free Riding”) -- Legalize "Buy Back Tariff" and Compensate those solar systems feeding back into the municipal grid. 3) The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency -- STOP CORRUPTION, MANUPULATION AND UNETHICAL USE OF ELECTRICITY. 4) Transparent Price Discovery and Long-Term Cost Reductions -- Legalize "Buy Back Tariff" and Compensate those solar systems feeding back into the municipal grid. 5) Professionalising Municipal Electricity Accounts -- Legalize "Buy Back Tariff" and Compensate those solar systems feeding back into the municipal grid.	Jannes	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:43:46	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another clever way to tax the consumer to generate an income stream for the mismanagement and corruption. Taxing solar users on sunshine are insane. Local authorities bad financial management must not be paid for by the residents, fire the bad managers.	Michael du Plessis	retired
	2026-09-14 09:30:15	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner who try to use as little electricity as possible to safe money. I cannot afford to pay more while using less power.	THOMAS	retired
	2026-09-14 09:37:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private intitiative should not be discouraged	Brian	retired
	2026-09-14 09:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another tax wrapped in clever language to force current customers to pay more to receive less. Eskom exports electricity, right? So maybe instead of taxing solar users who saved them at a time of crisis and are now giving them excess, Eskom should export the surplus. Allowing heavy users to get discounted rates directly, while not giving the rest of us that option sounds like an unfair market dynamic. It also sounds a lot like a centrally controlled government hasn't thought through the entire problem, because taking away from municipalities while giving them no option to recover those lost costs and leaving them with the deficit is myopic.	Gerrit	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:46:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom encouraged homes to install solar system to ease total grid collapse. Now they want to punish the very same homes that assisted during the difficult times. The Minister of Electricity must find alternative ways to address Eskom's income issues.	Bernard	
	2026-09-14 09:48:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernon	retired
	2026-09-14 10:49:15	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sanjay	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:58:37	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Paul	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:26:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Im a Pentioner - I Use R500 of Electricity before Vat Yet I pay R2500 with all the Network - and Connection Fees Its Not FAIR - The Municipality steals my Money to support others - and their own greedy Hands ! Even With Solar (which I cannot afford) - I would Pay WAY more than People who get it for FREE. WAKE UP !!! NERSA we all know is not Independent ! - Its Run by Eskom - which is Run by ANC - and Criminal syndicates --- who dont care about the people of South Africa	Rob	
	2026-09-14 11:53:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilda	retired
	2026-09-14 12:03:27	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Municipal Official / Councillor		Neels	retired
	2026-09-14 12:09:13	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Ernest	retired
	2026-09-14 12:21:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The items of concern listed reflects a wide impact on all households. As a pensioner with limited income electricity increase is a major concern. Our municipality is so poorly run that its imminent collapse is hair raising.	Bertus	
	2026-09-14 12:50:47	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lotie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:52:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have terminal BONE MARROW CANCER, so I need my Oxygen Machine at most time s during the day. Yes it does have an internal battery, which can last 2 hrs without Electricity . In 2010 Eskom "paid" me to install a Solar Geyser. Not a small payment. Over R15.000,00 And now they to TAX me to pay for their Luxury Life Styles of the corrupt Officials. No ways.	Gavin	retired
	2026-09-14 12:55:44	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and Eskom should stop burdening households already paying heavily for electricity and services. Reform from their side is needed and households that invest in their own electricity generation should not be penalised at all or pay for their incompetence.	Ansie	retired
	2026-09-14 13:19:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	This is just another way to finance corruption in municipalities, Eskom and government.	CAS	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:33:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should a consumer who relies on solar pay for the high wages and bad service /corruption /no competent staff of municipalities by being charged penalties etc for solar ? This is totally against the law and just a way to milk money out of citizens to get money for their own pockets again. !!	Tracy	retired
	2026-09-14 14:33:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Koos	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:53:32	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stefan	
	2026-09-14 15:32:41	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Huh, ESKOM can't reliably supply power so, penalize those who are able to make their own arrangements by going solar! I myself don't have solar, but I think to punish those who do have, is lunacy and irrational. They are charging people for not using their (Eskom) product! And wanting to recover some of the resulting shortfall in revenue by increasing charges to users, is unethical. But are we surprised by all of this from Eskom and their State cronies?? No.	peter	retired
	2026-09-14 16:09:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Venessa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:19:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A few years ago Eskom told the people to get solar power, and in the meantime heavy industry disappeared because Eskom destroyed them. Now their is no more load Eskom wants to penalize the public	Hugh	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 16:49:34	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Whether you generate your own power or buy every kilowatt	Sylvia	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:54:56	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. Demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Justus	

	2026-09-14 17:31:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riaan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:57:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-09-14 19:40:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Belinda	retired
	2026-09-14 22:34:33	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities and Eskom indirectly forced consumers to seek alternative services as they failed to provide a stable , reliable and affordable service. Now that consumers are self sufficient, Eskom has the audacity to want to introduce a tax ! If they did their job in the first place none of this would have happened.	Maria Helena	employed individual
	2026-09-15 06:21:02	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-09-15 07:44:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:14:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom employees are paid too much, do as little as possible and still accept bribes for illegal connections. Then expect us to pay for all.	Mias	retired
	2026-09-15 08:29:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has become as corrupt as the rest of government. Just demanding more money from an aldeady gasping community. It is time to go. We will manage ommunities ourselves. We do not need communistic aspires in charge. We do not need thieves to impose taxes on installations to bring uz freedom from this nonsense.	Thys	self-employed
	2026-09-15 09:45:57	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathleen	retired
	2026-09-15 09:46:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While splitting ESKOM makes sense if SA were not plagued by corruption and incompetence there is surely no expectation that this will take place in a way that will benefit SA as a whole and, given the history of the past 30 years, that the process will not benefit a small minority of well-connected people ESKOM's history over the last 30 years is simply a case of corruption, incompetence and stupidity - so unless "fixing" ESKOM is part of this then the probabiltiy of the process being a disaster is high, remembering that many, many billions of state funds were happily dished out to ESKOM as handouts with no real improvement in its operation SA's people deserve a rational, properly functioning electricity sector so any activity that will stop the municipalities using inflated electricity prices, stop aluminium smelters paying an outrageously low tarrif and other nonsense must be the result of ANY changes	Robert	retired
	2026-09-15 09:52:04	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax" I'm sick of increasing cost of electricity. Eskom and NERSA allow unaffordable annual increases which results in unaffordable tariffs. Municipalities and Eskom fail and the residential consumers must pay for their inefficiency. Consumers had to incur the cost of implementing these alternatives in order to compensate for the constant loss of electricity - weekly we suffer from load reduction in our town as the local municipality owns Eskom millions. Now that the electricity supplier is losing consumers due to high tariffs and ongoing supply problems, they want to penalize the very consumers who have spent their own time and money to address the supplier's failure to provide a reliable and affordable service. Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Marie	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:57:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	retired
	2026-09-15 11:11:52	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	
	2026-09-15 11:49:30	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get all the government departments and anc fat cats to pay for the electricity they use.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-15 13:31:35	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposed amendment would be yet another weight holding the RSA economy back	Tim	
	2026-09-15 14:27:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar is for people that are tired of Eskom & Municipalities and their failing infrastructure that they used their own money to get around this. Why must they bare the brunt because of corrupt officials and their lack of foresight to maintain. They need to sort out the corruption and to top it all The SUN is not for sale by the municipalities. the Government & Municipalities need to start working correctly and then costs of energy etc will not rocket through the roof. The people of the country are not your ATM.	Nikki	employed individual
	2026-09-15 16:48:39	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will be leaving ordinary households who cannot afford solarto foot the bill for the grid infrastructre	Pam	retired
	2026-09-15 20:02:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-09-15 21:24:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are always the ones to pay for Government's inability to run the country and it's departments. Unemployment is very high. People struggle to feed their households, now higher electricity bills. S.A Government, Stop abusing the people that have putted you in that position.	Marlie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 05:43:50	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	retired
	2026-09-16 06:24:38	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:06:03	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities always find ways to line their coffers, simplest way, thievery in the guise of service which is non existent.	Sue	retired
	2026-09-16 10:54:04	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	you can't punish people for being self sufficient because the ANC destroyed Eskom with its corruption	Peter	
	2026-09-16 12:36:57	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leandrie	employed individual
	2026-09-16 19:52:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	retired
	2026-09-17 14:17:30	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-17 16:08:16	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired, taxed citizen I pay more tax than ever before on already taxed pension fund money. Do they want my life to? How can a person think to tax the sun? ANC must go.	Annemarie	retired
	2026-09-17 16:40:52	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 16:45:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nico	
	2026-09-18 08:50:10	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ed	retired
	2026-09-18 09:23:51	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ratepayers are ired of beiing sucd dry, hile others get away with free electricity or lower tariffs. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT SOME RATE PAYERS ARE ALSO PENSIONERS, WITH VERY LIMITED BUDGETS	Mariana	retired
	2026-09-18 09:29:40	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the beginning of an end to the Municipal Government sustainability and ultimate existence in South Africa. The country is sold.	Mzomuhle	employed individual
	2026-09-18 09:51:23	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clarence	retired
	2026-09-18 10:02:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired
	2026-09-18 12:29:28	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	mis managedment from Escom	Zak	retired
	2026-09-18 13:38:26	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government again trying to make the consumer pay for its' mistakes (to put it mildly) and gross inefficiency.	Chris	retired
	2026-09-18 16:00:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Make energy consumption payable and fair.	Zachary	self-employed
	2026-09-19 08:51:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can offer solar power alongside electricity to all consumers. Government can fund this as they waste billions of tax payers money daily. So the funding is there. Eskom could position themselves as the primary solar provider and allow solar users to send excess power back to grid. Win win for all players. No solar tax. Can this campaign break the lack of political will to do so for the greater good of all South Africans?	Helen	self-employed
	2026-09-20 11:55:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	**NO — I strongly oppose this proposed restructuring of the electricity sector. Ordinary households should not be forced to carry higher fixed charges, increased tariffs, or additional municipal costs because of policies that allow large electricity users and other consumers to change how they purchase power. It is unacceptable to place an even greater financial burden on pensioners, low-income families, and ordinary consumers who cannot afford expensive solar or off-grid alternatives. I reject any policy that shifts the cost of an inefficient or failing electricity distribution system onto captive consumers, and I call for these proposals to be reconsidered and rejected unless they can demonstrably protect consumers from further financial hardship.**	Jan	retired
	2026-09-20 16:11:11	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hyperscale data centres will be able to contract directly with IRPP's and not have to go through local participation and objections to their extreme use of water and power, and noise and air pollution . Not only does this mean that municipalities will receive less income, but locals will have no say in the theft of their water and electricity. In a country where there are major issues with these, and where one hyperscale data centre uses as much power as Kimberley or Mbombela, this is totally unacceptable. Another case of the tech billionaire oligarchs abusing ordinary people	Lance	business owner

	2026-09-23 10:11:19	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop charging citizens for sunlight! Stop extortion of citizens and keeping them tied to the collapsed unreliable Escom.	Susan	
	2026-09-25 19:43:54	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are pensioners and paid R750 000 to install solar panels to be sure of stable electricity supply. We can not afford to pay penalties to Escom or the municipality.	Ina	retired
	2026-09-25 21:38:08	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is high time that Eskom received some serious competition. We the tax paying minority are being sucked dry to subsidise the sheeple who vote for and receive grants for everything imaginable. Why is there still a " Covid" grant? Now they are saying we must now give these people 300 units of electricity. Everyone has to live and the middle class are always being targeted as if we have a never ending source of money, which is definitely not the axe.	Peter	business owner
	2026-09-26 10:34:15	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Alun	business owner
	2026-09-27 06:35:53	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom management have failed dismally. They want to charge consumers for using the sun to get away from an unreliable source of electricity from eskom. Cut down on your bloated useless staff , bonuses, excessive increases and go after all the non payers. Stop milking the payers and the solar contributers who in fact ended load shedding for eskom and the country. Now u have a revenue problem because of an inability to properly manage the only electricity business and supplier in the country. We all see how useless you are and we all know we are being made to pay more so that you can continue riding the income gravy train for eskom management and employees alike while we as businesses struggle with 2 to 3 days of intermittent electricity per week. U should be ashamed	S	business owner
	2026-09-27 06:52:06	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenna	self-employed
	2026-09-27 07:19:25	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheila	retired
	2026-09-27 12:11:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-27 18:44:36	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wake up "SOUTH AFRICA RESIDENTS" ... The only way "WE ARE GOING TO SORT THESE PROBLEMS OUT" WHICH INVOLVES ALL OF US... IS TO OPEN THE BIBLE AND LEARN THAT OUR HEAVENLY FATHER IS IN CONTROL OF HIS LAND HE CREATED FOR US MERE HUMANS TO LIVE IN... TO LOOK AFTER FOR HIM NOT TO DESTROY, WHICH IS WHAT IS HAPPENING BECAUSE US MERE HUMANS ARE WANTING TO GET RICH... BUT WE CAME INTO THIS WORLD WITH NOTHING (MADE FROM DUST) AND WE WILL LEAVE WITH NOTHING (RETURN TO DUST) LET US STAND TOGETHER IN UNITY, START LOVING THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED OF HELP... LET'S SHOW RESPECT TO EACH OTHER... STOP LOOKING AT COLOR, WE ALL CAME FROM ONE FATHER(HEAVENLY FATHER) WE ALL HAVE HEARTS, LUNGS, EYES, EARS, ECT... WAKE UP PEOPLE GOD WANTS US TO REPENT AND BE SAVED FROM OUR SINS... WE ALL GO THROUGH TRAILS AND TREBULATIONS...	Elizabeth	unemployed individual
	2026-09-28 07:04:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot take anymore charges. Please remember that only the government ministers get paid big enough salaries to afford all these extra charges. Most citizens of South Africa are already suffering under poverty.	Brigitta	unemployed individual
	2026-09-28 19:33:34	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All illegal connections must be removed, because they are the actual free-riders in the country. The public in the form of rate payers, are not responsible for proper upkeep of the grid infrastructure. The infrastructure is destroyed daily by theft vandalism and illegal connections. I cannot be held responsible for the upkeep of a bakery when I do not even buy bread. Constitutional Rights are infringed upon if the proposal is accepted. If Eskom or the Municipality cannot provide a product to me, I must neither be charged for not using the product nor charged for the upkeep of such product.	Ida	retired
	2026-09-29 10:45:07	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annetjie Johan	retired
	2026-10-01 02:40:12	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jabulane	retired
	2026-10-01 08:15:21	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		John	business owner
	2026-10-09 05:50:01	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Megan	self-employed
	2026-10-15 19:36:24	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The abuse and corruption that is rampant in Eskom ! We need honest, transparent and competent expertise in this crucial department ‼️‼️‼️	Estelle	
	2026-10-16 13:52:00	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ullrich	
	2026-10-20 11:22:31	No I do not	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goverment must breaking fuctional system, goverment works are there as care takers, not to break a system that worked. Not to mention the looting that being going on for the last 30 years.	narren	
	2026-08-26 16:37:01	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liakat	retired
	2026-08-26 18:53:37	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom was crying that users must buy solar panels which cost the consumer THOUSANDS OF RANDS. Now they're crying again, cause now they lose that money. Sies Escom, stop stealing from us.	Francie	retired
	2026-08-26 19:18:36	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annie	
	2026-08-26 20:06:54	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's ureliability made look for alternative thus solar panel. Government want to reap where it never saw. We pay taxes for it to perform but it is following citizens and interfere in private self help projects.	Reuben Monkwe	retired
	2026-08-26 20:31:36	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is nothing wrong with how Eskom works, it's the people that is managing it. Change the people and hold them accountably so we can go back to the Eskom powerhouse it was.	Shaun	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:19:18	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please NO MORE LAWS from the corrupt thieving ANC.	Lorinda	retired
	2026-08-27 06:44:21	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	retired
	2026-08-27 10:30:15	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This process will have flaws. How are they going to know who to charge for solar and who not	W	retired
	2026-08-27 10:52:02	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		kay	retired
	2026-08-27 12:15:26	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		carl	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:18:23	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kirsten	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:34:50	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalizing consumers with solar who are protecting themselves against the unreliable over paid Eskom employees.	Willie	retired
	2026-08-27 15:56:26	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-08-28 07:20:38	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Hester	retired
	2026-08-28 07:28:47	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Morning, First and foremost, no one would have had the need to switch to alternative power source of power if Eskom was not run into the ground by the carder employment, why should the consumer always have to carry the bill for their incompetence and theft from within the structure itself? Why do they not focus on getting the majority of the funds back from those who don't pay or have stolen the money. Will they refund me for all the petrol/diesel that i had to fork out to keep my house and business running. That will be billions in rands if everyone puts a claim in against them.	Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:21:53	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is a God given gift. Let NO MAN TAX THE WORK OF GOD. No wonder there are incidents of floods.....storms.....natural disasters. Let this GREED FROM SO CALLED AUTHORITARIANS BE STOPPED FOR GOOD!.	Linda	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:22:10	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Horst	retired
	2026-08-28 12:10:22	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government and eskom actively encouraged and financially rewarded citizens to spend capital expenditure on installing solar systems. Now they want to financially penalise me for doing exactly what they asked for? NO. I will not support this paper. As a matter of fact, this paper will seriously encourage me to no longer comply with my statutory obligations towards the state, as well as actively encourage other to also not comply.	Edwin	
	2026-08-29 07:20:49	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:53:12	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Official Public Comment: Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper Submitting Category: Strongly Opposed Submission Deadline: 20 September 2026 The proposal to introduce mandatory, fixed monthly capacity and network charges under the guise of preventing "free riding" is an inversion of reality and a direct penalty on private initiative. Active Interference vs. Private Rescue: Private citizens and businesses invested billions of Rands in post-tax savings to install rooftop solar and battery systems out of sheer necessity. For years, the government actively hindered private energy adoption through artificial generation caps, administrative red tape, and punitive feed-in policies, offering zero solutions of its own to the crippling failures it wrought. When those barriers were finally removed, private capital stepped in, relieved critical pressure on the national grid, saved billions in emergency diesel generation, and single-handedly kept the economy afloat. Systemic Projection and the "Free Rider" Myth: The audacity of the state to label self-funded solar owners as "free riders"—after sitting on its hands while load shedding dragged the economy down and citizens used their own money to patch a sinking ship—is not only a direct insult, it is projection, pure and simple. The state took zero capital risk and invested zero public funds into these installations. Taxing private capacity simply to cover lost volumetric revenue and subsidize legacy utility inefficiencies is revenue extraction, not energy reform. Perverse Incentives: Restructuring billing away from actual consumption toward unavoidable grid connection fees penalizes self-reliance. The intent is clear and the execution is unacceptable: force the public to fund the solution to energy instability from their own pockets, then levy a baseline tax on the very capacity built to survive that exact state failure. This framework must be scrapped, and tariffs must continue to incentivize self-generation, localized power production, and grid resilience.	Anton	self-employed

						I can make it brutal and unequivocal, but I will not state personal theft by identified individuals as proven fact without evidence. This version frames it as your political conclusion and demands investigation. THE DESTRUCTION AND CAPTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA'S ENERGY ECONOMY Let us stop pretending. In my view, Cyril Ramaphosa's dismantling of Eskom is not reform. It is the calculated destruction, division and capture of South Africa's most important national asset. Eskom is being carved into generation, transmission and distribution while the supply of coal, diesel and other essential resources remains a vast river of money. South Africans are expected to believe that this is being done for efficiency and the public good. I do not believe it for one second. I believe this is about power, control and money. I believe Ramaphosa and his politically connected family network, including his brothers in law, must be subjected to an immediate, independent and uncompromising investigation to determine who will ultimately own, control, supply and profit from every part of this restructuring. Energy drives every factory, mine, farm, hospital, school, business and household. Destroy or capture the energy system and you control the entire economy. That is precisely why this cannot be dismissed as an ordinary restructuring exercise. This is another nail in South Africa's coffin. We are watching the foundations of the economy being cut apart while citizens are fed polished speeches about reform, transformation and efficiency. Behind those words lies a country drowning in corruption, political patronage, unemployment, failing infrastructure and economic decay. South Africa is not functioning as a genuinely free market economy. It is being strangled by a politically captured system in which the state controls the machinery while connected interests position themselves around the money. If Ramaphosa's restructuring is legitimate, then expose everything: Publish every contract. Identify every beneficial owner. Disclose every family, political and commercial connection. Reveal who supplies the coal and diesel. Show who profits from generation, transmission and distribution. Place every transaction under independent public scrutiny. Until that happens, I will regard this process for what I believe it to be: the wholesale capture of South Africa's energy economy for the benefit of an entrenched political elite. This is not governance. It is economic destruction on a national scale. It must be exposed. It must be investigated. It must be stopped.		
	2026-08-29 15:20:12	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	business owner
	2026-08-29 22:43:22	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		vernaline	self-employed
	2026-08-29 23:07:32	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-08-31 10:45:33	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are incompetent to provide electricity. BECAUSE the money is in your own pockets. The son belongs to God who created it. Are you willing to pay back all the costs of people that installed solar. We are already maxed out on rate payments. Your time is done, there is a new government coming starting this municipal election.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-31 13:38:26	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to "discourage free riding," arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees.	Naresh	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 09:33:51	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where does the scandal stop . It feel like the government also owns the sun . Our corrupt leaders always looking for ways to steal from Joe public . Disgracefull	Pedro	retired
	2026-09-07 06:26:03	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolute nonsense having to pay the city when they cannot provide basic services. Residents should not be financially penalised for investing their own money in alternative and sustainable energy solutions, particularly in response to the well-documented reliability and cost challenges associated with the national electricity system. Rather than creating additional fees and barriers, the City should be supporting and incentivising the transition towards decentralised, renewable energy. Residents who invest in solar reduce pressure on the electricity grid and contribute to a more sustainable and resilient energy system. I am also concerned by what appears to be an increasing reliance on permits, fees and additional charges imposed on ratepayers. The City should focus on its core responsibility of delivering efficient municipal services and using public funds responsibly, rather than continually seeking additional revenue from residents. If additional charges are being proposed, the City should clearly demonstrate what service or additional cost they are intended to recover, and why that cost should be borne specifically by residents who have invested in alternative energy. The City should reconsider any provision that financially discourages residents from adopting renewable energy and instead support residents who are investing their own resources in a cleaner, more sustainable and more resilient energy future.	Jade	employed individual
	2026-09-07 17:02:09	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You,Eskom, had a supply problem. We have provided for ourselves - which has relieved your problem of consistent supply. Now you want to penalize us!!	kay	retired
	2026-09-07 20:18:46	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where is the input cost that the government is recouping. These investments have not been done with ease to those who have them. The corruption of the government and incompetence at running any SOE has placed them in this place. The sun belongs to God not SA Government	Gar	
	2026-09-10 12:48:34	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reg	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:39:16	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stanley	retired
	2026-09-11 20:39:11	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To The Department of Electricity and Energy, I wish to submit my strongest objection to the proposals contained in the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. This policy is fundamentally flawed and punishes the very people it should be protecting. 1. You are penalizing citizens who invested their own money in solar to keep the lights on during years of load-shedding. Instead of being recognized for reducing pressure on the grid, they are now being targeted with punitive fixed charges under the label of "anti-free-riding". This is illogical and unjust. 2. At the same time, you are abandoning ordinary households who cannot afford solar. By allowing large industry to exit the municipal system, you are stripping municipalities of their revenue base. The inevitable result is that captive, low-income consumers will be left to carry the cost of a failing distribution network through skyrocketing tariffs. How is this fair or sustainable? You cannot create a system where everyone pays more regardless of whether they have solar or not. One group pays for not using the grid enough, the other pays because everyone else is leaving the grid. This double penalty is economically destructive and socially regressive. This is not market transformation. It is a cost-shifting exercise that transfers the burden of years of mismanagement directly onto households. I urge you to reconsider this approach entirely. Regards, Elize	Elize	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:33:56	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desigan	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:17:57	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why don't you cut the useless bonuses you pay people for just sitting and DO NOTHING. Why don't you clamp down on corruption. Why increase tarrifs with no service inprovement?? You should be asshamed. Appartheid left you a working network ALL YOU HAD TO DO IS MAINTAIN IT. YOU ARE USELESS!!! No wonder people take matters into their own hands.	Lindi	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:53:02	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Neglect, corruption, incompetency, make Escom ineffective and far beyond being fixed. Set this right by open market competition. Solar panels are a direct result of Escom's inefficiancy, yet they want to fine the user. Stop downloading the burden on the user.	Martie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:00:32	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-09-12 08:39:01	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is a very expensive (for customers) and risky (for customers) way to solve the electricity problem in SA. The root problem, corruption and inefficiency in Eskom, needs to be solved. But, as it is held in place by government laws and policies, the real problem is a political one. Again, corruption and inefficiency. Solve this and the rest will follow.	Erina	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:31:58	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC have destroyed what was the cheapest electricity supplier in Africa and turned it into the most expensive through mismanagement and corruption. Rather privatise Eskom to get rid of the incompetent leaders and workers, and then restructure the business to make it profitable again. Eskom is way over staffed and costing the taxpayers millions.	Anthony	business owner
	2026-09-12 18:40:58	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jbag	
	2026-09-13 07:14:55	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support any price hikes on energy, ESKOM declared massive profits, they are the milk cow of hundreds of uncontrolled politically favoured contractors, they need to clean up their act and lower energy prices and make SA an attractive country for business development	John	
	2026-09-13 08:00:16	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a power supplier. It is not their function or duty to decide what power a citizen uses. We live in a democratic country where we should have these basic rights. It's because of their failure to provide electricity to the nation that they are in this situation. Focus on building and stop taking people's rights away. They are starting to behave like the mafia and this is like racketeering	Stan	
	2026-09-13 08:28:05	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every suggested amendment seems to burden the average or poorer user more due to mismanagement and corruption. No trust in any Govermment department - private sector and business-know needs to replace incompetent, unqualified, cadre employed employee.	Christa	retired
	2026-09-13 20:11:01	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beth	retired
	2026-09-14 08:05:16	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The SA government will never stop with their ludicrous ideas because they are corrupt and incompetent. They cannot run anything without first looking where or how they can grab money rather than to see how they should serve the people of SA. Now that they have run everything into the ground, they are making desperate moves to fix it. But have no idea what they should be doing because they are still incompetent, corrupt and are still thinking along those lines. They do not know what service delivery is and how to balance a budget or do maintenance. Because the more money they see the more they spend on things outside the essentials to manage a Country. Why should we pay more than market value for power and for a GOD given blessing.	Manie	retired

	2026-09-14 18:19:34	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	Consumer tariff protection is a must. Nuclear base power is the answer.	D	
	2026-09-14 18:32:13	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is to blame for all electricity users that has installed some sort of solar alternative, due to the fact that Eskom was unable to supply continuous and reliable electricity to their customers. Now Eskom wants to "tax" ALL users due to the fact that we made an alternative plan. You are acting like a socialist bunch of imbeciles. You had ONE job!	Louise	retired
	2026-09-15 12:16:17	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-09-15 14:36:06	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanette	
	2026-09-15 16:44:35	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IF CORRUPTION CAN BE ROOTED OUT, THE MUNICIPALITY'S BOOKS WILL BALANCE AGAIN!!! I AM NOT GOING TO PAY MORE TO FUND THEIR CORRUPTION AS PENSIONERS WE CANNOT AFFORD IT! Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital.	FRANCES	retired
	2026-09-20 14:00:25	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nollie	self-employed
	2026-09-21 04:00:18	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raphala	
	2026-09-21 19:41:46	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracy-Lee	employed individual
	2026-09-22 08:28:19	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zelna	employed individual
	2026-10-07 10:00:06	No I do not	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How may more schemes is the government going think of the destroy this country and impoverish it's citizens? This is intimidation of its citizens and collapse of its infrastructure. Everyone but everyone should pay a small base fee for line rental but then only pay for what 5heybuse. If you have a power line to your home your have to have a meter and you pay for hat you use. Private systems are non of Eskom's business. Millions of illegals are riding on the backs of a tiny tax base which is decreasing daily while the remaining few are being charged into poverty.	Amanda	
	2026-08-25 16:23:31	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's getting that we buy food or electricity!	ROBERT	retired
	2026-08-26 16:56:16	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henri	retired
	2026-08-27 12:58:15	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	retired
	2026-08-27 19:36:03	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Price of electricity already tripled over the last few years and now we must pay for no use. We the people have recognised that everything is much more expensive as the tenders are awarded using unfair practice which include inflated pricing. Let them sort out their homes before asking the the over burdened tax payers	Zakaria	employed individual
	2026-08-28 04:59:00	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aubrey	retired
	2026-08-29 15:42:24	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-08-30 11:12:41	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-30 13:32:48	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-01 11:46:31	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magdalena	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 05:02:29	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quentin	retired
	2026-09-16 07:31:59	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neo	retired
	2026-09-18 22:55:58	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simon	retired
	2026-09-26 21:13:06	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Homeowners who have solar panels are aiding the country against electricity shortfalls. To penalise them with high connection fees will be counterproductive. They need to rather look at reducing incompetence and corruption to increase profitability.	Duncan	
	2026-09-28 08:17:40	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	retired
	2026-09-28 10:32:43	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How much more do we have to pay just to make life a better place for all. These stupid greedy fat cats only look after themselves and not interested in anybody else.	martin	retired
	2026-10-21 06:05:58	No I do not	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	employed individual
	2026-08-25 16:30:59	No I do not	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government wants taxes on solar they will have to foot the bill	Julian	
	2026-08-27 12:04:05	No I do not	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 08:10:31	No I do not	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernadine	
	2026-09-07 08:47:33	No I do not	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been asked to save electricity. WE DID. Still Escom, Government and Municipalities could not provide enough electricity for our needs. We were forced to make another plan and look after ourselves. WE DID. The government has no right to penalize us for doing what they asked of us, resulting in infrastructure that they did not invest in and does not maintain. It is time that they stop living on their little greedy island and learn from the countries overseas where " sun tax" did not work.	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-14 13:06:09	No I do not	No concern, I Support the paper		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		John	retired
	2026-08-26 17:52:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We spend our own money to fix YOUR corruption and incompetence. Not paying a single cent more. And if you don’t believe us, ask SANRAL how e-Tolls worked out for them.	S	
	2026-08-27 08:06:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rooftop-solar owners spent their own money reducing pressure on an overloaded and unreliable grid. That lower demand helped limit load-shedding and contributed to keeping the lights on for everyone—it was not the only factor, but it was a meaningful one. Punishing those same households with additional charges is therefore completely backwards. Solar owners should pay a fair, transparent fee for the grid services they actually use, but they should not be penalised merely because municipalities and Eskom are losing electricity sales. South Africans helped solve part of the state’s electricity crisis at their own expense; taxing them for doing so is unfair and will discourage the private investment the country still desperately needs.	Joss	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:45:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we pay for the Governments ineptitude and theft. They are unable to provide power - we constantly have outages due to aging infrastructure - and there is no money to fix the problems because the money has been stolen.	Meg	retired
	2026-08-31 09:29:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, you are killing the goose that`s laying the golden eggs!!! We can not pay for all the people that can`t afford electricity, they getting grands to bread more and more children without any consequences!!!! NO NO MORE!!!!	Helena	business owner
	2026-09-02 12:13:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	self-employed
	2026-09-08 10:59:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I had to spend precious retirement money to keep the lights on in my house by installing a solar system. Although I am a widow and pensioner, I am not receiving any free electricity. Unlike a large portion of the public that will now perhaps receive even more free electricity. Are we to pay for this with fixed charges? Not fair at all!!!!!	Susan	retired
	2026-09-08 19:38:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot tax “the sun” – it is God-given. Many South African’s laid out large sums of capital to install solar power to ensure they had electricity because Eskom could not supply the demand. At their expense, they reduced the load on the grid. And now, you want to penalise them for it! It would be criminal to pass this draft.	Chantal	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:37:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposal is nothing more than an attempt to legalise Grand government theft of its citizens, In order to pay for goverments incompetence, mismanagement, corruption & resultant loss of revenue from electricity. Targeting yet again innocent Residents who have through necessity gone the solar route. Rather than comprehensivly addressing the situation of stolen & illegal electrical connections , municipal debt to eskom & municipal & governmental theft & corruption!	Julie	retired
	2026-09-11 19:51:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-11 20:54:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Shahnawaaz	business owner

	2026-09-12 06:41:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First of all the government encouraged households to switch to solar because of load shedding etc. Load shedding was create by lack of maintenance and the inability to plan years ahead. Also because of theft of infrastructure, and theft of power and non payment of bills. All these fall in to the responsibility of government/eskom. Why should the humble you and I have to pay for their incompetence? But equally important is how dare they call those who have solar, "free riders"? Solar doesn't come cheap. Mine was paid for by life's savings. I went the solar route because eskom/ government was not reliable and incompetent. But most important of all, how can you tax the sun? The sun rightly belongs to no one. Once again the government is unable to see and plan ahead. They steal from their own people and justify their actions.	Carol	retired
	2026-09-13 07:18:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers have bent over backwards to help Eskom with its troubles by paying for solar installations and reducing the electricity demand. It will not do to bite the hand that helps. Municipalities must cut down salaries and extravagant bonuses, retrench unproductive staff and stop the rempant corruption. There will then be sufficient funds.	Suzanne	
	2026-09-15 07:24:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-21 19:07:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	retired
	2026-09-22 15:16:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years we battled with loadshedding and high prices for electricity. We were forced to invest alot of money on solar geysers, gas appliances and solar power with battery backup. It is obvious that with all our solar investment and the larger consumer usage decreacing due to closure as resault of high energy cost and milions of illegal connections.. this is the answer to the problem?	Danie	self-employed
	2026-08-28 18:52:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-13 21:08:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mushtaq	employed individual
	2026-08-25 17:24:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patricia	retired
	2026-08-25 17:59:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	self-employed
	2026-08-25 18:24:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government overreach into all spheres of our lives is becoming unacceptable. They are on a massive money making ride to the detriment of citizens. Electricity should be available to all and we should have the right to choose who supplies our power. Open the market to other players without all the restrictions in an attempt to protect ESKOM who has over the past 30+ years failed SA consumers miserably.	David	
	2026-08-25 18:54:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed mandatory fixed charges on rooftop solar are a cynical cash grab designed to punish households and small businesses for escaping Eskom's failures and municipal incompetence. By shifting costs onto captive ratepayers while letting large users bypass the grid, this policy entrenches inefficiency, kills private investment in clean energy, and guarantees higher bills for ordinary South Africans. It is regressive, anti-competitive, and a direct attack on energy independence. F*ck the ANC.	Abrie	employed individual
	2026-08-25 19:22:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I most definitely do NOT agree with charging solar panel owners. We have paid for them and we are not using as much of their electricity which has helped them to build up their supplies thus making them look good. This is nothing but theft from us. Stop stealing our money.	Colleen	retired
	2026-08-25 19:23:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The govt is merely attempting to punish the responsible ratepayer for utilising available technology at considerable expense to counter total inadequacy on the part of Eskom to provide a reliable service.	Kevin	retired
	2026-08-25 22:28:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are not cows to be milked. You are not able to charge for sunlight it's free.	Elmarie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-25 22:43:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penelope	retired
	2026-08-25 22:49:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You buggered up the system with your greed and incompetence, and when people move away from your shit service and make a plan because you cannot deliver the basics, now you still want your bread buttered on both sides with a piece if cake on it and you want to eat it? We are sick and tired of you always screwing up and then still expect us to pay. Again and again. Voetsek and sort your own problem out.	Jo	
	2026-08-26 03:21:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WTF, everyone spent their hard earned, taxed money to install solar to prevent loads shedding and have taken the strain off the grid, now they are forcing people to either go completely oggend the grid or abandon your very expensive solar system. This is absolute rubbish	Driaan	business owner
	2026-08-26 06:40:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-08-26 06:52:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frik	retired
	2026-08-26 07:43:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		tj	self-employed
	2026-08-26 07:44:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner electricity prices are out of hand as well as sewerage, water and property taxes.	Liz	retired
	2026-08-26 08:01:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to invest in solar due to loadshedding and unreliable electricity supply from COJ. Electricity outages affected us working from home causing loss of revenue and stress.	Martin	self-employed
	2026-08-26 09:00:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-08-26 09:00:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oupa	employed individual
	2026-08-26 09:05:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support transparent, cost-reflective charges for the actual cost of maintaining a customer's grid connection. I object to fixed, capacity, legacy or service charges being used to recover historical electricity-sale revenue lost as consumers reduce consumption, improve efficiency or install privately funded embedded generation. Any fixed charge imposed on residential customers should therefore be independently demonstrated through a cost-of-supply study to represent efficient and prudent costs directly attributable to providing and maintaining that customer's grid connection and associated services. Lost electricity sales, municipal revenue shortfalls, historical inefficiencies, bad debt and unrelated municipal expenditure should not be recoverable through such a charge.	Jano	employed individual
	2026-08-26 09:59:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun does not belong to anyone. Once they get this right then they gonna do the same with u catching rain water on your property. This is systematic strangling. Dont be blind.. see the big picture what the end game is	Charl	employed individual
	2026-08-26 10:05:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	self-employed
	2026-08-26 10:41:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	retired
	2026-08-26 10:54:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-08-26 11:39:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tired of being manipulated in paying for something which should be my God given right. Due to corruption, ill and pathetic management and unscrupulous terrified, creating my own electricity is my right , not a privilege.	Norbert	business owner
	2026-08-26 11:45:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	retired
	2026-08-26 14:15:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gordon	business owner
	2026-08-26 15:03:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot rely on Eskom. We pay for our own power. Now we penalised? Is this madness? I am lost for words	Errol	retired
	2026-08-26 15:05:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	retired
	2026-08-26 15:07:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:08:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this bill passes it will force the consumer to cut grid power completely and the municipality and Eskom will lose even more money and customers. You cannot force a service on anyone. This just shows their short sightedness	Anton	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:12:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Lets be clear...you FAILED to keep the lights on and we had to throw away food because of your incompetence. Ramaphosa encouraged people to go solar to help ease demand. Now you come with irrational nonsense to tax solar users that was bought with their own hard earned cash. You forced us to go that route now want to penalise us. No no...sure we will see you in court...dont push solar users, if you do that they will rather invest in more batteries and panels and go completely off the grid...that will happen. You have no say over our private property and what happen behind your meter. See you in court if you proceed with this	Marius	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:13:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Strip Eskom.into smaller manageble pieces. Get rid of the dead wood. Replace with people who want to work and take pride in their work. Make Eskom privately owned. Then once that is done dont come and negotiate or dictate your rubbish.	Xen	
	2026-08-26 15:18:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No penalties for solar users. If it wasn't for state corruption and theft nobody would have bought solar. Sadly you forced us to make a backup plan to keep our food fresh and basic things running. Power were switched off for hours every day. Now you are foolish and say but hey, we are not making enough money anymore, so lets tax all solar users. It is our properties and solar are extremely expensive. You will not tax me a cent on my private invesrment on my private property. Go fly a kite	Matt	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:20:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We live on a plot where electricity is crucial for survival. Escom is unreliable; sometimes the power is off for days, and now they want to add solar penalties. Why?	Mandie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:21:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is disgusting that the very people who baled out the Eskom disaster should be targeted by this measure.	Barry	business owner

	2026-08-26 15:22:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is immoral to tax my own personal equipment inside my own home.	Christiaan	retired
	2026-08-26 15:22:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will get off grid if this is promulgated	William R	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:22:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop making new laws and amendments to our existing laws. Stop wasting resources, and fix the country, that has been broken!!	Sieglinde	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:25:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-08-26 15:26:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	he proposed regulatory shift by the Department of Electricity and Energy from a volumetric billing model to a fixed-capacity tariff structure presents significant financial and systemic risks. Below is an analysis of the policy's impact on private solar owners, the market, and the national grid. Structural Shift: Volumetric vs. Fixed-Capacity Tariffs Billing Mechanism: Under the current volumetric model, users pay only for the kilowatt-hours they consume. The proposed model introduces high mandatory fixed fees alongside a lower per-unit rate, establishing unavoidable baseline costs regardless of how little power you actually draw from the grid. Capital Efficiency and ROI: The return on investment for a standard solar installation currently averages between 3 to 6 years. Implementing fixed charges will significantly extend this payback period, fundamentally degrading the financial viability of private solar investments. Grid Maintenance Funding: Historically, grid maintenance was subsidized heavily by high-volume consumers. The new framework shifts this burden to all grid-tied connections, imposing a continuous financial liability on households and businesses that have actively made themselves self-sufficient. Negative Effects on Existing Solar Owners Sunk Cost Penalization: Ratepayers who deployed private capital (ZAR) to mitigate Eskom's historical capacity shortfalls and protect their operations are retroactively penalized for reducing their grid reliance. Erosion of Monthly Savings: The primary financial benefit of a grid-tied solar system is the reduction of the monthly municipal or Eskom bill. High fixed connection charges will absorb these savings, increasing monthly utility overheads even when drawing zero grid power during daylight hours. Disincentivizing Future Solar Adoption Destruction of the Business Case: A fixed connection tax alters the cost-benefit analysis for new solar installations. If households and businesses cannot drastically cut their monthly bills, the incentive to invest hundreds of thousands of Rands into Tier-1 panels and lithium batteries evaporates. The "Defection" Threshold: Rather than maintaining a grid connection for backup power, the policy incentivizes well-capitalized users to over-capitalize on batteries and generators to go completely off-grid, removing their revenue from the system entirely. Macroeconomic Risks for South Africa Suppression of Decentralized Generation: South Africa’s grid stabilized largely because the private sector added over 5,000 MW of private rooftop solar, alleviating pressure on Eskom's aging coal fleet. Disincentivizing this private generation risks returning the country to supply deficits during peak demand or extreme weather events. Accelerated Municipal Collapse: Municipalities rely on electricity sales to cross-subsidize other failing services. If fixed charges push affluent ratepayers entirely off the grid, municipalities will suffer catastrophic revenue loss. This shortfall will inevitably be passed on to lower-income, captive ratepayers who cannot afford alternative energy. Regulatory Instability: Punishing private citizens for solving a state-created crisis signals deep policy instability. This deters future domestic and foreign investment in the broader renewable energy and infrastructure sectors.	Luke	
	2026-08-26 15:27:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lerato Pitse	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:27:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gabriel	retired
	2026-08-26 15:27:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	President Ramaphosa encouraged citizens and businesses to acquire solar solutions when Eskom couldn't supply enough power for SA. For the Government now trying to penalise citizens is not fair and may be unconstitutional. But what else do we expect of the ANC after 32 years - always corrupt and putting citizens liable for their bad decisions and at a time when we are truly suffering financially!!!!	Mariette	retired
	2026-08-26 15:27:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Time to stop targeting the individual taxpayer who have been forced, by the erratic power supplied through the sole, legislated, corrupt provider, to survive by installing solar.	rob	retired
	2026-08-26 15:27:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is plain arrogance from the state as they expect solar users to now foot the bill for their incompetence. There are millions of households that invested large amounts of personal money to keep their households running. You claim you solved loadshedding? What a lie..solar users did and big factories that closed down. Demanf are just lower, meaning less sales for you. Now you are looking to plug your shortfall by taxing solar users. This is not on and should you try and implement your draft it will be met with court action for sure.	Estelle	retired
	2026-08-26 15:28:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-26 15:28:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have invested a significant amount of money to avoid load shedding power outages and I don't think that it is fair that I should have to pay additional costs because I need to draw electricity from the grid at certain times of the day. All consumers should pay for pay for electricity usage and not be cross subsidised	Pat	retired
	2026-08-26 15:29:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joalda Marthine	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:30:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keryn	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:32:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom have a disastrous record both financially as well as operationally. This is just another underhanded ploy to fleece the consumer	David	retired
	2026-08-26 15:32:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were charged for electricity availability for years when it wasn't available because of load shedding. Penalizing the consumer for having saved up to install solar power is daylight robbery. Rather address the corruption and inefficiency of ESKOM and the municipalities .	Caroline	retired
	2026-08-26 15:36:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not fair to now be taxed for having solar installations after the government "begged" households to use solar power to help Eskom with their problems that they themselves created. Enough is enough!! I am a retiree and spent a sizable amount of money installing the solar system I have.	Diomedes	retired
	2026-08-26 15:37:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peet	retired
	2026-08-26 15:37:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Talib	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:38:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who invested their own money in solar energy solutions to mitigate the impact of the country's energy crisis should not be penalized with excessive baseline connection charges. Many households turned to alternative energy sources because of years of load shedding, unreliable electricity supply, and the government's failure to provide a stable energy system. It is unfair to place the financial burden of maintaining legacy grid infrastructure primarily on solar owners. The responsibility for addressing electricity funding challenges lies with government and energy authorities, not with citizens who acted independently to secure reliable power for their homes.	Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:39:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This logic is flawed. If i don't use a drop of electricity I'm still mandated to pay a service charge etc etc. All of these total more than a grand before i consume a single watt. Now they're saying, no no, you're not paying your fair share. You're getting more than a grand for absolutely nothing (barring a little piece of paper to say i owe money which SAP generates). Make it make bloody sense? If we use you, we're billed to hell. If we don't use you, you still want to find a way to bill us to hell. I'm quite over this monopoly and price fixing BS. Get your financial affairs in order, reduce staff, find proper suppliers then come to us with "amendments". We are paying 400% more than we should be. We once had the cheapest power in the world. Lets get back to that point and only THEN... will we consider this "pay for the guy next door" nonsense.	Chad	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:39:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dianne	retired
	2026-08-26 15:40:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:41:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Funds have been mismanaged for years, which is why Eskom had loadshedding in the first place - lack of maintenance of infrastructure. It is unreasonable to expect people to seek alternate power solutions on their own dime due to your failure but still expect that they continue paying your fees when you have proven yourselves incapable of maintenance.	Sam	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:42:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the corruption and inefficiencies at both Eskom and Johannesburg City Power we faced long term load shedding and continue to have outages caused by infrastructure failure. At the time of frequent load shedding over a LONG period of time Eskom pleaded with users to reduce electricity consumption. Large numbers of consumers SUPPORTED Eskom in their drive to reduce consumption by installing Solar Power. It now seems that Eskom management did not forecast the full effect of their drive to persuade customers to reduce consumption and are now finding the income they are receiving is less than predicted. As a consequence Eskom is trying to find any means they can, outside approved tariffs, to raise more revenue. CONSUMERS WHO SUPPORTED ESKOM OUT OF THEIR OWN POCKETS BY INSTALLING SOLAR SYSTEMS, LARGELY IN AFTER TAX MONEY, ARE NOW BEING PENALISED TO SUPPORT AN ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM WHICH HAS NOT BEEN MAINTAINED AND IS NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE. POOR MANAGEMENT AND CORRUPTION CANNOT CONTINUE TO BE FUNDED BY RESIDENTIAL CONSUMERS.	Steven	retired
	2026-08-26 15:42:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is understandable that Municipalities etc is depended on the sale of electricity to maintain infrastructure. It would however also be unfair to pennelise consumers that had to invest in supplying their own power due to state/ESKOM mismanagement. The fixed rate should this be fair and not to extort people and be applicable to all consumer not only those that have solar systems. Counter proposal would be to have a fixed amount of electrify sold to each household Say R100. If the household used it (e.g. no solar) it would be no loss to regular person's costing. If not used (e.g. solar system users) it would be deemed a reasonable fee for system maintenance. Also the user could also opt to use it so not unfair to these users as well.	Michael	
	2026-08-26 15:43:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-08-26 15:44:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom screwed up. Corruption has caused electricity prices to exceed inflation and it cost us a fortune to get our own power when they couldn’t supply. And naw want to charge us for having solar is outrageous.	Rod	retired
	2026-08-26 15:46:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a penalty on private initiative as ordinary citizens who spent large sums of our own money to solve the state's energy crisis, which directly affected almost everyone, will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidies legacy grid infrastructure. Why are we paying more after investing so much capital. It is a "Captive Ratepayer" Trap, because large industrial corporations exceeding 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal lines to buy cheaper power directly on an open wholesale market, ordinary residential homes remain "captive" to local municipal tariffs. This leaves everyday households to foot the bill for municipal revenue shortfalls and cross-subsidies. With Eskom Generation controlling the baseload power, it poses risks of market power, pricing manipulation, and speculation and will result in severely increased retail tariffs if oversight fails.	Nathan	business owner
	2026-08-26 15:46:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Load shedding forced us to spend our hard earned savings on solar to have power, now we need pay more on network charges, while current network charges are supposed to cover infrastructure maintenance. My low consumption has nothing to do with infrastructure maintenance costs, but to do with the actual generation! Don't get those two confused	Ivanda	employed individual

	2026-08-26 15:47:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The manipulation of municipal accounts to balance the books and afford the elite another opportunity to steal from ordinary South African citizens must be stopped. Every time an effort is made to help oneself, there is a grabbing hand of government.	Eileen Linda	retired
	2026-08-26 15:47:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Homeowners who spent their own money on solar systems should not be punished for solving a problem that government failed to address. Years of load shedding, poor infrastructure management, and corruption forced many citizens to seek alternative energy solutions at significant personal cost. These households should not now be singled out through excessive connection fees to fund legacy grid infrastructure. The responsibility for finding sustainable funding solutions rests with government and electricity providers, not with citizens who took proactive steps to secure reliable power for their families.	Rosina	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:47:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The investment by solar users is probably what enabled current Eskom grid stability. No 'free ride' , it cost a huge portion of my savings just to normalise my power supply. Now all kinds of regulations proposed after we have invested, and probably 'saved' Eskom to a large degree.	Les	retired
	2026-08-26 15:50:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly, this is totally unfair as each household consumes different quantities of electricity units - with or without alternative power solutions - why should people who consume less units be forced to pay as much as bigger households who use more units. Every single citizen of the country will be unfairly affected by these blanket charges. Secondly, we had no choice but to install solar electricity as Eskom let us down year after year for decades. Why should we be penalized for finding a solution to load shedding, AND we had to pay for that solution out of our own savings, all because Eskom are incompetent and corrupt.	Breanne	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:50:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will be cripiling for those consumers who might have saved up for a long time to install solar and then have to pay rediculously inflated prices.	Sarel	retired
	2026-08-26 15:51:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed baseline connection charges for households with solar installations raise serious concerns regarding fairness and equity. Citizens invested private capital in renewable energy solutions largely because persistent load shedding and energy supply challenges left them with little choice. These investments helped reduce pressure on the national grid and improved energy resilience. It would be unjust to target solar users with additional charges to subsidize aging infrastructure when the underlying energy crisis resulted from years of inadequate planning, mismanagement, and governance failures. Any solution to funding the electricity network should be broad-based and equitable, rather than disproportionately affecting homeowners who invested in alternative energy sources.	Rosemarry	retired
	2026-08-26 15:52:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom seems to forget that people get solar power systems because their supply is unreliable. Affecting businesses and households alike. To penalise these people for fixing Eskom failures is ridiculous. Furthermore the people still paying for electricity are already footing the bill for the freeloaders. The only concern that Eskom has is their own pockets because if the people that actually pay for the electricity stop paying then the money funding the freeloaders is also going to run dry. Why haven't they started penalties etc for all the free solar geysers installed in the free houses. The government can install free solar power but want to penalise the private individuals who just want to live their lives without the inconvenience of loadshedding and ridiculous tariffs.	Leah	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:53:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A number of consumers purchased solar-powered kits out of their own pockets. VAT was paid in those transactions which ultimately benefits the State's coffers. It's ridiculous to now want to charge the consumers again. Us purchasing these kits helped the State by not requiring to produce more electricity than they could. We effectively reduced the dependency on the grid. Yes, we are using some of the existing infrastructure to get the electricity into our home & I don't mind paying a small levy for this, but it must not be exorbitant. This government is become too greedy as their avenues of "sucking more money" from the public becomes less. What next? Charge us for darkness or light from the Moon? Death by Taxes, death by Electricity, death by Water!!!	Zunaid	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:55:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot produce electricity properly and timeously and not the government thinks they have it right and want us to pay for their stupidness. Eskom and the government are useless	Sunjith	retired
	2026-08-26 15:55:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	self-employed
	2026-08-26 15:55:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The people who installed solar on their properties did so because the government failed them as per the constitution. These installations saved Eskom by reducing the power needed by South Africa. Now the government is going to penalize these people for helping them. Disgusting!	Dave	
	2026-08-26 15:57:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government made a call to citizens to get alternative way of getting their lights at the hight of loadshedding to reduce the load from the grid. People responded by buying , at exorbitant prices. Solar panels or batteries. At the time of that call, there was no indication that with people will be punished for responding to their call. We cannot allow Government to abuse us as citizens. Please advice them to go to India and get the money from the Gupta brothers whom they allowed to turn Eskom from " Gold to Dust "	Masingita	retired
	2026-08-26 15:59:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:59:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will result in people moving completely off grid. This doesn't help south africa at all.	Marcello	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:00:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fokken Eskom KONTE, drek laer as slangkak	Andries	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:01:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another corrupt way to steal from SA home owners. Eskom were and still is incompetent but instead of fixing there incompetency they choose to steal from home owners	Johan	retired
	2026-08-26 16:03:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They forget that during the loadshedding period, they encouraged people to make alternative arrangements w.r.t power. What they didn't factor in was that all their paying customers would be able to make their own plans. Now that they're left with those that don't pay, we, the "payers" are being punished once again. Perhaps they should sort out the non-payers and free-loaders to get money. I suspect that's just too much effort for them and therefore easier to milk the "payers" to cover their incompetence and shortfalls whilst all the non-payers and fee-loaders carry on regardless.	Melanie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:05:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kuben	
	2026-08-26 16:05:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Formal objection Subject: Objection to Proposed Electricity Market and Tariff Reforms I strongly object to any electricity tariff reforms that impose disproportionate fixed grid charges on households that have invested in rooftop solar and battery storage. Consumers who have invested their own capital in renewable energy and storage have done so partly to reduce their dependence on the national grid, relieve pressure on Eskom's generation capacity, and reduce their electricity costs. It is fundamentally unfair to penalise these consumers through excessive fixed charges simply because they have reduced their electricity consumption. While I support greater competition in the electricity sector and measures that improve the reliability and efficiency of South Africa's electricity system, the transition to a competitive wholesale electricity market should not be used to undermine private investment in renewable energy. Any network charges should be transparent, reasonable, cost-reflective and proportionate to the actual services and network capacity required by the customer. They should not become a mechanism for recovering lost Eskom revenue from consumers who have reduced their reliance on the grid. I therefore call for: 1. The rejection of excessive mandatory fixed charges on rooftop-solar and battery-storage users. 2. A transparent, independently justified methodology for determining any network or connection charges. 3. Protection for households that have already invested in solar and battery systems based on existing tariff structures. 4. Fair compensation for electricity exported to the grid. 5. Tariffs that encourage, rather than discourage, private investment in renewable energy and energy storage. 6. Meaningful public consultation before significant changes to residential electricity tariffs are implemented. South Africa should be encouraging households and businesses to invest in energy independence, renewable generation and battery storage—not creating financial penalties that discourage these investments. I therefore reject any proposed tariff or legislative measures that unfairly penalise rooftop-solar and battery-storage users through excessive or unavoidable fixed charges.	Simon	
	2026-08-26 16:07:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:08:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ramokgopa, first get the people in the townships to pay..We all know they get free electricity anf not paying a cent. So there is your problem+ Corruption anf theft in your department. You will just push solar users even further away from municipal power. People will rather invest a couple thousand more and go completely off the grid. Then you will be even more screwed. Correct things that went wrong, not the citizen that, on motivation from the president helped to stabilize the grid. You are on the wrong track because millions of households invested in solar because of Eskom and I really doubt it if they will bend the knee again. Wake up	Tana	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:08:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE for the government to be siphoning more funds from private citizens in an unjust manner. Citizens were forced to borrow funds to put up solar as Eskom had failed at their task and we had no power. ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. Paying citizens are once again being penalized so the government can rake in further funds to compensate for their poor performance and lack of abilities in running Eskom. It will force citizens to go off the grid completely	Marina	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:09:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I resent being used as a punching bag to subsidise whatever is going wrong at any given time. First, ESKOM pleaded with us to reduce our electricity consumption because they couldn't generate enough power. Then they pleaded with us to use MORE power because so many industrial and private consumers had cut back so much, it was costing them too much to generate the reduced electricity demand. Then during load shedding, they told us to use less electricity because they could not produce enough to satisfy peak demand. We then got fed up with the lack of power reliability (load-shedding schedules that were never kept to) and installed solar power to give us continuity of supply because ESKOM broke its licence conditions requiring unbroken supply for 96% of the time (I am not sure of the exact figures). Now we are being punished by punitive fees because we tried to protect our businesses by bringing in alternative reliable power through solar. The next step after registration of solar facilities will be an out-and-out tax on solar-generated power. It is bad enough already that ESKOM is bullying its direct customers into registering their solar facilities so it can impose punitive charges for having the temerity to generate power for their businesses because ESKOM couldn't. Why hasn't ESKOM been held accountable for not meeting its licence conditions on security of supply? Many of us are moving heaven and earth to get off the Grid and away from ESKOM's incompetence and stupidity, and its lack of management and foresight. When we do get off the Grid, we will be accused of causing ESKOM's collapse because they cannot collect enough money to pay their operating expenses.	Arend	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:10:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rather deal with illegal connections. They contribute up to 80 % of Local Municipalities' bad debt.	Caroli	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:10:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is stealing the coffers dry, FORCING me to protect MY and the of my FAMILY by investing heavily into Solar. Why must I pay for Government/Eskoms failure to deliver? I am helping you by elleviatimg tou from the burden of enegy consumption. YOUR bad planning, failure to maintain, and outright GREED should not become my problem! I do NOT support this bill!	Andre	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:11:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The new Eskom proposals are absurd. Electricity provision failures over many many years compelled residential electricity users to have solar panels placed on the roofs of their properties in order to gain sufficient power to meet daily/monthly needs so as to maintain normal daily existence. Those who watch Eskom's annual results which are absurdly promoted as huge gains in achievements & profits when there are staggering capital losses cannot avoid views of unacceptable & absurd salary increases for all Eskom employees for which the unfortunate consumer has to bear responsibility indefinitely into the future.	David	retired
	2026-08-26 16:13:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposal will just make consumers with solar to move off the grid which will further exacerbate the problem . I have invested a large capital amount to be independent from the grid	James	retired
	2026-08-26 16:14:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dudley	retired
	2026-08-26 16:14:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom had provided the service they were supposed to we would not have had to install solar at huge expense. Now they want to penalise us for their lack of services. Its diabolical!	Cindy	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:15:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Great, so we used our hard earned money to pay for solar because the government are incapable of providing electricity. Now our rate per kWh will be extremely high. I use 200kWh per month on my prepaid electricity. Do they sit there every day just thinking up ways to get more money from hard working people.	Janette	retired
	2026-08-26 16:16:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We invested in our solar systems because Eskom or the municipalities could not provide electricity during the loadshedding days. Besides, some of us merely reduced our grid usage by 50% and therefore we still buy electricity. As an example, I still use about 500Kw from the grid every month regardless of the season or weather. If I were to be subjected to fixed charges and solar penalties, then it will a huge bill for me. On the other hand, this might make things worse for Eskom or municipalities because those who can afford to go off the grid will simply do so.	Zola	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:20:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	User pays is a sound principle, and those who spent upwards of R300k to contribute to solving the load-shedding problem by installing solar are not the culprit, and do not deserve to be treated in this scandalous way. We already pay municipal service charges, for every single service, but we provide our own services. Our municipal bill, is well over R5k per month, for two retirees living a modest lifestyle, and it is immoral, scandalous and a disgrace that the ANC believes it has the right to demand payment from the very people who deserve to be treated with respect, and the ANC should rather face up to it's own incredible shortcomings; remember in July 2021 when the more violent elements of the ANC went on a litany of destuction, estimated to have cost our country R1.5 TRILLION? Has anybody been tried and convicted? Remember the VBS scandal when senior people in a particular party, looted R2 billion, largely from the rural poor? We demand accoutability and not scapegoating.	Jon	retired

	2026-08-26 16:22:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	retired
	2026-08-26 16:23:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People have spent their own money to solve a problem the government and eskom could have avoided by simply doing their jobs. Instead they're scrambling to create more taxes to replace the misused funds that get wasted everyday. And the cherry on the cake is the insult of accusing people of trying to get a free ride while we pay out of our own pocket to pick up eskom's slack. It seems the only entities trying to get a free ride are eskom and the government.	Aston	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:24:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, because of corruption as a result of the current government of the day, the law abiding citizens must be punished. If they, you know who, did not plunder this key state entity, we would not have this conversation. I see value, in having competition in the market, but not in this country where some cadre will get the contract. It's a damn disgrace!	Louis	
	2026-08-26 16:24:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I consume less electricity, my bill should materially decrease. A tariff structure that increasingly disconnects my monthly bill from the amount of electricity I actually consume is something I oppose, regardless of whether I achieved that reduction through solar, batteries, energy-efficient appliances, behavioural changes, or simply using less electricity. Eskom's own tariff application acknowledges that overly fixed network charges reduce the incentive for customers to manage consumption efficiently. And we know that Illegal electricity connections remain a significant challenge for Eskom, contributing to non-technical losses, infrastructure overloading, equipment damage and increased pressure on the distribution network. Eskom should prioritise addressing illegal connections, meter tampering and electricity theft before shifting an increasing share of its revenue recovery onto compliant, paying customers through higher fixed charges.	Luvuyo	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:24:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Better to have higher tariffs for peak use and cheaper at night to spread demand rather than look to tax rooftop solar	Claire	
	2026-08-26 16:24:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	During the years of Load Shedding, I was forced to install Solar Power in my home, due to the fact that I lecture on-line, as well as face to face. I do this for one reason only, NOT the money, but in an attempt to restore the Industrial technical skills here in South Africa. 90% of my course attendees are from young, previously disadvantaged citizens, who have been denied their career path due to the conversion of Technikons into Technical Universities. This has starved Industry of the "Go Between" the Foreman and the Engineer, a vital link, no more. So, at 82 years young I still continue my extended career and have helped thousands of young South Africans since I left Eskom in 2013, where I was a Senior Consultant in their special Projects division . And now this SOE wants to add additional charges to citizens who have been forced to spend massive money simply to keep the power available? No Way.	Charles	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:26:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		alan	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:26:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CLIFFORD CREIGHTON	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:30:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President asked us to help them reduce elctricity consumption and offerred us an incentive to install solar power, which many people did and now they want to penalise us for helping the country out of loadshedding! How totally ridiculous is this? What I do inside my property to survive their non service delivery is entirely my business and they have no right to now try and tax me for their inefficiencies!!!!	Johan	retired
	2026-08-26 16:30:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As previous on some or other site how do they want to charge us for solar power as we paid for the panels and what goes with it. Let them look somewhere else to get there money . Who's SON is it it is not theirs so they must forget about it. The son comes from God and not the government.	Nigel	
	2026-08-26 16:32:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	All that will happen is users will go 100% off the grid and Eskom will have even fewer customers	Geoff	
	2026-08-26 16:33:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is failing. To try fix their business, users were subsidised to move to solar to assist the failing grid. Now that users have done so, they would like to claim fees from them to support their continued failing business model. Every move they make places more strain on low income households and fails to resolve the underlying issues. Rather than try milk citizens for more funding, stop corruption, reduce theft, improve maintenance and provide a better service. Instead of paying the proposed fixed connection fee, users will simply increase their solar and completely disconnect from the grid completely. This will lead to a smaller and smaller base paying for the same failing government infrastructure and will ultimately end up further increasing fees for low income users who are unable to pay for solar and are tied to the grid. Households and small businesses that invested into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to support the failing grid and protect themselves from load shedding will now be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees when Eskom left us no choice but to try diversify our risk. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. There should not be a fixed fee for connection to the grid. No usage means no payment. NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Instead of penalising us further, allow a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. It is critical that an independent socio-economic impact assessment is conducted on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Myburgh	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:33:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual, the ANC has broken its commitment to the consumer and taxpayer - they are self confessed thieves who remain on power on absolutely no mandate other than head count - they have legalised thievery in every domain - we have spend many hundreds of thousands just to protect our own interests to ensure business continuity and now we are made out to be thieves - can you imagine a government telling citizens to add solar and then turn around and call them thieves of the economy - this is sickness at the heart and soul of man and the ANC represents a virus with no cure - I will fight this in court if I have to	Markus	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:34:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President asked us to help them reduce elctricity consumption and offerred us an incentive to install solar power, which many people did and now they want to penalise us for helping the country out of loadshedding! How totally ridiculous is this? What I do inside my property to survive their non service delivery is entirely my business and they have no right to now try and tax me for their inefficiencies!!!!	Hans	
	2026-08-26 16:35:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not believe that I should be penalised because of Eskom / the Metro's inability to provide a consistant source of power to us. We have had outages due to load shedding and poor infrastructure maintenance by the metro which forced us to provide a reliable solution. If the outages had not occurred with such frequency we would not have been forced to spend our savings on this alternative solution. In other words because of Eskom and Metros inability to provide a consistent service we the consumers should not be punished by penalty charges.	John	retired
	2026-08-26 16:35:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iqbal	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:36:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For decades the goverment has not being able to get its electricity supply act together. It will take decades to do so even if they start tomorrow. Private individuals have been forced to employ expensive infrastructure to cope and compensate for goverment's failures. Rather than tax those individuals, they should be compensated for out of a tax rebate perspective. Private individuals should be encouraged to both push energy back into the system and expand solar installations.	Gerhardus	
	2026-08-26 16:37:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	
	2026-08-26 16:38:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Excessive costs cannot be carrier by a small portion of the population. The solar users solved Eskom's capacity problem now it seems they will be penalized for doing so.	JD	retired
	2026-08-26 16:39:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are unable to supply a service that I pay for and then when I deal with it myself, you want to charge for a service that I am supplying to myself? How does it make sense? The excuse that these people are still connected to the grid is flimsy at best. The cost to that is supposed to be covered by property taxes. The real reason seem to be a desperate cash grab since the people that were paying the bills have now left.	Johannes	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:41:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 16:42:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this becomes an issue, I will simply disconnect from Eskom altogether and become completely self reliant. I have no time for subsidising people who steal electricity and Eskom who lets them get away with it. Eskom created this mess with their loadshedding thereby forcing me to install rooftop solar and now they want to penalize me. Force my hand and you will get nothing out of me and you can go try to get Sipho to pay for his illegal connection to his shack.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-26 16:44:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is already a fixed maintenance fee in the homeowners' monthly bill. Changing from a volumetric usage to a fixed one is just another money making scheme to pay for things that are not infrastructure related. Solar owners are fortunate enough to be contributing in reducing grid load (assisting municipal supply) everyday. I do not support this paper.	Rohen	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:44:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	State wants to penalize citizens for taking the initiatives	Lise	
	2026-08-26 16:45:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annemarie	retired
	2026-08-26 16:54:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Very unfair to penalize people who help eskom to keep the lights on.	Laurie	retired
	2026-08-26 16:54:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First they beg us to reduce consumption and get solar, not we are taxed....f@#$ can them.	Hein	retired
	2026-08-26 16:57:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support a proposal that punishes ratepayers regardless of their usage level. It does not make sense to apply a fixed rate that is decoupled from usage.	Adam	employed individual
	2026-08-26 16:57:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What is the difference between someone in a township using say 200 units a month but they don't have solar and someone with solar using 200 units? Or worse still someone stealing electricity and not paying anything? The 3rd category is where it needs to be stopped!	Ann	retired
	2026-08-26 17:00:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they would like to add mandatory bills, then they should apply incentives as well. Like paying less for elec in off-peak - allowing Solar households to sell back to the grid. Its ironic that they talk about free-loading - isn't it why we have crumbling infrastructure in the first place.	Johan	
	2026-08-26 17:00:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	due to years of electricity outages, there was no option but to install alternative methods so why should we be penalised now. government should collect outstanding debt from all customers and curb all unnecessary, wasteful expenditure.	joan	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:01:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in solar as a no brainer because Eskom thieves are useless ,and cannot keep the lights on. Go and get your money from all who consume free electricity and steal with illegal connections. before you incompetent comrades see a extra cent from me, I will tell you to come take your cable and shove it where the sun does not shine. I would rather invest in a generator when I really need back up to my solar before paying eskom a cent for their incompetency	Mike	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:02:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tim	retired
	2026-08-26 17:03:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government refused to privatise electricity provision and Escom, as monopoly, has been unable on many occasions to supply continuously. Our municipality also has regular electricity outages due to poor maintenance, poor planning etc. To provide backup systems should not be taxed. Government, Escom etc must start cutting costs and their income stream should be reviewed to exclude especially where citizens provide for themselves and keep the economy running, while the government's service delivery in almost all spheres are terrible and sometimes even non- existent.	Kobus	retired
	2026-08-26 17:04:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		yusuff	unemployed individual

	2026-08-26 17:06:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:06:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marisa	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:08:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernst	
	2026-08-26 17:08:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposal is outrageous. To neglect to ensure that electricity is available to consumers, forcing them to find alternative sources and then, instead of rewarding consumers for their efforts, they are now further punished with penalties, is absolute madness.	Klaus	retired
	2026-08-26 17:09:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am paying off the cost of solar and may now have to pay extra as a penalty for having invested in solar when forced too by a mismanaged utility	Roger	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:10:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	retired
	2026-08-26 17:10:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adrian	retired
	2026-08-26 17:11:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot charge someone for something that is not provided by a service provider. You can only charge someone for something you are providing, anything else is just theft by government.	Demetrio	retired
	2026-08-26 17:14:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for solar and still use Eskom. I cannot see why I should be penalised for lightening the load on Eskom. This is total rubbish and exploitative.	Jeanne	retired
	2026-08-26 17:15:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot start penalizing people who made it possible for them to save face in front of an entire country!	Simeon	
	2026-08-26 17:16:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This problem has been created by Eskom and it should not be rewarded for doing so.	Francis	retired
	2026-08-26 17:19:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the corrupt and incompetent DANC GNU and associated SOE's do what they do best: punish initiative and efficiency in order to keep the gravy train running. ### Position: Opposition to the Proposed Electricity Market Tariff Transformation **What the Policy Proposes** The Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper proposes a fundamental change in the way grid-connected electricity consumers are charged. Under the stated objective of discouraging so-called **“free riding”**, the paper argues that electricity networks carry substantial fixed infrastructure costs that must be recovered regardless of the amount of electricity consumed. The proposed approach would therefore shift a greater portion of electricity tariffs away from consumption-based charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) towards **mandatory fixed capacity, connection and network charges**. These charges would apply to grid-connected customers irrespective of how little electricity they draw from the grid. In effect, consumers would have to disconnect from the grid entirely to avoid these charges. **Why I Oppose This Approach** I strongly oppose this principle because it risks penalising precisely those consumers who have acted responsibly in response to South Africa's electricity crisis, brought about by government inaction, ineptitude and corruption. Households and small businesses have invested substantial amounts of their **own after-tax capital** in rooftop solar, battery storage and energy-efficiency measures. These investments were made not only to reduce electricity costs, but also to protect homes and businesses against load shedding, unreliable supply and rapidly escalating electricity tariffs. These consumers should not now be characterised, directly or indirectly, as **“free riders”** simply because they have reduced their dependence on the grid. Introducing substantial mandatory fixed charges fundamentally changes the economics upon which these investments were made. It could extend solar and battery payback periods, reduce the financial incentive for further private renewable-energy investment and disproportionately penalise consumers who deliberately conserve electricity. There is also a broader policy contradiction. South Africa should be encouraging households and businesses to invest private capital in renewable generation, storage and energy efficiency. A tariff structure that effectively imposes an **“availability tax” on grid-connected solar users** risks achieving the opposite. Consumers who retain a grid connection should reasonably contribute towards the infrastructure and services they use. However, **cost recovery must be transparent, proportionate and demonstrably related to the actual cost of providing that service**. Grid access should not become a mechanism for recovering revenue lost because consumers have reduced their electricity purchases through legitimate private investment. ### What I Believe Should Be Required I therefore call for: * **Strict regulatory limits on fixed charges.** NERSA should establish enforceable caps on fixed network, capacity and connection charges to prevent these charges from becoming an alternative mechanism for recovering lost volumetric electricity revenue. * **Fair recognition of private generation.** Grid-tied rooftop solar customers who export electricity should receive transparent and economically reasonable compensation for energy supplied to the network. Such credits should be capable of offsetting legitimate network charges. * **A tiered and proportionate tariff structure.** A household drawing very little electricity from the grid should not automatically carry the same network cost burden as a substantially larger consumer merely because both retain a grid connection. * **Protection for low-consumption consumers.** Any tariff reform must specifically assess the impact on pensioners, low-income households, energy-efficient households and other consumers whose electricity consumption is inherently low. * **An independent socio-economic and investment impact assessment.** Before implementing materially higher fixed charges, an independent assessment should determine their effect on household affordability, small businesses, rooftop-solar economics, battery investment, energy efficiency and South Africa's broader renewable-energy objectives. * **Full transparency regarding cost allocation.** Utilities should be required to demonstrate which genuine network costs are being recovered through fixed charges and why those costs should be allocated to particular customer categories. ### The Principle at Stake South Africans who invested their own money to reduce their dependence on an unreliable electricity system **should not subsequently be financially penalised for doing so**. A sustainable electricity market certainly requires consumers to make a fair contribution towards the grid infrastructure they use. But **fair contribution is not the same as guaranteeing utilities a fixed level of revenue regardless of how efficiently consumers use electricity or how much of their own energy they generate**. Electricity-market reform should encourage efficiency, investment, innovation and private generation—not create tariff structures that make consumers financially indifferent to conserving electricity or investing in renewable energy. The objective should therefore be **fair payment for actual grid services**, not the protection of historical utility revenue models at the expense of consumers who have invested in becoming more energy-efficient and self-sufficient.	Pieter	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:19:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar as we could not depend on eskom,now we are penalised for creating our own electricity. This will push consumers to move off the grid completely to boycott this plan. Government should be supporting solar initiatives and not penalising people for using it	Mia	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:20:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The argument of solar users not paying their fair share of fixed costs is flawed as using less state supplied sources enables ESCOM the capacity to supply lower end users who had no access previously. It is just another scheme to milk and already over taxed minority who are already at near breaking point as far as taxes are concerned	bruce	
	2026-08-26 17:21:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed to deliver and will always fail. People were forced to supply their own power. Absolute cheek to now try and get public to pay their exhorbitant salaries and bonus. Get rid of the useless top management. Nothing will change if they remain in a position of power.	Melanie	retired
	2026-08-26 17:21:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Instead of penalizing consumers who have solar power why not harness the surplus to feed the grid. The failure of the State to run companies like Eskom with any degree of professionalism led to the crises that forced individuals and companies to find another means of ensuring electrical and water supply. If the state run companies had not failed the public would not have been forced to take action. Allowing this to go through is another way of raping the public's purses to support the gross mismanagement and over-staffing the entities without any positive results. Your chasing away productive people.	Peter	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:21:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panel households should not be penalized	Nico	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:24:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jasper	
	2026-08-26 17:27:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Sandra	retired
	2026-08-26 17:27:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only fair way to charge for anything, including electricity, is for people to pay for what they use. You would not expect a restaurant patron to pay for 3 meals when she ordered and ate only one. Nor would you expect a person shopping to pay for goods that they do not have in their shopping cart. Why should electricity be any different?	Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-26 17:28:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa had a world class, cheap and reliable electricity generation and distribution system until the ANC raped the system , stole all the reserves meant to replace aging power stations, and maintain and extend the distribution system. Now the paying customers are being victimized for Eskom's failures, after having spent millions to ensure a simple reliable power supply to their homes. Disgusting state of affairs.	Trevor	retired

	2026-08-26 17:29:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is clutching at what few income straws are left, before it loses power in political load-shedding in the local elections. 1) Solar is necessary anyway to reduce dependency on fossil fuels and try, too late, to put the brakes on global warming. We talked the talk, but didn't walk the talk. Or if we walked, it was backwards. 2) Solar does make conventionalsupply and consumption uneven. But the government should make projections on the assumption that it wants renewables long-term. It might be a good idea to see how countries like France have done this. They gave households subsidies to install solar. It was so massively successful that they've ben able to now reduced subsidies. However, unlike Mandela's first administration , we don't seem to take advice from anyone anymore. 3) On the face of it, a LOW flat rate could be good to stabilise the sector. However, as we've seen for more than 30 years, these kinds of rates ,fees, etc. are simply new sources for looting. 4) The middle class in Johannesburg is looted out. CITY POWER "teams" now go around disconnecting people who have paid and then demand fees to reconnect. It's almost impossible to tell the difference between official, outsourced, and gangsters You have to go solar if you can afford it. It's tthe only reliable alternative. 5) Rule No 1: NEVER AGREE IN PRINCIPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA. ONLY AGREE WHEN FIGURES HAVE BEEN PRODUCED AND COMMITTED TO DRAFT LEGISLATION. 6) I hate to write like this	Rodney	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:29:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:30:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should anyone have to pay for the sun Just now they will tax us for the air that we breathe. This demands a national outrage.	Bjorn	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:30:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are thousands of illegal connections in the country that is better defined as free riding, It is totally unacceptable that solar consumers are labeled as free riding,	Francois	
	2026-08-26 17:31:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spent a LOT of money installing solar at my residence as ESKOM could not guarantee my power - this was a safety issue as well as a necessity for me. Why should I now be penalised ?????	Philippa	retired
	2026-08-26 17:32:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Willie	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:36:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-26 17:36:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is clutching at what few income straws are left, before it loses power in political load-shedding in the local elections. 1) Solar is necessary anyway to reduce dependency on fossil fuels and try, too late, to put the brakes on global warming. We talked the talk, but didn't walk the talk. Or if we walked, it was backwards. 2) Solar does make conventional supply and consumption uneven. But the government should make projections on the assumption that it wants renewables long-term. It might be a good idea to see how countries like France have done this. They gave households subsidies to install solar. It was so massively successful that they've been able to now reduce subsidies. However, unlike Mandela's first administration, we don't seem to take advice from anyone anymore. 3) On the face of it, a LOW flat rate could be good to stabilize the sector. However, as we've seen for more than 30 years, these kinds of rates, fees, etc. are simply new sources for looting. 4) The middle class in Johannesburg is looted out. CITY POWER "teams" now go around disconnecting people who have paid and then demand fees to reconnect. It's almost impossible to tell the difference between official, outsourced, and gangsters You have to go solar if you can afford it. It's the only reliable alternative. 5) Rule No 1: NEVER AGREE IN PRINCIPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA. ONLY AGREE WHEN FIGURES HAVE BEEN PRODUCED AND COMMITTED TO DRAFT LEGISLATION.	Gerrie	retired
	2026-08-26 17:36:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This corrupt government just wants to keep stealing our money	Tex	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 17:37:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another ANC idea to take more money from normal people trying to guarantee electricity supply because they couldn't. Stop some of the corruption and the inefficiencies in the current ruling party + there would be no need for this. Good plan to stop newcomers entering the solar panel solution!!!	Graham	
	2026-08-26 17:37:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state gave us a tax rebate for installing solar to alleviate eskom's lack of generation, and now you want to tax us after we helped you.	David	
	2026-08-26 17:39:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is the failure of government and Eskom which put all of SA into this position and it it the individuals who had to install their own generation to the tune of GW in SA as a whole and alleviate the problem. I have absolutely no faith in government, Eskom and all their combined corruption to implement a solution and manage this - except lining the pockets of some individuals (again). If this gets implemented I will definitely go off the grid. No more free rides from me!	Harry	
	2026-08-26 17:40:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private initiative should not be penalised because of Eskom's incompetence. A market related Eskom availability fixed charge is reasonable.	John	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:40:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers moved to solar to save costs and to avoid the total collapse of the grid. They should be thanked not penalised. Escom should find ways to cut costs as consumer demand reduces, not lookfor new ways to increase income.	Hannes	retired
	2026-08-26 17:40:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HB	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:42:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the government trying to penalize its citizens who were forced to install solar energy because the government failed to provide stable electricity. What is next? Will those who have installed backup water solutions be taxed because the government is failing to provide a consistent supply of drinkable water to its citizens?	Steve	retired
	2026-08-26 17:45:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to cope with power outages for a long time until we could afford to install solar. It took a lot of my savings. Now as a pensioner I have to pay even more for Eskom’s failures.	Irene	retired
	2026-08-26 17:45:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-26 17:45:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We took our own money to fix a government problem and now the government want to charge us for it! I say NO!	Tamsyn	
	2026-08-26 17:45:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a connection fee but should not need to pay for the reduced usage because we used our own money to offset the failure of Eskom to provide consistent power and to mitigate against excessive future price increases due to continued mismanagement by Eskom. The state continue to seek to fund its ongoing mismanagement and fiscal wasteful expenditure and policies that are simply in place to buy votes from non-paying users.	Scott	retired
	2026-08-26 17:45:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This draft regulation is once again government grasping at straws. Due to their corruption ESKOM could not keep the lights on, and now that private sector came up with solutions government like all communists wants to punish them for not surrendering total control to the government. I do not support this nonsense with punishing solar client because all they are doing is just punishing the poor paying person, but dozens of houses are connected illegally and government is refusing to do anything about it because they can not "offend" the voters.	Francois	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:46:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Owen	
	2026-08-26 17:47:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I will never support any initiative that this corrupt government thinks up to take more money from the hard working citizens and small businesses. They are rotten to the core, and have proven, time and time again, that they have absolutely no qualms about bleeding normal South Africans to keep themselves in wealth and comfort. I spent over R4 million putting up a solar solution for my small business because Eskom is so useless that I could not do business without spending that money. The looters need to rot in hell and be replaced by honest, ethical people. Although, I think that is a pipe dream as there are no honest ethical people in the ANC and this government.	Monique	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:51:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	retired
	2026-08-26 17:52:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-08-26 17:52:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The entire electrical network has though incompetence and probably fraud and corruption been rendered useless. So some of us spent large amounts of money to install solar and of course that reduced their honest income. To now penalise those people is totally outrageous. Completely, foolish and unacceptable. Just take more from those that solved their own problem is absolutely 180 degrees offline and reprehensible. Whoever made this proposal should be sent back to school to learn the difference between right and wrong!	Thomas	retired
	2026-08-26 17:53:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and government are penalising consumers due to their own Eskom/government shortcomings. After all, solar installations have assisted greatly to reduce load shedding. Also, it seems government are penalising those that support the movement to green energy..they should be supporting that initiative. Other governments in their countries are subsidising the move towards green energy.	Dieter	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:53:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is immoral to tax people for showing initiative and trying to remedy a problem created by a service provider Part of the line connection charges charged by local municipalities should go towards supporting the national grid	Stuart	retired
	2026-08-26 17:54:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I would not have made the investment in a solar if it had not been for the failure by Escom to provide a proper service. It will take many years for me to recover my costs and now that progress in this regard is being made, suddenly there is this proposal which will effectively punish me for protecting myself from Escom's non-performance. Farmers are not charged a fee for having their property linked to a public road, but they pay a fuel tax which is an indirect user tax. User pays principle. A car company can't charge you for owning their brand, they must recover their overheads when you buy the vehicle, buy parts and use their service facilities.	Hugh	
	2026-08-26 17:54:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-26 17:57:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riana	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:00:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and government are penalizing consumers for a problem they caused by looting the country and ESKOM. The infrastructure was neglected and not maintained. Today ESKOM is still not in a position to generate more power than the country generated in the early 2000's. After all, solar installations have assisted greatly to reduce load shedding. Also, it seems government are penalizing those that support the movement to green energy. They must follow the example of other countries and support green energy initiatives	Barend	retired
	2026-08-26 18:01:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don’t know why citizens have to bear the brunt of Eskom’s bad management. It’s time for citizens to stand up for themselves.	Charlotte	
	2026-08-26 18:01:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is the Government's responsibility to provide affordable electricity to the people. The Government should have started more than 20 years ago to plan and build for the future. They should have clamped down on illegal electricity usage in rural areas. Privatisation is not going to quickly fix the shortfall. People who generate their own electricity with solar panels or wind turbines should not have to pay a cent to the Government because they're too pathetic to provide it. The sun doesn't belong to 1 person or the government. Why should people be taxed when they have a solar panel? Stop lining your own pockets. Stop the corruption. Stop stealing from the people.	Ilse	
	2026-08-26 18:02:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposal to impose mandatory fixed network and capacity charges on grid-connected customers regardless of their actual use of grid electricity. Households and small businesses that have invested significant private funds in solar, batteries and energy efficiency have done so to reduce their reliance on the grid, manage load shedding and support cleaner energy. Penalising these consumers through higher fixed charges undermines those investments, discourages further private renewable-energy adoption and disproportionately affects households that actively reduce their electricity consumption. I call on NERSA to: * Place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges. * Introduce a fair, tiered tariff model that properly credits rooftop solar users for energy fed into the grid and recognises their contribution to the electricity system. * Ensure that fixed charges do not simply become an availability tax that undermines the financial benefits of investing in renewable energy. * Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment of the proposed charges, particularly their effect on low-income, energy-efficient and self-generating households. Consumers who reduce their demand on the grid should not be financially punished for doing so. The tariff structure should encourage investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency, not make it less economically viable.	Bruce	

	2026-08-26 18:02:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You should be ashamed by raping the system and us the consumers. Stop the bullying and racketeering! If your house was in order,then there would be NO reason for going the solar route.	Mano	retired
	2026-08-26 18:03:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LJP	retired
	2026-08-26 18:04:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Although the consumption has reduced for private users, the municipality is also able to "buy" excess solar capacity units from these same people to reduce their own bill and not pay the price necessarily that they would pay to Eskom. Solar systems also need maintenance, so they are paying towards that, and then the units that the municipality "buys back" should then surely pay towards private solar systems maintenance if this is the stance. Get to a proposal that works, that could be mutually beneficial.	Esmerelda	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:06:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We invested in solar energy because of the govts failure to provide stable energy! Now we have to pay eskom for their failure on top of them not reimbursing us for the lack of power! Not acceptable! Now we are being penalised for reducing use of Eskom generated power. Adding insult to injury - municipalities “buy” power from Eskom and neglect to pay for it - as ithe money paid by buyers has “disappeared'	Tracey	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:06:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	retired
	2026-08-26 18:06:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gary	
	2026-08-26 18:07:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 18:09:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:10:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should have been grateful that solar users relieve load on the grid and contribute to less greenhouse gasses. Solar users should rather receive subsidies.	Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:11:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has not managed Escom and is looking at the citizen to fund thier error. The citizen has had to resort to funding an alternative to keep living with basic resources.	James	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:13:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s crazy that our government could NOT provide it’s citizens with stable electricity for years !!! Then people were forced to spend a fortune to secure reliable power, Now government wants to penalise the citizens, for having been proactive and investing in being independent and taking pressure off the grid. Nuts	Maria	retired
	2026-08-26 18:15:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maurice	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:15:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bayne	retired
	2026-08-26 18:16:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Why should I pay to use the sun? It’s a natural resource available to the entire planet for free. Imagine if they started taxing us just for breathing — it’s the same kind of absurdity.	Eugene	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:17:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have installed solar in 2017,just to help me save on my monthly bills.. Now they want to penalise me, for not buying enough electricity..!! But I had to install it, because of all the load shedding..!!	Tobie	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:18:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I already pay VAT on my system when I installed it. Am totally off grid so why am I going to be taxed on a natural God given resource.	John	
	2026-08-26 18:18:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You have no control over the collapsing electricity infrastructure, caused by corruption, criminal elements and incompetence. Paying for the amount of units used is fair and those who use more is charged more, which creates a balance. You need to drop your socialist approach and focus on fixing what you broke.	Arno	
	2026-08-26 18:18:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are penalising businesses the consumers for making other energy options when government Eskom and local municipalities have failed to deliver energy at an affordable price without power outages Safeguarding their property not government providing these services Ensuring their children are fed at night and can go to bed with a full tum because they are not relying on city or Eskom	Carol	retired
	2026-08-26 18:21:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is failing to provide stable and affordable elctricity supply. As tax paying residents, we are already paying too much and further subsidising illegal connections. Solar energy should not be taxed at all. Just recently Eskom subsidised solar geysers and there are government subsidised solar power projects for the hospitality industry. This is just another money grabbing scheme	Andrew	retired
	2026-08-26 18:22:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cliff	retired
	2026-08-26 18:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-08-26 18:23:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should rather buy electricity from solar rooftop owner's	Winston	retired
	2026-08-26 18:23:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Daylight robbery - as usual. Greedy grasping Eskom - as corrupt as ever	Lyn	retired
	2026-08-26 18:23:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is fundamentally wrong to expect people to pay for services they are not receiving. Solar power systems operate independently of Eskom, so charging consumers for electricity they are generating and using themselves makes little sense. Eskom's tariffs have become increasingly unaffordable for many households, forcing people to invest in alternative energy solutions at significant personal expense. To then impose additional charges on those same individuals simply for reducing their reliance on the grid feels deeply unfair. Instead of penalizing people for finding sustainable ways to manage rising electricity costs, the focus should be on providing affordable and reliable power. The idea of charging consumers for services not rendered raises serious questions about fairness and accountability.	Carina	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:24:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Thinus	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:26:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The present pay-for-use approach is fair. Charging a fixed charge for "capacity" that we may or may not use is completely unfair.	Alan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:28:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Anyone who has installed solar panels have already paid VAT on the installation. It is dishonest of the Government to now want to tax Solar Panels which they encouraged when the Eskom grid could not supply the needs of the country. Concerned citizens who at their own cost installed Solar panels as a remedy of a failing system should be rewarded not penalized by being taxed	GAYE	retired
	2026-08-26 18:28:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have spent money to save money, have a reliable supply, why should we be penalised for doing that. We are in effect reducing the municipal Eskom bill! Even if you use 0 kwH you have to pay the fixed charge!	Deon	retired
	2026-08-26 18:28:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us installed solar purely because of inept electricity service. To be penalised for this down the line is ridiculous. The fact that it helps the environment is a bonus	Jenny	retired
	2026-08-26 18:28:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar would be unethical in the extreme. It will fall in the same class as being forced to pay for the air that one breathes !! First the state via Eskom neglected providing us properly and consistently with electricity. Then homeowners and others resorted to doing it themselves by putting up their own solar systems, paid for by themselves. Light from the sun should be as FREE as the air we breath (and one wonders for how long the latter will still last). And though the state, via Eskom (and new proposed associates), had no role in funding our own solar systems, they now want to cash in by unethically "taxing" us for our own initiatives.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-26 18:28:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcell	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:29:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham Jacobus	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:30:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary Ann	retired
	2026-08-26 18:35:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop finding new ways to tax honest citizens who have had enough ! I have just endured 6 days without power due to JHB City Power's incompetence and ANC approved corruption. This was in the coldest part of the year. 5C inside my house, no heating, no cooking, no warm water to wash in. Nothing. I dont have solar, but clearly I need to get some. You are not fit to run anything at all, never mind an entire country.	Gordon	employed individual
	2026-08-26 18:35:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	I think this is theft from businesses by the state, I believe that the people behind this unreasonable proposal should be fired from office,	Jon	business owner
	2026-08-26 18:41:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This sort of nonsense is why I went off grid Eskom tried to bully me into staying connected. Now I know why It's a bit scary to remove the perceived back up from Eskom but we have so many outages in this area that the risk was worth it I have a petrol generator as backup, upgraded to Li,- ion cells and operate very well without Eskom	Liz	retired
	2026-08-26 18:46:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lalena	
	2026-08-26 18:47:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a monopoly which is imposing it's inefficiency & corruption in increasing electricity charges. Now they want to penalise those who tried to bypass those who installed solar power on their properties. This cannot be supported.	Ray	retired
	2026-08-26 18:49:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moray	
	2026-08-26 18:52:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	self-employed
	2026-08-26 18:53:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I’m strongly opposed to mandatory fixed grid charges on rooftop solar users. It’s unfair to penalise households that invest their own money to generate electricity and reduce their reliance on the grid. High unavoidable fixed charges undermine the incentive to adopt solar and effectively punish those trying to reduce their consumption.	Allan	employed individual

	2026-08-26 18:54:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sigi	retired
	2026-08-26 18:57:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have always tried to keep my electricity bill low by being careful with my consumption. I cannot afford a high electricity bill. Now since a few years ago I have to pay for service and network charges which by itself are much higher than my consumption. I am now getting solar and it will be off grid. So no more network and service charges. Those charges alone are about R 15 000- per year! My solar will pay for itself. Escom and CoJ are chasing away their own customers by making it unaffordable!	Anke	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:00:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Chris	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:00:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grahame	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:01:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is so unfair to both that have installed Solar and the charges to direct Eskom connection since they will be charged higher rates for NOT having Solar	E	retired
	2026-08-26 19:01:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Thank you for the opportunity to highlight our concern related to energy supply. As we all experience very difficult times under the current corrupt government with excessive prices on essential commodities, state control is not the answer. The current political decision making model is total outdated and needs to be replace with a model that trend the market's overall and not only certain friendly markets, those connected who are favouring the current regime! The problem with the current regime is they are just copy cats of other countries, wether it fits the citizens or not, wether it does have a negative impact on the people of South Africa or not it does not matter! If they consider the prices of fuel, food, materials, energy, medical services and service in general they do not care. Our taxes we pay and all the others add ons made us much poorer than the same foreign market's. South Africa need a roll out of their own unique model which fits into our own consumers, to satisfy the needs of the South African's! Everytime a politician jump into a Boeing visiting other countries to be a copy cat we as citizens are been taxed or punished with more control and more law's with more expenses with much less cash to survive as business owner's and taxpayers! During load shedding many businesses closed permanently with job losses, many expensive equipment was damaged, even crime flourished, more and more corruption and lawlessness! If it was not for the private sector who invested to secure their own energy supply the total collapse of the grid was about to happen! The government on all platforms asked time and time again to be patient which happened, a couple of years later they want to punish those who helped them when they were in trouble. This is insanity, politicians without any wisdom not considered to the prop of South Africa because they don't have the wisdom, nor the understanding of the current economy and the suffering of us as taxpayers. Your President Ramaphosa recently with their launch lied publicly when he said the ANC ended load shedding! Thanks for the investment of the private sector and especially home owners who rescued the grid from collapsing. Rethink this proposal and design a model that fit our country, our people, our economy who can contribute towards job creation and prosperity for our citizens and people! We need wise leaders, Matthew chapter 25, the Word of God, not fools or wicked politicians!	Derek	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:02:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot believe this, the government begged us to help them by getting solar,. Now I have spend thousands on a system that helped them when they needed it, I must pay even more and still maintain, service and replace when necessary. I think this is nothing but pure robbery!!	Kevin	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:08:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government incentivised us to go solar with their tax breaks, as load shedding was severe and they wanted less pressure on Eskom. Now they want to penalize us for doing so. We would never have had to resort to solar if the government effectively managed electricity in SA and Eskom's incompetence . The installation of solar has come at great expense to us.	Lindsey	retired
	2026-08-26 19:09:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joan-lesley	retired
	2026-08-26 19:12:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachel	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 19:13:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I help to reduce the electricity demand by using solar I should not be penalised.	Francois	retired
	2026-08-26 19:17:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Utter nonsense.. just now they'll be penalizing us for having private security too!!	Mark	
	2026-08-26 19:18:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marianne	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:22:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-26 19:24:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-26 19:24:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terence	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:25:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. The consumer must not be expected to fund municipal incompetence! Fix the wasteful inefficiencies first e.g. electricity theft; lights on all day; theft and inefficiency at Eskom e.g. high salaries and bonuses and increases for poor service! 2. The solar sector needs to organise like the taxi sector. Maybe they should call for a solar "shut-down" at short notice, just to see how little value solar brings to the Country!	Anthony	retired
	2026-08-26 19:28:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:28:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Charles	retired
	2026-08-26 19:29:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:29:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are been BULLIED BY A STATE OWENED COMPANY AGAIN FROM OUR HARD EARNED MONEY we invested AND to take the monnies from us which is not owing to them.	Ferenc	self-employed
	2026-08-26 19:31:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its current form. I am particularly concerned about increased fixed electricity charges and any tariffs or penalties that effectively punish households and businesses for installing solar. Many South Africans invested significant amounts in solar because of unreliable electricity supply and rising electricity costs. These investments reduce pressure on the national grid, improve energy resilience and support the transition to cleaner energy. Consumers should contribute fairly towards genuine grid infrastructure costs, but these charges must be reasonable, transparent and directly related to the service provided. Solar users should not be penalised simply because they have reduced their reliance on grid-supplied electricity. I therefore request that the proposals relating to fixed charges and the treatment of private solar generation be reconsidered and amended.	Jared	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:32:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ever increasing pole and infrastructure fees does not work! Eskom tried it at our small-hold to the point that consumption was barely 10% of the total bill. That forced us to go the solar route. Now we have surplus every day which we can't even donate to the grid. Recommendation: More storage capacity by government to reduce or even stop the enormous diesel bill along with purchasing surplus from solar owners is what needs to be considered ASAP.	michiel	
	2026-08-26 19:34:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Clive	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:37:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corrie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:41:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We will not be able to survive financially in South African any longer.	Somaya	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:42:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should I pay R15 per KwH when I use little on prepaid? Eskom forced us to solar. If we all go back onto the grid Eskom will be in trouble. Perhaps we must do for 3 months to get the message through. Don't force us.	Thomasz	retired
	2026-08-26 19:44:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Support with Amendments: Wholesale market reform should proceed only if strict caps are placed on fixed network fees, captive ratepayers are protected, and municipal cross-subsidies are safeguarded.	Richard	
	2026-08-26 19:45:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		shauneen	business owner
	2026-08-26 19:49:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed approach to mandatory fixed charges for grid-connected residential solar users. I am a residential electricity consumer who remains connected to the grid and continues to purchase and pay for a considerable amount of grid electricity every month. I have also invested my own private capital in solar generation, which I use particularly to power high-consumption appliances such as my swimming-pool pump and geyser. I strongly object to residential consumers such as myself being characterised, expressly or implicitly, as "free riders" because we have reduced part of our electricity consumption through private generation. I have not withdrawn from the electricity system while expecting other consumers to subsidise my household. I continue to purchase grid electricity for ordinary day-to-day household consumption. I have simply spent my own money to reduce the demand my household places on the grid. South Africans have endured years of constrained electricity supply and load shedding. During that period, households were actively incentivised to reduce their dependence on the grid and many invested substantial amounts of their own money in solar generation, batteries and other energy-saving technologies. It is fundamentally inequitable to subsequently restructure tariffs in a manner that financially disadvantages those same consumers because their investment successfully reduced the electricity they purchase from the grid. There is also a serious policy contradiction in attempting to encourage private generation and reduced electricity demand while simultaneously reducing the financial benefit of doing so through unavoidable fixed charges. Consumers should have an economic incentive to reduce demand, improve energy efficiency and invest their own capital in distributed generation. I accept that ordinary charges associated with maintaining a grid connection may legitimately form part of an electricity tariff. What I oppose is using increased mandatory fixed charges as a means of recovering revenue lost because a household has chosen to purchase fewer kilowatt-hours from the grid. A reduction in electricity consumption should not itself create a new financial liability. My solar installation reduces my household's demand on the electricity system. I funded that infrastructure privately, bear the cost of maintaining it privately, and continue to purchase electricity from the grid. I therefore reject the proposition that reducing my grid consumption constitutes "free riding" or that it provides a legitimate basis for imposing additional unavoidable charges on my household. I therefore object to the proposed tariff approach insofar as it permits or encourages additional mandatory fixed charges targeted at residential consumers because they have installed solar generation or reduced their consumption of grid electricity.	Gabriella	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:49:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	retired
	2026-08-26 19:50:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is simply unconscionable to burden consumers with Eskom's past and present inefficiencies, namely over-staffing, managerial incompetence, and other corporate inadequacies. It is doubly unconscionable to attempt legislation changes that at bottom are designed to extort more money from consumers who through their own initiative and money have helped Eskom solve its generation insufficiency by installing SSEG systems. It is triply unconscionable that this proposal effectively seeks to tax the use of sunlight. These glaring shortcomings will not fix Eskom because that will require competent management that is empowered to take hard decisions, and it is very likely that the main consequence of these absurd proposals will be to prompt anyone who can afford it to go off-grid completely, leaving Eskom with an ever-growing portion of non-payers.	Patrick	employed individual

	2026-08-26 19:53:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dario	retired
	2026-08-26 19:53:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	retired
	2026-08-26 19:55:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again we have to pay for a failed state while we try to help ourselves and the grid	Rudi	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:05:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed to supply constant reliable electricity. As a government the ANC has failed to protect the electrical infrastructure which allows for the constant loss of power due to cable theft, and every other excuse that can be made up. The ANC has stolen all the money to the point that Eskom is bankrupt and the city councils are bankrupt so they cannot do maintenance and upgrades hence the unreliability of the power grid. You asked the consumer to use power sparingly. The less power the consumer uses the less income there is, hence there is less money to steal and even less money for maintenance and upgrades. The consumer has reduced the load on the electrical system by installing solar systems at their expense, for the most you have refused to allow consumers to feed back into the grid any spare power they have from their solar system. Now you want to charge any consumer with solar power a penalty fee to boost your revenue so you can continue abusing the funds you receive. It is wrong on every level and just another government rip off to rape the consumer. What will happen next is that most people with solar will upgrade and go off the grid completely. Eskom and ANC government you are shooting yourself in the foot once again !	C	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:05:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	retired
	2026-08-26 20:05:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I now pay more for my solar power, because the government was not delivering the service. Now they want to tax me even more?	Mariaan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:08:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising people who care! Residents who can ease the electricity burden should be congratulated and not taxed further.	G	retired
	2026-08-26 20:08:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-08-26 20:09:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Punishment for paying oneself for power security is not fair.	Charl	retired
	2026-08-26 20:12:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again citizens are having to bear the brunt for inefficient administrators of our civil society's everyday needs. As pensioners we are faced with the cost-of-living expenses outstripping our income. We will have to move out of our home because we can't afford to live there anymore. It is a shame that the leaders of our country are doing nothing to protect the citizens of South Africa!!	Laura	retired
	2026-08-26 20:13:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree to being penalised for having spent a large sum of money installing solar to secure an electricity supply which was denied me by the incompetence of political appointees. The vast sums of money owed to Eskom by municipalities all over SA and the hundreds of thousands of illegal connections are where efforts to clamp down on 'free riding' should be focused.	Mike	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:15:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolute bull...., no one should be bullied for using alternative power, no one must be taxed for using solar, the government failed, that's why everyone is resorting to other means, eskom must fix their issues without affecting the consumer.	Nsuku	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:17:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After 15 years of Eskom being used to by the ANC to extract wealth from South Africans, we have all had enough. We waited and waited as we sat in the dark, suffering without electricity. Then we reached our breaking point. We have all chosen a better life. A life without Eskom. Eskom is dead to all of us. We have moved onto solar. We are treated with respect, dignity, and quality electricity while saving huge money. Eskom is like a Nokia 5110. We South Africans now all use smartphones. There is no going back. Eskom is stuck in the past. Like a dinosaur. And just like a dinosaur, the ANC and Eskom will soon be extinct!	Richard	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:18:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again it is the citizens of South Africa that must be penalized for poor governance. Rather investigate internally on how to reform Eskom and its legacy infrastructure. Even businesses are suffering under the expensive tariffs set in place.	Jaendrei	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:26:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We where urged to install solar panels to save a grid collaps Now we must pay for it. No.	Skalk	retired
	2026-08-26 20:26:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this legislation is approved I will disconnect from the Escom network completely. Then they will lose even the current minimum payment i am making every month.	Renier	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:27:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Johann	retired
	2026-08-26 20:28:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Owners paid for the installation of solar and did this because the state cannot provide electricity on a constant basis. Further more, living cost is increasing every day and people must make sure that they save money on every possible way. The money used to pay for solar has already been taxed, so why tax it again?? Double taxing. Who owns the sun?	Grietjie	retired
	2026-08-26 20:31:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-08-26 20:34:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Gerhard	
	2026-08-26 20:42:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To introduce a form of tax on consumers that payed hard earned money to protect themselves against the government’s in ability to even supply power to a country that was handed the best run power supplier in Africa in 1994 is a disgrace and unacceptable.its called corruption.	Charles	retired
	2026-08-26 20:42:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-08-26 20:43:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	
	2026-08-26 20:46:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every trick in the book. If this is the case we must be allowed to disconnect from Eskom/Municipal power entirely and i believe some municipalities do not allow that.	Peter	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:47:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to go solar because of the electricity crisis at that time. Government even gave a rebate on the tax for solar panels. Now that the crisis is over and people have spent substantial amounts of hard-earned money on solar, they want to 'punish' us for installing solar! This is vicious, cruel, and unjust!	Yusuf	retired
	2026-08-26 20:48:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Craig	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:48:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	retired
	2026-08-26 20:49:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		imran	
	2026-08-26 20:50:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		August	retired
	2026-08-26 20:51:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hi, I have chosen to get solar as an cheaper alternative than municipal tarrif. I couldn't pay the high cost of electricity and with loadshedding I needed a battery that could sustain my parents with sleeping machine. Now i get punished for trying to save money. I don't get a bonus or increase the last 3 x years now. If they implement fixed line tarrif and heavy electricity prices I will be forced to cut my power supply totally from our municipality. That would mean there will be no fixed line cost for municipality and no income for them the little i do utilize. I would go completly off the grid and rather just run a generator then giving it away to corrupt company	Matthys	self-employed
	2026-08-26 20:53:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Without prejudice Ruling party and their ilk have ruined the ecomy and infrastructure of SA.....a country that had the opportunity to grow exponentialy post-apartheid and become a powerful and financially successful country for all....with a flourishing " Rainbow Nation". ? Instead,.....thieving, thuggery, corruption, that benfitted the rot of society became endemiic and resulted in everything,,,, including infrusture, safety and securty and services collapsing.....resulting in total decay of RSA. Hope the rotten evil beings suffer the wrath they deserve after causing so much suffering for the innocent	Sophia	retired
	2026-08-26 20:58:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ate	retired
	2026-08-26 21:02:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If a solar system includes a battery, there is provision for power at night and when ESKOM fails, day or night. When a service provider fails to deliver, it should compensate its customers, which could simply be subsidizing the cost of the solar systems.	Austen	retired
	2026-08-26 21:02:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the wholesale hollowing out of Eskom had not been tacitly permitted, the utility would not be in this crisis. First, citizens were forced to spend hundreds of thousands of Rands out of their own pockets to secure basic energy security through solar power. Now that Eskom’s mismanagement has driven away its customer base, NERSA and Eskom want to penalize self-reliance with punitive fixed-capacity charges. Taxpayers cannot be made to fund state failure twice. This proposal must be rejected!	Angela	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:03:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Londiwe	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:05:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	government stuffs up - we pay - no more ANC!!!	Peter	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:08:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC cannot supply enough energy for South African residents' needs because they allowed ESCOM, together with all else they touched, go to naught. Now that a resident makes a plan, which by the way has partly helped ESCOM to stop loadshedding due to the lower demand, they want to PUNISH households for this? How does that make sense? Why not rather focus the effort on every house having panels that can supply additional electricity onto the grid - oh, that won't fill their pockets, will it?	HM	retired

	2026-08-26 21:08:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moosa	retired
	2026-08-26 21:09:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's inconceivable that this government continues to punish the very people who are easing the state's burden. Citizens who have solar panels are helping the country to avoid atrocious load shedding schedules , provide a service for themselves because government has dismally failed to do so. It's actually disgusting what government is proposing.	Mapotlo	retired
	2026-08-26 21:12:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should welcome people who invest in solar panels since the more electricity is produced, the more is available and this should help to reduce the price. We aleady pay a monthly fee just to be connected to the grid. They should not be allowed to increase this. And residential homes should not be captive to a supplier which id simply keen to exploit them. We should be able to run our excess power back into the grid and either be paid for it ot have the meter run backwards to reduce the amount we are billed for each month. In some areas they claim that the grid cannot manage electricity receive from residential houses, but in other areas this is not a problem This situation has been known for many years, yet I never hear about effort being made to update and fix the grid so that it can work more effectively.	Meg	retired
	2026-08-26 21:18:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as residents were initially incentivised to install solar power to support and alleviate the load on the system. Now, we are penalised for doing so because unfortunately the people with the ability to move to solar are also the only people paying for electricity - hence the diminishing income conundrum facing Eskom. A better suggestion would be to recover the infrastructure maintenance and expansion as a flat rate on the per unit tariff. Then everyone should pay for what they use. If you use below a certain subminimum then your tariff is capped a minimum level to ensure access for the poor paying customer in the form of a rebate in units. Unlike Water, electricity is not a basic right. It is a service that you pay for based on your usage.	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:20:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alf	retired
	2026-08-26 21:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First you incentivise us to install solar, now you punish us. If we use fewer units, we are less of a strain on the grid and therefore should not need to compensate for maintenance on the grid to the same extent that people who use many more units should. Your logic is flawed and your motives are disengenuous.	Lauren	employed individual
	2026-08-26 21:24:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	retired
	2026-08-26 21:27:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Poor performance by ESKOM and the failure of the State to oversee fair electricity prices should not result in households have to fill the gaps. For many years ESKOM and the State promoted the idea of elevating the burden on electricity consumption. Secondly, how is it possible to penalise green power generation? This should be promoted by the State.	Joseph	
	2026-08-26 21:29:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay huge rates already, for very little in return. Rates are for infrastructure maintenance. People will go off grid completely.	Victoria	
	2026-08-26 21:31:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Qhamisa	
	2026-08-26 21:35:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Corruption corruption.	Francois	
	2026-08-26 21:35:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 21:47:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-08-26 21:54:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karin	retired
	2026-08-26 21:56:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	retired
	2026-08-26 21:56:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They encouraged us to install solar system in order to decrease electricity consumption. I spent part of my pension to purchase batteries, inverter and panels, now I must pay more.Day light robbery.	Sibusiso	retired
	2026-08-26 21:57:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elmarie	retired
	2026-08-26 22:04:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	self-employed
	2026-08-26 22:06:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am appalled to hear people who have solar will be charged. With the many electricity blackouts we were encouraged to get solar to assist Escom keep the lights on. Now all of a sudden, the people assist with keeping the lights on are being punish. Shame on you.	Stephen	retired
	2026-08-26 22:11:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nevil	retired
	2026-08-26 22:21:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing those who have already committed their own private funds toward self sufficiency and grid overload is not only unfair, but destroys the user pays principle. This will discourage solar investment, and polarize the market into complete self sufficiency, or no solar investment at all and favour larger consumers at the expense of smaller less affluent households. This is basically encouraging inefficient cost allocation, and penalizing those least able to pay.	mark	retired
	2026-08-26 22:25:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In our area we still have regular power outages due to poor Eskom infrastructure and working remotely creates challenges for us when the power is out for 3-4 days at a time This amendment is total bullshit when Eskom cannot provide continuous power, which also affect the cell phone towers which go off after a few hours, we are then completely isolated , so people end up going to the local restaurant who had a generator to get connection to the WiFi available!!!!!!	Peter	
	2026-08-26 22:29:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a homeowner who invested significant personal capital in rooftop solar and battery storage — specifically to offset the state's failure to guarantee reliable electricity supply I find it deeply unfair that this same investment is now being reframed as "free-riding" that must be penalised through unavoidable fixed charges. Households like mine reduced their draw on strained municipal and Eskom infrastructure at their own expense, effectively subsidising grid stability during a national crisis. To now be billed as though that contribution never happened inverts the logic of the policy. I am also concerned about the asymmetry in the proposed framework: large industrial users above 1 MW will be permitted to bypass municipal supply and buy directly on the wholesale market, while ordinary residential ratepayers remain "captive" to municipal tariffs and cross-subsidy obligations. This risks placing the heaviest burden of legacy infrastructure costs on households least able to negotiate their way out of it, while insulating large corporates from the same pressures. I request that any restructuring of tariffs: 1. Recognise and credit self-generation's contribution to reducing grid strain, rather than treating it as a shortfall to be recovered from consumers; 2. Apply any new fixed-charge model proportionately and transparently, with full public disclosure of the cost-recovery calculations behind it; and 3. Extend the same market-access principles offered to large industrial users to residential and small commercial ratepayers, or provide equivalent protections against unchecked tariff increases. I urge the Department to reconsider a framework that penalises private investment made in direct response to the state's own supply failures.	Karl	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:35:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MARIETJIE	retired
	2026-08-26 22:37:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jamie	business owner
	2026-08-26 22:45:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fathima	self-employed
	2026-08-26 22:49:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shreya	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:49:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicholene	
	2026-08-26 22:51:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was not able to supply power and we lived with hours withourt power,we still had to pay thre connections fees,even when no suplly was given.Also Eskom was happy to let consumers install solar power as it helped on the general supply.Now when power is going to be supplied from different companies they are being given free payment by the solar users as they will get paid even they do not supply.It would be better to let private people with solar installations suplly their excess to the grid and get paid for it	johannes hooge	retired
	2026-08-26 22:54:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Household dug into their own pockets to solve a State owned entities problem, by installing solar. The fact that eskom is Branktrupt i	Jason	employed individual
	2026-08-26 22:56:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We get less and pay more!!! This is an abuse of power	Francis	self-employed
	2026-08-26 23:03:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-08-26 23:19:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Due to the inability of Eskom to provide guaranteed power I spent a small fortune having to put in Solar. While I use Eskom as a backup I did not believe I should be discriminated against because of their incompetence.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-26 23:20:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the governments proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. Specifically their intent to punish the households and small businesses that invested their own capital to protect themselves from the failures of government and eskom in keeping the lights on. Their plan to target us with this new bill is heinous and brazen. This bullying behaviour is unacceptable and should be resisted.	DeVille	
	2026-08-26 23:24:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I pay for thr hovernments incompetence. Did they pY for my solar panels or batteries. NO. I went solar because of loadshedding because the government could not supply my nreds. Now they want to penalies me Every year you hear about embezzlement at Eskom. This year it is millions being paid for petrol that was never received. Yet every year they increase their charges way above the inflation rate. When will it end	Sheryl	retired
	2026-08-26 23:29:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hans-Peter	retired
	2026-08-26 23:44:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-08-27 00:06:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom are there to provide electricity, something they could not do. Now they are looking to penalize people who bypassed them. They have lost their connection to reality.	Bob	retired

	2026-08-27 00:41:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us were forced to invest in backup power and solar systems because of Eskom's failure to provide a basic service. We are already being charged exorbitant fees for electricity which goes up unreasonably every year. If affordable, reliable electricity was provided in the first place we wouldn't have invested in solar. The reality is that many of us cannot afford to now be charged for yet another ridiculous attempt to squeeze more money out the public.	Pippa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 00:53:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We are already paying more for electricity than any other developing nation, taxing us further by increasing fixed charges makes businesses less competitive in the international market, this will lead to more business closures and higher unemployment, stop taxing businesses and individuals beyond the Laffer curve. You are driving investment and business from South Africa	Walter	business owner
	2026-08-27 01:24:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sunny	self-employed
	2026-08-27 02:19:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 02:21:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Romien	employed individual
	2026-08-27 02:38:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 03:15:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	
	2026-08-27 03:35:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason we were forced into partially generating our own power is because we need power at night for my husband's cpap machine to regulate his breathing and Escom's power supply was often out. This has come as a big expense for retired people. Escom forced people to find a way to supply their own power and help the grid. They cannot now penalize us.	Ingrid	retired
	2026-08-27 03:52:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ruby	retired
	2026-08-27 04:40:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government has been struggling to keep up with the electricity demands for South Africans. This led to people getting alternative solutions. Why must they be penalized for this. In Johannesburg South under City Power, 2 days doesn't pass without electricity challenges. Because there are lots of Informal Settlements mushrooming everywhere. So why can't someone just have a variety of options to choose from.	David Goitsemang	self-employed
	2026-08-27 04:46:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simangele	employed individual
	2026-08-27 04:57:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No this is yet another state failure you could not supply Electricity encouraged house holds to put up solar now want to charge the for your short commings	Hans	business owner
	2026-08-27 04:58:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	retired
	2026-08-27 04:59:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	
	2026-08-27 05:06:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A couple of years ago, the consumers were encouraged to install solar and were offered discounts, rebates and loans from Eskom and government. Now Eskom wants to penalise those who were encouraged. This is not democracy and it is unconstitutional. Eskom should be taken to court over this decision and realise that they cannot manipulate the people of South Africa.	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:07:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Francoais	self-employed
	2026-08-27 05:08:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The consumer is the one who makes Eskom possible. Eskom is biting the hand that feeds it. You asked us to invest large amounts of our own money in solar and generators to help ease the presure on the grid. We did that. With our own money. Now you want to punish us with your greed for doing so. How quickly you Eskom, forget who helped you. You won't get a cent now from those who helped you during your electricity blackout failures. You have failed the people of SA.	Patrick	business owner
	2026-08-27 05:11:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another devious attempt to steal money from residents	Linda	retired
	2026-08-27 05:15:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The grid would have collapsed by now if it wasn't for residents already paying for Solar investments …. How about "thank you", but instead they twist the story and make out as if it's their capably handiwork that there's no more load shedding !!!!	Lin	retired
	2026-08-27 05:18:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		T	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:19:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Evil manipulation - AGAIN … now there's not enough money in the pot for corruption	Linda	self-employed
	2026-08-27 05:24:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marna	self-employed
	2026-08-27 05:28:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 05:36:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Only the ANC government would try to tax residents for a problem they created by not providing enough power to begin with. Every time I think they honestly think they cannot get any worse they manage to surprise me. Govern the land properly and you wouldn't have to find new ways to raise any taxes on a society which is already heavily overtaxed	Richard	employed individual

	2026-08-27 05:38:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Public Comment on the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, 2026 I welcome the broader objective of transforming South Africa's electricity sector into a more competitive, reliable and financially sustainable market. However, I have serious concerns about how the proposed approach to network cost recovery could affect households that have made significant private investments in rooftop solar and battery storage. I am a residential property owner who has invested my own savings in a solar and battery system. This investment was not made to avoid contributing to the electricity system. It was made because households were forced to find practical solutions to an unreliable electricity supply, including load shedding, and to protect our homes, livelihoods and household finances. I therefore believe the principle of "discouraging free riding" needs to be applied with considerable caution. A household with rooftop solar and batteries may consume substantially fewer units from the grid, but it does not necessarily cease to depend on the grid. The property remains connected to the network and may rely on it at night, during periods of inadequate solar generation, during extended periods of bad weather, or when battery capacity is depleted. I accept that maintaining this connection has a cost and that those costs must be recovered fairly. However, fairness must operate in both directions. 1. Private investment in energy resilience should not become a financial disadvantage South African households that invested substantial amounts of their own money in solar and batteries have effectively contributed private capital towards reducing demand on the electricity system and improving household energy resilience. Government should therefore avoid creating a tariff structure in which households are encouraged to invest in distributed generation, only to face progressively higher unavoidable charges because they have successfully reduced their electricity consumption. The policy should distinguish between genuine network cost recovery and charges that effectively undermine the economic rationale for private investment in renewable energy. 2. Network charges should be transparent, proportionate and cost-reflective I support the principle that customers should contribute fairly towards the infrastructure and services they actually use. However, any fixed network or capacity charge should be transparently linked to the actual cost of providing and maintaining the connection. Charges should not become a mechanism for recovering unrelated municipal financial shortfalls, inefficiencies or historical losses from a shrinking group of compliant customers. There should be clear transparency on what each charge pays for, how it is calculated, who is liable for it and how the methodology prevents cross-subsidisation from becoming excessive or arbitrary. 3. Do not punish consumers for reducing consumption South Africa has spent years encouraging energy efficiency, private electricity generation and reduced dependence on the national grid. It would be counterproductive if the regulatory framework effectively told consumers that reducing their electricity consumption will result in a proportionately higher unavoidable charge. The policy should instead recognise distributed generation and battery storage as part of the country's broader energy transition and resilience strategy. 4. Residential consumers need greater choice I am concerned about the distinction between large "eligible" customers and residential or small-business "captive" customers. If larger customers are eventually able to procure electricity competitively while ordinary households remain dependent on municipal or regulated retail suppliers, the framework must contain strong safeguards against residential consumers carrying a disproportionate share of network and municipal revenue-recovery costs. Households should not become the residual customer base responsible for financing the system after the most commercially attractive customers have greater procurement options. 5. Solar households should have meaningful economic participation The policy should provide a clear and fair framework for residential and small-scale embedded generation, including transparent rules for exporting surplus electricity to the grid and appropriate compensation for electricity supplied to the system. Where households feed electricity into the grid, the value of that contribution should be recognised fairly rather than treating the household exclusively as a consumer. 6. Existing solar investments require regulatory certainty Many households made their investment decisions based on the regulatory environment that existed at the time. Government should therefore provide sufficient certainty and avoid retrospective or punitive changes that materially undermine the economics of existing solar and battery investments. A stable regulatory environment is essential if government wants continued private-sector and household investment in electricity generation. 7. The transition must protect the public interest I support the objective of creating a financially sustainable electricity sector. But sustainability cannot simply mean shifting more of the fixed cost burden onto consumers who remain connected to the grid. The ultimate test should be whether the new market structure produces a more reliable, competitive, transparent and affordable electricity system. I therefore request that the Department carefully reconsider how the "anti-free-riding" principle is applied to households with rooftop solar and battery storage and ensure that: * network charges are transparent and genuinely cost-reflective; * charges are proportionate to the services and network capacity provided; * households that invest in renewable energy are not unfairly penalised; * existing solar investments receive appropriate regulatory protection; * residential consumers are not left carrying disproportionate municipal or network costs; * small-scale generators have meaningful opportunities to participate in the electricity market; and * the final regulatory framework continues to incentivise, rather than discourage, private investment in distributed renewable energy and energy storage. South Africa needs more private investment in electricity infrastructure, not less. Thousands of households have already put their own money behind that objective. The regulatory framework should recognise these citizens as partners in solving the country's energy challenge, rather than treating them primarily as a problem of "free riding". I therefore urge the Department to ensure that the final policy achieves genuine cost recovery without creating a regulatory penalty for consumers who have invested in their own energy resilience.	Teko	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:44:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Kevin	
	2026-08-27 05:52:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	
	2026-08-27 05:55:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 05:55:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benno	

	2026-08-27 06:01:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I fully accept that municipalities need revenue to maintain electricity infrastructure and that consumers should pay fairly for the electricity and services they receive. However, households that have invested their own money into compliant solar systems should not be singled out and charged additional fees simply because they consume less electricity from the grid. The issue is not whether consumers should contribute towards municipal infrastructure—it is whether it is fair to impose an additional charge specifically on households that have reduced their dependence on an unreliable electricity supply through private investment. 1. We already pay for the electricity we use A solar household does not stop paying the municipality entirely. We still purchase electricity from the grid: during the night, during extended bad weather, when batteries are depleted, when household demand exceeds solar production. Every kilowatt-hour consumed from the municipal network is already paid for at the applicable tariff. If electricity is supplied, it is paid for. The principle should therefore be payment for services consumed, not punishment for consuming less. Fixed charges may legitimately exist for network access, but they should apply fairly to all comparable customers rather than becoming a disguised solar penalty. NERSA itself has recognised the broader debate around fixed network and capacity charges, which remains an important regulatory issue. 2. Solar households invested private money to reduce pressure on the grid Installing solar is not free. Homeowners spend substantial amounts of their own money on: solar panels, inverters, batteries, electrical upgrades, maintenance and replacement equipment. This investment is made without the municipality funding the installation. By generating part of our own electricity, we reduce demand on the municipal network during daylight hours, particularly when many households would otherwise draw heavily from the grid. Instead of discouraging these investments, municipalities should recognise that distributed generation can reduce demand on existing infrastructure and improve energy resilience. 3. The electricity network is often unreliable One of the strongest reasons households invested in solar was not luxury—it was necessity. Many communities experience: repeated cable theft, damaged electrical infrastructure, transformer failures, prolonged outages lasting several days while repairs are completed, unstable electricity supply despite paying monthly municipal accounts. It is difficult to justify charging additional fees to residents who invested their own money because the electricity network could not consistently provide a reliable service. Consumers did not create the unreliability—they responded to it. 4. Cable theft and poor infrastructure should not become the consumer's burden twice Residents already suffer financially when municipal infrastructure fails. During prolonged outages households experience: spoiled food, inability to work remotely, security risks, damaged appliances, inconvenience and financial losses. Many homeowners then invest hundreds of thousands of rand into backup energy solutions to protect their families and livelihoods. Charging those same households additional solar-related fees effectively mean consumers pay twice: through municipal electricity tariffs; and through private investment to compensate for unreliable infrastructure. That is difficult to defend from a fairness perspective. 5. A compliant solar system is not automatically a threat to the grid Municipalities understandably have a responsibility to ensure that embedded generation systems are safe and compliant. Registration, inspection and technical standards are reasonable because improperly connected systems can create safety risks for utility workers and the network. Eskom likewise states that properly registered systems help ensure safe parallel operation. However, safety compliance is different from a punitive monthly levy. If a homeowner has a compliant system that meets the required standards and does not unlawfully feed electricity into the network, there should be a clear distinction between regulating safety and generating additional municipal revenue. Compliance should be encouraged—not financially punished. 6. Municipalities should reward responsible consumers, not discourage them South Africa regularly encourages citizens to become more energy efficient and reduce pressure on the national electricity system. Solar households are doing exactly that. They are: reducing peak demand, improving household resilience, lowering dependence on municipal generation, investing in renewable energy, reducing the burden during periods of constrained supply. Introducing excessive fixed charges creates the opposite incentive: it discourages future solar adoption and may eventually encourage households who can afford it to disconnect from the municipal network altogether. That outcome benefits neither municipalities nor communities. 7. Revenue collection should focus on non-payment instead A more equitable approach would be to improve revenue collection from consumers who are already receiving electricity but fail to pay for it. Law-abiding residents who consistently pay their municipal accounts should not become the easiest source of additional revenue simply because they installed solar. Municipalities should prioritise: collecting overdue electricity debt, addressing illegal electricity connections, reducing electricity theft, improving billing accuracy, maintaining infrastructure effectively, preventing cable theft through better security and faster repairs. Recovering revenue from widespread non-payment is fundamentally different from imposing new charges on responsible paying households. 8. Fixed network costs must be transparent and reasonable There is an important distinction between a legitimate network access charge and a solar penalty. If municipalities genuinely incur unavoidable costs to maintain poles, transformers, substations and billing infrastructure for every connected household, those costs should be transparent, justified and fairly structured across customers using the network. What consumers object to is a situation where solar users are specifically targeted with disproportionate additional charges simply because they reduced their electricity purchases. Any tariff should therefore be: transparent, cost-based, non-discriminatory, approved through the proper regulatory process, subject to public consultation. Recent debate in South Africa has highlighted significant concern around increasing fixed electricity charges and the effect these charges may have on rooftop solar households.	Francois	employed individual

	2026-08-27 06:08:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:11:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another tax on the already overburdened tax payer. We used our own money to provide our households with electricity because the state failed. During this process we assisted the state to stabilise the electricity supply and now apart from higher electricity tariffs the state also wants to tax us for solar. This is something I cannot and won't support.	Stéfan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:13:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:14:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	retired
	2026-08-27 06:17:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	
	2026-08-27 06:20:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daphne	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:22:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to this very strongly, as the Government deliberately encouraged citizens to go the expensive route of private solar installations by offering incentive rebates to them. It is absurd to encourage someone with rebate and then come a few years later and say that because you did this we are now going to tax you heavily. This is downright theft. People with solar have alleviated the usage crisis by assisting Eskom, they should be rewarded further. For many people, they are paying high interest rates to pay for loans they acquired to put solar up. The whole suggestion is preposterous.	Elizabeth Jane	retired
	2026-08-27 06:24:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ronny	
	2026-08-27 06:24:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans have been forced to make and invest in their own arrangements due to a failed state power system. They cannot be penalised for this. Recover the moneys stolen from Eskom, from those who stole it, not from honest citizens.	Ashleigh	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:27:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawid	retired
	2026-08-27 06:28:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In other countries putting in solar is seen as a positive and people are even subsidized for the installation and refunded for putting back into the grid. Yet here in South Africa people are being penalised for making a solution for a broken government enterprise. We are meant to be moving towards a greener energy source and by penalizing people for this you are preventing them from moving to a better future for all.	Niki	retired
	2026-08-27 06:30:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state needs to find other means of collecting revenue for Eskom. It is already unfair that we have to pay the R200 levy with our rates and taxes. Also, what about all the excess electricity that is supplied to the grid from our systems - we should infact be getting credited for that instead of being punished for taking initiative.	Sikhulile Musa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:30:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:35:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am not in favor of this bill. Solar system owners helped to lessen loadshedding. Now we are punished for doing so. It is "daylight" robbery. The roll on effect of this will be that most will go completely off grid. Then what?	Dr Willie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:37:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosana	retired
	2026-08-27 06:37:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mel	
	2026-08-27 06:38:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clint	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:41:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We strongly oppose any electricity market reforms that place an additional financial burden on ordinary households, small businesses and property owners. South Africans who have invested in rooftop solar should not be penalised with unavoidable fixed grid charges, while large users are given greater opportunities to bypass municipal distribution networks. There is a serious risk that ordinary consumers will become captive ratepayers, forced to carry increasing municipal electricity distribution costs and revenue shortfalls while receiving fewer services. We therefore call for: Protection of households and small businesses from excessive fixed charges. Fair treatment of private solar investment and energy independence. Transparent, regulated and affordable electricity tariffs. Strong safeguards against market manipulation and excessive pricing. No shifting of municipal financial failures onto electricity consumers. Electricity is an essential service, not an opportunity to extract ever-increasing revenue from citizens. We call on government to reconsider these reforms and put affordable electricity, consumer protection and accountable service delivery before revenue collection.	Magda	business owner
	2026-08-27 06:41:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgusting they are destroying our country.	Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-27 06:42:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households should be rewarded for reducing the stress on the national grid, not punished.	Keryn	retired
	2026-08-27 06:42:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bonolo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:47:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is still loadshedding and basically unfixable the gov is lying about it being on road to recovery it needs to be not sold but given to private companies and broken up into entities that are manageable	Noel	retired
	2026-08-27 06:48:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Greg	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:50:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Ismail	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:51:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-08-27 06:52:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What did the very clever people at Eskom think was going to happen when they asked everyone to use less of their product? It must have come as a shock when they realized that people listened to them and actually used less (of their) electricity. But wait a minute, why are they now making less money - surprise! Increase the price, people use even less... Welcome death spiral. Eskom is on life support thanks to solar users. Perhaps it's time to pull the plug on them. How long would the grid last if all solar users stopped using their own energy and relied only Eskom? Rooftop solar installation is the only reason why Eskom hasn't completely collapsed. They should be grateful, and instead of punishing the solar users, they should compensate them.	Niel	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:53:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-08-27 06:53:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:53:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We will not subsidize the non-payers in South Africa, then we will invest in more infrastructure and cut our ties to the grid, which will result in a grid failure as no-one will be left to pay for the incompetent municipalities and Eskom	Johann	business owner
	2026-08-27 06:54:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Would not be fare at all. Invested and we are still paying already a fixed base c charge !!	Rita	retired
	2026-08-27 06:54:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will enough be enough for the Government? They are keeping on to drain the paying public of their hard earned money while they actually are doing nothing the country or for the people.	Kobus	self-employed
	2026-08-27 06:58:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 06:58:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:00:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bert	retired
	2026-08-27 07:05:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harry	retired
	2026-08-27 07:06:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Too vaque and unfair to allow more dpace for any government to interfere in open market forces.	Johann	retired
	2026-08-27 07:07:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	employed individual

	2026-08-27 07:08:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Boon	retired
	2026-08-27 07:10:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eileen	retired
	2026-08-27 07:11:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dillan	
	2026-08-27 07:12:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This fixed fee will affect low income rate payers who are already under extreme financial pressures. Solar installation was a way to overcome this and maintain a lifestyle with less stress as power outages continue	Ben	
	2026-08-27 07:14:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is trying to recuperate revenue loss due to their very own failure to produce enough electricity for its citizens. Private solar installations have lightened the grid demand and moved South Africa closer towards cleaner energy. They should not be punished for that.	Steffan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:15:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay extra taxes for using our own capital to solve the States problem. The State should concentrate on the illegal connections and corruption	Vincent	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:15:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom provided the service we paid for, we didn't have to install solar systems. This is oenalising the victim instead of the guilty party. In the end they are cripling the country because what could be considered a strong middleclass will weaken which in turn affects the country's economy - not a smart move.	Soekie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:15:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 07:16:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:17:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hildegarde	retired
	2026-08-27 07:20:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-08-27 07:20:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tefo	retired
	2026-08-27 07:20:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Someone has not done its own work when we need them. To protect yourself you put on solar panels. Now we must pay again. NO	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:21:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in solar, at significant cost, because Eskom could not meet my electricity needs. In doing so, I reduced the pressure on Eskom, allowing it to recover. Now I might be penalised for taking this action. The state is not delivering to its citizens in so many ways and now it is punishing the very citizens that saved the situation for Eskom.	John	retired
	2026-08-27 07:22:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		dawie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:25:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot accept being punished for the incompetence of the State and its SOEs. We have a criminal enterprise that is extorting money from its citizens and destroying wealth as it cuts a path of destruction through the economic landscape of our country. Voetsek caANCer!	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:25:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ek voel dit is onregverdig dat die privaatsektor gepenaliseer moet word omdat Eskom nie elektrisiteit verskaf en sy werk doen nie, en sodoende die privaat burgers gedwing het om alternatiewe kragoplossings te soek en te gebruik om hul besighede en huishoudings te bedryf. Hoeveel besighede het gesluit weens swak of geen kragvoorsiening nie, wat werkverliese veroorsaak het? Baie groot besighede het na ander lande verskuif, alles as gevolg van die wisselvallige kragtoevoer en die regering se onverskilligheid, nie net vir daardie maatskappy nie, maar ook vir die werknemers se werkverliese.	Rufan	business owner
	2026-08-27 07:26:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:27:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		carl	business owner
	2026-08-27 07:27:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why not embrace private solar generation like the rest of the civilised world and allow household solar power to feed into the grid? This will alleviate the load on Eskom's generation capacity during the day This is just another brainless disguise to line the pockets of the ANC	Edgar	
	2026-08-27 07:28:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:28:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom is trying to steal again -from the worker who wants to work.. While the lazy will get electricity free.	Jacobus	
	2026-08-27 07:29:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired pensioner living on savings, I find the idea of punishing me for the installation of small home solar by my children due to Eskom's failure, would be perverse and lacking any moral ethics!	Herbert	retired
	2026-08-27 07:29:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This bill goes against all free market principles. Punishing citizens and industry for not paying towards a failing/failed SOE does nothing for competitive industry growth and employment creation opportunities. I all ready pay over R4000 PER month, just to be connected to eskom (I am an eskom direct customer. These payments have steadily increased, with new fixed charges being added all the time. So before I consume 1 watt of electricity, I pay over R4000, every month. Now our failed regime wants to increase these fixed charges even more. Not acceptable	Michael	business owner
	2026-08-27 07:30:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Middle and lower class income earners are already struggling to survive in South Africa due to mismanagement of the economy and solar is is free. Why must we be penalised for using the sun's energy. Never! There will be a revolt trust me.	Cheslee	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:30:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		E	
	2026-08-27 07:30:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. We use our own hard earned money to have solar installed to enable Eskom to supply power to industry and commerce. We WERE BEGGED to do so, and now they want to penalise us for helping them do so? Unacceptable!!! I insist nsist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. We require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income households.	Edna	retired
	2026-08-27 07:33:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Quinton	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:34:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:36:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:37:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to us as abiding citizens to pay for the corruption of Eskom,Anc government, greediness of politicians, and the abuse of those who is in authority .when we stood up for ourselves no we are rebels and penalized. No more!!!!!!!!	Danie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:37:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed mandatory fees for zero use of power from City Power with a request for disconnection & meter removal would be considered another punitive tax, bordering on daylight robbery. Improving the efficiency of the City Power operation and reducing leakage of revenue would likely resolve the infrastructure cost issues. Additionally there is a suspiciously high difference between the disconnection cost published on City Power's web site and a quotation received from them.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 07:38:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government must allow people to install solar system, the Solar System using natural resources doesn't use any government resources. Eskom is unreliable	Victor	
	2026-08-27 07:39:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:42:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:44:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-27 07:45:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a concerned rate payer but not a solar panel owner I object in principle to this draft bill. If Eskom fails to supply adequate electricity then homeowners have the right to circumvent the loss by taking measures to ensure that they have power.	Pamela	retired
	2026-08-27 07:49:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cole	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:50:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current government cannot supply reliable electricity to households, thus forcing regular consumers to improvise and create their own power to fill the holes created by the inept municipalities. We the consumers cannot be held liable for their shortfalls or expected to pay for townships free electricity.	Jay	
	2026-08-27 07:52:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is equally available to Eskom. Eskom needs to reduce antiquated power generation and provide clean power.	Reginald	retired
	2026-08-27 07:54:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't think the taxpayer should once again be burdened with this. There's already so many tax laws. Government should come up with new initiatives rather than tax our people to death. These laws are hurting the South African taxpayer.	Jonathan	retired

	2026-08-27 07:55:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elzette	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:55:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yash	
	2026-08-27 07:55:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we have to pay a connection charge for a service we already paid a connection charge for when we bought our house? Every time a property changes hands, Tshwane Municipality charges a new connection fee plus a deposit. When we bought our duplex ten years ago, we paid a deposit and connection fee because the account changed ownership. We later switched to prepaid electricity — and that deposit simply disappeared. We checked, and it's no longer reflected on the account. While still renting out the duplex, we bought a house last year, and the exact same thing happened: another connection fee, another deposit. I have a solar system that doesn't rely on municipal power, and I don't actually need the connection. At this rate, I might as well install a silent, remote-start diesel/petrol generator to cover any shortfalls instead. It's unreasonable to keep stacking fee on fee, especially when, as consumers, we have no visibility into whether these charges are even being used for their stated purpose	Jannie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:00:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You did not pay for my solar so how come you want me to pay a fixed tariff for using sunpwer?	A	
	2026-08-27 08:01:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I did not spend R160K on solar panels and batteries because I wanted to, but rather because of Government and Eskom's failure to ensure reliable supply. If anything, I should be insisting on a rebate!	Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:01:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why does it fall on the public every single time to bail out inept corrupt officials who cannot keep their hands to themselves and actually work towards building a better South Africa. Another levy to keep corruption going. Enough is enough.	Duane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:03:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How dare the government try penalise people for solving their problems. I paid a fortune to get solar and now am expected to pay more & more because Eskom and the municipalities can't stick to a budget & steal as much as they can. I think the time is coming for a national movement where all solar users switch off their solar for 24 hours lets see how the grid copes then.	Mandy	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:04:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarah Jane	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:05:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the past, there was a time when Eskom was functioning perfectly fine without any of these requirements. Instead of making this the people's problem, why don't the government fall back onto what worked in the past? I believe if available funds are used effectively without all the corruption, everything will be fine.	Talita	
	2026-08-27 08:05:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every rate payer that pays network charges pays to that which is specifically there to cover the cost of grid maintenance. I do not support the bill. Eskom needs to become more creative in their thinking instead of just going after those that can afford solar. Due to Eskom's own fault, people have had to survive and install solar systems. Now that Eskom has realised that they are loosing millions due to the populations resilience they want to take more of our hard earned earnings. It is every solar owners constitutional right to install solar and use the free power of the sun. If Eskom is not reaping the benefits of solar then they should start. Maybe they can charge more for electricity at night? That way they can recoup something when solar isn't functional.	Werner	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:06:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is completely unfair. We used our pensions and hard earned money, even borrowed money to help the Government and Eskom. This is a kick in the teeth. We are still paying off our loan for our solar system. We already pay fixed line monthly service fee of around R 300. Now this, enough is enough	Somasundaram	retired
	2026-08-27 08:07:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HEINRICH	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:08:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous during the energy crisis the president of this country encouraged the nation to assist and incentivise (with tax rebates) home owners to install solar at the home owners costs. We did now we will penalised for doing what asked by the government.	Riaz	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:08:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beryl	retired
	2026-08-27 08:09:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	-*-By destroying the full supply of power to me, I have been forced to provide my own solar system. Now you want to penalise me for your inability to manage Eskom and the municipalities. I do not intend paying for incompetent and corrupt peoples ways.	Edgar	retired
	2026-08-27 08:09:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sibiya	retired
	2026-08-27 08:11:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I work from home and due to the loadshedding and unrealiable electricity supply I was forced to go the solar way. It's not fair that I am now penalized because of the governments failure to supply electricity. Also the price of electricity is outrages and just keeps going up.	Megan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:12:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:12:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	In most cases owners of home PV systems partially produce their own power and are not fully off the grid. In many cases that will be a 50/50 split. This is equitable as this is still a sizable purchase from Eskom every month, but without the penalty of being pushed into highest tariff blocks. Eskom's proposed strategy for those who were pushed to invest in solar in the load shedding days is a clawback strategy as thanks for the contribution that households made to solve the energy crisis. It will push many to reinvest and ditch Eskom altogether. Eskom keeps inventing new ways to gouge its best customers - those who actually pay diligently. If it were effective at collecting from municipalities and controlling illegal connections, it would not have to turn to its paying customers to try and fill a leaking revenue bucket.	Rowan	
	2026-08-27 08:16:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelis	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:16:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a logical move in principle, but founded on a premise that sidelines the cause for this principle. The origin of this reasoning goes back, yet again, to the failed fundamental responsibility of the government to maintain infrastructure.	Thinus	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:17:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kamrudien	retired
	2026-08-27 08:18:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having to pay the government for putting up solar is a crime! It's extortion. In fact, one should be rewarded for it. I say no to paying corrupt and incompetent municipalities.	Conrad	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:19:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Odette	
	2026-08-27 08:23:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If we are to be progressive in SA we need the Government to stand alone as it's no good to ask Citizens for money to fund or place a penalty on a service to help that service if it's being fairly paid for. No more costs to us needed as reductions expected. Paying for incompetence of others must be out. Let's go totally off grid and then they will want to fine us. Where does it end.	Daniel	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:24:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Philip	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:26:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because you the government lack of supply and incapacity to provide what we pay for(through rates and taxes),we had to spend to provide for ourselfs.If you the government and TREVOR MANUALL did your work(maintaining infrastucture)and not bullshit the public that you can balance your budget,we the consumer would not have had to pay for your weekness.	Theo	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:26:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Time for a complete and all inclusive tax revolt - the time has come. This is the only way to change anything I am gatvol	Barbara	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:27:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tharina	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:30:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom is unable to compete in a free market environment they should re-model themselves. They were the ones that brought about the greater part of living off the grid!	Danny	retired
	2026-08-27 08:30:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be penalised for their incompetence. Stuff that for a joke.	Deri-Lee	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:31:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom couldn't provide a stable electricity supply and so people made another plan with solar and they now get penalised for this. That is not fair!	Derryth	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:35:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should stop victimising consumers Eskom has been allowd to steal peoples money though greed	vaughan	
	2026-08-27 08:37:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First, we, the rate payers are asked to do our best to help a strained electricity supply because Eskom cannot do it's job properly. Then, when we take it in our own hands at a great cost to not accept being subjected to this BS loadshedding, we are targeted and penalised because why? Eskom cannot pay it's ridiculous amounts of bonuses to its people? Corruption and mediocrity (from any governmental institution or the government directly) are not acceptable excuses any more.	Jorette	
	2026-08-27 08:37:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom (and SA Government) must either clean out all corruption and employ entirely on merit, or Eskom must wind down and sell to private investors. Eskom was once a well-run ship - now it is a disgusting mess. They supply to people who don't pay. They employ people who can't do the work. They make deals with corrupt suppliers - for coal, etc. When becomes cheaper to install a complete off-grid solar solution than it does to use Eskom, nobody would be foolish enough to continue paying MORE for a corrupt and unreliable electricity supply. As soon as the cost of Eskom electricity exceeds the cost of installing a sufficiently large battery, those who have been running partially on Eskom will take the step and go 100% offline - and those customers will be permanently lost.	John	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:38:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rate payers who were forced to pay for expensive solar alternatives for electricity should not be punished any further to cover Eskom's debt.	Gregory	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:38:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dimitri	
	2026-08-27 08:38:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It would be mutually beneficial encouraging feeding solar electricity back into the grid even during peak load times (using surplus battery charge). In doing so municipalities can make money by reselling the solar power without incurring any costs from eskom and less new power plant needs to be built by eskom.	Andre	

	2026-08-27 08:38:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	retired
	2026-08-27 08:39:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Total idiocy! For decades Eskom and municipalities have been screwing consumers with abhorrent charges, and now want consumers who took the initiative to rid themselves from this thievery by installing solar capacity to further pay for their thievery? Absolutely NO!!	Hannes	retired
	2026-08-27 08:39:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are continually faced with increased electrical costs with no increased value in return. Despite "no load shedding" we experience weekly outages. Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar defeats the object of reducing electricity usage - why , then , have radio adverts begging consumers to reduce their electrical usage ? It's all lies we are told by COJ and Eskom- where is our money actually going? Certainly not on infrastructure maintenance or improvement - we dont see any of that happening. We do however, see circuit breakers being stolen and sold back to COJ.	Amanda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:40:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those of us who have been able to move to solar did so to because the Eskom grid was unreliable, unstable, and under severe pressure because the government didn't see fit to upgrade according to the growing population, obscene electricity price increases over the years, and quite frankly, we thought it would be a good thing so that we do our part to relieve pressure on the grid. The ongoing corruption in our country is unacceptable. Please stop punishing the tax-paying, law-abiding citizens of SA for trying to do the right thing.	Yolanda	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:40:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom had historically used the revenue it received from consumers to properly maintain its infrastructure, invest in future generation capacity, and operate efficiently, South Africans would never have been forced to seek alternative power sources on the scale we see today. The widespread adoption of solar power is not a lifestyle choice; it is a direct response to years of mismanagement, inadequate maintenance, poor planning, and failures in governance across Eskom, national oversight structures, and many municipalities. Fixed charges effectively shift the financial burden of Eskom's operational failures onto consumers. Instead of being held accountable for delivering reliable electricity at a competitive price, Eskom would be guaranteed an income stream regardless of how much electricity it generates, distributes, or delivers. This creates a dangerous incentive structure. An organisation should not be rewarded for underperformance, yet fixed charges do precisely that by insulating Eskom from the consequences of inefficiency and poor service delivery. South African households and businesses have already spent billions of rand of their own money on solar installations, batteries, inverters, generators, and other backup solutions, largely because they could no longer rely on Eskom to provide a consistent supply of electricity. These investments effectively represent consumers paying for their own electricity resilience and infrastructure. It is therefore unreasonable to expect those same consumers to pay additional fixed charges to subsidise a utility that failed to provide the very service they were forced to replace. Introducing fixed charges during a period of economic hardship and persistent inflation is particularly punitive. Consumers are already carrying the costs of maintaining their own energy security. To require payment irrespective of actual consumption means charging people not for a service delivered, but for the mere possibility that a service might be available. In any other market, such a model would be difficult to justify. More fundamentally, a fixed-charge model weakens the link between revenue and performance. If a utility receives payment regardless of whether it improves reliability, expands generation capacity, reduces outages, or delivers electricity efficiently, where is the incentive to perform better? Instead of driving operational excellence, the proposal risks entrenching a culture where poor performance is financially protected rather than corrected. The reality is that the rapid growth of private solar generation stands as one of the clearest indictments of Eskom's historical performance. Consumers did not choose to become their own power producers because Eskom was succeeding; they did so because Eskom was failing. To now penalise those same consumers with mandatory fixed charges is not only counterintuitive, it is fundamentally unfair. It forces ratepayers to pay twice: once for the infrastructure they had to build themselves, and again to support an institution whose inability to deliver precipitated those investments in the first place.	Guy	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:42:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:44:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:44:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:45:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally ridiculous to expect the consumer, who HAD to make alternative arrangments by installing Solar, to be penalised now that Eskom apparenlty has excess capacity! It is Eskom and the governments 's failure over many years that 's led to this and we should not have to pay or be taxed more than we already are. This will result in people with solar to enhance their systems and go of the grid altogether, leaving Eskom with a clientele who either can't pay, won't pay, or who are stealing electricity. Not a great business model and will lead to Eskom's collapse.	Monika	retired
	2026-08-27 08:46:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already paying the fixed rate for solar, although I don't have a solar system installed. This is not fair ?	Alva	retired
	2026-08-27 08:46:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	retired
	2026-08-27 08:49:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		don	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:50:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot condone that we must pay for their total incompetance and greed. Escom keeps increasing prices and when we try to make life affordable for ourselves. they find another way to rob us.	Patricia	retired
	2026-08-27 08:53:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kerryn	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:53:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Ek voel dat vir jare was die Eskom krag nie onderhou nie - toe kom daar 'n ineenstorting en as mense nie sonkrag ingestalleer het teen DUUR onkostes nie, sou ons steeds loadshedding gehad het wat ons besighede lam lê! Nou moet ons boet omdat ons sonkrag installeer het vir die owerhede wat nie instandhouding gedoen het by Eskom om dit 'n goeie funksionerende bedryf te hou wat in ons behoeftes kon voorsien nie! Dit is nie regverdig dat daar boetes uitgereik word aan mense wat sonkrag installeer het om die druk op die kragverbruik te lig. Daar kan net voldoende krag voorsiening wees - dan kan daar steeds geld gemaak word wanneer eenhede krag verbruik word.	Helene	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:54:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again our government wants FREE MONEY. They need to look at the assets this country has and find a way to build businesses around it to make money to run the infrastructure and at the same time create employment. It is unfair to penalize people, after going into huge debt to keep their lights on and to bring relief on the electricity grid etc. It's a NO for me.	DENISE	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:55:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Miss management of money and electricity made South Africans to take a alernitive way to get electricity. The sun is free and solars is expensive no one must be forced to pay any rates for using solar and n little bit of electricity	Elmarie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 08:55:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 08:55:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 08:56:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A J	retired
	2026-08-27 08:57:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:57:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	so now they want to recover the corruptly stolen money that put eskom in the position they are now, from the residents and company's that tired of the continual power outages and plowed their hard earned cash into solar installations which then reduced the pressure on eskom. what is the justice in that when the original thieves go unpunished?	David	retired
	2026-08-27 08:59:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel it is entirely unfair to further tax the ratepayer for the government's inability to provide electricity. It is not only unfair, it is outright ridiculous. Homeowners who installed rooftop solar at immense personal expense, did so to keep their household power going, we had no choice when Eskom was loadshedding on a daily basis. Now, realising people are buying much less electricity, now they want to cry fowl and try and get their piece of the pie back. My feedback to goverment is: You had the responsibility to provide the country with stable power, you messed it up, we made other plans, now deal with it.	Marica	self-employed
	2026-08-27 08:59:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We spent nearly R300 000 setting up a Roof Solar and Battery system so that we can give ourselves electricity during loadshedding as we work from home and could not afford not to have electricity. We made the investment based on what we would be saving in electricity. The repayment period was long ....now you want to make it even longer. During the loadshedding period Eskom was encouraging us to do anything possible to help with their inability to generate adequate electricity. Now that we have helped them reduce/ eliminate loadshedding they want to penalize all those that invested their own hard cash in the process. This changing of the goal posts is totally unfair and will only lead to people going totally off grid.	Abe	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:02:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 09:02:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stealing from Peter to pay Paul	Neville	retired
	2026-08-27 09:03:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-08-27 09:03:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joyce	retired
	2026-08-27 09:04:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Xolani	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:05:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalties argue that "free riders" rely on their network for occasional usage. Will residential consumers be able to opt out of having a connection and thereby not be subject to fixed charges?	Leo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:06:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mymuna	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:06:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	$#@/%#&$@%$&#	Sharon	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:07:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:08:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	
	2026-08-27 09:08:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Total mismanagement has caused the collapse of Eskom resulting in load shedding forcing consumers to turn to solar alternatives. This they did at thier own expense while increasingly paying more for Eskom power. Taxing these consumers for stepping in where government has failed is unfair! Eskom can increase their profits by dealing with illegal connections and cable theft not to mention an inflated workforce!	Wynand	employed individual

	2026-08-27 09:11:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom did not supply us with the necessary electricity to properly run a small business. Businesses were forced to spend capital on solar systems and we had to pay lots of money for a system as well as to Eskom for new transformer and meter installations. A law like this totally disregards the millions of Rands that private businesses had to spend to secure electricity a few years ago during the serious load shedding. It will be totally unfair if these private businesses and individuals are now AGAIN penelised by fixed charges and solar penalties. Rather, companies with solar systems should receive some lower charges since they are helping to provide stable electricity, on private capital, that Eskom cannot supply alone and therefore enhance the economy of South Africa. There should be cheaper tariffs for every private property or business who have solar.	Adriaan	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:13:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only people that destroyed Eskom was the ANC with all the corruption and thieving and now they don't like it when the Residents have made a plan. They then want to overcharging us now. How ridiculous! We will then just spend a few more Rands and go completely offline and remove our grid connection.	Murray	retired
	2026-08-27 09:13:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Cronje	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:14:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:14:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	YOU CANNOT PUISH THE PUBLIC FOR PURCHASING VERY EXPENSIVE ALTERNATIVES FOR THE SUPPLY OF ELECTRITY, DUE TO ESCOM AND GOVERNEMENT FAILURE TO PROVIDE A RELAIBLE SOURCE OF ELECTRICITYFOR THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH AFRCIA. TO DO SO WOULD BE A CRIMINAL ACT AND IN FACT COULD BE REGARDED AS THEFT! SCRAP THIS LUDICROUS PIECE OF SUGGESTED LEBGISLATION.	JAKOV	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:14:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government must stop ripping the private people off and do their work efficiently so as not to need to make the taxpayer foot the bill for their ineffietioncy	Neil	retired
	2026-08-27 09:15:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ricky	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:15:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You asked us to get solar, now you want to charge us. This is ludicrous.	MARRION LYLE	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:16:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	retired
	2026-08-27 09:16:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed network costs will force Solar users to disconnect completely from the grid. NERSA must place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. An independent socio-economic impact assessment must be done on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Gustav	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:17:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households are already overburdened by the cost of electricity.	Dutoit	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:18:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-08-27 09:18:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lindi	
	2026-08-27 09:19:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I, the undersigned, hereby object to the proposed restructuring of electricity tariffs and the introduction of mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges for all grid-connected properties. 1. Punitive Measures Against Private Investment South Africans who invested their own hard-earned savings into rooftop solar and battery systems did so to protect their homes and businesses from load shedding, reduce pressure on the national grid, and contribute to environmental sustainability. The proposed fixed charges effectively penalise citizens for being proactive, responsible, and solution-driven. This is not a fair or rational policy approach. It undermines public trust and discourages future private investment in renewable energy. 2. Solar Users Are Not “Free Riders” Solar households already pay for: Full installation costs Battery storage Inverters Ongoing maintenance Grid connection fees Night-time or backup usage The claim that solar users are “free riding” ignores the fact that solar reduces strain on the grid, lowers peak demand, and contributes to national energy stability. Solar generation is clean, non-polluting, and aligned with global climate commitments, whereas traditional electricity production is carbon-intensive. Punishing clean energy adoption contradicts South Africa’s environmental and economic objectives. 3. The Three-Tier Structure Masks the Real Issues The proposed framework does not create a true open market. Although large industrial users above 1 MW may access wholesale power, ordinary households remain captive ratepayers, locked into municipal tariffs and forced to subsidise municipal revenue shortfalls. This entrenches inequality and contradicts the stated goal of market transformation. 4. Risk of Market Dominance and Price Manipulation With Eskom Generation retaining control over most baseload supply, the proposed market structure creates: Concentrated market power Potential price manipulation Volatility in wholesale pricing Downstream impacts on municipal tariffs Without strong oversight, households may face higher costs, not lower ones. 5. Fixed Monthly Charges Are Unavoidable and Unfair Moving away from volumetric billing toward unavoidable fixed charges means: Households will pay high monthly fees even if they consume very little grid electricity Solar users will be forced to subsidise legacy infrastructure they are barely using Municipalities will rely on these charges to compensate for inefficiencies and mismanagement This is not free trade, nor is it a genuine market reform. It is a compulsory levy on all connected properties. 6. The Proposal Is Autocratic and Anti-Innovation Introducing punitive fixed charges for solar adoption is: Anti-competitive Anti-innovation Socialistic in nature Contrary to global best practice Harmful to citizens who acted responsibly during a national crisis South Africans should not be punished for reducing their reliance on failing state infrastructure. Conclusion I formally object to the proposed tariff restructuring and fixed monthly charges. The policy unfairly targets solar users, discourages renewable energy adoption, entrenches municipal monopolies, and fails to address the real structural issues within the electricity sector. I request that the Department revise the framework to support - not penalise - private investment in clean energy, and to ensure equitable, transparent, and market-aligned electricity pricing for all South Africans.	GEORGE	retired
	2026-08-27 09:22:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	retired
	2026-08-27 09:23:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the state could not provide power I arranged my own. Now they wish to punish me for finding a solution when they had failed. Eskom is now in the position of having to provide LESS power, need not build new power stations. Yet they wish me to pay MORE for power they could not provide. They should be feeding my excess into the grid, not punishing me for producing it.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 09:24:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anonymous	
	2026-08-27 09:25:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-08-27 09:25:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dylan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:27:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have to pay a basic levy for the connection. Totally excluded from my usage (approx 25% of my purchases). Cost to deliver should be funded with electrical sales profit, as in any regular business. All this while streetlamps are malfunctioning. Have less "Fat cats" scooping/stealing/wrongfully allocating funds, and more People actually doing the work, at reasonable Salaries. Not as inflated as is now! It is ridiculous to penalize anybody who tries to secure their own source energy. Same as taxing Gas users, or people burning wood and/or coal directly, thus bypassing electrical usage!	Norman	retired
	2026-08-27 09:27:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to any interpretation of ‘cost reflectivity’ or ‘discouraging free riding’ that allows revenue previously recovered through electricity consumption to be shifted into unavoidable fixed charges simply because customers have succeeded in reducing their usage.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-08-27 09:29:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 09:30:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We are already very unfairly penalised by the City of Cape Town for fixed monthly charges. We are very seriously considering going off the grid completely.	Johan	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:31:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired

	2026-08-27 09:33:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies.	Angeline	
	2026-08-27 09:34:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	"Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: The policy explicitly targets grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an “anti-free-riding” principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees." THIS WILL NOT WORK FOR THE REASON: People will simply disconnect their solar from the grid and figure out a way to keep using it during sunshine hours: companies will have a field day retrofitting installations. Consumers will still use Eskom at night. So really, your policy is just going to make peoples live slightly more complicated and inconvenient and costly and you would not have achieved your intended outcome. Or perhaps causing us inconvenience and extra costs ARE your intended outcome... of course...	Dimitar	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:34:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	UNACCEPTABLE : How can there be a standard charge for different household , do 2 houses use the same amount of electricity? This is more of a money making scheme for an already corrupt sector, so it is just to line their pockets.The solar houses have taken pressure off the grid , and do not require power as often , if at all !! .Now they will have to pay for something they rarely use , the same as a house that uses R3000 electricity .Sorry But NOT LOGICAL ! People are already struggling with the cost of electricity .With this structure we pay wether there is electricity or not .How can a household that uses R1500 electrcity a month, now pay the same as a house that uses R5000 a month .If that is the case i will burn electricity like rubbish. My geyser will be on all day . I will slow roast all my food , boil the kettle because i can, leave all my lights on day and night , coz no matter how much i do or do not use , there is a standard fee.	Debbie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:36:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The introduction of solar was as a result of total failure by the government to supply continuous electricity due to theft failure and maladministration. The situation was saved by the growing use of solar and lack of reliance on our famous government. Now after us saving them from disaster they are wanting to steal money from us in return.	bruce	
	2026-08-27 09:36:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Most solar was installed due to the failure of Eskom to provide, to restructure costing now after installation is unethical.	Jacques	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:39:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why does everything the governmant fail to do becomes the responsibility and additional burden of the citizens. They could not provide electricity so citizens made a plan and used their hard earned savings and loans to put solar in. Now you want to charge us additional for it. Enough is Enough.	Devi	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:43:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have to look after ourselves for electricity supply because the government and ESKOM clearly can't. At one stage they encouraged the nation to install solar to alleviate the demand and pressure on the grid. Now they are discovering that they are losing a lot of income, and we get penalised. This is not fair and not even good business practice. Instead, they should clean up their own house and fix all the corruption and maintenance issues.	Tjaart	retired
	2026-08-27 09:45:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	retired
	2026-08-27 09:45:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot be taxed because I was proactive in securing electricity for my house.	Janco	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:46:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an individual, I'm being penalised for Eskom's inability to supply consistent, reliable power. How does this make sense. This is outrageous that I am being penalised for Eskom's inefficiencies.	Chris	
	2026-08-27 09:47:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:47:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the electricity sector was privatized, the cost of infrastructure could be effectively managed. At present management of Escom in rural areas is problematic to say the least. Escom is unable to effective address the electricity needs of the country. It would be more effective to work with individuals who are setting up independent production, than punishing them for addressing the shortfalls. As a pensioner struggling with constant increases in all prices, I for one will need to go off 100% off grid in the propsed scenario, as I cannot suffer more crushing costs to cover out of control, top heavy, state expenditure.	Pamela	
	2026-08-27 09:48:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:48:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to install rooftop solar at a huge expense in order to be able to live and work, we must remember that Eskom could not provide enough electricity to ensure food was not wasted because of fridges not working, safety as alarms and lights in a dangerous country did not work. We are already being taxed at extraordinarily high rates on every conceivable revenue stream, we are getting poorer and have no security for the future, if there is an additional charge implemented regardless of supply, we all know it will just be wasted. I see their problem, but this is not the solution, the accountants must wake up to the reality that billing accurately for a supply that is properly delivered is the only way to solve this problem. If they are saying that it is not viable for individuals to pay for what is delivered as the whole grid requires the base income from all the households regardless of their consumption, then perhaps it is time to go completely off the grid. They should be allowing households to supply back into the grid for credits and modernize the whole system and become efficient and competitive. I believe with will and skills it could be done. Bailing out is the easy route and creates apathy and waste.	Julia	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:50:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	retired
	2026-08-27 09:51:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-27 09:53:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already very unfairly penalised by the City of Cape Town for fixed monthly charges. The financial pressures of carrying everyone who do not pay tax or rates is really taking a toll on the average household. There are many families who have tried to avoid these excessive costs in the long run by installing solar and it is disgraceful that once again, we are being charged unneccessarily for the pockets of others. The "anti-free riding policy" is a joke as solar is from the sun. It is not "manufactured" by the government or any municipality and it is unfair to instill fixed charges and solar penalties especially for the families/companies who have tried their best to save energy. The question again rises - who are we paying for or carrying? The bottom line always leads to the mis-managed government held companies and municipalities and never addresses the actual problem. It is easier to adjust for more income than correct the actual issue.	Julie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:53:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that instead of supporting people choosing more environmentally friendly options, government is now proposing to tax them. We have already made major capital outlays to make this shift. If you are not getting enough revenue, fix yourselves, get rid of the rot, don't outsource that cost to us. What makes me even more angry is that government actually subsidized (very small amounts) for our panels, to incentivize our shift to solar. Now there has been a 180 degree shift and government now wants to penalize us. This erodes any tiny shred of remaining trust. All of this on top of a totally failing electricity provision service. Its time for government to get their greedy hands off energy provision, and open it to market competition in South Africa. Government have failed dismally over the last 30 years. It is time to let go, or the people will make you let go. We will hold you accountable.	Alanna	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:54:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We tried to help Eskom so stabilize their power network by going partly solar. Why do they want to penalize us for that?	D	retired
	2026-08-27 09:55:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is another way of taking MORE from those with initiative to overcome already failed electricity supply. Unethical in every way.	Rob	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:55:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The decision to install solar was driven by environmental concerns, having witnessed and been shocked by the uncontrolled Eskom pollution on the Gauteng Highveld. It was an expensive choice that will take years to recover from savings in electricity. It is a small contribution to the environment that citizens should be encouraged to do, not punished for.	Deirdre	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:56:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:57:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Robert	retired
	2026-08-27 09:58:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bertus	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:00:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 10:03:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martha	retired
	2026-08-27 10:04:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed rooftop solar with Government encouragement to reduce the carbon footprint, burden on Eskom's unreliable supply and continued Electricity costs impacting on a sustainable life.	Kessie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:04:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felicity	retired
	2026-08-27 10:05:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	retired
	2026-08-27 10:08:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:10:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mogomotsi	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:10:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's the same scam as when the City of Cape Town implemented a fixed connection water tariff (which was said by Patricia de Lill the then Mayor, to be temporary) back in 2017 - so no matter how little one uses because one is environmentally concerned one is penalised for doing the right thing. So no matter whether it is the municipality or national government and no matter which way one votes, one is still screwed and lied to.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 10:11:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately Eskom dug their own grave with continious loadshedding, thus forcing business and private household to invest their own funds towards solar systems to have stable power. No subsidy from municipality or Eskom enabled entities to install solar systems, so why the penalties and excessive tariff hikes. If fixed tariffs and penalties will be introduced Eskom and municipalities will even dug their own graves deeper with business and private households invest further in off grid solar systems resulting in disconnections from the grid.	kobus	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:12:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We used our savings to invest in rooftop solar in order to have electricity when Eskom could not supply electricity. Now ordinary citizens will once again have to pay for the mismanagement of a state entity.	Melanie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:16:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is the duty of the government to provide for citizens not the other way round. We have freedom and rights to choose how we spend our electricity this is why during load shedding era some people invested in solar. Therefore people cannot pay for their investments. Instead they should be rewarded. Thank you	Nelisiwe	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:16:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jac	
	2026-08-27 10:18:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government and the SOEs had people who could actually do their job and keep the lights on we would not need solar. It is because of solar that load shedding is so low these days. Everything the goverment runs is corrupt	Floris	

	2026-08-27 10:18:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malinda	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:18:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charmaine	retired
	2026-08-27 10:18:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users installed solar to help relieve the pressure on the failing SOE. Because of solar installations, we have had no load shedding for a while. In the meantime, electricity users grow in numbers - receiving free electricity, connecting illegally and not paying for electricity or maintenance of availability of power. Looking at salaries, bonusses and lack of care, it is unacceptable to expect a small portion of the citizens to keep on supporting and paying for everything. It is easy to tax and demand more money if you yourself does not pay for electricity and you insist on providing for all, while only a small portion of users pay for it. Government ask people to vote for them and the freelancers all abide. Government ask people to install solar and then penalize them. Something has got to give soon. This blatant robbery has to stop. Or ESKOM WILL collapse.	Deon	retired
	2026-08-27 10:18:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	These Charges are purely because of the ANC's race-based incompetence and dishonesty. IT is a dishonesty-based proposal to make proactive, constructive, responsible people pay for the useless, destructive, irresponsible government.	Martin	retired
	2026-08-27 10:19:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	retired
	2026-08-27 10:20:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any proposal arising from the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper that places additional financial burdens on South African households, businesses and taxpayers as a means of addressing the failures of the electricity sector. South Africans have already paid an enormous price for the deterioration of Eskom through years of load shedding, repeated electricity tariff increases, taxpayer-funded bailouts and the broader economic consequences of an unreliable electricity supply. It is fundamentally unfair to expect citizens to continue carrying the financial consequences of mismanagement, state capture, corruption and governance failures for which they were not responsible. Before government imposes further costs on electricity consumers, there should be far greater emphasis on accountability, recovery and consequence management. Those responsible for corruption and the misuse of public funds must be pursued, stolen or improperly obtained funds should be recovered wherever legally possible, and government should demonstrate that every reasonable avenue has been exhausted before asking ordinary South Africans to contribute more. Households and businesses are already under significant financial pressure. Many have also spent substantial amounts on solar panels, batteries, inverters and generators simply to secure a reliable electricity supply that the state and Eskom were unable to provide. It is therefore particularly difficult to justify asking these same citizens to shoulder yet another cost associated with restructuring or repairing the electricity system. Electricity-sector reform is necessary, but reform should not become another mechanism for transferring the financial consequences of institutional failure onto the public. I urge government and the relevant authorities to reconsider any measures that unnecessarily increase the financial burden on South Africans and instead prioritise accountability, efficient expenditure, recovery of losses arising from corruption, improved governance and a sustainable electricity market that rewards efficiency rather than passing historical failures on to consumers. South Africans should not continually be expected to pay for failures they did not create while meaningful accountability for those failures remains inadequate.	Jackie	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:24:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked to cut back / conserve electricity usage. Solar made this possible. Now they want to penalise us for conserving usage! They have to find new ways to keep their fat paycheques going.	Brenton	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:24:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:26:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because Eskom failed their responsibility to supply continued, relhable and responsible pricing, they cannot charge/penalise users to become self sufficient at their own cost.	Dawid	retired
	2026-08-27 10:27:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	
	2026-08-27 10:27:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have paid a huge amount of money on the recommendation of Escom and the government to install solar. This has not taken us off the grid, but just supplies electricity when the power is down and generates electricity (via solar) during daylight hours. We generate more than we use during the day and this is fed back into the grid. We are not compensated for this, however you want to charge us a fee on a monthly basis - this is not fair.	Don	retired
	2026-08-27 10:28:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hazel	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:29:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is unconstitutional as it infringes on the rights of private property. Eskom and government encouraged home owners and business to invest in alternative power sources during the electricity crisis and Eskom's failure due to corruption, (which we paid for) so many people responded positively despite this, and created debt in order to provide power for their homes and businesses and alleviate the pressure on Eskom. Now after being faithfully and responsible citizens they want to punish us for the help. This is criminal. The solar equipment is not the property of the government, council, or Eskom it is paid for without their assistance. Then there was the system of selling power back to the grid to help with supply, that failed to materialize despite it being done by many. Yet still we get repaid by this criminal reaction. Charge for use or remove your point of supply is the only option. But to expect household who use minimum power and get penalized for this is ludicrous and criminal., especially while big business gets to pay less. So now we are expected to subsidize once more. This is insane.	William	
	2026-08-27 10:29:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-08-27 10:30:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree that Eskom or the municipality should be able to charge a reasonable fixed network fee for keeping a property connected to the grid and providing the option to use Eskom electricity when it is needed. I understand that maintaining the network costs money, even if I do not use a large amount of electricity from it. Where I disagree is with the idea of penalising or taxing people because they have invested their own money in solar power and batteries and therefore use less Eskom electricity. For years, we have been told that South Africa's electricity system was under enormous pressure and that we needed to reduce our electricity consumption. Load shedding was introduced because, according to Eskom, there was not enough generation capacity to meet demand. Many South Africans then spent their own money on solar systems and batteries precisely so that they could become less dependent on the grid and reduce the pressure on Eskom. Now it feels like a contradiction. When we were using too much electricity, we were told to use less. We responded by investing our own money to use less Eskom electricity, and now we are being told that we may have to pay more because we use too little. I have no problem paying a fair fee for being connected to the grid and having Eskom's infrastructure available when I need it. What I do have a problem with is being financially penalised because I invested my own money to generate my own electricity. If the government believes that I should be taxed or charged specifically because I have solar power, then the same principle should work both ways. Eskom should compensate me for all the hours during which it failed to provide the electricity service that I was paying for — including all the hours of load shedding that I had to endure. You cannot expect people to spend their own money finding solutions when the state's infrastructure cannot reliably meet demand, and then later financially penalise those same people because their solution worked. I support a fair network charge. I do not support a penalty or tax on people simply because they have invested in becoming less dependent on the grid. The principle should be simple: pay for the network and the service that is made available to you — but do not penalise people because they need less of that service.	Naas	
	2026-08-27 10:30:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because Eskom has failed in its duty to provide reliable and continuous electricity supply, many have been forced to spend capital to install back up solar systems at an enormous additional cost to the Eskom costs which have risen far above inflation due to incompetence, corruption and mismanagement. Eskom is in no position to dictate penalties and terms to compensate for its gross mismanagement of the utility. The management of Eskom and the government should be held accountable for the degradation of the utility and its failure to proved a basic service which has been fully funded for by rate & tax payers both in the form of utility bills, connection fees and high taxes.	Nigel	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:38:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		maria	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:38:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my own funds to provide solar when Escom was in trouble, I should not be penalised for that. A reasonable charge for being connected to the grid would be acceptable.	Hein	retired
	2026-08-27 10:40:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying exorbitant fixed costs for electricity. These fixed costs are supposed to cover everything except actual kW hrs consumed. The only benefit we get is a small reduction in actual consumption. There is no 'free ride' for the consumer! Remember that the private sector has collectively purchased a large power station for our government. And they got it for free! The ANC should be paying all of us for the electricity we save them. This stupid idea is going to force more people off the grid, further reducing the income from ratepayers. How thick are you guys?	Tim	retired
	2026-08-27 10:40:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Epam	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:40:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:41:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Looks like we disconnect totally from Eskom now and go 100% with solar. Sorry you going to lose your monthly contribution from me (and millions of other users) Eskom.	John	retired
	2026-08-27 10:44:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-08-27 10:44:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I need a constant supply of electricity to fully operate my business. Even though there has not been constant load-shedding as in the past, there are still regular cable thefts and interruptions from substation electricity supply. As a result, solar is necessary to keep my business up and running through the downtimes that still occur regularly.	Judy	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:45:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely not. This is just another ill-conceived idea in order to pass the buck and make the public pay for a problem which they created in the first place through corruption, mismanagement and by not maintaining the infrastructure. Remember loadshedding and how Eskom beseeched us to use less electricity? No they want to penalise you for doing it and for their loss of income. So typical!	Dalene	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:45:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thinus	retired
	2026-08-27 10:46:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just not fair, simple as that. Why should I pay more now that I use less electricity? This is just moronic and another way for us normal people of the country to foot the bill for the poor management of Eskom over the last decade. Eskom should burn to the ground and those responsible for its collapse should face the music, not us citizens.	Kris	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:47:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-27 10:48:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This legislation is totally outrageous and amounts to stealing from the consumer/ratepayer. This is merely to keep energy workers and management in their positions at outrageous salaries as we have learnt. In my view this is a criminal. The Department of Electricity and Energy needs to learn that the world has changed and left them behind. Energy supply in South Africa has become much more competitive. Ratepayers should not be punished for spending their own money supplying their own electricity. One of the reasons that there is no more load shedding is exactly because so many consumers/ratepayers and businesses have invested considerable money into providing their own electricity. ESKOM could not be trusted anymore and has become far too expensive. This is primarily to grossly inflated salaries, a grossly inflated workforce, incompetence and corruption.	Ean	retired

	2026-08-27 10:49:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While the move to a more open and free market model is positive, the proposed restriction and punishment of private/captive ratepayers through the addition of higher fixed charges is unacceptable. Ratepayers used their own money to alleviate the issues of the state, and now the incompetent state seeks compensation for their own failings. Fixed charges cannot be added/ increased for only a select group, just like additional charges for water cannot be added to those who also have boreholes. If the proposal to add higher fixed charges for solar users is passed; there will be a huge shift and complete disconnection from the grid our of spite and higher ROI This will undoubtably lead to even further issues on the state side. Do not shoot yourself in the foot because of greed and incompetence.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:52:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not understand why those who have solar should be penalised. When the country was in trouble with loadshedding, the government incentivised individuals to install rooftop solar to reduce the load requirements on the grid. People did their part and will now be punished for doing so. In addition, the infrastructure required to deliver municipal electricity to houses was installed decades ago and has already been paid for by taxpayers and ratepayers. Why should solar users now have to pay again?	Keith	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:53:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How dare the municipality try and charge me for the sun! Go take a long walk off a short plank! Im absolutely outraged! I have worked my butt off to keep my small business afloat and continue to employ my small team of staff through all this ineptitude of our government with our electricity - and now you want to penalise me for it! Thats a HARD NO from me! I will not pay one cent for using the sun to keep the employment i created with ZERO help from any government structure, and put food on vulnerable peoples tables! NO NO NO NO NO NO NO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	Heather	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:54:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private solar installations relieved pressure on the grid, and are still doing so every day. Without the solar installations, I don't think Eskom will look so good. Now they want to penalise us for their corruption. It's not fair and will somehow backfire when implemented.	Jokkie	retired
	2026-08-27 10:54:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Affordable electricity and reliable supply are paramount to a growing economy. Residents should not be charged a fee for implementing solar at their own cost.	Laurence	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 10:58:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	In order for businesses to survive in the intense load shedding days, businesses had to invest in solar to survive. Because of Eskom's mismanagement that load shedding occurred. Had Eskom been well managed, load shedding would not have occurred and the take up of solar would have been much less and so Eskom would not have problem now.	Geoff	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:58:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ludwig	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:59:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mark	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:59:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely ridiculous. This government is so corrupt and is just finding more ways to get money out of people. Do they own the fucking sun?	Leo	
	2026-08-27 11:00:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom does not supply the sun power , it does not supply the solar panels , it does not supply the inverter and id does not pay for the installation of the system so what gives them the right to tax what I have paid for , We are forced to go the private solar route because the ANC comrades have looted Escom and now they have to think up a scheme to make more money for the to steal ,To hell with them ,	Barry	retired
	2026-08-27 11:02:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	sheila	retired
	2026-08-27 11:04:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are innovative when challenged. We will find a cost effective way to disconnect ourselves from the grid altogether, then we make it widely available . 'Boer maak n plan'.	Wendy	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:04:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are busy making a plan and do not sit and wait for someone (Municipalities) to do something. There is a lot of costs involved and emotional health issues because of Electricity issues in SA.	Karen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 11:06:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	retired
	2026-08-27 11:10:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired
	2026-08-27 11:12:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-27 11:12:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They have no right to penalize people for having to use solar energy because ESKOM did not do their job of maintaining the electricity!	Coral	retired
	2026-08-27 11:17:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has always had a basic user fee apart from its consumption fee. This fee should not be escalated wilily nilly to cover the Eskom losses because of the less electricity sold because of solar investments. With the unbundling of Eskom no fixed charges should be raised by the consumption leg, but only charged by the transmission side of the business	Laur	retired
	2026-08-27 11:18:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Corrie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:18:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tshililo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:20:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a retired widow. I cannot afford to pay unnecessary expenses!	Cora	retired
	2026-08-27 11:21:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM forced us to make big investments in sourcing power by way of solar input because they were unable to do so due to incompetence and corruption. Now they want to source the lost revenue as a result of this incompetence and corruption by way of unjustifiable connection taxes. I am currently 95% off grid so I will just invest a bit more for the 5% and terminate grid connection.	Bruce	retired
	2026-08-27 11:22:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find this ridiculous; the reason people went out and go solar was because Eskom could not keep a continuous flow of electricity in this country. Other countries do not even know what load shedding is, and they all seem to have enough electricity. Solar and inverters are not cheap and everyone who has them paid for them out their own pockets. They run on the sun and batteries. Does the government own the sun too???? Furthermore, I am on prepaid electricity. Yet every time I put the same amount of money value to buy electricity the units are less every time and seem to be running out a lot faster than previously. This government is trying to bleed us South Africans dry. They try to get money from us on everything even when our Solar power has nothing to do with them. I have no faith at all in this government. We need a government that cares and stands up for its citizens.	Mechele	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:24:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The citizens of this country are already so laden with trying to keep all the government staff rich and happy. ENOUGH! If we can afford solar and not be bothered with Eskom's failings then we should be allowed. Governments are not God, they can not both do nothing to help the country and also insist that we must keep funding incompetence, corruption, cronyism and whatever else they decide to keep themselves able to have all the perks and none of the responsibilities	Lesley	retired
	2026-08-27 11:25:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately this is aimed at the "always paying" part of SA. Eskom drained the system by supplying the non payers and still do. They even encouraged people to go solar in order to relief pressure on them . Now they want to penalise those who assisted them. It is common sense that the people whom are paying are the one who can afford to go solar. Was this your plan or pure stupidity to ask people to go solar. It is common to find many SA citizens whom are earning huge salaries and refusing to pay municipal fees, school fees etcetera. Their motivation: The anc promised them it will be FREE. I have seen many of these accounts and it is shocking. My solar is mine, not yours to misuse!	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 11:26:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Dane	
	2026-08-27 11:29:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly I am disappointed that government want to control what we install in our household. We pay electricity as we consume. Majority of us at this point want full off grid. Not even wanting to depend on them. We still pay rates monthly that should allow them to services any street lights and maintainanace of some sorts they referring to. Secondly how do you regulate solar and not other energy source such as as gas. It makes no sense. A government official has no right to assess what we do in our household. As long as as neighbour's are safe and no illegal activities. We are in this situation of because of inefficiencies of public service. Now we are being charged for looking at alternatives. They should focus on stabilizing electricity supply and allow those installing solar ,atleast they will reduce dependency on the grid	Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:29:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	retired
	2026-08-27 11:30:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Fixed charges do not encourage users to conserve and stop wastage of electricity. We can all run our lights and heaters 24/7	Megan	
	2026-08-27 11:31:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingrid	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:31:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Years of gross mismanagement and corruption forced us to go solar. No revenues are down, as usual the ANC wants to tax the man in the street	Angela	
	2026-08-27 11:32:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We made the effort to go off the grid with significant costs to ourselves thereby helping relieve the burden on energy supply. It is madness to force us to pay for the incompetence of Eskom and municipalities which could be run with much more efficiency.	Bianca	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:32:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about middle to low income households who don't have rooftop solar and don't use much electricity (about 180kWh units monthly). Are we also going to be hit with unaffordable fixed rate costs on our municipal bill despite low consumption? If so, I don't find that fair.	Bernhard	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 11:34:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am amazed that they penalize people that spent additional money, to provide for themselves, because the institution that has the monopoly on providing electricity, can't provide because of incompetence, non existing maintenance, and corruption. We wouldn't have gone the solar way if they did their part of the deal, as it was the case in previous years. We did not have the money to do it, we had to make a loan. And best of all, we were the people that were paying our bills every month - still do.	Gerda	
	2026-08-27 11:35:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-08-27 11:36:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) if the municipality is going to charge a levy then all residence should have a fixed cost irrespective if solar is used or not 2) there should also be penalty for the municipality for non delivery. 3) in our area Queenswood pretoria there is continuous disruption of power 4) all person should have a right to use specific service providers or able to switch.	Dees	retired
	2026-08-27 11:36:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eddie	retired
	2026-08-27 11:37:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	retired
	2026-08-27 11:39:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is completely unfair to now penalise those of us who went and borrowed funds to erect solar panels, inverters and batteries when the government could not supply sufficient energy. In the process we HELPED this country survive that time and incurred considerable debt for ourselves, which we are still paying off ALONE! NO help from government. Now you are going to make that count against us? This is absolutely shocking and nobody will go along with this. Please amend urgently.	Elma	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 11:39:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since the ANC has collapsed all sectors including Eskom, the consumer must now foot the bill for an Incompetent Government with their cader deployment cronies. The only reason this is happening is because the current paying consumer can be used to keep on paying for the masses that were promised free Electricity, nothing is free, someone has to pay for it and now the Law abiding citizen who cares about the infrastrucure and want to keep the lights on, must suffer. I will upgrade my current system and completly disconnect from Eskom/Municipality. I would rather suffer an overcast day with no electricity that keep a failing system on live support.	Rudolph	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:40:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 11:42:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When power supply was inconsistent due to inadequacies from the power utility, and private citizens were losing hard-earned electronic items as a result of power spikes, and any subsequent claims led to increased insurance levies, many invested private funds to ensure they had power to keep electronic goods working...from a free source nonetheless - now I must not only pay the higher insurance levies, plus pay off my investment, I may be penalized for doing so too. This is NOT FAIR! It should also be noted that, at the behest of the power utility and government, those that could assist with the power supply strain, took out extra loans and did exactly that. The sun is a free power source for all life - if I make a free and fair democratic choice to invest in it and benefit, why should I be taxed? Some townships have not paid for electricity for decades, yet law-abiding taxpayers must foot the bill for this??? Out with the Corruption - out with Communism!	Mark	
	2026-08-27 11:42:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Jason	retired
	2026-08-27 11:42:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We feel that due to extreme electricity black outs we had to invest in a generator in 2014 or our business would have failed. this year we added a solar system without batteries as we are largely a daytime business and supplement from the grid. Companies and individuals like us contributed hugely by making considerable investments from our own funding to alleviate the pressure on ESCOM and instead of being rewarded we are facing the possibility of being prejudiced by additional levies	Alan	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:45:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am amazed that an institution that has the monopoly, but couldn't provide electricity because of lack of maintenance, incompetence and corruption, now penalize people that made alternative arrangements. We wouldn't have gone the solar path, because we didn't have the money, but had to use credit to do it. The best part of all, we were the people that paid our bill every month - still do.	Gerda	
	2026-08-27 11:48:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johanna	retired
	2026-08-27 11:48:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First let's start with the rates Eskom sell electricity to residential consumers, which are inclusive of the fixed cost referred to, therefore there is no free ride here. It is fair that I pay what I use. It is Eskom's failures that pushed consumers to seek alternative not the other way round. So Eskom should just seek to improve its efficiency and stop solving problem with a problem. Electricity is unaffordable to most people in rural and townships because of Eskom's corruption and inefficiencies. The big question Eskom should be asking themselves is when will electricity be affordable to all. At this rate is just a dream as government is adding more inefficiencies to the problem. I disagree 1000%, this is not a solution but reap off of consumers	Vincent	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:52:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:52:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners were urged by Gov to install solar to relieve pressure on Eskom . So much so that if your installation costs more than R 100000 you could apply for 25% Tax relief . Now the Gov want to punish home owners for assisting Eskom as requested . Totally unacceptable	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-27 11:53:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	self-employed
	2026-08-27 11:54:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patsy	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:55:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-27 11:55:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terri	retired
	2026-08-27 11:56:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't understand why those of us who use less power from the grid should have to pay more infrastructure charges? Our "on grid" usage will almost always be "off peak" i.e. excess capacity wasted if not used - why would that need to cost more?	Eric	
	2026-08-27 11:56:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a homeowner with a tourism accommodation business and a small avocado orchard, and a totally unreliable municipal electricity supply municipality, I have recently had to spend my retirement savings to put in an off-grid solar system. To be totally off grid, I had to include generating capacity in my solar system, which does not come cheaply! Being totally off the grid was a decision taken so as not to incur monthly fixed costs for being connected to the municipal system. I have had to pay R8,000 for the local municipality to disconnect me from the grid. As I understand the proposals, I will not be liable to Eskom/The municipality for any further charges. Also, if I'm understanding the proposal correctly, more people may invest in a generato to bypass the monthly fixed cost.	Alfred Joseph	retired
	2026-08-27 12:01:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have laid out a large amount of money to protect myself against load shedding and Eskom's inability to provide a continuous and reliable power service. I do not want to pay additional tariffs or charges to the money I have already spent to protect my family from the consequences of loss of power. No additional tariffs or charges should be levied by the government or Eskom.	STEWART	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:01:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sabelo.Menzi	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:03:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. You are punishing people for finding a solution to keep the country running when Eskom failed us. How does that make any sense?	Karen	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:03:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So you basically want to charge us for your incompetence I DO NOT THINK SO	Francois Archer	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 12:03:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johanna	retired
	2026-08-27 12:05:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We, as citizens of South Africa, are locked into continuous cost rises, "dumped" on us by a government with a terrible 30 year record of corruption, poor decisions and bad service delivery, bringing any household with some wisdom to make the best decision for their family- ensure their safety, health and basic comfort. We cannot have this "load" in top of many other issues we are faced with.	Willie	retired
	2026-08-27 12:05:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is an injustice to inflict charges on responsible citizens who try to manage the consequences of the failures of Eskom.	Vishanthie	retired
	2026-08-27 12:07:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panels is a creation of the dismal failure of this government to proactively sustain the provision of electricity to paying responsible citizens. In fact citizens that have opted for solar energy should be rewarded with incentives instead of being punished. In place of stealing and being irresponsible moaners, they opted for self-sufficiency. What is sad is that most of these responsible citizens made hefty loans to install solar energy, as this was not budgeted for and not anticipated. We know that many townships have today opted not to pay for electricity at all, and they boast about it. And the local governments have deliberately turned a blind eye. This is grossly unfair.	Dudu	
	2026-08-27 12:08:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People that spent their own money especially pensioners that live on a fixed income should not be penalized for the incompetence of the government when all they did was to assist with the load reduction	Anita	retired
	2026-08-27 12:11:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The more you use, the more you pay. That includes big corporates that has ridiculously high usage. Small households use very little. Pro-active households that installs solar and inverters also generally use very little. Why must those that use the least, foot the bill for those that guzzles electricity ?	Richard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:15:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:16:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frans	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:18:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to unemployment and low income most households receive the cost of electricity is too high for consumers. Some residents live on social grants.	Ntebaleng	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:18:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:19:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meg	
	2026-08-27 12:21:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geoff	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:22:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can the Government propose to penalize the public for finding a solution to non-delivery of service by Eskom? They are incapable of managing our electricity supply and then want to penalize people for finding a solution to the problem. This is insane!	Dirk	
	2026-08-27 12:25:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My husband and I had to take out a loan after experiencing a cycle of power outages that would last for days. We'd have electricity for 2-3 days before the cycle began again, this was after we had our daughter. The JHB municipal has failed to deliver on basic services and now we must be penalised for government inefficiency and incompetence. We shouldn't be paying anything for stepping up and doing what the government has failed to do. Rolling blackouts isn't normal. Instead of making us foot the bill for your inadequacy how about the government curb wasteful expenditure and corruption that's crippled our infrastructure.	Gomotsegang	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:25:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It will further increase the cost of living which is allready very high and make things even more expensive and this going to force people out of the country	natascha	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:25:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers installed solar panels in large numbers due to Eskom's incompetence. Had Eskom been efficient and corruption free, there would have been no need for the consumer to step in. By stepping in, the South African consumer helped save the country's economy that was on the brink of total collapse due to Eskom's failure to deliver. It is very unfair that the same consumer who helped save this economy will now be punished, conveniently for Eskom as they seem to be back on their feet. This just seems like round 2 of suffering the consequences of Eskmo's incompetence! And again, the incompetence is on the strategic management team	Njabulo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:30:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:31:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal makes provision for the penalization of electricity users who assisted the government by obtaining at huge costs to themselves and then be saddled with fixed monthly costs that was not part of citizen's agreement previously and basically end up taxing electricity users in addition to their own capital expenses to install solar. This seems unethical and immoral and opportunistic to get more money from consumers by adding nothing from consumers by way of electricity provision. I object to the proposal that would install fixed electricity charges to consumers, retaxing the consumer for what has already been paid by taxes previously. I do support Escom unbundling and market reform, if done transparently and honestly, curbing corruption and overcharging by the municipalities.	Maarten	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:32:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stan	employed individual

	2026-08-27 12:33:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ansy	
	2026-08-27 12:34:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	
	2026-08-27 12:34:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cape Town tried to levy a fixed charge for water and sewerage. Whilst I support the reasons for so doing the implementation was bad. It was based on the value of property - below R2m nil which is ok as this was the objective ; R2m to R5m increasing rate which is fine , the wealthier the mare you pay. Above R10m appaling. At R10m the rate was .004% (two zeros) and at R100m .0006% (3 zeros) whereas R5m was .007% almost double the rate for a R10m property. THE MIDDLE CLASSES WERE HAMMERED AT THE EXPENSE OF THE WEALTHY!! In addition the fixed charge should be based on the capacity of the electricity provided. For example I live in a unit comprising 3 2-bed cottages. We have one electricity cable providing all 3 cottages and we all have single phase electricity. The three of us combined should not pay more that, say a 4-bed house which uses two or three phase electricity. FIXED CHARGE BASED ON CAPACITY WOULD BE FAIR. Large complexes would pay their fair share!	Kevin	retired
	2026-08-27 12:35:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	escom cannot pass its problems onto consumers who have already gone to high expense to combat its inability to provide	Nigel	retired
	2026-08-27 12:35:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-27 12:42:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding was thrust upon the consumer due to inept management of the electrical system and the poorly maintained power stations as well as the mismanagement of the coal supply - so many consumers had to resort to solar as a means to operate homes and businesses. To now penalize these people due to no fault of the taxpayer is counterproductive!! As an interim measure, in the beginning of the outages, expense was spent on generators and fuel until that was not sustainable anymore as the power outages had become the norm!! The taxpayer has gone beyond footing the bill for mismanagement of the systems! Do NOT penalize them!	Alison	retired
	2026-08-27 12:42:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not sure how this Bill will further affect me. The city of Cape Town has already added an amount of R368.96 plus Vat to my monthly rates account "Elec HU services & wires charge" on top my prepaid meter charges	victor	retired
	2026-08-27 12:44:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	For years those businesses or residences who receive power directly from Eskom rather than through a municipality have paid line fees, availability fees, environment fees etc. and consequently pay far more for electricity than most municipal customers. To now be further penalised because we have invested in solar to alleviate the demand on the grid which lead to load shedding is not fair and will simply drive customers to disconnect entirely from Eskom. Eskom literally proposes taxing us for the sunlight .	Ken	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:48:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:50:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we pay for corruption? The reason we needed our own plan was because of theft/corruption/incompetence find a word that fits. So now we must totally disconnect from the grid?	a	
	2026-08-27 12:52:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have, as end consumers, been forced to invest vast sums of hard earned money to make ourselves less dependent on a failing state that increases electricity fees annually far above inflation and has effectively become unaffordable to most households. To now suggest that we should be held accountable and pay fixed fee's monthly due to governments' failing is once again making tax paying South Africans responsible for the governments inability to manage costs and SOE's properly, and cost effectively.	Willem	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:57:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Being penalized to keep the economy going if you do not realize it conditions at your home affects your contribution and efficiency to the economy.	Sam	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:59:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As one of the "early adopters" of solar power as of 2023, I paid for my humble, but self-sufficient Solar with Battery back-up out of my own pocket. This was before the laughable "tax break" incentive, and well before the solar market crashed. There is no question that the private sector, especially residential rooftop solar stabilized the grid and saved the country and Eskom from the death-spiral it was in. Today solar power accounts for more than 9GW. That's more than Medupi and Kusile power plants combined. Eskom has lost a great deal of market-share, and through ongoing internal and municipal corruption and mismanagement is still hemorrhaging money. Predicably, Eskom now wants the same residents that paid large amounts out of their own pockets for a stable electricity supply, to pay MORE simply to be connected to their grid. Instead of offering a better or new service, they simply want to keep milking the middle class cows dry. Well, no more. I'd sooner go completely off-grid than pay a single cent to this parastatal that has failed us time and time again, and demands more money without fixing the internal issues that persist. Take this for instance. There may not have been loadshedding for a while, but in the 25/26 FY, Eskom spent 6 BILLION rand on diesel. This year it's down to 992 Million. Why are they spending this much when they claim that their availability rates are "the best it's been". This in the middle of a diesel crisis, where it's due to go up by another R3 in September to an all time-high. If Eskom wasn't guzzling all the fuel, there would be more available for the rest of us at a lower rate. Basic supply and demand economics. In short, once again, should these excessive rates be introduced (much like CoCT's new water "connection fee") I'll instruct them to cut the connection and go completely off-grid.	Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:02:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing us for our solar panels?! Outrageous. This is not free riding: the purchase, maintenance, repairs and replacement involved in a solar system are expensive in terms of money and effort.	Diana	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:05:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We vote for a group of people to form a government and to look after state issues and to protect us, not to take advantage of their position and to make us suffer for their incompetence. None of us were interested in becoming involved with electrical issues until the government, despite enormous amounts of capital, was no longer able to supply a reliable service. We, the people who spent our hard-earned money to attempt to alleviate the problem, should definitely now no be punished for same. The old trick of blaming the very person who tried to assist seems to be the order of the day. Well, the adage of what you soe is what you will reap comes to mind, which is what we will remind them when the time comes for them to lose the national elections.	Glen	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:06:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential consumers have no choice but to supplement with solar particularly to prevent food spoilage and keep home offices running where no other employment is available and downtime is loss of income. It is unfair to penalise people for making solar a backup plan just as much as people use gas in their houses to cook and heat water as well - they are not penalised. Independent contract people do not have fixed salaries so they cannot afford fixed tariffs.	Teija	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:06:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I can't and shouldn't be punished for wanting self reliance and stability in my property. Eskom must fix its own issues as a company.	Fisokwakhe	
	2026-08-27 13:11:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	retired
	2026-08-27 13:12:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Len	retired
	2026-08-27 13:13:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whatever gets buggered up, we the taxpayer have to stand in for!!!! This is however not enough that we look after ourselves, but we are now taxed additional for doing so.	Willem	retired
	2026-08-27 13:15:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-27 13:15:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WM	retired
	2026-08-27 13:16:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:18:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "Fixed charge" on the utility bill from the municipality is a fixed amount every month irrespective of the usage. This amount is allegedly approved by NERSA after submission of detail by the various municipalities. There is no reason to penalize users who consume less electricity. Some users were incentivised by ESKOM to install solar panels. They cannot make an about turn on this aspect now.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 13:20:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a 78 year old pensioner now living in a unit in an old age establishment. I use gas for heating water, showering and cooking. I use electricity for telephone, lights and TV, and remember the days when the electricity account from the municipality was universally referred to as the Lights Account. We are NOT on the residential tariff because there are as yet undeveloped stands to be built upon by contractors using electricity from the complex. According to municipal laws, for safety reasons, you are only allowed a single supply to a property designated by a survey diagram. So our tariff is a bulk supply, or Business and General. I pay for the energy I use, and if my memory is correct, when my house was built years ago we had to pay a connection fee to reflect the capital and maintenance costs for the extension of the network to supply my new connection, for the life of that connection. This removal of maintenance costs out of the energy costs simplified the revision of the energy tariffs when updating to reflect new coal prices. This worked extremely well, and is the basis of residential tariffs to this day. However, since 1994 things got crazy when there was free electricity for all, except the dutiful citizens. Therefore the proposed introduction of a fixed charge into tariffs is an evil proposition reflecting the municipality/Eskom's inability to charge the large industrial consumers a tariff that truly reflects their usage. Years ago, Eskom charged the smelters at Richards Bay a special, secret tariff that reduced the cost of electricity the greater the use of electricity, for an indefinite time period. It is not known if there was even consideration in the tariff to compensate for rising costs of production due to inflation. What a disaster, as it encouraged the company to smelt ever more at ever decreasing costs, instead of them being on a tariff that reflected the true cost of the electricity they used. And you cannot interrupt the supply of electricity to and aluminium smelter without destroying the entire plant ! After all the "challenges " corruption and looting from Eskom, you cannot now come and load the sins of the fathers onto us citizens, without even more people stealing electricity or revolting. If you want to balance the books, you must raise the charges to the big industrialists and State Enterprises, who no doubt, have lobbied you into this situation over 30 years.	allan	retired
	2026-08-27 13:22:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	KIRAN ITCHARAM	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:23:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Small businesses are already struggling in this difficult economy, many of us have taken large loans to install solar so that our businesses can continue to operate with the load shedding. We cannot afford to now be double taxed with high fixed connection fees and or solar disincentives, we are still paying off big loans. Our reduction of load on the eskom grid has helped to stabilise the grid situation, we should be helped and thanked, not punished.	Noel	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:25:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again the actual rate payer is punished. We got solar because ESKOM was unreliable. In the meantime you allow municipalities and individuals to steal through illegal connections and non-payment. This is just another way to wring a bit more out of the middleclass paying customer, a base that is rapidly shrinking due to government greediness, corruption and complete incompetence.	Hendrik	
	2026-08-27 13:28:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-27 13:29:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar was installed due to the inability of Eskom to supply necessary power. They can’t now tax up on that expense we have.	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 13:30:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shireen Ridgway	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:31:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think the phrase we are going to pay for the Governments failure says it all.	Dennis	retired
	2026-08-27 13:37:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	retired
	2026-08-27 13:38:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposed structure is unfair. The government did nothing to resolve infrastructure malfunction at Eskom. They are already using tax-payers money to stay afloat. So why should members of the community pay the price. It's really not being out of order but inconsiderate. Regards	Londolani	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:40:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meyer	business owner

	2026-08-27 13:42:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Josua	
	2026-08-27 13:44:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gabby	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 13:45:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-08-27 13:45:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More advanced economies such as the US and UK incentivise residents to install solar. Why is South Africa seeking to penalise residents who have spent their hard earned cash on solar due to Eskom being completely unreliable. This is not equitable.	Caroline	
	2026-08-27 13:46:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Should this be implemented residential consumers must have a choice to go completely off the grid. The added cost can be used to upgrade our solar system with extra battery capacity and invertors. Also private energy suppliers to sell to Eskom and subsidise the base cost of electricity. Eskom can sell and make a bottom line profit as no manufacturing cost involved.	Saleem	retired
	2026-08-27 13:46:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the government is looking at the ordinary citizen to pay for their FAILURES. Once again the Pensioners will be hard hit, as we do not get any preference for " ELECTRICITY REBATES" as we do with municipal Rates. The working citizens who have put Solar in place for their own benefit, will also hit by the government Failures..... ANC Government needs to be VOTED OUT at this upcoming elections	Veronica	retired
	2026-08-27 13:46:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:50:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aneesa	
	2026-08-27 13:50:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fix charge must be the same for all properties and standarised across municipality. Some municipality are charges fix charges for "wires" double than others - no any other solar penalties.	George	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:52:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government wants us to pay a penalty to be connected to eskom for having Solar. Than I'll rather cutt of eskom completely... they can't charge us for using the sun... that's like being taxed for the oxygen we breath.	Marius	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:52:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It cost me R300,000 to protect my small but successful business form collapse when Eskom failed the country by crippling it with its "solution" of stranglehold load shedding. It is time that Eskom learns how to properly and professionally run a service business - and it is not by punishing private initiative with Big Brother tariffs on solar panels. Rather be apt at getting non-payers and people stealing electricity to pay up!	Denise	business owner
	2026-08-27 13:52:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-08-27 13:54:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will effectively force the private sector to pay even more for the mismanagement, theft. corruption and bankruptacy of the past decades in the government owned and operated electricity generation, transmission and supply bodies. The sooner the utilities are privatized and competition is created in the industry, the better. Those of us who managed to afford to install our own generation (rooftop PV) mostly did so under duress to be able to continue productively contributing to the economy, whether as a business or working from home when we were forced out of our workplaces during the pandemic. Even so, ESKOM could not meet the demand and continued loadshedding. The private investments in alternative energy enabled ESKOM and supply authorities to supply electricity to other consumers (whether that electricity was paid for at realistic tariffs, if at all, or not). The likelihood of us ever recouping the full cost of our own rooftop PV system is low, considering the finite lifetime of the batteries and solar panels. The South African electricity tariffs penalize the smaller consumers: (and ESKOM's tariffs have become particularly complex), with higher tariffs and charges being applied to what are perceived to be a wealthier and captive class of residential and small/medium business consumers. This paper presents a blatant attempt to extract more revenue from these same consumers without offering any further benefit or advantage.	Dennis	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:56:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a fixed rate for electricity if you have a prepaid meter. People have spent their hard-earned cash on solar to help themselves which has assisted Eskom to avoid load shedding. If management of Eskom had management and governed the SOE efficiently, there would have been no or very little corruption, load shedding would have been avoided and also us as the public would not have resorted to installation of solar power. Why should big corporation pay less for electricity per unit and us as the public have to pay a higher rate. This is totally unfair as you are taxing the people to death, making us poorer each year. Eskom's concern is to produce and supply electricity. Where, how and when a customer ultimately uses that electricity is the customer's concern, not the supplier's. The customer is entitled to determine its own energy requirements and how best to meet those requirements. If Eskom is unable to provide the quantity, reliability or quality of electricity required by a customer, and that customer therefore chooses to invest its own capital in alternative energy solutions, the consequences of that decision should not be regarded as Eskom's business or concern. The customer has invested its own money, assumed the associated risks and developed an alternative means of meeting its energy requirements. If this results in the customer purchasing less electricity from Eskom, any resulting reduction in Eskom's revenue is a consequence of the customer's legitimate decision to secure an alternative supply—not a loss that the customer should be responsible for compensating Eskom. In a free market, a supplier does not acquire an entitlement to a customer's future expenditure merely because that customer previously purchased its product. If the supplier cannot or does not provide what the customer requires, the customer must be free to seek alternatives, particularly where those alternatives are funded entirely by the customer. Eskom's inability to retain that customer's business is therefore a commercial consequence of the market and of its ability to meet the customer's requirements. It should not become the customer's responsibility simply because the customer has invested its own capital to overcome a failure or limitation in the existing supply.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 13:56:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just creating new avenues of milking taxpayers and looting the money collected	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:58:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melitza	retired
	2026-08-27 13:59:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Investment into solar assisted Eskom to manage the grid and reduce the amount of power they need to generate. Having battery backup systems translates to not using the grid during peak times. Being punished for Eskom's incompetence and inability to meet consumer needs and for having the foresight to plan ahead is not the way to go and is trampling on our civil rights	Jako	retired
	2026-08-27 14:01:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 14:01:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already heavily taxed and punished for government failure at all levels.	Danny	retired
	2026-08-27 14:01:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	retired
	2026-08-27 14:01:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After strugeling with power during loadshedding where Eskom did not fulfill theirside of the contract to provide electricity, We saved money and used our own money to install and upkeep solar panels and bateries so that we were still able to continue working. Now the government who failed us in the first place wants to tax us further by forcing us to pay even when we do not use their electricity. This is another way that we as citizens are paying for a corrupt and failing system. This should not be allowed.	Sybrand	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:03:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margo	retired
	2026-08-27 14:06:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The installation of solar panels began as a means to prevent load shedding and ease the burden of electrical costs on the consumer. What is it that once any form of answer to financial burdens is found, then immediately the Municipality forms a way to charge. The Government does not look at the corruption, theft and manipulation that is apparent, but would rather find further ways to either tax or destroy free enterprise.	Anna	retired
	2026-08-27 14:08:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers should not foot the bill for Eskom inefficiency and continued government corruption.	PIETER	
	2026-08-27 14:09:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:11:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely Mad. If I must purchase solar panels with my money, purchase cables and install everything at my cost and get Electric current from the sun why should I pay tax? For what?	Patrick	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:11:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you tax me for your incompetence Such a screwed up goverment	Daniel	
	2026-08-27 14:11:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-08-27 14:12:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jos	retired
	2026-08-27 14:13:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I buy the solar and live off it, how can I be taxed as I own the property, I own the solar. they did not contribute a sent. the sun if for all people, we do not have to pay for it, this is just another way for them to line their pockets without doing anything. I loose my contents of my freezer every time the power is off for 10 to 36 hours. and I lost a freezer as well. they do not reimburse me, They told me that I can claim, but nothing come from it. so I am against the tax. If I spend money to protect my appliances and frozen food, than I should not be taxed on it. otherwise they must do there job and keep the lights on.	Hannelie	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:13:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a fixed rate for electricity if you have a prepaid meter. People have spent their hard-earned cash on solar to help themselves which has assisted Eskom to avoid load shedding. If management of Eskom had management and governed the SOE efficiently, there would have been no or very little corruption, load shedding would have been avoided and also us as the public would not have resorted to installation of solar power. Why should big corporation pay less for electricity per unit and us as the public have to pay a higher rate. This is totally unfair as you are taxing the people to death, making us poorer each year. Eskom's concern is to produce and supply electricity. Where, how and when a customer ultimately uses that electricity is the customer's concern, not the supplier's. The customer is entitled to determine its own energy requirements and how best to meet those requirements. If Eskom is unable to provide the quantity, reliability or quality of electricity required by a customer, and that customer therefore chooses to invest its own capital in alternative energy solutions, the consequences of that decision should not be regarded as Eskom's business or concern. The customer has invested its own money, assumed the associated risks and developed an alternative means of meeting its energy requirements. If this results in the customer purchasing less electricity from Eskom, any resulting reduction in Eskom's revenue is a consequence of the customer's legitimate decision to secure an alternative supply—not a loss that the customer should be responsible for compensating Eskom. In a free market, a supplier does not acquire an entitlement to a customer's future expenditure merely because that customer previously purchased its product. If the supplier cannot or does not provide what the customer requires, the customer must be free to seek alternatives, particularly where those alternatives are funded entirely by the customer. Eskom's inability to retain that customer's business is therefore a commercial consequence of the market and of its ability to meet the customer's requirements. It should not become the customer's responsibility simply because the customer has invested its own capital to overcome a failure or limitation in the existing supply.	Sherryn	employed individual

	2026-08-27 14:13:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 14:13:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is already failing to provide power consistently. Residential home owners should not be charged for using the sun to assist where Eskom lacks. The cost of electricity is already too high as more affluent suburbs pay higher fees to subsidise those who are stealing electricity in the rural areas. Majority of rural houses don't pay for water already and a lot of them steal electricity also putting the grid under strain because of constant damages from the theft. Also Eskom is in debt because of their own corruption and failures, the people shouldn't pay because they could not keep their house in order.	Ndumiso	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:17:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-08-27 14:20:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This would be tragic funny if not cruel. We already paid for the establishment of Eskom and all the power stations etc that provide electricity. Now we should strictly be charged for what we consume. Anything above that would be plain daylight robbery and theft. And if recourse to the ConCort doesnt succeed we will organise protests and civil disobedience. The criminals in government must be stopped. Better still, ousted and dressed in orange .	Doreen	retired
	2026-08-27 14:22:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a ploy to fleece customers that had no choice but to separate from state owned power, now they want to penalize us for poor management of eskom. Pay for what is used no fix charge should ever be applied.	Dylan	
	2026-08-27 14:23:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I went off grid 11 years ago because Eskom was charging about R1400 in fixed charges to agricultural holdings. Today the fixed charges run about R5000. Some municipalities are now charging R1700. For those with Solar power these fixed charges are a major incentive to go completely off grid. What my solar cost was about 5 years worth of Eskom power - what a major return on investment. At todays solar prices and current electricity cost it is well worth re-directing what you pay for electricity to a loan to install solar. What are consumers paying for in any case? We are paying millions and millions of Rand for diesel which is never delivered, repairs that are substandard resulting in blown up substations, and we are paying the salaries of those who are enabling this corruption.	Karen	retired
	2026-08-27 14:24:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 14:28:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-08-27 14:28:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we the tax payers who spent our money to relieve the stress on the sub par, unmaintained electrical infrastructure be punished for the government's inability to do their jobs properly? First we are told we use too much and loadshedding is there to relive the stress on the system, then we install solar that the government had no issue taxing us on and now you want us to pay more because we did. Useless.	Ryno	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:34:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	**NO — I strongly object to any electricity reform that places an unfair and unavoidable financial burden on ordinary households.** South Africans who have invested their own money in rooftop solar to reduce their dependence on Eskom and municipal electricity should not be punished with excessive fixed grid charges simply for remaining connected to the network. While greater competition and private investment in electricity generation may be necessary, reform must not create a system where wealthy large users can negotiate cheaper electricity directly while ordinary households and small businesses are left as captive customers carrying an increasing share of network and municipal costs. The government must protect consumers, place strict limits on fixed grid charges, ensure fair treatment of solar users, prevent market manipulation, and guarantee transparent, affordable electricity pricing. **Electricity reform should reduce the cost of living — not become another mechanism for extracting more money from already financially pressured South Africans. I therefore reject this proposal in its current form and call for substantial amendments that put consumers, affordability and fairness first.**	Jan Lorens	retired
	2026-08-27 14:35:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just more money for the ANC to steal!! FIrst you can't supply power then when we make our own you want to charge us for that?? Nxa, it's like Steers charging me everytime we BBQ???	Lungelo	
	2026-08-27 14:37:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	self-employed
	2026-08-27 14:39:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of the home owners who have invested in rooftop solar energy have done so at considerable cost . Many have done so not only to cope with load-shedding, but out of a genuine desire to produce clean, green energy and to decrease our dependency on coal. Yet again the government wants to find a way to penalise us for actions to mitigate climate change, instead of supporting and encouraging the actions of ordinary South Africans. Instead of taxing hard-hit households further, households with rooftop solar should get a tax break to encourage this form of energy production!	Eva	retired
	2026-08-27 14:40:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Desiree	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 14:41:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to its dominant position Eskom has been bullying its customers for years. Now that its position is becoming under thread market movements it cannot adapt and want its position to be secured by law.	Abrie	retired
	2026-08-27 14:42:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dylan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:45:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nick	
	2026-08-27 14:48:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous. At one stage Eskom was encouraging users to add solar power utilities by giving rebates. Now the government is planning on penalising us for those very same systems that was previously helping Eskom out of their incapability of meeting the grid demand. What about all the townships that hijack their electricity from the grid at no cost? Definitely a case of double standards.	Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 14:49:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government offered incentives to convert to "green energy" and now it wants to penalise those of us who spent our own after-tax money! Simply another tax to fund an inefficient and ineffective government.	Quinton	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 14:50:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A fixed tariff defeats the purpose of investing in solar, as it increases the payback period for your investment	Bernard	
	2026-08-27 14:50:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I resent having to cross subsidise an inefficient government organisation whose incompetence forced me to buy my own solar power system in the first place.	peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:52:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-08-27 14:52:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	It is unfair to penalise house holds that had to make a plan during a very difficult electrical supply crisis with almost daily outings ''so called load shedding'' that cost many house holds a small fortune to install solar inverter systems to cope with the power outages and businesses running generators during that time were spending fortunes on fuel to keep the doors open to trading. Yet with all these solar installations around, not much has been done to push excess solar power back into the grid to alleviate the grid even if it is a small percentage. The citizens of this country constantly hear that the installation is aged etc, however tax payers money gets wasted and not utilized corretcly and the only way they want to implement a strategy is by taxing citizens even more (its ridiculous to say the least) Surely that would be a better solution than taxing, already heavily burdened households that are struggling to make ends meat with higher fuel costs, groceries, and many more living costs. There are many independant energy sector think tanks out there that have great ideas, however they need to be utilized.	Shawn	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:55:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jessica	
	2026-08-27 15:00:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		sajeda	retired
	2026-08-27 15:08:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's unreasonable to expect those who do try in the personal capacity as middle jncome earners in SA to bridge the gap for rising costs of infrastructure and supply of basic electricity to pay the same as those who more freely benefit and misuse the Grid supply. There are budgetary constraints for the average consumer for the many things that go wrong even with the use of solar panels which they also have to pay further damages for. How can they be expected to pay for those who directly or indirectly cause damage to infrastructure as in the case of blown transformers . Unacceptable	Lyndall	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:10:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gill	retired
	2026-08-27 15:11:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are penalized twice 1 implementing a solution caused by an SOE failure and you paid for it 2 Now that you have implemented the.solution you are being charged because the same SOE wants to profit from the structure that was a part of the failure and connected to your solution. The infrastructure has been paid for multiple times by the users. The SOE can not keep.charging for.an infrastructure that already exists.	Andrew	
	2026-08-27 15:13:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stealing from Peter to pay Paul	Neville	retired
	2026-08-27 15:32:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can no longer provide affordable and reliable electricity due to self-inflicted causes. Thus many mines, factories scaled down or even closed due to it. Households and small businesses looked for other alternatives and solar became the most affordable. Now since they move away from using electricity from municipalities or Eskom directly they now become the target for doing so. As long as the solar installation is certified there is no law preventing them except in the case of still remaining partially connected to the grid or feeding back into it.	Hartmut	retired
	2026-08-27 15:32:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 15:33:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:34:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and businesses who invested in solar actually are the ones who saved the country from much longer load shedding, not Eskom so called "turn around" If I am penalized for this then off grid will be my path.	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 15:35:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-08-27 15:35:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To "tax" private initiative to install solar power is counterproductive. Government should rather encourage it. Solar energy is much cleaner and cheaper in the long run.	Hans	retired
	2026-08-27 15:37:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We helped Eskom out of the mess they created and now they want to penalize the people who invested in solar.	Koos	retired
	2026-08-27 15:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our Mossel Bay Municipality already added a electricity tarrif because of additional switching charges when loadshedding started to cover for the additional cost for maintenance and labour due to Eskom non delivery of power. We helped Eskom to install solar system, now Eskom try to hit the public again with extra taxes. We will take Eskom to Court	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 15:40:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason I am moving to solar in the first place is because our electricity is far too expensive. If the Grid supplied electricity was cheaper it would not have become a viable option to change to rooftop solar. Eskom is not competitve and has not kept up with changes and infrastructure. Why should I be paying the price for incompetance. Our minister cannot justify his proposals for fixed cost maintanance as he is.	Ilze	
	2026-08-27 15:48:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tania	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 15:49:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	THe proposal to remove consumption as the basis for electricity supply and standing charge is grossly unfair and ridiculous. Private citizens were obliged to invest substantial sums in installing their own solar panels, batteries and inverters because of Eskom's inability to guarantee consistent domestic supply largely because of internal well known corrupt practices. To now victimise consumers with a policy targeting these private solar investors is cynical and insidious and completely ignoring the basic economic model of pricing based on supply and demand. It is only fair that those consuming the most electricity in their homes pay a higher burden than those who consume very little - if anything at all. This country has enough freeloaders who never pay for their electricity through illegal collection. A reasonable standing charge for those with their own solar generation recognises their sacrifice and considerable investment in reducing demand on the generating system and sincere effort to lower their energy footprint. I strongly object as a homeowner, ratepayer and one who has invested a great deal in solar infrastructure in my home. Eskom needs to think again and the energy regulator needs to protect private customers from unfair attempts to exploit responsible citizens committed to cleaner and cheaper energy in their homes.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 15:49:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This idea is an admission that Eskom is badly managed. That electricity tariffs have increased more than 1100% in 10 years is proof enough. Now they come with a poor excuse that we, the household must pay for the transmission which is already largely installed and already paid for. What it says is that i must switch off my municipal/eskom connection, increase the solar and install a wind generator, and add a further battery? It will pay for itself in 3 years. We already have to pay the municipality a fixed charge for the distribution which is already prohibitive, so why must we pay more.??	patrick	retired
	2026-08-27 15:50:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every positive initiative is interfered with by this retrogressive government. Have done nothing positive	Vijay	retired
	2026-08-27 15:51:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not consent. When Zuma announced that the shortfall of eskom will be taken from the consumers, that made me decide to get solar, because it is wrong to take money from consumers to substitute stolen money. Now you want to do it again. No, no, no!	Bernd	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:52:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 15:52:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally stupid to have fixed charges because of network expenses. These charges should be included in the price per unit charged to the consumer. It does not make sense that everyone pays the same, but some uses a lot more than others. Everyone should contribute to the extend that they use the network. The more you use, the more you need to contribute, or else it will be like charging people toll road fees, irrespective of the fact whether they have a car or not. The same should apply to the electrical infrastructure costs. Everyone that use the network should pay for what they use, and not just pay because it is there. It would not be fair to someone using only 100 kwh per month to pay the same as someone using 1000 kwh per month for the network costs. Include the network costs into the price per kwh and charge a price per khw as needed.	Gerrie	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:54:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Minister of Electricity begged home-owners to please install solar systems to alleviate the pressure on the electrical grid. This was duly done and now they are wanting to charge us for the work the sun does.	Wendy	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:54:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dan	retired
	2026-08-27 15:55:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the loadshedding was at its peak Eskom encouraged users to install solar, now that users have, and the demand has dropped Eskom introduces penalties to punish the users with Solar. It just proves one cannot trust any government entity.	Eugene	retired
	2026-08-27 15:55:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that we do not see these fixed charges on our utility bills (like we see the water detail), tells me these charges are hidden in the current electricity tariffs... So once it is shown separately, SURELY the electricity itself must go down. So here is the issue. Eskom BEGGED all users to get renewables during serious load shedding. Go to their "X" posts during that time and you will see it week after week. When the uptake was too slow, even the minister of Finance gave all "solar installations" a tax break for a limited time!! Now that the grid is stable (not because of HUGE improvements but because of less demand), those very same people and cabinet wants to penalize and punish the people who listened and frankly, kick them in the teeth!!! SHAME ON YOU!!!!!	Gus	retired
	2026-08-27 15:59:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 16:00:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to this in its entirety. Noone would have put in solar power had Eskom managed and maintained the grid as per its mandate and responsibility to its clients, namely the people of South Africa. The increases levied by Eskom, well over the inflation rate is, frankly in my opinion, theft. We all know about how many employees there are, who pull huge salaries and do NOTHING! I use Solar only for when the power is down. I spend well over R3000 on Eskom every month. Is this now to be deemed insufficient? What a joke - it is just another way to steal from consumers who are already impoverished by useless SOEs. Eskom needs to STOP giving free power to areas that do not pay a cent towards electricity and take harsher measure on municipalities who bill business and households but do not pay Eskom .	Virginia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:05:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-08-27 16:07:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous that we have to foot a mandatory surcharge for a failed system that has been run into the ground by Eskom Snr. Management	Peter	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:08:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	after i spent R150000 on solar because eskom couldnt supply on a regular basis you now want to tax me again on my hard earned cash This is rediculous Eskom was the richest energy supplier in africa, now its the poorest because of stealing and mismanagement and you want us to pay for your mistakes No i say!!!	paul	retired
	2026-08-27 16:12:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorenza	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:12:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Home owners who have had to make a plan for Eskoms failures and load shedding should not be “double taxed” for trying to become independent of a failing energy supplier.	Gareth	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:14:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	AS ONE OF THE MOST HIGHLY TAXED COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD, THIS GREEDY GOVERNMENT WANTS TO TAKE MORE MONEY (TAXES) FROM SOUTH AFRICAN CITIZENS WHO ARE ACTUALLY HELPING THIS COUNTRY .... HAVING A SOLAR SYSTEM HELPS TAKE THE PRESSUE OFF ESKOM BUT OUR ' NOT SO CLEVER POLITICIANS 'CANNOT THINK THAT FAR. -- WHAT A STUPID IDEA !!	Brian	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:15:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fabien	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:16:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this ANC government was as clever and efficient in utilising the money from over taxed, tax payers, as they are in stealing money, South Africa would be a much better place. They almost daily invent new ways to legalise theft so they can get their claws on everything that does not belong to them.	Clifford	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 16:17:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spent an great amount of money on solar backup, to keep my household running and to enable me to work from home. The state cannot penalize me for sorting out a problem that was there responsibility to begin with. No more hidden taxes!	Jacques	
	2026-08-27 16:21:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:22:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-27 16:23:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	
	2026-08-27 16:24:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private citizens spent millions on solar because of E skom's inability to meet the demand and now expect us to pay for their inefficiency by way of a special tax on household usage. This is absurd!	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 16:27:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kiana	
	2026-08-27 16:30:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rate payers should not be penalised for reducing the burden on old collapsing infrastructure by installing solar	Nicolene	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:31:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Skye	
	2026-08-27 16:31:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	just another ay of screwing the people who spent hard-earned savings to install solar. essential during unreliable Eskom!	Tony	
	2026-08-27 16:35:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be penalised for the ABSOLUTE failure of Eskom Again a situation of forcing the tax payer to fund a failed government entity The sun does not belong to the ANC	Haydn	retired
	2026-08-27 16:37:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jennifer	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:40:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just government's way of penalizing the people for their inadequacies and mismanagement. We pay tax for infrastructure, we cannot be double charged for these services	Elize	
	2026-08-27 16:42:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will force those who can to take further action to separate themselves from the systems they pay tax to uphold.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:43:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:45:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay for basic electricity for the upkeep of the network and then for usage. Granted with solar the demand is lower but that can be managed by Eskom and prolong the life span on stations if managed properly.	Pieter	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:49:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Although I understand the logic of a fixed charge which would go towards the infrastructure it should be a fixed amount. For private residences it should not relate to the amount of electricity consumed or whether they have solar. Anyone using renewable energy should be applauded not penalised.	Clive	retired
	2026-08-27 16:51:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom due to their incompetence forced consumers who were able to source power elsewhere namely solar/inverters now because they have sorted out their mess to a degree we must now pay again .....I already pay a network charge of around R 1000 pm which is about the same amount that Eskom charges me for my monthly usage so I feel that I do not need to be further penalised !	Graham	retired
	2026-08-27 16:52:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	
	2026-08-27 16:55:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of Eskom's failure to provide electricity continuously, many people who objected to the rolling blackouts that resulted, have had to spend many thousands of Rands paying for solar power. I think it is unfair to penalise people who have stretched themselves financially in order to gain continuous electricity supply. The choice for many was not to go off the grid, but to not find themselves without power for long periods over uncertain lengths of time.	Lesley	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:56:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is becoming too expensive have Eskom electricity. It is unthinkable that the government punishes those who spent a lot of money to avoid outages. Eskom is unreliable	André	retired

	2026-08-27 16:56:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not believe that electricity consumption prices will come down. This is just an added tax. It is also short sighted as it will drive people further off grid, likely going fully off grid and supplementing the rare shortfall with personal generators.	Ryan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:56:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tony	retired
	2026-08-27 16:57:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have saved for years to be able to install a solar system, needed because Eskom failed to provide the nation with reliable supply. At the moment I pay our municipality fixed monthly amount of nearly R500 just for my municipal connection even if I don't use any electricity. I see no reason why I must now pay an additional tax to Eskom to help maintain their infrastructure. Eskom, it's time to stop acting like thieving thugs.	Terence	retired
	2026-08-27 17:00:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		wayne	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:00:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-08-27 17:06:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erica	retired
	2026-08-27 17:06:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bart	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:07:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been incompetent and corrupt and unreasonable to expect users to keep paying for this. Electricity prices have increased 400% since 2010. It is criminal to penalize and charge fixed fees when Eskom gave its customers blackouts contributing to destroying industry and economy. Solar and batteries around the world has stabilized grids and provided cheaper power. Eskom is over staffed overpaid, under skilled and needs to be reformed and privatized.	Peter	business owner
	2026-08-27 17:14:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the residents be punished for coming up with initiatives	Max	retired
	2026-08-27 17:15:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Until the home solar generator is fairly rewarded for back-fed over-production power (daily capacity continuity generation, beyond full battery, fed back into the grid) the present status is NOT to be altered! When this capability exists, then the fixed base residential proposal may enjoy "sensible" revisiting/consideration, set at a perpetual one-time number, each way! Home solar systems, as with the grid, similarly suffer MAINTENANCE costs!	Ken	retired
	2026-08-27 17:16:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:19:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna	retired
	2026-08-27 17:21:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government originally gave tax incentives for owners to install solar systems and now that they have incurred the expense to install solar and reducing the demand on the grid they want to introduce a fixed monthly availability fee. Furthermore, Ramakgopa wants to give between 200 and 300kW free electricity to millions of households and reduce tariffs. How on earth can he do that. In my home we use 210kW per month. Does that mean that I will receive free electricity, although I pay personal income tax, property tax, etc.	John	retired
	2026-08-27 17:22:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Muhammed	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:25:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Este	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:26:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power was a neccessity as my husband works from home and could not be without power during loadshedding. We had to take out an additional loan to pay for the solar system that we are still paying for. We don't use ESKOM power, but do like the option of them being a backup system in long rainy seasons. I'd rather go completely off grid than be forced to lay for something that we don't use, the money gets stollen in any case.	Nicolene	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:28:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Notwithstanding years of mismanagement and corruption and continuing to pay the monthly service and administration fee and VAT the installation of generators and solar, at own expense, was necessary. Now to implement a direct connection/solar charge to supplement new structures is unacceptable. It becomes an open fee hiking initiative, as undoubtedly there will be further uncontrollable inefficiencies and costs that the consumer will be forced to cover.	John	
	2026-08-27 17:28:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having been encouraged with tax breaks to install Solar to help stop grid collapse, there is now proposed penalties associated with this. In addition to this, the carbon footprint of each household or business who has installed Solar has been reduced. Penalising people for doing the right thing is preposterous.	Tracy	business owner
	2026-08-27 17:32:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annegre	retired
	2026-08-27 17:48:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it totally amazing that when they couldn't supply electricity. Solar was being pushed and the result is load shedding disappeared, and now they want nail the people that made it possiable. Reduce the staff as it is common knowledge they are over paid and there are far to many. Yet on the other hand some business get huge reduction in price unit.	Howard	retired
	2026-08-27 17:49:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mike	retired
	2026-08-27 17:50:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay the municipality for connection to the grid regardless of how much or how little we use. Now, those who used their initiative during the hard years of load shedding, not to mention a sizeable portion of their income / savings, to install solar / batteries / generator will now have to pay extra for the privilege of having spent that hard earned money? The government, NERSA, and ESKOM must urgently consider the following before implementing any sort of energy overhaul: 1. Do not penalise those private citizens who helped you out when you couldn't even provide basic electrical services. Doing so will only encourage more people to disconnect completely from the national grid, regardless of the discomfort. Are you trying to make us choose between putting food on the table and keeping the lights on at night? 2. Allow those producing an excess of solar energy during the day to feed that back into the grid, such as happens in Cape Town. This will help lower ESKOM's operational costs and help households pay their rap[idly spiralling monthly municipal bills. And you can sell the excess electricity to our power strapped neighbours again. 3. Set up a system to ensure that residential electricity consumers do not fall victim to predatory municipal pricing structures because they, unlike businesses, cannot get their electricity from anywhere else at a better price. Remember dear government, you only get to cut open the goose that lays the golden eggs once.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-27 17:58:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Escom experienced trouble delivering electricity, they encouraged people to go for alternatives to lessen the demand on escom. Now that there is a decreasing demand they do a turn- around. If they want to go ahead with this, more people will go for the option to be totally independant from Escom. The result is fewer ratepayers left to cover costs. The proposed 300kw free electricity will become a huge stone in their financial shoe.	HANS	retired
	2026-08-27 17:58:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Let the government pay us all back for the money we have spent on solar. We had to go solar because this government failed to keep the lights on. And this is purely due to their theft, corruption and total inability to build working power stations & maintain existing power stations. How much money has gone down the drain over the last few years due to bad management, bad maintenance and failure to expand our electrical system correctly?? The mind boggles at the arrogance and cheek of thinking they can tax those of us who have had the foresight to provide our own power. And all because Eskom is losing money due to a lot of the paying customers moving to alternative means of power.	JANET	employed individual
	2026-08-27 18:00:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can they tax a person who out of his own pocket install solar. The government is pathetic with service delivery. The government do not own the sun. They don't deliver a service. Taxation in SA is, according to me, is a fraud	Willem	retired
	2026-08-27 18:07:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-08-27 18:07:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johnny	retired
	2026-08-27 18:10:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising citizens for making a plan to reduce reliance on the traitorous Eskom is absurd. Disincentivising the creation and use of more sustainable power while government has failed everyone by failing to transition and actively thwarting opportunity and investment to do for decades is shameful. Now you need citizens to bail you out? What, so you can steal more? No.	Jamy	
	2026-08-27 18:10:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Because of the poor service and load-shedding we were forced to install solar els animals would have died and companies would have closed. Its is not fair then that we are being targeted to pay more because of their poor service and damages caused. If we closed more jobs would be lost. By having solar we could still keep our doors open and people could still work	Marina	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:16:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-08-27 18:19:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our family invested over R200K on a solar system for our house, so that we could continue to run our businesses, education & household appliances like a fridge/freezer etc. The only reason we invested this money is because ESKOM has proved itself to be unable to deliver reliable service to households and businesses. Due to the numerous increases to fund (we hope) the improvement of ESKOM after wholesale looting, corruption & mis-management of the national energy provider, households now pay a high price per unit. ESKOM has failed to deliver on it's mandate and those that can afford it have therefore made another plan. If we are paying a high price for our units when we re-charge, you cannot further punish us for taking the necessary initiative, to protect our businesses, food etc from the failures of ESKOM.	Russ	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:20:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If escom is concerned about free loaders, they should have a standard connection fee for everybody and then charge less for the power consumption. This seems like a fair way to balance the books and to slightly lower the price of electricity to incentivise escom power over private solar installations	Philip	employed individual
	2026-08-27 18:23:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising citizens for making a plan to reduce reliance on Eskom is absurd. Disincentivising the creation and use of more sustainable power while government has failed everyone by failing to transition and actively thwarting opportunity and investment to do for decades is shameful.	Joy	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 18:32:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The municipality gives us high electrisity rates and loadshedding and when we decide to take matters in to our own hands they decide we should now too pay for just being on the grid?????They just keep taking more money and using 20% of the tax for infrastructure and other things and decide it's enough and take the rest home!!! Absolutely UNACCEPTABLE!!!!	Barto	
	2026-08-27 18:33:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think this is broad daylight robbery. The Goverment should encourage its citizen's to to go solar, and this tax is just another way for them to rob and steal us . Work with the people not against them	Erica	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:39:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	At first the Government incentivizes you to install Solar power and now they want to screw you for doing just that. This is total unacceptable and Government must know their place on earth and not playing GOD.	Joao	business owner
	2026-08-27 18:43:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In this time of climate crisis, the last thing any government should be doing is punishing people who are going green with self sufficient energy production. Whether that is wind turbines or solar panels. If anything, the government should be subsidizing the installation of such energy production devices, not charging the customer for having done so. Relieving the commitment of Eskom to provide energy should be celebrated and rewarded, not penalised and charged for.	Jane	retired
	2026-08-27 18:48:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not think it is fair to impose a flat availability taxes on roof top solar owners. The reason owners find themselves in that position is to solve the energy crisis that was created not by them but by the system.There must be some form of credit given to them for daytime energy injection offsetting fixed network costs.	Deborah	
	2026-08-27 18:48:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens have spent their own hard earned money, in order to make existing in this country a bit more easier., by installing personal solar installations at the residences. Now this inefficient government and Eskom want to penalize us for that. They should be thanking us (and paying us) as we are freeing up available power from the grid that can be used to ease the burden elsewhere. Same applies to municipalities. We are freeing up power, that they can sell off elsewhere, and now they want to tax/charge/penalize us for making it easier for them. They can go to -------you know where~!	Selwyn	
	2026-08-27 18:51:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My home has a solar power installation, which was an expensive addition to my home. Like those of most other people, the installation was forced due to the euphemistically called 'load shedding debacle. I had it installed to ensure power to my home, not to save money. By this, I mean that the cost of the installation will possibly never be amortised because the actual electricity usage portion of my municipal electricity bill is dwarfed by those of all the additional charges. It means that my 'before-and-after' electricity bill has not significantly changed. It would be nice to go completely off grid, but Eskom has made sure that the cost of doing so too prohibitive.	Phil	retired

	2026-08-27 18:51:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally ridiculous. We have already spent money to save ourselves the extravagant electricity charges per kwh, now they want to tax us for this. When will this stealing from hard working honest people end???	Carien	employed individual
	2026-08-27 18:55:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cecil	retired
	2026-08-27 19:04:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support and agree with all those opposed in the various comments and statements. Ridiculous notion!!!! Government owned entities - do your own due diligence and do not rely on sly policy amendments to slide something through that has been beneficial to most electricity users and to Escom, no less! Thieves - all of you.	kerry-ann	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:06:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1. Window Tax. Withholding people from free energy usage. 2. By this logic, if I choose to make my own lemonade at home, I should pay excess tax for not purchasing ready-made lemonade from the shop? Same goes for any food, really. Why not allow the consumer to choose how much they want to use of your product? 3. If Eskom supplied properly and at decent rates to the actual paying community, we would not have been forced to find our own solutions. 4. Get every user of electricity to pay for their own usage. That way, you will have less "free-riders". Eskom and the department of electricity and energy does not know how to run their own company/ fulfil their responsibilities and expect others to cough up for their mistakes. 6. Government wants to "privatise" all the things they are responsible for. However, we still need to pay for a government. Why not allow privately run towns and cities to govern themselves then? Having this type of open market mindset is becoming more ridiculous and people and not realising the full extent of the outcome.	Jurie	business owner
	2026-08-27 19:19:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vincent	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:26:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am prepared to pay for the infrastructure upkeep as part of the cost per kilowatt. Anything you buy has fixed costs associated with it. Including deorecuation, repairs and maintennace. Those fixed costs are billed into the product and calculated as part of the product price. That's fair. Asking rate payers, the stupid sitting ducks you think we are, to pay for the use of the infrastructure unrelated to consumption is once again unfair and anti-market. If you choose not to do it that way then we will find a solution for that too.. like we had to when you couldn't provide electricity. When you destroyed with our economy because you couldn't provide electricity. We will create a private seller to sell to us per unit that we can use when we want. But we are no longer sitting ducks and we will not pay for infructure maintennce unrelated to consumption. Or i will buy a generator for thise days. We lived through load shedding so we are capable of living without electricity. Try us! I will dind a way to get off the grid compketeky as a result. Stop thinking government can just tax people out of the mess! You sell electricity. Now bill it for the consumption. Of thebproduct youvsell. I dont see MTN xharging a flat rate for their netwirk infrastructure. They charge per unit consumed. That the right way to do business. If you can't do that then hand over the grid to a private organization who can. I'm tired of incompetence, bad systems and easy scapegoats needing to foot the bill. But this does reveal the major problem with electricity. Most of the users are not even paying for their consumption, and now the oaying customers have moved to solar. So how do you extract from those people? That's what's being revealed here. And once again the sitting ducks must shut up and pay. We'll no more... I'm not paying a flat fee so that thieves can continue to steal electricity and the municipalities who can't collect burden law abiding citizens as a quick fix	Lenise	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 19:28:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The SA taxpayer has already bailed out Eskom to the tune of R250 000 000 000. We have already been penalised. The unintended consequence will be that they will loose even my R1500 per month as I will just add more, more panels, more batteries and another inverter and go off the gird competely. On our farm we are already paying R12000 fixed charges without a single kWh used its robbery!!	Ilze	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:38:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-08-27 19:41:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity already un affordable	Maria	retired
	2026-08-27 19:41:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merle	retired
	2026-08-27 19:42:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roger	retired
	2026-08-27 19:49:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM is a state monopoly. This is unacceptable. Monopolies do not work. The state has no business with electricity creation in South Africa. ESKOM cannot provide enough reasonably priced electricity for everybody. But it wants FULL CONTROL nonetheless. That is why alternative sourcing of electricity is punished as a threatening competitor to an ailing state monopoly.	ANTHONY	retired
	2026-08-27 19:54:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Gary	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:59:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is no reason why Eskom should have the right to apply a fixed fee for those households that have Solar. The Solar industry has blossomed because of Eskom's incompetence!!! Now that we have other solutions to Eskom, Eskom needs to sort out a business model that works for them, as opposed to just penalising the Public!!! It's an absolute travesty that Eskom should be even allowed to impose a fixed fee on any of their customers. Fair's fair!! You pay for what you use!! There is nothing to discuss!!!!!	Owen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:05:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is quite ridiculous and intimidating that Eskom now want to punish people with Solar . They should be thankful that most still partially use Eskom but many will probably aim to become 100% Solar	Hans Joachim	retired
	2026-08-27 20:12:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hester	retired
	2026-08-27 20:19:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	God given us the sun for free. How can they charge us for sun energy and roof top solar panels? Eskom management failed to manage and maintain the electricity and waisted large amount of money to buy expensive luxury vehicles for there own personal benefits instead using their funds for maintenance and reasonable salaries for their workers. Now South Africans suffer the consequences due to Eskom management's negligence and greediness. Now that they are financially in trouble they want to get extra and unfordable the funds from us to recover their losses by increasing the monthly electricity bills forcing us to pay for our own generated electricity such as solar panels and putting financial pressure us, the consumer. Isn't it corruption??? As it is food, fuel, school fees has become unfordable for most struggling South Africans, yet Eskom takes it all from South Africans to benefit their own pockets. It is so clear that even the world can see how corrupted they are.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-27 20:32:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonwabile	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:33:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner. Over the lst ten years i have seen how unbridled third tier government has eroded my money and taxed me almost to the point of having to sell and move to a smaller town outside the metropoles. Solar energy has offset the crippling cost of and unreliability of first tier government's electricity supply (Eskom), but if this is introduced i will have no alternative but to revert back to paraffin lamps and move away from the City. What makes this worse is the Large power consumers (Mines, Smelters etc.) are offered preferential tariffs that are this indirectly subsidised by us poor pensioners and residential families. Exporting of power to other neighbouring countries is also concerning. Look after your own citizens first and treat all consumers EQUALLY!!	Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 20:36:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-08-27 20:44:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:45:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goose is done. No more eggs. No more gold. The money tree is also gevrek.	Christiaan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 20:50:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 20:53:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Su-yen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 20:54:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizelle	
	2026-08-27 20:55:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is outright crookery! How dare the government cause the problem and then make us pay for it. The sooner they're voted out of government, the better.	Joan	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:00:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Rita	
	2026-08-27 21:02:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is daylight robbery for those residents who used their own hard earned money to pay for solar installations to now be subject to charges.	Hazel	retired
	2026-08-27 21:02:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs.	Johannes	retired
	2026-08-27 21:05:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Aydan	business owner
	2026-08-27 21:06:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the government is trying to screw consumers. At present our electricity bills are exorbitant. People lucky enough the be able to afford solar panels are now being punished for lifting the pressure on the grid. Democracy in this country is non existent. The government is supposed to look after the people but all they do is take, take. How are we supposed to survive. Enough is enough	Diane	retired
	2026-08-27 21:11:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The culture of non payment and mismanagement need to be resolved. The ordinary citizen is overburdened with excessive taxes and paying for ineptitude and state control	Antony	business owner
	2026-08-27 21:15:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	

	2026-08-27 21:18:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SUN IS A GIFT OF NATURE FROM GOD AND SHOULD NOT BE TAXED TO RAISE REVENUE FOR THE GOVERNMENT.	KOLAWOLE	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 21:23:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	retired
	2026-08-27 21:34:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Why must we oay fir tgeir inefficiency and incompetece. Iinstalled solar as there are often power outages in our area. This was at a huge cost to me. If they were clever they wiuld allow us to feed back into the grid and that extra electricity could go to poor households at a cheaper price. We are relieving the pressure on power supply and now we must pay extra for helping!!!	Helen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 21:42:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot control the free market so they are attempting to regain market share of the comsumers they already lost. If they reduce their redundant work force and lower their top management's salaries and bonusses, there would be enough funds so that they are not at a scramble after funds from the matket share try already lost	Barend	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:43:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I understand the grid has to be maintained, but far too few inept and corrupt municipal cronies go to jail every year for the money they waste or steal for me to believe that any additional tax in this country will be used correctly. Once all municipalities have clean audits and do their jobs, then we can revisit extra taxes. For the time being, cut the salaries of the fat cats on tax payed salaries in half to maintain the grid.	Nicolaas	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:50:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After years of inefficient management it always comes down to the honest tax payer having to bear the brunt. Eskom failed as a company to.provide a service, consumers made alternative arrangements instead of waiting in the dark. Further, Eskom has lost contracts with broader Africa countries - Lesotho and Botswana have already struck deals on alternative power sources causing a further blow to their larger income streams. Eskom must do like every other business - innovate, diffrentiate and offer good service or run the risk of becoming redundant not box customers in	Shaahid	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:58:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay a surcharge to this municipality due to them implementing their own surcharge when loadshedding was prevalent and loss of sales forced them to replace lost revenue. Now more! And Eskom stuffed this up in the first place! Not going to fly with me	Henri	retired
	2026-08-27 22:09:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After 2007, residents were urged for years to adopt solar to alleviate the electricity shortage, with Eskom and government offering subsidies to enourage the uptake of solar. It is absurd to now come back and penalise residents for following their urging. Moreover, the cost of running the grid/transmission system has not gone up due to the residential solar uptake, at all. If anything, the grid costs less to operate because it does not transmit these solar residential MWh. The fact that industrial solar farms have come into existence, that now require new grid capacity to get their output to market, has strictly nothing to do with residential solar. For too long that industry screamed from the rooftops (no pun intended) that they would deliver 'cheap solar electricity' but omitted the cost of the grid extensions they suddenly required, and the control systems and civil engineering structures that come with it. The cost of such grid extensions shall be entirely borne by the solar farm industry, not offloaded onto residents. Penalizing residents who on average each already invested a quarter million Rand to help Eskom cope with demand when it needed help, is absurd. It is further absurd beyond description that the government wants more money just to run the elec transmission system when in fact the government owes the SA population and industry money for having completely and utterly mismanaged Eskom, causing billions of rand damage from loadshedding alone, let alone the mismanaged nation's infrastructure (water, sewage, roads, traffic lights, security), some seventy bankrupted State Owned Enterprises, hunreds of municipalities, all entities which they inherited in good order in 1994 from the previous government. Problem is of course that the money the government owes us, is our own money. The government has no own funds, they mismanage our funds.	Geert F	retired
	2026-08-27 22:35:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-27 22:39:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Recent past indicated grid overload. Solar installation seemingly was marketed. Now that citizens have under stressful financial constraints have installed, there's new attempts to entrap us. Further, I cannot understand why we should pay "suntax" when God is the only being causing the sun to shine. Seriously is this even a point to debate?	Kenny	
	2026-08-27 22:45:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has mismanaged Eskom in particular and the electricity supply in general, so badly, that consumers were literally forced to make massive investments in alternative energy sources. These investments should be rewarded for reducing the load on the national grid such that Eskom was able to catch up on grossly mismanaged maintenance programs. Punishment should be meted out to the corrupt fraudsters and incompetent deployed cadres that caused the problem, and not to the concerned citizens that assisted in reducing the Eskom load.	Bruce	retired
	2026-08-27 23:06:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After 2007 residents were urged for years, with subsidies, to adopt solar to help alleviate the electricity shortage. It is absurd to now penalise us for doing exactly that. Residential solar has not increased grid costs — if anything it has reduced them, as those MWh do not need to be transmitted. Industrial solar farms that now require expensive new grid extensions have nothing to do with residential solar. They promised 'cheap solar' but omitted the cost of grid extensions, control systems and civil works. Those costs must be borne by that industry, not residents. Homeowners on average invested R250,000+ to help Eskom when it needed help. To now penalise them is unjust and opens the door to further corruption and abuse of power. Homeowners who went solar reduced demand and helped end the loadshedding crisis caused by incompetence and corruption. It is absurd that government wants more money to run the transmission system when it owes the population billions for mismanaging Eskom and collapsing our infrastructure — water, sewage, roads, SOEs and municipalities — all inherited in good order in 1994. Government has no own funds, it mismanages our funds. I will not support or pay any additional charge for privately funded solar, whether grid-connected or not.	Ina	retired
	2026-08-27 23:21:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They can't tax us for the sun. It's not theirs it was given to everyone on earth by GOD so it's not south Africa's to tax anyone on . Who do they think they are They are most certainly not GOD Why do they need more money but they keep telling to use as little as possible if I was selling I'd cut the price by 75 % then everyone could afford to buy all the electricity and they would make lots of money. Does anyone at escom or the anc know anything about marketing. Volume makes money not theft by price increase. Does anyone know anything about anything. They never stopped loadshedding The motorists and industry paid stupid prices for legally buying grossly over inflated diesel . That money allowed them to use the diesel generators, now Cyril is using that slogan for electioneering . Don't allow your vote to be bought from lies.	Johnny	retired
	2026-08-27 23:30:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I totally reject this proposal. Technically, households with solar and batteries reduce grid demand, peak pressure, network losses and the need for additional generation capacity. Imposing high unavoidable fixed charges weakens the incentive to invest in energy efficiency and renewable energy and effectively makes consumers pay for electricity they are no longer using. Any network charge should be transparent, proportionate and based on the actual cost of keeping that household connected—not used to recover revenue lost because people have reduced their dependence on the grid.	Brain	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 23:32:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-08-27 23:39:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stanley	retired
	2026-08-27 23:40:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this government were more efficient and had properly addressed the corruption, mismanagement and looting at Eskom, instead of allowing policies and procurement practices that have placed enormous costs on the economy, ordinary South Africans would not be forced to "make a plan" just to keep the lights on. Load shedding did far more damage than simply inconveniencing households. Businesses were forced to shut down, relocate or invest heavily in alternative power solutions. Companies had to purchase generators, install solar systems, invest in batteries and absorb the cost of diesel and maintenance—all because Eskom could not reliably provide the service customers were already paying for. Eskom carried little or none of those additional costs; businesses and consumers did. Now, after citizens have invested their own money to become less dependent on an unreliable electricity supply, we are apparently expected to pay even more. Electricity prices in South Africa have increased dramatically since 1994. The average price has reportedly risen from around 10.32 cents per kWh to approximately 188.07 cents per kWh—a staggering increase of about 1,722% over three decades. And now you want to tax people for generating their own electricity? If citizens had not been pushed into installing solar because of years of mismanagement, unreliable supply and escalating electricity costs, most of us would never have had to make that investment in the first place. What is next—a tax on generators? And will Rand Water start taxing people for storing water in tanks because they have had to prepare for water shortages and interruptions? People are not installing solar, generators or water tanks because they are trying to undermine the system. They are doing it because they are trying to survive, protect their businesses and keep their households functioning. Instead of punishing citizens for becoming self-reliant, perhaps the focus should be on fixing the institutions that created the problem in the first place. South Africans have already paid—through higher tariffs, lost productivity, business closures, job losses and billions spent on backup infrastructure. Now you want more money from the very people who had to spend their own money to compensate for your failures? Pathetic, to say the least.	Steven	
	2026-08-27 23:44:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People had to go solar to avoid loadshedding and the frequent power outages.. Residential solar has allowed Eskom to no longer load shed because their demand load has been permanently reduced. Go after the illegal connections to recoup funds. Not the people who have moved away from a shoddy service provider. Eskom HAD THE MONOPOLY and still couldnt get it right. Now they want to charge people for NOT USING their intermittent failed service.	S	self-employed
	2026-08-28 00:02:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jakes	employed individual
	2026-08-28 00:03:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ayanda	self-employed
	2026-08-28 00:13:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-28 00:15:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private residential electricity with grid tied solar systems helped South Africa avoid black outs when Eskom could not manage the grid. That investment should not be punished with unavoidable fixed rates. Forcing fixed rates will have many solar systems opt out of the grid altogether in protest which will mean Eskom gets zero revenue from those users. It would be better to recoup costs through industrial and corporate customers that can afford the subsidy.	Lukas	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 00:25:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Given the inability of the state to provide reliable power and prevent load shedding for many years, it is hardly a surprise that households and businesses took matters into their own hands to relieve the burden on the state. They should not be punished now for having installed their own solar PV and/or battery systems. When they draw energy from the national grid, they should still have to pay a reasonable fee for doing so and benefitting from that service.	Ken	employed individual
	2026-08-28 01:06:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Why should citizens be punished for government failures. The minister agreed that 907 % increase in electricity is a consumer burden. There's no contributions done by government to install solar and tax is already charged when you buy it	Rasefudi	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 03:18:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They could not provide electricity for a decade, they knew they were at fault and even introduced tax rebates. Now since a lot of people installed solar and removed load from the ailing and bad managed network the network can keep up again and now they want to penalise us for taking initiative which they encouraged when it suited them.	FRans	retired
	2026-08-28 03:45:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	business owner
	2026-08-28 04:33:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you get charged for solar. The sun does not belong to eskom. Eskom is failing and people are making a plan to survive. Now we must pay for something that is free.	Hendrik	
	2026-08-28 04:51:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		al	business owner

	2026-08-28 04:57:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dan	retired
	2026-08-28 04:57:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Coster	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:17:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-08-28 05:25:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to invest in solar because of Eskom's inability to provide electricity and Eskom's plea to use less electricity and will now be penalized for reducing my dependence on Eskom.	Andries	self-employed
	2026-08-28 05:30:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jenny	retired
	2026-08-28 05:37:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicolina	self-employed
	2026-08-28 05:38:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Captive and manipulated pricing penalising private initiatives to keep our own businesses running efficiently due to government incompetence	Brendon	business owner
	2026-08-28 05:40:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Koos	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:40:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	
	2026-08-28 05:41:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot keep penalizing citizens that you have forced to invest in solar at a cost of the consumer, due to the governments inability to provide electricity. Since 2007 the electricity has increased over 900 percent due to theft and coruption, by the ANC , this has forced people to invest in solar so that they can afford uninterrupted electricity. You don't own the sun! The government is the cause of people moving to solar and the consumer should not bear the cost of this	Stuart	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:43:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It relates to the supermarket taxing me on planting my own vegetable garden!!!	Laurie	retired
	2026-08-28 05:48:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Backup solar has already been taxed at VAT during installation and maintenance, and in Johannesburg, we are still experiencing 1. constant grid power failure from City Power 2. Excessively high above inflation increases in the price of kilowatt hours 3. The country is still paying for Eskoms poor governance and financial mismanagement. It is apparent that the State wishes to further squeeze the already constrained middle-income citizens which is simply wrong. I do not support this charge	Muzaffar	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:00:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wentzel	
	2026-08-28 06:05:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:09:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-28 06:15:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joe	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 06:16:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anke	
	2026-08-28 06:20:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Already struggling to afford daily living. Adding additional costs will just kill the economy.	Jopie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:23:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely unacceptable that I must pay the municipality/escom for a service I had to buy and paid a huge amount for when they could not provide electricity. The rates also keep on going up and as pensioner it is becoming impossible.	Maria	retired
	2026-08-28 06:23:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired individual I spent a great deal of money to install solar so that I, an elderly woman on her own, would not be left in the dark. I simply cannot afford any further charges.	Patricia	retired
	2026-08-28 06:27:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unacceptable that I must be penalised for government gross incompetence and corruption.	Bridget	retired
	2026-08-28 06:31:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tanja	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:31:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I did my bit to help Eskom and SA by paying a lot of money to buy and install a solar system in 2022 when the loadshedding was really bad. Now you want to punish me for being a good citizen? This is once again an absolutely disgraceful proposal and needs to be shot down with the contempt it deserves by all law abiding citizens.	Mike	retired
	2026-08-28 06:32:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is another assault by an incompetent government on individuals who have had no alternative but to provide for their own needs on electricity. Not difeferent from having to pay for own security and many other services that were supposedly covered by our extremely hiogh taxation rates.	C J	retired
	2026-08-28 06:32:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Connection to the grid was paid for when first installed in each residence. Rewiring of each residence is at homeowners own experience anyway. Grid maintenance is the municipality's responsibility and duty, and should have been being done on a continual basis. That the municipality has shirked it's duty does not entitle it to charge residents a second time.	Joy	retired
	2026-08-28 06:33:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom has driven ordinary South Africans to resort to alternative power sources because: a) Electricity prices keep rising unreasonably, despite the fact that many of us are struggling to make ends meet in a stagnant economy. b) Our power supply has become unreliable, with power cutting unexpectedly, sometimes even for days. No one reimburses us for food that we have to throw away, or for the work disruption that this causes for those of us who are self-employed and work from home, as I do. >>> The reason that Eskom's rates keep rising is that we are footing the bill for its corrupt and inept management (including Eskom's refusal, over the years, to maintain the grid). To add to this, the rolling power blackouts also translated into less money flowing into Eskom's coffers. This was no fault of the consumer. Eskom brought it upon themselves. >>> For those of us who have installed solar, or are on the brink of doing so, this is an additional expense that Eskom has forced us into, yet Eskom now seeks to punish us for wanting relief from their unreliable and increasingly costly service. How is this fair? >>> When Eskom first started running into trouble (because of ineptitude and corruption), we were urged to look into alternative power sources, but now, they're turning the game around, and seeking to charge us what is effectively a "sun tax". This is immoral and unethical, and it's also immoral and unethical to call us "free riders", as we will still be paying for those units of electricity that we will be consuming.	T. Matthew	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:35:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mone	
	2026-08-28 06:36:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernard	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:37:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Toni	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:39:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		John	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:40:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Troy	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 06:44:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nkateko	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:46:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Laughably pathetic. Absolutely disgusting. I'm speechless.	Stephan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:47:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising consumers for solving the electricity problem by installing solar at their own expense is not only highly immoral, it will aggravate that paying customer base further, and only serve to chase them off the grid and discourage solar export.	Justin	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:49:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Historically municipalities have been unable to supply stable electricity feed due to unmaintained infrastructure, yet rates are paid every month. In the last month our street was without power for 5 days. This is the third incident this year. In order to have stable power alternative plans have been made. It is now unfair to penalize users for making a plan when the municipality that was paid could not.	Anneli	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:53:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-08-28 06:55:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Unbelievable. You cannot supply services that are reliable and in line with what the people can afford even to begin to function. Sort your 'failing house' out. Offer a realistic economical solution. Open the market. Stop penalising citizens for trying to survive.	Sharon	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:55:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amy	retired
	2026-08-28 06:58:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gordon	retired
	2026-08-28 06:58:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired

	2026-08-28 06:58:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Vicky	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:59:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government failed me iro providing consistent electricity and now want to penalise me for providing this for myself, this is discrimination and completely unacceptable!	Amelia	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:00:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is rediculous, and it's time the government start owning up to all their stealing and corruption.	Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:04:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I am writing to formally register my strong objection to the proposed restructuring of electricity tariffs towards mandatory fixed capacity charges for grid-connected solar and battery system owners. Unfair Financial Burden Following State Failure: As a property owner, I was forced to make substantial private capital investments in high-capacity solar equipment and batteries strictly to guarantee power continuity due to the state's persistent failure to manage load shedding. Penalizing citizens and businesses who stepped in to solve an energy crisis with private funds—by now imposing fixed connection taxes—is economically unjust and retroactively undermines private investment. Economic Disincentive and Risk of Grid Defection: The grid requires maintenance, but punishing embedded generation with heavy baseline charges alters the return on investment for small-scale generators. If grid connection charges become unreasonable, it will force property owners like myself to expand current battery and solar capacity slightly to disconnect entirely from the grid (go off-grid). If a significant number of private generation owners proceed with total grid defection, municipalities and Eskom will lose 100% of the remaining revenue from these properties, worsening the precise cross-subsidization and revenue issue this policy claims to address. Conclusion: I urge the Department of Electricity and Energy to reject mandatory fixed connection charges for properties with small-scale embedded generation (SSEG) and instead implement fair, incentive-aligned frameworks that encourage remaining connected to the grid without penalizing self-reliance.	Stefano	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:05:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theuns	retired
	2026-08-28 07:07:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Impossible to keep paying for what you do not use and getting penalties for own expenses .	Alet	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:08:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gayachund	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:08:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-08-28 07:09:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erica	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:09:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-08-28 07:10:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Make it easier to sell electricity back to the grid and make your money that way. It will be more efficient too as most house hold batteries ate charged up by mid day.	Alewyn	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:17:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why did we installed rooftop solar aray ,because Escom failure to supply energy on a daily basis.Now want to charge one,nonsense!!!!!!!!	Louis	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:18:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thys	retired
	2026-08-28 07:19:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:20:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Herbert	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:21:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gretha	
	2026-08-28 07:22:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marco	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:24:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorna	retired
	2026-08-28 07:24:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We moved to solar as Eskom and their own crises urged us, we already pay exorbitant rates, we should not now be held captive.	Jaco	
	2026-08-28 07:25:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	stop wasteful spending and employ knowledgeable people to do the work. not the incompetent highly paid ones.	lindsay	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:25:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caroline	retired
	2026-08-28 07:29:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nikki	
	2026-08-28 07:31:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The households are dependant on electricity for babycare, seniorcare and medicalcare in households. Eskom is not concerned about these people when the fail to deliver basic services which we pay for. The people had to make plans to support these vurnable people and now they want to penalise them for entering into loans because for survival. This is against all human rights because you are taking away food from the table of already financially stretched families. I am taking care of a sick parent. Must I watch them die while Eskom is pocketing money instead of using it for the good of the paying citizens?	Helena	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:32:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Estelle	retired
	2026-08-28 07:34:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not agree with additional taxes on own post tax solar investment to recover inefficient municipalities costs.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:35:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state couldn't provide us electricity because of fraud, and incompetence. They took one of our most basic needs away. I couldn't work because of that. We made plans , now we must be penalized for that? NO WAY!!	Laetitia	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:35:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another ploy to have the regular ratepayers who took their own money to install a solution that Eskom couldn't deliver on - for basic needs. Now they want to load their issues onto them again. Should everyone then that has a generator also register? What about the enormous amount of electricity that is being stolen? So the regular rate payer is once again just bailing out the shortfall created by illegal connections and corrupt municipalities that doesn't pay Eskom what they owe - which they don't mind collecting from the ratepayers.... So the law abiding ratepayers are once again the ones being milked to fill the void that the municipalities and illegal connections are creating.	Eben	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:35:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:36:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:40:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	retired
	2026-08-28 07:42:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jim	retired
	2026-08-28 07:45:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Gail	retired
	2026-08-28 07:46:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First Eskom said, please use our electricity sparingly ? Now they want you to pay even if you don’t use their electricity ? ? ?	Henk	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:52:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gareth	
	2026-08-28 07:53:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair that people paid for solar when Eskoms infrastructure was a mess, too reduce load, and now will be taxed for this nonsense	Bronwen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:53:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iqbal	retired
	2026-08-28 07:55:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop wasteful spending and employ knowledgeable people to do the work. Not the incompetent highly paid ones. Stop pemelising the consumer for your incompetence. We pay enough with less income. We CAN NOT and WILL NOT pay anymore. Sun energy comes from God not this incompetentence government	Marinda	retired
	2026-08-28 07:55:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At great sacrifice and expense, some homeowners chose to develop their own infrastructure in response to state failure. This reduced pressure on the grid and results in myriad people who would have gone without, to have a power supply from the less pressured grid. What's more, is the same sector who have done this are also being taxed TO DEATH, supporting all the OTHER state failures and misuse of funds. Finally: I own my home. I own the infrastructure that I installed. And the State doesn't own the sun. So go and find your extra funding somewhere else.	Natalie	business owner

	2026-08-28 07:59:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glynn	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:59:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At the height of loadshedding, the result of corruption; neglect and incompetence, I, as a widowed pensioner, spent hard earned money from my taxed savings to install a solar system. The imposition of punitive measures to reimburse Eskom for their inadequacies does not support the accountability we South Africans demand.	Jeanne	retired
	2026-08-28 08:00:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not being directly supplied by Eskom, but via Tshwane, any increases by Eskom to those having solar, Tshwane would replicate these costs to their customers with solar. Applying additional charges and penalties, would 'push' Eskom/Municipal solar customers who are partially off grid to go totally off grid. Hence revenue would decrease further... Perhaps Eskom should concentrate on reducing operating costs, rather than increase the price to consumers!!	Steve	retired
	2026-08-28 08:00:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is typical sweetened poison-pill legislation which is an unfair unconstitutional and dishonest way of legislating. Unacceptable, start writing the policy from scratch and separate the public interest issues so voters can properly participate.	Marthinus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:00:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jimmy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:01:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicola	
	2026-08-28 08:02:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gill	retired
	2026-08-28 08:03:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rrekgetsi	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:03:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government advocated and even put in place mechanisms to incetivise private roof top solar just to relieve pressure on the grid during load shedding, this was my money that I invested and now that there is more generation capacity I am being penalized by being taxed. Eskom should look to fund their shortcomings from people not paying their dues, municipalities that owe them money, theft and graft within their own structures and stop the bleeding and then assess whether it is necessary to levy additional charges. Municipalities will use this as an excuse to make up for their shortfalls irrespective of their own mistakes and misappropriation of public funds. I already pay income tax, all the bailouts the SOE get come from public funds already, this new tax effectively means that I am being taxed twice. Eskom must become more efficient by privatization and be run as a proper business rather than look for external funding. Be fair, stop penalizing rate and tax payers and look inwards to your own incompetence and fix this, you will see you don't need to levy more. You will have a surplus.	Willem	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:05:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juanita	
	2026-08-28 08:08:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally unacceptable. We spent thousands of our hard earned money in solar, just to be able to keep the lights on and continue living a normal life, while the state was unable to to provide this basic need. Now they want to charge us for something they were unable to supply. Totally unacceptable.... In other countries, you can push your excess solar power to the grid and get a credit. Solar financial charges be municipalities or government, should not be allowed.	Phillip	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 08:09:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:10:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Asking consumers to pay Eskom a fee for power that they generate themselves at their own cost because Eskom cannot supply sufficient power is absolutely unacceptable.	Rod	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:12:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is outrageous The officials have stolen millions and no one is held accountable or in Jail but you expect normal citizens to have to pay extra for what is essential due to the citys power problems. Those with solar were saving their own skins and not the governments. And should not be penalised for others greed and corruptions over many years NO TO ANY EXTRA CHARGES	Susan	retired
	2026-08-28 08:14:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The way i see it, householders were requested to reduce consumption - this has now been achieved and the Goverment is blowing their own horns on how wonderfully they did in achieving it - but oops, now we don't get as much money as before, so great idea lets just tax the people who helped to fix the load shedding problem (with their own money) again and again, because the Goverment doesn't know how to fix a problem they created by any other way than taxing the few horses still trying to keep the country running, to death. I don't believe for one second that any of the money we pay ever goes to fixed network maintenance, it just disappears into a big black hole. Maybe if they collect all the outstanding money from the townships and from the Government officials, they will actual find out that there is money to maintain the network.	Theresa	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:16:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have had many occasions when electricity has been restricted snd has become very costly. Now we have the opportunity to increase electricity naturally, even at a substantial investment, the government are only interested in punishing those doing so, whilst making money and showing no care for the environment. Absolute corruption and contempt. It really stinks!	Janet	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:17:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We struggled for how long while ESKOM was unable to provide sufficient electricity. We saved, planned and 'piece by piece' set up our solar. Now we are going to be taxed? Unconstitutional.	Alison	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:17:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is heading for a tax revolt with unfair taxes aimed at productive contributing tax paying citizens. Do not be surprised if the economy is growing at 1% due to people who rather prefer not to work than to share an unfair slice of income with a government wasting it.	Frans	
	2026-08-28 08:18:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Competition could be good as long as caders of the government gets preferential treatment of the tenders. Currently it is not the situation the average South African must be protected at all costs and stricter enforcement of miss management to be enforced to the full extent of the law.	Thomas	
	2026-08-28 08:19:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Megan	
	2026-08-28 08:21:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lester	
	2026-08-28 08:24:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mismanagement and corruption at ESKOM is making ESKOM inefficient. Their incompetence lead to load shedding. The people of SA helped ESKOM by reducing usage and opting for self provide and now that same people who helped and adhered to ESKOMs cry for less usage and sparing the resources wants to punish the people of SA. Go to the townships and remove illegal connections. Collect the billions owned to ESKOM by government departments not settling their electricity bills. Restructure ESKOM to make it more efficient. In fact, privatize ESKOM!!! That will end corruption, fraud, tender fraud but to name a few.	Nico	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:24:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should be actively encouraging solar installations, not taxing them (or with a view to taxing them). Remember that, during Eskom's load-shedding debacle, we were INCENTIVISED (via SARS) to install solar? Now that solar makes a significant, and growing (and under-utilised), contribution to electricity generation, they want to tax us on what they previously incentivised. Perhaps they have a collective short memory...or just double standards. More solar reduces the need for additional generation (including the proposed, massively expensive, nuclear build at Thyspunt in the Eastern Cape). If Eskom was even remotely competent, neither of these outcomes would be necessary. Next up? How about a tax on air? (Based on both availability and consumption, of course.)	Nick	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:24:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again they are targetting the paying citizen instead of recovering the money for electricity from the state enterprises and people stealing, they are bleeding us dry.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:25:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed basic solar because the state could not ensure that the power remained on,even with continuous price increases. I will not now pay an additional tax on that investment.	Patrick	retired
	2026-08-28 08:35:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:42:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I disagree with having to pay a fixed charge or any solar penalties. We made a plan when Eskom couldn't, so we should not be penalised.	Diane	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:43:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philippa	retired
	2026-08-28 08:46:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eneth	retired
	2026-08-28 08:46:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-08-28 08:48:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First the government asked us to help them by generating our own power and besides the sunlight is free for all now we are expected to pay for this? I do not agree that we should pay for something that is generated legally and that for which we paid out of our own pockets.	Carlos	retired
	2026-08-28 08:49:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charging a higher grid connectivity amount for households using solar is extremely unfair. This is also anti-competitive and monopoly type of behavior. Eskom's failures have caused most private household solar users to move to solar. Households using solar reduces load requirements, so Eskom will not have to burn enormous amounts of money on diesel, thereby saving costs. I think households using solar should actually be incentivised rather than penalised.	UDESH	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:49:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We benefit Eskom by install solar to took pressure off the grid in critical times . Still helping to prevent blackouts. No reason to take more money via penalties.	Letitia	retired
	2026-08-28 08:50:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-08-28 08:51:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		dan	
	2026-08-28 08:53:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ana	retired
	2026-08-28 08:53:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is grossly unfair and yet another means of taxation.	Alister	business owner

	2026-08-28 08:53:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hylton	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:54:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. These fixed costs will negatively impact people who also do not have solar.	Marcus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:59:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We saved money to invest in solar, it costs a fortune. If the grid had been reliable and the consistency of power had been good most people wouldn't have invested in silent in the first place it's been done out of necessity for most households and therefore reducing the consumption on the grid which puts is coming in a better position	Debra	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:59:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So tired of gov and municipalities which are incapable of delivering and maintaining infrastructure, then bleeding the public to shore up funds required. Stop the corruption then we can talk????	Lynn	retired
	2026-08-28 09:00:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cynthia	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:00:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This law is unjust punishing consumers for saving electricity it is also against the constitutional rights of customers	Warren	business owner
	2026-08-28 09:02:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kuben	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:03:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As we are already paying for "service"charges and "network" charges the council STILL estimates our electricity usage! The network GPRS module they installed is there for exactly that purpose! No need to enter your premises BUT we are paying almost R1000 p/m for this unit which is there to provide the council with up to date data of our electricity usage. So the way i see it the council just wants to exploit us to make up for their loss of revenue any way they can...	Colin	retired
	2026-08-28 09:06:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:10:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ELIZABETH	
	2026-08-28 09:17:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Oldrich	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:19:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-28 09:20:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to create value else where. They are a business and they cannot rely on proposing regulations as a way to make money. They need to behave like a real business, sell goods and services, allow competition because it's not about their survival it's about whether the customer gets electricity or not. The customer is free to look for it wherever she can and what suits her needs.	Mpho	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:21:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:25:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-28 09:26:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom with their blatant theft and incompetence forced anyone that could afford it to get some sort of solar backup. They should pay us!!	Sherrit	
	2026-08-28 09:26:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government is continuously trying, with everything at their disposal, to have absolute control and power over everyone and everything. Adding to that their ineffectiveness and not having responsibility for basic rights This must be opposed!	I D	retired
	2026-08-28 09:27:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	
	2026-08-28 09:29:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am writing to express my strongest opposition to the proposed electricity transformation paper and its associated regulatory changes. For years, Eskom has failed in its most fundamental responsibility: providing a reliable, efficient, and uninterrupted power supply to South Africa. Unannounced loadshedding, decaying infrastructure, and operational failures have repeatedly brought the national economy to its knees, destroying businesses and placing undue hardship on households across the country. In response to state failure, South African citizens and businesses acted responsibly by investing their own private capital into alternative energy solutions—such as solar and battery storage—to keep their homes functioning, protect their livelihoods, and relieve pressure on the national grid. Punishing citizens for adapting to Eskom's shortcomings through increased grid-access tariffs, punitive levies, or unfair regulations on self-generation is unacceptable. Rather than burdening the public with persistent, above-inflation tariff hikes to cover operational deficits, leadership must address the root causes of the energy crisis: operational mismanagement, systemic corruption, and financial waste. Eliminating corruption and enforcing fiscal accountability within the energy sector would yield more than enough revenue to stabilize the utility without placing further financial pressure on struggling households and businesses. I urge you to halt the implementation of this policy paper immediately, protect independent power generation, and focus on fixing the public utility rather than penalizing self-reliant citizens.	Jade	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:30:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorane	
	2026-08-28 09:33:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way for money to flow to cadres for nothing. At a glance, now we must pay for nothing ?	Phil	retired
	2026-08-28 09:36:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to have fair charges to assist consumers with day to day living expenses.	Hannes	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:38:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is day light robbery.We assisted the state now we being punished sic	Mohamed	self-employed
	2026-08-28 09:38:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government initially gave a tax incentive for putting in solar during loadshedding now it wants to penalize these folk which is not fair. Stop paying the employees so much and use the extra money to fix the infrastructure instead of trying to bleed us dry.	LYNN	retired
	2026-08-28 09:40:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WILLIAM	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 09:40:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaunine	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:44:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. What a homeowner does "behind the meter" (on their own property between the plug points and the distribution board) is outside the statutory purview of the utility. My system is zero-export and protected by anti-islanding technology, and it imposes zero structural stress on the public grid, making additional billing levies irrational. Due to years of mismanagement and financial abuse at Eskom, the public MUST NOT be punished for this!	Heather	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:44:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dassault	employed individual
	2026-08-28 09:47:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a rate payer, my bill includes payeing for the grit	Sakkie	
	2026-08-28 09:47:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-08-28 09:48:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Utterly opposed to what amounts to theft, more especially as we solved the governments lack of electricty for them.	Douglas	retired
	2026-08-28 09:50:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Soon this government will be charging Oxygen taxes because you breathe the air.	Bernard	retired
	2026-08-28 09:53:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	
	2026-08-28 09:55:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government just wants money for nothing at this point	Roxane	
	2026-08-28 09:56:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power users are not free loading but are paying another form of tax because of the states inability to supply ample electricity. As a municipal resident apart from the electricity charge there is the added 'service and network charge'.	Leslie	retired
	2026-08-28 09:57:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antony	retired
	2026-08-28 09:57:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	retired
	2026-08-28 09:58:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another of many instances where this rapacious, corrupt and parasitic government wants to have their cake and eat it. They caused the huge problem in the country with their grand theft, anrtogance and incompetence, forcing businesses and home owners to go solar, which they also encouraged at the time. Now they want to penalize those that did - they can go to hell as far as I am concerned. A really odious bunch of scumbags.	Sergio	retired
	2026-08-28 10:02:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		lewis	self-employed

	2026-08-28 10:02:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHY SHOULD PRIVATE RATE PAYERS BE PENALIZED FOR INSTALLING SOLAR POWER WHEN ESKOM COULD NOT PROVIDE ELECTRICITY TO THE CONSUMER. NOW THEY HAVE LOST REVENUE AND WANT TO CAPATALIZE PAYBCK FOR THEIR MISTAKES!!!	EWALD	retired
	2026-08-28 10:02:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merle	retired
	2026-08-28 10:03:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Conan	business owner
	2026-08-28 10:04:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl-Heinz	retired
	2026-08-28 10:04:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government promoted solar installations via subsidies (which i did not benefit from) to alleviate pressure on the grid but is now penalising users unfairly. solar is not cheap to install and I would have never done so if we didnt suffer from load shedding/black outs. i can barely keep up with the rising cost of electricity as it is	NICOLA	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:06:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If there are additional charges levied, it will be financially viable to get off their grid entirely, and they will then earn nothing from us.	Michel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:06:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-28 10:07:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa is the only country in the world retarded enough to penalize people for attempting to be self sufficient and or independent. All it is are corrupt individuals upset that they won't be able to steal as much anymore. The state's failure to maintain their infrastructure should NOT be the problem of people using solar solutions. The cost of the little bit of power solar user consume from the grid already includes whatever is required for maintenance costs. The sun belongs to no one and human kind has zero right to tax something that is freely available.	Micheal	
	2026-08-28 10:07:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	
	2026-08-28 10:08:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is a disgrace. Because Eskom was load shedding, we went to great expense to instal solar panels and are now to be charged when all we did was provide a substitute for their total inability to provide power.	Tony	retired
	2026-08-28 10:12:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government relies on a certain sector to enable themselves during a government created crisis and then the government financially penalise that same sector. You can only bite the hand that feeds you so many times….before starvation.	Lee-Ann	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:13:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are alpeady paying availability fees, so why pay more?	Berrie	retired
	2026-08-28 10:13:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising hard working tax payers who are alreading offering up so much of their earnings to a goverment that does not use the money for its intended purposes but for their own pockets is absurd. The goverment could not support it's citizens, (by creating this electricity crisis) who are then forced to make alternative plans by installing hugely expensive solar systems now want to penalise its citizens for actually helping them by reducing the demand, shame on you!!!!!!!!!! Rather focus on cleaning up your act, and become honest God fearing leaders.	MARINA	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:16:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carel	self-employed
	2026-08-28 10:17:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar Penalties I think it's unfair to charge fixed tariffs for being innovative. and being held captive by state-owned entities who cannot produce. We had to spend money to have electricity when Eskom could not produce. No they want to charge us again because of there incompetence. Why do we have to keep paying??? It suited them fine when there was a crisis and we did not use electricity. No that the demand is lower the want to penalizes us again. You can't have it both ways ESKOM	Annetjie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 10:17:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not accept any monthly fixed charges to be connected to the grid. Those charges is way to much and out of proportion. For that amount of money a month for fixed charges I can expand my solar system instead of paying it to municipality and then be totally off grid. Why must I be taxed and penalised if I was not the cause of the power problems in the first place. Create incentives such as selling power to Eskom so that there is a reason for being connected to the grid. Its extortion to now try and recoop money for the loss by means of raising fixed charges to make up for the money losses. The fixed charges are more than what I pay montly for my solar system. Its absolutely rediculous. We will not pay it. Rather disconnect from municipality.	Heinrich	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:22:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renee	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:24:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are regular electricity breakdowns in our area due to poor maintenance and outdated infrastructure. At a critical time of daily load shedding and being depended on the use of a CPAP medical device I invested in a household solar system at massive cost. The President of the country, Pres. Ramaposa, personally promoted home rooftop units to decrease the demand. This assisted Government, the economy (decreased loadshedding) of the country as well as ESKOM tremendously and Pres. Ramaposa even offered a tax rebate on solar panels. All people using rooftop solar systems are continuously decreasing the pressure on generation, supply and demand for electricity and also the pressure on infrastructure. In effect solar generation assists with the protection of the network in the long run. The use of rooftop systems is actually a public-private partnership to assist Government. All self-generating rooftop systems are contributing to the economy and a reduction in the ecological footprint (global warming) with decreased need for burning of fossil fuels. It will be extremely unfair and inhuman to penalize those that assist Government. Considering the bigger picture the installation and maintenance of such solar systems also contribute directly to the economy, job creation and the government fiscus in the form of import tax and VAT. Government should rather look at the reform of ESKOM and effective use of resources.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-28 10:25:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can government gave a tax rebate one year to encourage private installation of solar panals just to hit you with this now? If they ahve manage and prevent loadshedding we would not have been forced to get solar ay high cost. It will take 12 to 15 years to break even on your investment made for solar. I would have preferred to invest that money somewhere else , instead of installing solar at the time, but was forced into rathet getting solar because of loadshedding	Gideon	retired
	2026-08-28 10:27:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Robert	business owner
	2026-08-28 10:27:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why do we have to pay for using natural elements when the ANC GOV cany supply us wiyh the electricity needed? Its like taxing rainfall for Godsake!!! Itd not fair and they can go fly a kitr gor all i care	Juanita	retired
	2026-08-28 10:33:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity consumers in South Africa have endeavoured to hedge against the unreliable and expensive power supply from ESKOM only because the supply is unreliable and expensive. Increasing the electricity cost even further will induce consumers to find alternative power sources.	John	business owner
	2026-08-28 10:35:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities and eskom has failed to produce good service, now that households have gone self relient on solar they want to get money from somewhere, stop the corruption and then you will have money.	Hermanus	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:43:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is grossly unfair for all citizens who have invested in solar power for various reasons. Why should we be penalised for doing this?	Tracy	retired
	2026-08-28 10:44:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marilynne	retired
	2026-08-28 10:45:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the fixed charges. I invested money to install solar panels to help with the electricity crisis: now I find I am to be penalised because of my investment. If I save electricity as a result of installing panels, I should not have to pay and elevated fixed rate.	George	retired
	2026-08-28 10:46:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is beyond ridiculous... Public households purchasing solar power (at high cost) has saved eskom! This would not even have been necessary if eskom had done their job properly. Now these households are to be punished by an eskom scam operation, to steal back more money! This is idea is criminal and embarrassing.	Gren	retired
	2026-08-28 10:47:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-08-28 10:50:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ann	retired
	2026-08-28 10:50:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ann	
	2026-08-28 10:50:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		wian	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:51:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-08-28 10:53:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Shocking! The government doesnt provide what we pay for and are forced to implement our own and then they imply its our fault because were not playing fair with carrying the maintenance load. Come on government, do your job properly and spend your monies wisely and we wouldnt have to had to implement our own personal systems. The government services get reduced annully but increase rates and services bills with impunity.	Cheryl	
	2026-08-28 10:57:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is trying through all means to recover revenue lost due to their incompetence and corruption which forced households and businesses to ensure that the lights stay on. Why has Eskom not reduced their over loaded staff compliment to reduce costs? We have had successive years of price increases but it is still not enough as far as they are concerned. NERSA has just bowed down to Eskom instead of dismissing their claims for price increases. Eskom have brought this on them selves so they can go elsewhere and not to private households for a start.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-28 11:00:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	President Ramaphosa told us to "make another plan" because of the problems at Eskom. So we did - at huge personal cost! Now they want to punish us because they did not think things through and only now realise that the people who installed solar are the only people who were paying their accounts!	Anita	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:06:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JGJ	retired
	2026-08-28 11:09:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom & Govt created the crisis through incompetence, fat cat salaries, BBBEE policies, indirectly forcing/ encouraging SABusiness and citizens to invest in solar . SA Businesses and citizens whom can afford it, responded by investing in solar alternative energy sources. This contributed to grid stability and end of loadshedding, helping Escom and the govt and SA. Now they respond with legislative measures via higher tariffs, indirect taxes and punishing SA for their contribution to a problem both the Govt and Escom created. Nepotism, poor management and incompetence is rewarded, contributing to higher inflation poor economic growth and unemployment.	Christo	retired
	2026-08-28 11:14:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the unbundling of Eskom and participation of private electricity generators. How can the government want to implement fixed charges & solar penalties when, a couple of years ago it was offering tax rebates for solar panel installations when it could not supply sufficient power to meet the country’s needs. As usual there is no plan just extortion.	Desmond	retired
	2026-08-28 11:21:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fred	retired
	2026-08-28 11:22:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESCOM couldn’t provide power, I purchased sa solar system to have power all the time, and reduce the power required from ESCOM. I now find that I will have to pay a significant connection charge which I find outrageous.	Peter	retired

	2026-08-28 11:31:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:35:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are being punished for doing something good I.e. installing solar panels in order to avoid black outs. Eskom could not supply sufficient power, hence we turned to another source for power.	Joe	retired
	2026-08-28 11:36:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-08-28 11:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-08-28 11:42:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So first cupcake says he will give us discount on tax to get solar and now they want us to be penalized not cool I support this government in nothing they have shown their colors and corruption has been the end all roads lead to its like being enslaved by this government in my opinion and then compare what we pay fir sewerage here compared to other areas they riding this horse into the ground	Enid	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:48:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are penalized because the State mismanaged the Supply of Electricity! Why must we now pay for their incompetence??	Judy	retired
	2026-08-28 11:50:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-08-28 11:50:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not that long ago this same government was offering incentives to people to install solar, and now they want to punish them for doing so.	Neil	retired
	2026-08-28 11:51:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They cant do there work steal everything and now want to Tax us after there failure	Neels	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:59:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joan	retired
	2026-08-28 11:59:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ferdie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:00:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynn	retired
	2026-08-28 12:00:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This Is Statutory Overeach. Leave the easy to tax Sector alone. We are already seriously overtaxed and are not willing to pay more just because we are captive. Sort out your corruption and use your current income more effectively.	Stephen	retired
	2026-08-28 12:04:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		G.M.	retired
	2026-08-28 12:05:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I say encourage/ reward solar as long as it is compliant and use the electricity you generate to restart all of the businesses that have shut down because of the lack of and price of electricity.	Richard	self-employed
	2026-08-28 12:08:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans have made arrangements to meet the shortfall of an ineffective and corrupt government, and had no objective to paying when a reliable service was assured, however, since citizens have been forced to make alternative arrangements, how can it be fair to now penalise them? Government should be glad that they may on occasion use the connected municipal power. Should there be a forced fee for being connected, more residents and businesses will simply go entirely off-grid and have their own backup, leaving the power provider with nothing.	Trevor	
	2026-08-28 12:18:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	
	2026-08-28 12:23:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tax the sun??? God gave us the sun.!	Graham	retired
	2026-08-28 12:26:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Whenever South African tax payers solve a problem which was created by the government ie. the ANC, they get punished with another problem which need solving. The government keeps on kicking the "problem tin" down the road, instead of creating solutions for problems ie. bad management and political interference in this case.	Christa	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:29:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. i require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Nadine	self-employed
	2026-08-28 12:29:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michèle	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:31:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I believe we should not be charged for making alternative energy plans for electricity problems caused by ESKOM's incompetence.	Curt	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:36:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The so called free-riding argument is not enough to affect the grid in such a capacity that it can not handle it. These are houses that existed on the grid before. And to top that off, if your aim is to install solar energy in order to negate the effects of loadshedding, most of these households are fully installed with batteries and backup reserves that do not require grid power at night. During the night as well, these are considered the lowest stress periods. If these houses are pulling from the grid at this time and it causes a problem, or an overload. Then how do you explain the grid not failing during peak generation in the day? This failure is purely coincidental, or linkd to night time vandalism and criminality. Not because a house with solar started pulling power from the grid again. If your arguent is based on statistics linked to failures and when they happened, you might want to double check where the failure happened and whether it was linked to vandals or lack of maintenance. Find the faults within Eskom and the government first before you make decisions that affect the population.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:40:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where the electricity supply is so unreliable that customers are compelled to incur additional expenditure on generators, batteries, solar systems, fuel or other alternative energy solutions simply to maintain a basic and reasonable level of electricity supply, this places an unfair additional financial burden on the customer. These are not costs that customers would ordinarily choose to incur. They are costs that arise as a direct consequence of having to mitigate the effects of an unreliable electricity supply. I therefore believe that there should be greater accountability for these additional costs and that customers should not simply be expected to absorb the financial consequences of failures in the electricity supply system. At the very least, the cost of maintaining the electricity network and ensuring a reliable supply should be properly reflected in the service being provided, rather than effectively requiring customers to pay twice—once for the electricity service and again for their own alternative electricity solution. I would therefore like to understand what mechanism exists for customers to obtain relief, compensation, or an appropriate adjustment where they have incurred additional costs as a result of an inadequate or unreliable electricity supply.	Roz	business owner
	2026-08-28 12:46:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Defeating the object. End goal is to try & keep cost down, preferably to zero with what nature provides. Incompetent service by government was the actual drive.	Elle	retired
	2026-08-28 12:48:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-08-28 12:50:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 12:51:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	Eskom as the rest of the anc government are a bunch of criminals and wants to steal even more from the taxpayers with this idiotic idee.	Jannie	
	2026-08-28 12:53:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Been forced to spend huge amounts of capital to lessen the impact of the incompitent provider, we are now been penalized for easing the load on the grid. Eskom, the only company in the world that ask you to use less of their product, and then penalize you for using less of their product.	Dawid	employed individual
	2026-08-28 12:54:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government through its incompentence to provide me with stable, reliable power to my home, causing damages to fridges and other appliances as well as loss of frosen meat that got rotten, have forced me to spend an enormes amount of money on solar to make sure I have stable electricity at home. I will not pay for your mistakes and corruption. Make Soweto pay for their services and stop stealing from hard working South Africans. The people will vote you out as this paper is just another proposal to steal from us.	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:03:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is Ironic that the same government that destroyed /Robbed Eskom want to charge Tariffs on those that have had to spend their hard earned money to install Solar energy now want to claim taxes from those that invested in Solar ... My solar costs R6000.00 per month (Rental agreement) because Eskom is incompetent and unable give me a product ....Why the F..k would anyone want to pay for something you cannot get ?? Surely the ANC party cannot get away with that bull s,,t !!! On the other hand , if the ANC government had installed the solar at their own cost i would,ve been happy to pay them a monthly fee for the system and energy :) I say they should re direct our paid taxes to up grade Eskom , employ competent people to run it and maintain Eskom ...Then i wouldnt mind paying my fees over .... Our next problem is water , wait , its coming !!!! We haven,t had water in fairlands now for over a week !!!!! and you know what ? at the end of the month , the bill is still same !!	Antonio	retired
	2026-08-28 13:06:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskimo through it's ineptitude has created the present problem with electricity distribution and failed collection of payments due by users. Therefore and as usual, to continue filling the bottomless pit of ineptitude, the minister chooses to inflict a punishment on consumers who had no choice but to turn to Sun Power. If the minister had, at Eskom's cost the equipment necessary to receive the Free sun's power, it would be fair for him to require payment for that electricity. But that is not the case. Essentially, there is no reason to penalise the consumer who invested his hard earned cash ; he has ensured his supply of electricity by tapping into the sun. But the ongoing cost of equipment is a continued burden on him and not on the minister! If the minister is looking for uninvoiced earnings, I suggest that he tours the country as a whole and sees for himself that thousands of users of his product are not paying a single Rand for the electricity they consume. Start collecting from them Mr minister. Then you can stop writing off overdue accounts and get finally to the point where No payment means No electricity. You may as well start cutting off the unpaid accounts of the various municipalities. Perhaps then we can even be surprised by a reduction of unit costs. That would certainly encourage those users of sun power to yhonk about disconnecting their solar systems.	Pierre-Yves	retired
	2026-08-28 13:08:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	
	2026-08-28 13:09:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	
	2026-08-28 13:12:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Martin	retired

	2026-08-28 13:12:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zimkhitha	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:12:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Kantilal	retired
	2026-08-28 13:15:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-28 13:39:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom had been a reliable supplier, none of us would have had to spend our own money to keep our lights on. Eskom even offered rebates for solar installations and now wants to penalize us for having those installations. That's just crazy.	Torsten	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 13:39:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-28 13:41:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leigh	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:44:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom was a reputable supplier without interuptions, solar would not be neccesary, how can someone be taxed for solar, free electricity from the sun? how can we save if electricity prices are so high and still rising, thus resort to Solar and Solar heating	Ricardo	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:46:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It should be a "right" to choose options to save money. If I have a choice in a democracy, and I want to walk away from blatant theft and corruption, unfair legislation, I want to exercise that right without being financially penalized. Theis goverment should cut down on expenses and "govern" properly. Taxes should be based on actual, legitimate expenses and citizens should pay levies to cover costs. Every province and municipality should be a self supported "public service centre". As the new tax complying strategy gains momentum, illegal electrical connections should be addressed so that everyone pays equal.	Adam	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:46:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am writing to formally and absolutely reject the structural proposals outlined in the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, specifically the mandate to impose unavoidable fixed monthly capacity charges on residential properties utilizing private solar generation. This policy is a transparent attempt to penalize South Africans for solving a crisis the state created, while shielding legacy monopolies from the consequences of their own collapse. Here is exactly why this framework is fundamentally flawed and must be revised: 1. For over a decade, ratepayers have suffered through load shedding, forced to use their own hard-earned capital to keep their households functioning. We stepped in to relieve pressure on a failing grid. Taxing us for this private investment under the guise of "network maintenance" is a punitive cash grab that actively discourages renewable energy adoption. 2. Middle-class households are already bleeding dry. When a family is already paying an average of R4,000 a month just for municipal water and rates before a single appliance is switched on, adding a mandatory fixed electricity tax to subsidize municipal revenue shortfalls is completely unsustainable. We refuse to be captive cash cows for broken local municipalities while massive corporations are granted wholesale market bypasses. 3. A forward-thinking government would be incentivizing micro-generation and grid feed-in to stabilize national supply, not threatening to tax self-sufficiency. If you want households to pay a premium for grid connection, you need to offer a grid that actually functions reliably and equitably, rather than simply moving the billing goalposts to protect bloated state entities. Consider this a definitive objection to any fixed capacity tariffs levied against private residential solar owners. Do not punish the very citizens who actively mitigated the energy crisis.	Jade	employed individual
	2026-08-28 13:47:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. We privately paid for our Solar, no help or subsidy from Gov. even though the problem (loadshedding) is due to the inability from government. Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	CARLA	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:48:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lenie	retired
	2026-08-28 13:50:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason why South Africa is in this mess It's because Eskom has misused and stolen public funds employing excessive unqualified ANC and Cosatu members to gobble at the pig's trough for years. By amongst other things supporting gangster cadres manipulating BEE and stealing coal, transporters swapping coal for rocks, wilfully damaging equipment to be repaired by monkey cadres with no electrical knowledge . From 1994 they kept shutting down multiple massive power plants That were just recently maintained at the time. Instead of maintaining the architecture that was there Eskom decided to start shutting down a lot of Capacity available to them then after that they introduced load shading and continuous price increases which pushed prices up. By over several 1000 percent pushing out Africa to Become one of the most expensive electricity suppliers in the world Far above any European countries and many other countries with stronger currencies than South Africa. They forced people off the grid due to heavy load shedding and ridiculous price increases year upon year. If anything the people in charge of eskom previously and Currently and their cadre mates should all be financially audited to see how they benefited by stealing money from that foundation and any and all people found to have stolen even a R1.00 Should be forced to pay back the money and serve jail time.Any logical person can see that it doesn't take 16 years to fix up a damaged system. They created the problems that exist today.	Rod	retired
	2026-08-28 13:52:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the most ridiculous tax anyone could have thought of. The sun is provided to al by God... And is free for all to use for whatever purpose you could dream of. It's like SAgoverment wants to tax God!!? What's next, a tax before you're allowed to pray?	Marius	retired
	2026-08-28 13:53:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johnny	
	2026-08-28 13:53:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this is implemented, it will have unintended consequences, currently I am connected to the Cape Town municipal electrical grid, but I don't draw electricity from them most of the year, my yearly electrical consumption is about 500kWh, drawn in winter. I am already paying R368 per month just to be connected, if this amount is raised significantly to improve municipal revenue, I will simply go off grid, an additional R30 0000 investment for a backup diesel generator will be paid back in just over 7 years. The municipality will be the loser, R30k is nothing to me but if large numbers of ratepayers go off grid, then they will earn less money instead of more.	Ben	retired
	2026-08-28 13:57:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to get solar because the government was unable to provide. Now that all the regular paying customers was chased away with non existing service, the grifters are not paying for their electricity. Sorry, you created the problem, steal less and you will be able to give electricity to paying customers.	Carien	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 14:01:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Customers who have installed solar panels at their own expense are taking the pressure off Eskom's crumbling infrastructure. They should not be penalised. In other countries, customers with extra solar power are even allowed to sell this back to the grid. Why does the government want to punish those who have taken initiative and spent large amounts on setting up solar?	Eve	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:03:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Going to be the same as Etoll. Everybody will just get off the grid completely and bugger paying any fees and penalties whatsoever !! Public resistance will win. They not going to come to everyone's house and rip off all the solar panels and reconnect you to a pre paid meter lol	Keegan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:13:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Governments' failures have caused citizens to resort to installing their own power generation (generators, solar, wind) at high personal costs. Now the government wants to penalize us for this. It is totally unacceptable. Governments needs to stop trying to take money from it people and spend more trying to fix the problems!	Regan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:14:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "Captive Ratepayer" Risk: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding set thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to bypass municipal grids to buy cheaper power directly from private traders. Ordinary households and small businesses will remain "captive" to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies.	Engela	retired
	2026-08-28 14:17:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Guilliam	business owner
	2026-08-28 14:22:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudette	
	2026-08-28 14:23:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have suffered countless power outages, the last being four days in the coldest temperatures all year. In desperation I took out some retirement savings to get solar power. These new propositions are a kick in the face to citizens who spent hard earned money (I am a pensioner) on an alternative solution, only to be punished for it. UNACCEPTABLE WE ARE BLED DRY BY INCOMPETENCE and enough is enough. This is just not fair.	Carol	retired
	2026-08-28 14:25:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Simple bite the bullet and go off grid.	David	retired
	2026-08-28 14:30:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mac	
	2026-08-28 14:32:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private consumers came to the aid in my opinion by taking strain off a grid that was not coping. Private solar that reduces system load should be encouraged, not penalised. Perhaps there they should address the opportunity to feed excess back into the grid rather than their negative stance of penalties.	lesley	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:32:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laura	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:34:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We as a Business spend quite a big amount on a Solar Power System to keep the production plants running. The constant unplanned and unexplained Power outages from Municipality supply grid put the Business in no other option to go to Solar to keep the business running. Therefore, it is unfair to extra charge the private businesses that step forward and make a plan to survive in the unforgiving business world out there.	Johannes Cornelius	business owner
	2026-08-28 14:51:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is NOT freemarket. The Goverment caused the mess and is now trying to get money from people that had to make their own plans to come up with have electricity 100% of the time like freemarket countries	Bernhardus	
	2026-08-28 14:54:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Imelda	self-employed
	2026-08-28 14:54:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Bruce	
	2026-08-28 14:59:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What a cheek to expect us to pay for having solar panels paid for out of our own pockets. We already have to pay a levy for just being connected. Because we were not able to have a decent electricity supply, we were forced to spend a large amount of money to remedy the situation. In the beginning Eskom were delighted and even offered tax incentives. By going the solar route Eskom was helped tremendously because otherwise the whole grid would have collapsed. Now because of their mess up they are wanting to fleece the public even further.	Aletta	retired
	2026-08-28 15:07:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have invested a lot in solar. I hardly use the grid. If I could disconnect, I would and just run a generator of the few days a year I need it. I already pay R500 fix charge to the CoCT for almost nothing. Rather than penalizing us, sort out the root cause of the problem - peak consumption - just change to TOU tariffs and charge double for peak times. Then backup users can sore energy to be used during the peak times, thus equalizing the grid supply.	Rohan	
	2026-08-28 15:13:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-08-28 15:19:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Etienne	business owner
	2026-08-28 15:20:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The failures of government led to the electricity crisis. The avarice of municipalities has seen a massive exploitation of ratepayers through the imposition of inflated electricity tariffs. In addition, Eskom power comes with one of the highest carbon footprints ion the world. It was therefore necessary in the light of the unstable supply, prudent from a cost perspective and in the interests of the planet to install solar. Now the government which in 15 years destroyed a low cost and reliable supply of electricity into an expensive a poorly run service seeks to penalise those its policies have already impoverished. It is not in the interests of natural justice or common sense to support this legislation	Michael	employed individual

	2026-08-28 15:27:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trish	retired
	2026-08-28 15:30:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hilda	retired
	2026-08-28 15:31:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natasha	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 15:32:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What is astounding is that the governments incompetence has forced consumers and the market to find alternatives, which are I might add, 100 percent carbon efficient ,and now they are going to be punished for resolving a crisis ,albeit on an individual basis, which was the governments mandate and responsibility. The failures of government led to the electricity crisis. The avarice of municipalities has seen a massive exploitation of ratepayers through the imposition of inflated electricity tariffs. In addition, Eskom power comes with one of the highest carbon footprints ion the world. It was therefore necessary in the light of the unstable supply, prudent from a cost perspective and in the interests of the planet to install solar. Now the government which in 15 years destroyed a low cost and reliable supply of electricity into an expensive a poorly run service seeks to penalise those its policies have already impoverished. It is not in the interests of natural justice or common sense to support this legislation.	Maureen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:35:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Des	retired
	2026-08-28 15:36:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What is astounding is that the governments incompetence has forced consumers and the market to find alternatives, which are I might add, 100 percent carbon efficient ,and now they are going to be punished for resolving a crisis ,albeit on an individual basis, which was the governments mandate and responsibility. The failures of government led to the electricity crisis. The avarice of municipalities has seen a massive exploitation of ratepayers through the imposition of inflated electricity tariffs. In addition, Eskom power comes with one of the highest carbon footprints ion the world. It was therefore necessary in the light of the unstable supply, prudent from a cost perspective and in the interests of the planet to install solar. Now the government which in 15 years destroyed a low cost and reliable supply of electricity into an expensive a poorly run service seeks to penalize those its policies have already impoverished. It is not in the interests of natural justice or common sense to support this legislation. copy	Dirk C	
	2026-08-28 15:36:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have installed at my cost solar on my roof and did it when our Country was experiencing load shedding. You now consider this free loading and I object most strenuously to this as you are now penalizing people who used their own funds to help solve a national crisis, apart from our actively trying to help address climate change. Now itis your plan to penalise us. Shame on you!	Andrew	
	2026-08-28 15:37:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:37:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My son has spent much money on Solar panels so we could stop having all these power cuts. Why should one be taxed for energy which is given to us by the sun? We even help Eskom by getting off the grid. What a cheek, what theft, AGAIN AND AGAIN. WHEN WILL YOU STOP ROBBING TAX PAYING PEOPLE? GOD IS WATCHING !!!!	Lydia	retired
	2026-08-28 15:38:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom are the most diabolical company on this Planet. We invest private money because they fail to provide reliable power, and now we get penalised for it ! They should rather pay us for putting power into the grid, like any "normal" companies would ! !	Mike	retired
	2026-08-28 15:40:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-28 15:40:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-08-28 15:41:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are over taxed in SA and we are fed up with the helpless anc government. I think it will be another corrupt money scheme for the anc.	Michiel	retired
	2026-08-28 15:43:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Regaogetswe	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:50:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Nico	employed individual
	2026-08-28 15:54:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to having to provide private power generation in the form of a solar system to compensate for government inefficiencies/ in-capabilities (including paying import duties and VAT on the installation of the system) then being 'taxed' again in the form of penalties for such an installation to help support Eskom still further.	Donna	retired
	2026-08-28 15:54:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	retired
	2026-08-28 15:56:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not even have a comment because that is how ridiculous this is. Go take care of all the illegal connections and those not paying as this resulted in the electricity issue in the FIRST place and creating the need for us to use back up alternatives such as solar which we actually take out loans to buy so that it pays off in the long run but at least we have DIGNITY of having the lights stay on!	Roxanne	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:04:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We got solar to alleviate the national grid and now they want to charge us extra. I do not support.	Kay	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:07:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges and Solar penalties will penalise the proactive members of the community who were motivated to act as a result of nil supply by Eskom. They will now be asked to pay for this historical mismanagement of infrastructure. A pro-rata charge based on actual consumption would be a fairer solution and should be easily calculated as consumption is actively checked on a monthly basis. Whether a consumer has solar or not, then the attributed charge for infrastructure is fairly spread.	Robert	self-employed
	2026-08-28 16:18:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges and Solar penalties will penalise the proactive members of the community who were motivated to act as a result of nil supply by Eskom. They will now be asked to pay for this historical mismanagement of infrastructure. A pro-rata charge based on actual consumption would be a fairer solution and should be easily calculated as consumption is actively checked on a monthly basis. Whether a consumer has solar or not, then the attributed charge for infrastructure is fairly spread.	Wally	retired
	2026-08-28 16:21:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eloise	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:34:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Forcing consumers to pay extra because they have found a solution for an unstable eskom grid, is daylight robbery.	Sipho	retired
	2026-08-28 16:41:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nobody should have to pay for something they don't use. If a household took the significant risk involved in installing rooftop solar, they should not be penalised for it. There could be many reasons why they did this, one of which might explicitly be so they could save money in the long run. It's unfair to require them to pay the same amount of money for electricity as people who don't have solar.	Graham	employed individual
	2026-08-28 16:46:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	
	2026-08-28 16:49:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oscar	employed individual
	2026-08-28 17:06:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must the consumer be forced to make use of the failing power grid. What about my freedom of choice? I can choose whose product I want to buy or use now government wants to force me to support the chaos they developed. NO No No	Riaan	business owner
	2026-08-28 17:08:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcelle	retired
	2026-08-28 17:15:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	**Submission on the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper (Government Gazette No. 55226, Notice 7841, 21 August 2026)** I object to the "discourage free riding" principle and to the proposed shift from volumetric tariffs to mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for grid-connected residential customers with embedded generation. **1. The free-riding characterisation is not cost-reflective.** Network cost is driven by a customer's contribution to system and network peak demand, not by annual energy throughput. A household with rooftop PV and battery storage typically reduces its evening peak draw and its coincident demand on the local network. Charging that household a flat, unavoidable fee ignores cost causation entirely and penalises the customer whose investment lowers network cost. If the Department believes otherwise, the burden of proof lies with it: no fixed-charge structure should be approved before NERSA publishes an unbundled, audited cost-of-supply study demonstrating the actual cost each customer class imposes on the wires business. **2. Municipal revenue shortfalls are not caused by rooftop solar.** They are caused by distribution and non-technical losses, non-payment, unmetered consumption, historical Eskom arrears, and decades of treating electricity surplus as general municipal revenue. Recovering that shortfall through fixed charges on the households that reduced their own demand transfers the cost of municipal financial failure onto compliant paying customers. The municipal debt and losses problem must be resolved on its own terms before the recovery base is restructured. **3. The policy is internally inconsistent.** The paper permits customers above the eligibility threshold to leave municipal supply and buy competitively, while residential households remain captive to regulated municipal tariffs. The state cannot simultaneously sanction defection by the largest, highest-margin users and label residential embedded generation as free riding. The free-riding logic is being applied selectively to the only customers who have no ability to escape it. **4. An unavoidable fixed charge is regressive.** It falls hardest, per kilowatt-hour, on low-consumption households, including indigent and prepaid customers with no solar installation at all. Any restructuring toward fixed charges must be assessed for its impact on low-use households, not only on embedded generators. **5. Private capital resolved a state supply failure.** Households and small businesses funded rooftop PV and storage because the state could not deliver reliable supply. That investment reduced unserved energy and deferred network and generation reinforcement. Those avoided costs are real and must be recognised in the tariff methodology. Grid-tied SSEG customers are also excluded from wholesale market participation under this framework, leaving them exposed to all of the cost and none of the value.	Gerhardt	
	2026-08-28 17:19:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I worked hard all my life and now I must pay for government and Eskoms problems. This is for me and my hard-earned money that I invested in my home. Why must I pay for government's inefficiencies. Why must I suffer just because I am a energy consciences person. Shocking what the government is doing to this country.	Jeanne	retired
	2026-08-28 17:24:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not fair to the consumer. Many people have spent a lot of money on installing solar, for environmental reasons, as well as so as not be dependant on Eskom, which for many years was so unreliable. People are being punished for being proactive, and in effect aiding the state and Eskom, by reducing their load on the grid.	Shelley	retired
	2026-08-28 17:26:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposal is nonsensical. When solar became available, Eskom actually paid a subsidy to get home users to reduce load on the grid. It's neither fair nor productive to now disincentivise and penalise users for helping minimise the risk and cost of Eskom's involvement. In addition, there is serious complication in terms of achieving a rational charge. If I use non-electric solar to heat my geyser water, Eskom will want to charge me for that, because I ought to be using their product? If not, why not? And how many panels, of what size, and what size battery, and what if the panels actually are out of action or switched off? How old, because they lose effectiveness with age? Will Eskom refund my use of the home generation system when its service is down? It does not save money to use solar power, it only increases the dependability of the supply. Solar power is environmentally friendly, Eskom's power is not, and the arrival of electric vehicles is going to pose a problem to the grid, so the nation needs every bit of Solar we can need. It's just foolish to penalise it!	Claude	retired
	2026-08-28 17:27:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 17:29:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Through no fault of the consumer Eskom failed to deliver. Initially Eskom pleaded with consumers to limit electricity usage and switch off appliances. These requests were continually broadcast on National TV. SARS subsequently encouraged the public to install Solar by offering tax deductions. At some considerable cost home owners installed solar to reduce reliance on Eskom and return to a more normal life. The installed solar also reduced day time load on Eskom enabling Eskom to more effectively utilise their pumped water generating systems. For Eskom to now demand what constitutes a tax on sunlight is unfair. By Eskoms own actions they encouraged South Africa to seek alternative sources of power and now want to penalise South Africans for doing just that.	James	retired

	2026-08-28 17:31:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-08-28 17:48:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My late husband installed solar for us before pass from cancer at age 90. He thought it would ensure I had electricity despite likely high price increases. Now at age 83, I am going to be penalized? Is this fair.....	Sheila	retired
	2026-08-28 18:02:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not see why I should be penalised because I installed a solar system due to your inability to maintain the electrical grid. if your proposals go through I will be forced to uninstall my system and rely on a generator instead. as long as you cannot provide consistent reliable electricity you do not have a right to penalise those of us who installed solar who have taken the pressure off your failing infrastructure. I suppose you will not allow us to go completely off grid because then you will make it illegal?	Jeremy	
	2026-08-28 18:35:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair to subdidise the incompetant government	Gerrit	retired
	2026-08-28 19:08:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		GJ	employed individual
	2026-08-28 19:21:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Byron	employed individual
	2026-08-28 19:23:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-08-28 19:24:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested at my own cost with no subsidy to provide continuous electricity for myself, as did others who installed solar . This helped the economy and the power providers and got them out of deep SH-T !!!!!!!!!! Now they are crying due to loss of income. They will never win us back, so become more efficient and competitive with your supply and pricing. work on keeping the remaining customers. We will not pay you a cent in fixed charges or fines due to your own FA CUP !!!!!!!!!!

	2026-08-29 06:28:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dehan	
	2026-08-29 06:39:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolutely ridiculous. Not only have I spent a fortune on solar to provide a service that is lacking from the municipality's side. I still spend between R3000 and R5000 per month paying for electricity from eskom. I pay my fair share...	Lee-Ann	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:46:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should not be penalised for having solar panels. We are still helping the state by reducing the amount of electricity they need to produce. If anything, we should be compensated.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:59:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:10:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will not pay for the government's mistakes! I invested my savings just to have electricity because the government couldn't provide so no, I'm not paying!	Andre	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:11:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The grid will remain under stress. Aging infrastructure and the countries furnaces coming back online will ensure this is a long term situation. The government gave individuals tax relief a few years ago and now they want to tax individuals. Rather utilise this HUGE resource to assist on the existing shortcomings.	Steve	retired
	2026-08-29 07:16:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is just plainly unfair and unjust to penalize residents who do not use Eskom electricity.	Karina	retired
	2026-08-29 07:17:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marida	retired
	2026-08-29 07:24:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely ridiculous that those who take initiative to go off grid and go green could be penalized in the future. Not to mention the capital outlay that many of us have had to fork out. There is NO way that we will pay any additional tax for using our own green energy!	Nicola	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:24:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 07:27:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zoon	retired
	2026-08-29 07:30:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Retief	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:34:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samantha	
	2026-08-29 07:34:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:39:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yashren	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:47:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government has caused this decline in maintenance to Eskom! Although citizens who pay municipal bills, and have paid for their electricity, have legal connections and pay their bills when due, it appears these same citizens are being expected to pay for mismanagement of Eskom. Constantly being penalized for being law abiding, endeavour to assist the government by paying for the installation WITHOUT ANY financial assistance from the same government, is becoming tiresome! Pay the managers and the ministers less, and base their salaries on competent performance until they rectify the problems they caused by zero maintenance, and perhaps then Eskom will do better. Let the managers manage properly, get rid of incompetent and excessively overstaffed areas within Eskom. Withhold bonuses from EVERY staff member, and see if service from Eskom will improve!!!! It's ridiculous that daylight, freely granted by God, is now being taxed too. Disgusting, really. GET COMPETENT STAFF WHO DO NOT INCREASE THEIR BANK ACCOUNTS, BUT ACTUALLY PERFORM AND DO THE WORK THEY ARE PAID TO DO! It's sickening seeing this decline.	Mariè	
	2026-08-29 07:47:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devon	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:48:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	self-employed
	2026-08-29 07:55:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The overload of taxation for a failed system is past ridiculous with no return on money taken - services like water, electricity, trains, road repair, accident fund... all hits the "missing middle" - can't get social services due to a salary (thank my Creator!!). Yet if I did get SASSA, it goes up R10 or so!!! Now with National Health on the horizon, my medical aid goes up and levies increase!!! This is a multiple level issue - from petrol, VAT, car license levies, tolls... private security, paying VAT on stolen goods... yax for SABC... NO Post Office... air pollution... the list seems endless. Eskom issues started as a few hours of load shedding then continuus sessions, I lost food in fridge and freezer contents in the R1000's!!! To protect my self and financial burden, over time I used my money, to get energy efficient lights, freezer, induction hobs, gas equipment - paying VAT everytime!!! Then came the generator that cost too much fuel, then solar water, then solar electricity... including VAT - private individuals can't dodge the VAT!!! I pay for electricity I use plus a connection fee already!!! All the above is not included in the inflation basket that feeds my annual increases so loosing money!!!! The next step is disconnection from the grid at a cost of more solar panels... soon the government will bring in an air levy, water levy... Sounds ridiculous but the government is killing us slowly!!!	Gavin	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:56:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers who installed solar spent their own money to buy solar panels. They should not have to pay for electricity they do not receive from Eskom. Taxing them for Eskom's failure to provide stable electricity is stealing.	Helena	retired
	2026-08-29 08:02:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alet	
	2026-08-29 08:07:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA need to place a strict framework in place to protect private users who have installed solar power, at great cost to themselves, in order to protect themselves from Eskom's inability to provide stable supply, from being susceptible to "punishment" for reducing their reliance on Eskom. How can Eskom keep asking us to reduce consumption as the network is under strain and then punish us for doing just that?	Evan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:10:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Please do not punish people who are trying to be self reliant due to Eskom's failure. We responded to the impact of loadshedding by having solar, not we are victims of that. Why can't we be allowed to benefit from Green energy?	E	business owner
	2026-08-29 08:15:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	retired
	2026-08-29 08:21:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michal	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:25:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With less demand for grid power, there is less staff and even less management positions to fill. Cut the staff complment and the shortfall in income is recouped without any further laws or changes to be legislated . After the incentive to subsidies solar panels this new proposal is a 180 degree turnabout. Not acceptable	Louis	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:29:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In my view it would be simply unlawful.	Naude	self-employed
	2026-08-29 08:29:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government, Eskom, City Power are not capable to provide constant electricity. Reason is that power plants have been neglected, were not maintained and all the top managers and some other senior staff, have stolen the money designated for maintenance, logistics and qualified technicians. By being penalised, more money will be generated to be stolen by corrupt officials and politicians. Money have been extorted since 1994 and now we as taxpayers must once again foot the bill. I am STRONGLY AGAINS ANY FIXED POWER TARRIFS AND ROOFTOP SOLAR. The sun is a gift from God and does not belong to the Government or any other human being, especially in South Africa.	Fanie	retired
	2026-08-29 08:37:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I finally bought my solar panels after struggling to cope with the difficulties of loadshedding. That happened because of inefficiency of Eskom to maintain SA's power supply. As a pensioner I certainly don't want to be penalised because of Eskom and municipality issues.	Diana	retired
	2026-08-29 08:39:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tish	retired
	2026-08-29 08:40:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to incompetence by self interest and political interference with cadre deployment, maintenance of infrastructure suffered resulting in the populace paying the price. Power outages resulted in people having to provide their own means of generating electricity to survive. Survive like oxygen pumps not working. This resulted in that the current brag by Eskom that there are no longer electricity outages (load shedding) is a direct result of the number of people / private enterprise who no longer depend on Eskom / municipalities for electricity. They were responsible for the solar etc. way of independence from Eskom . Now that the income to distribute for self enrichment is so low that Eskom can not make a profit without having unaffordable charges, alternative means must be found to steal. Hence the charges for connectivity and not for consumption. Stop all efforts to steal!!!! Start being productive workers and not collectors to enrich yourself!!!	Philip	
	2026-08-29 08:42:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is utter BS, in almost every other country in the world you are compensated for using or having solar energy because you are less of a strain on the grid and infrastructure, yet our corrupt government wants to charge you for a service that they have trouble delivering. I will not pay this proposed tariff. I will sooner disconnect from the grid completely	Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-08-29 08:46:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 08:50:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is extremely concerning that due to government failure and the fact that in a democratic society people should be penalised for taking initiative at great cost to themselves to help solve a longstanding problem. Eskom should be extremely grateful to those individuals /companies who stepped up and took responsibility for their own power needs. Eskom spent years telling us to use electricity sparingly and failured miserably to provide adequate electricity to the country. They must leave solar power users alone and instead find a way to absorb extra power generated by people back into the grid and reward those doing so. Definitely no penalisation! NO.	Linda	retired
	2026-08-29 08:52:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	retired
	2026-08-29 08:54:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	retired
	2026-08-29 08:56:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thabit	employed individual

	2026-08-29 08:57:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom nearly collapsed ??'s economy through load shedding/reduction.People were forced to find alternative sources of energy.Now they want to punish the people for finding alternative sources. With the kind of taxes we pay,electricity should be free for everyone.	Rex	retired
	2026-08-29 09:00:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Municipallities , via smart meters, are allowing you to feed power into the frid , but not compensating at all (or very little), but then sell that on to other consumers . Effectively deriving huge benefit from private personal nvestment. I feel that the strategy will backfire on Eskom... Generally those that install solar have the means to , and will, simoly add more battery storage amd fo totally off grid. Meaning Eskom loses ALL revenue from that consumer.	Louis	business owner
	2026-08-29 09:11:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerry	retired
	2026-08-29 09:31:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adele	retired
	2026-08-29 09:35:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The State has failed basic electricity delivery and must fix this and reduce costs for the supply (fixed cost) and tariff charged to consumers. Basically the charges they levy presently are not used for electricity production, optimisation and efficiency. The system is fundamentally flawed in that the delivery is poor ly administered, too expensive to improve the economy, poor oversight from the government and state.	Simon	business owner
	2026-08-29 09:36:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A solar investment was done on my own property due to the lack of goverment to give a reliable source of power, but also because goverment forced and still are forcing, increases on electricity rates that is above inflation. this was an extreme investment, removing all my savings, with repayment period of multiple years (not even considering hardware maintenance that will need to happen). adjusting the cost basis will force me to completely disconnect my property from eskom in order to protect my investment and sovereignity..	Erwin	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:41:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The new proposed model will only affect the paying residents. The tarrif charges will cost the residents more even if they reduce electricity prices. There will also be a base infrastructure charge including a standard service fee from the municipality irrespective whether we use electricity or not. Treasury is responsible for all the service delivery failures because they are not holding the people running the municipality to account. I belive Treasury is creating chaos to cover the ruling parties misconduct.	Collin	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 09:46:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Lee	self-employed
	2026-08-29 09:49:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another reason not to vote for the ANC!!!	Sean	self-employed
	2026-08-29 09:52:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for solar because ESKOM couldn't provide enought power. Now I am going to be financially punished for this!	Robert	retired
	2026-08-29 09:54:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-08-29 09:57:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	If the government cannot supply electricity, and people that it into their own hands to provide what is missing, surely they cannot be taxed for the governments failures.	Jorgen	business owner
	2026-08-29 09:57:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	retired
	2026-08-29 10:00:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had to lay out private financial resources to protect ourselves from constant load shedding and now we are once again expected to bail ESKOM out!!!	Noelle	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 10:09:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise the consumer for the lack of maintenance on ESKOMs part. We had to get solar precisely because ESKOM didn't provide sufficiently.	Carmia	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:11:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is the customer have to pay for the theft and looting of every cent. Not enough we pay to be off the grid, we get penalties for finding solutions for our selves. In many countries the government buys and pays for all the extra power from the customers .	Jackie	retired
	2026-08-29 10:16:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Thw government doesn't own the sun or the wind. Therefore it is unethical and nothing other than greedy theft to tax energy supplied freely by nature and that because they can't keep the lights on	Hendri	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:16:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't need to pay for the sunlight while the solar infrastructure is my private property.	Anthony	retired
	2026-08-29 10:18:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	STOP ELECTRICITY THEFT.	WAYNE	retired
	2026-08-29 10:19:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-08-29 10:23:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support any additional fixed charges.	Ramesh	retired
	2026-08-29 10:23:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary citizens should not foot the bill for Eskom's inefficiencies. If a private ratepayer has spent their own cash to guard themselves against Eskom's inability to provide reliable power, then they should not be penalised for it.	Alex	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:31:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Provision should be made for members of the public to sell electricity to the grid from excess produced by their solar panels	Michael	retired
	2026-08-29 10:33:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	we need to save our diminishing resources, like coal. oil. The sun is free and we should be encouraged to use it, not penalised for doing so	gwynne	retired
	2026-08-29 10:37:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ANDREW	
	2026-08-29 10:57:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-29 10:57:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy penalises and discriminates against consumers who have mitigated their risk related to the inability of Eskom to offer a sustainable, cost-effective and reliable utility. This is unfair, unjust and unconstitutional.	Cedric	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:03:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-08-29 11:08:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government seriously wants to now add a tax to the sun? How about instead of trying to find a way to make more money, they should be asking "where are we failing that so many of our citizens find us unreliable to provide the basic necessity of electricity" And I know that a lot of these people or businesses that move over to solar set up UPS systems so that even if there isn't enough units on the solar, they still aren't using from the grid. That's how unreliable Eskom is. That even the backup has a backup.	Tara	
	2026-08-29 11:10:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		N	
	2026-08-29 11:14:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have invested in Solar systems to release pressure on the electrical system in order to help Escom who were not able to supply on demand. Now you want to penalize those that came to the table to help solve the electricity issues of this country. That is completely unfair and Escom should rather look into ways to thrash out fraud and corruption in Escom and look at ways to save costs	Louis	
	2026-08-29 11:17:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to additional fixed charges being imposed on households with rooftop solar. Many of us invested heavily in solar and battery storage because of Eskom's unreliability, load shedding and continuously increasing electricity costs. Private solar users have reduced demand on the grid and contributed to improving the resilience of the electricity system, often at significant personal cost. We should not now be penalised simply because we took responsibility for securing our own electricity supply. Any grid-access charge should be fair, transparent and cost-reflective, and should not disproportionately target or discourage households that have invested in renewable energy.	Ernst	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:20:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tumelo	
	2026-08-29 11:21:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's an absolute disgrace what this government is proposing. This must surely be the death knell for the ruling party. Goodbye and good riddance. I don't support this proposed bill at all.	Arvind	retired
	2026-08-29 11:22:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential user who invested significantly in my solar system I am fully opposed to being charged for something that we do not need. Firstly you haven't addressed the theft and maladministration that has occurred at Eskom for years and which led to the country going into Loadshedding. Then we install solar which actually fixed your mess and brought loadshedding to an end and now you want to penalise us. The only fair way to charge for electricity is usage based. It's not that hard, you know how much electricity you sell so build your fixed costs into the price per kwh. Stop stealing from the taxpayers and start taking accountability for running an efficient enterprise.	Tony	
	2026-08-29 11:24:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wolf	
	2026-08-29 11:26:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are providing a service that has failed. How do they explain the free electricity for shack dwellers to which a huge portion of dwellers are illegal foreigners. If the service that they are providing was efficient and cost effective then there won't be a need to seek an alternative source. Solar energy only became necessary in the last 10 years because of governments failures. Government is rolling out prepaid meters , how will that work with in solving the stance of government on the issue of the impact on the costs incurred in generating electricity on the grid. The stance of government is only a money making scheme. More money more corruption.	Mark	retired
	2026-08-29 11:30:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Urben	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:30:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MARC	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:34:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Outrageous. I am a pensioner and reluctantly bought a solar system due to the electricity supply being unreliable. I have also had to deal with a COJ account system with incorrect billings overcharges and estimated billing, which are not in line with usage. It is very difficult to get things corrected given that the accounting system is totally dysfunctional.	Ian	retired

	2026-08-29 11:34:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government proposal is nothing less than a penalty on the private initiative. The majority of citizens spent thousands of rands of their private capital to solve the state's energy crisis. They will now face additional taxes to subsidise a failed energy infrastructure.	ilze	retired
	2026-08-29 11:40:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:46:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-29 11:51:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dick	retired
	2026-08-29 11:54:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Sibabalwe	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:59:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is very unfair as households with solar power to assists ESKOM to prevent power outages due to load shedding, especially for households who cannot afford solar power installations.	Adelle	self-employed
	2026-08-29 12:22:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	
	2026-08-29 12:25:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kgarametsane	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:28:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Lizbe	business owner
	2026-08-29 12:28:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was because of the inefficiency of the municipality in providing constant electricity supply to houses that we had to install solar. We should be rewarded for reducing the load on them now-- not penalized	Lisa	retired
	2026-08-29 12:39:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can I as pensioner who tries to minimise my dependency on the state and to reduce my cost of living, be charged for stuff that I have not used?	Dirk	retired
	2026-08-29 12:54:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 13:20:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dominique	
	2026-08-29 13:33:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM was in trouble and subsidised solar instalations. Now they want to punnish the very people who helped them. The act doesn't account for solar setup not using ESKOM power at night. Many have batteries that suply power at night.	ANTHONY	retired
	2026-08-29 13:41:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private solar assisted government through the power crisis. Why should these solar solution that saved the country and businesses from a major crisis, be punished indefinitely? The government and government departments should not receive any form of passive income for services not provided. In a country where taxes skyrocket and services failed with little exception, no passive income should be allowed. It encourages the mismanagement of funds. If government and municipalities don't have unlimited access to the pockets of the private industry by laws, they institute themselves, they will start working more careful with money and not appoint large numbers of people without increasing service delivery to the taxpayers and public. If they want to charge for solar, they need to take full responsibility for the maintenance and upgrades of such systems.	Heleen	self-employed
	2026-08-29 13:58:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Nicola	business owner
	2026-08-29 14:00:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Investment into private renewable energy became essential over the past 1-2 decades, as a direct result of state ineptitude. Now the state seeks to penalise consumers for making plans when they themselves could not provide what they were supposed to. NERSA has to place strict statutory caps on these proposed fixed network and capacity charges If the state want to penalise grid-tied rooftop solar owners, they should similarly reward them for energy injection - this could take the form of offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Finally, such a fixed rate system will have a large impact on low-income households and anyone who strives to budget by conserving energy. How will this be considered?	Janneke	employed individual
	2026-08-29 14:07:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom!! You cannot let your bungling and inefficiencies be my problem!	Greg	
	2026-08-29 14:10:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Natasha	employed individual
	2026-08-29 14:38:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hoe belaglik en maghonger kan die regering raak. Het hul nou regtig gedink huishoudings gaan stil in die donker sit en hoop die Regering/ ESKOM gaan die krag probleem oplos. Nee lankal nie meer nie. My pa het aan asbestose gely en was 24 uur op suurstof. Het regering hulp verleen, NEE. Daar is gesondheid voorskrifte oor hoe lank produkte teen n sekere temparatuur gehou moet word en so kan ek vele voorskrifte noem. Hoeveel skade het huishoudings nie gely as gevolg van produkte wat weggegooi moes word as gevolg van ure sonder krag. Moes ons op ons hande sit. Nee dit is nie ons ingesteltyd nie. Kry n oplossing, ja dit is ons gesindheid. Wat het die belasting betaler gedoen om die pyn te veroorsaak, net mooi niks. Om die belaglike bepaling te oorkom sal maar net wees om dan totaal van grid te gaan. Lê nog geld uit en raak al minder afhanklik van Kaapstad Stadsraad en raak onafhanklik. Gaan meer geld kos maar eerder dit as om n melkkoei te raak. Ons was gedwing om die pad te loop en nou wil julle kenners sonder wysheid oneerlike planne maak om jul koffers te vul.Kry skaam!!	Herman	retired
	2026-08-29 14:44:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reg	retired
	2026-08-29 14:48:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am planning on installing a solar system for my house. If additional fees are added to my municipal account for my electricity connection, it makes the pay-back period either much longer or the system might not pay itself off at all. Everyone who wants to install a solar system will consider this and a lot of people will not install solar systems because it does not make financial sense anymore. This is especially bad in this time since Eskom is still under pressure. Additionally, Eskom still mostly burns coal for generation and solar is much more environmentally friendly. People should be rewarded or subsidized to install proper solar systems rather than penalizing them. Home solar systems make the grid more stable, predictable and gives Eskom spare capacity to allow routine maintenance.	Van Wyk	employed individual
	2026-08-29 14:54:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When they get everyone to pay for services (Especially those that are stealing , those who do not pay their accounts AND all government depts, employees including the MPs and the president.)	stella	retired
	2026-08-29 15:06:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:23:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have saved them from total disaster and now they want us to saved the disfunctional municipalities.	Jan	retired
	2026-08-29 15:25:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is once again trying to hide its incompetence to provide services. The focus should be on how to expand the capacity of Escom, and how to end the corruption at Escom. Now they are focusing on how to get more money - that could be grabbed again. Get competent people to do the job, and that will solve a number of problems.	Theo	self-employed
	2026-08-29 15:28:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is nothing short of disgusting how this ANC led government has broken ESKOM and now want to punish those that are bypassing, essentially bad governance. Fix ESKOM! Get out of the way of those that pursue progress!	Clint	
	2026-08-29 15:31:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charl	
	2026-08-29 15:37:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have in the past had to throw away various food items, Bath in ice cold water , cook food on a braai grid as a result of power cuts. Even now, with no load shedding, I find myself having to cook on a gas plate due to breakdowns , transformer and cables stolen as well as ageing infrastructure. Having solar prevents the above from happening to me. The cost to have this power is exhorbitant and I do not see why I must now be penalised due to the interupted supply I receive from escom/ council. Why do I as a resident not have the same option as business where I can source the least expensive supply. Pensions do not increase in proportion to the cost of living as it is.	Athol	retired
	2026-08-29 15:53:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We suffered aprox 15years of Loadshedding, which prompted the Govt to permit Commercial and Residential solar instillations and even offered a tax reduction for a year. South Africa enjoys many hours of sunshine which makes sense to see Solar as a non-emissions future energy source. Eskom is a monopoly yet was not able to maintain a regular stable energy supply and even ensure that Municipalities pay their accounts regularly. Now the Minister raises a poor thought through response, saying Solar users are "not paying their fair share" because they recharge at night. Firstly, most solar users have battery back up, so recharging at night is minimal, as most recharging is done by the solar system during the day. In effect we are being charged for using the SUN , which Eskom does not own. Solar was installed by users to minimize the loadshedding and simultaneously it also relieved Eskom,s overall load enabling supply to non solar users. This is a penalty to Solar users, despite us investing large amounts of money to bypass loadshedding, now Eskom is scratching for income by charging a fixed line fee to offset their reducing income. This is simply another TAX which is designed to sustain a poorly managed SOE. Why can larger solar users bypass the fixed fee, but residential solar users must pay. Again another unfair system to penalise the individual taxpayer.	David	retired
	2026-08-29 15:53:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alrich	employed individual
	2026-08-29 15:56:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	
	2026-08-29 16:12:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We spent a lot of money on solar energy to stay in business, as we have several power interruptions for a week or so. We, and our customers are at risk of burglaries and safety precautions like alarms, security lights and cameras not working. It is not fair to pay more than other customers for basic electricity. We also manage our peak hour use. We keep the demand for electricity low. That is why ESKOM do not have loadshedding anymore and needs much less coal and expensive diesel to generate electricity. I do understand a basic tariff: the same tariff for all households and small businesses with low demands.	Maria	business owner
	2026-08-29 16:28:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jimmy	retired
	2026-08-29 16:52:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The development of my solar and storage batteries were taken as a long term investment to provide power state could not and I need time for this investment to pay back the costs plus interest. State failure made my solar installation nessessry and to punish the consumer is ridiculous.	Johan	retired
	2026-08-29 16:58:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Has the government and eskom corrupt officials not "stolen enough from the citizens". If cituzens cannot support their lives and that of their loved ones without corrupt government officials wanting to capitalize on their greed, we have no hope left for Siurh Africa.	Moegamat	self-employed
	2026-08-29 17:00:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am totally against the solar roof-top users being charged extra monthly charges. The electricity charges have already been priced for all users in the country to include the infrastructure required to supply the electricity. This has always been the practice since the inception of Eskom. Don't bring about "Solar Apartheid" into the country. We South Africans can't be held ransom to Eskom Looting and mis-management.	Mathew	employed individual
	2026-08-29 17:10:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have solar for power generation. Surely Eskom has no one to blame but itself for this state of affairs. We had one of the finest power generating systems in the world when viewed from any aspect yet it was allowed to fall into disrepair and become unreliable. Even before that, people were encouraged by Eskom to install solar years ago and gave many incentives to people to do so. In the light of this, I would have thought such an Eskom decision could be challenged in the Constitutional Court. I must concede however that it does seem tough on the power supplier when the solar consumer expects the power to be there if things go wrong. If one wants to go completely off grid then that should be a cost free option.	Rosemary	retired
	2026-08-29 17:40:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tshiamo	employed individual

	2026-08-29 17:50:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:07:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We all had to get solar because the state could not provide this basic service due to THEIR incompetence, miss management and corruption. SA citizens had to incur these costs to help Themselves and in a way also reduce the load to help Eskom. Now that there is low demand and they not making money, and still up to their currupt ways, now they want to changer us for something we had to do out of our own pockets to fix their mess up? Some people have not even paid off their solar systems yet ans Eskom wants to charge them extra. We will will Pay for what we use, and If demand is now and you have no money, look To yourselves to fix it. Stop making us fix your mess.	George	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:12:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are elderly pensioners. Who have worked hard to maintain our home. During the excessive loadshedding my elderly mother really became distraught and has to eat at certain times with meds. As her caregiver and not having the best health either this is of concern. We invested in 6 panels to keep fridge and plugs working so at least basic meals could be made. When we got our panels they said it was compulsory to run it through Eskom(as we are in Eskom area). We live simply but still find the mo they bills high. It just doesn't make sense to bleed us dry as a penalty for trying to survive. Our Gov needs to consider their elderly. I find the idea of penalties and extra taxes an unfair punishment for trying to survive and provide for my elderly mom and I.	Douleen	retired
	2026-08-29 19:04:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Filon	business owner
	2026-08-29 19:51:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Municipal Official / Councillor		Wilna	self-employed
	2026-08-29 19:55:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duane	self-employed
	2026-08-29 20:03:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First Eskom was in a bind and could not supply electricity 24/7 , we as households invested our hard earned money into solar , now after saving Eskoms bacon, they want to punish us for saving them , may they totally collapse as a company, we will survive without them after a short struggle again , may the wrath of the only living God (Elohim) of Israel YHWH bring them to there knees	Dan	business owner
	2026-08-29 20:12:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenna	
	2026-08-29 20:25:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	BEE, Corruption, unemployment and poor education is a big concern. The SA economy is busy collapsing as a result of the above mentioned reasons.	Christo	retired
	2026-08-29 20:26:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anelia	employed individual
	2026-08-29 20:33:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to Escom inefficiencies we spent a fortune on solar installations to help them out. Now, why should we be penalized?	Sharwan	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 20:51:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Najmunnisa	retired
	2026-08-29 20:59:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is not in a position to service the public, with so many residents turning to solar it's relieved the pressure from the grid, therefore, assisting those to have use of the network on a more frequent basis. We are, therefore contributing by not utilizing the grid on an ongoing basis. If these taxes are imposed, I will and I am sure others will be requested to be removed from the grid entirely. Which will indirectly mean that the government will loose any form of income for power, whereas if we utilize the minimal electricity there will be funds coming in. I will not support this tax. Stop corruption, pay less in salaries, start creating job opportunities .	Chris	retired
	2026-08-29 21:01:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emily	retired
	2026-08-29 21:04:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar user are easing Eskom's load by using what God gave us as umanity to give life to all but they are loosing revenue and less to steal and they want to tax us for what no one owns that is just so single minded as we know our government to be.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:17:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-08-29 21:17:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panel owners are penalized for helping the municipality coping with the electricity demand.	Antoinette	
	2026-08-29 21:27:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do Not Make Ordinary South Africans Pay for the Failures of the Electricity System I support genuine competition in South Africa's electricity market. I do not support a new system that allows large electricity users to benefit from competition while ordinary households remain captive customers and are then burdened with increasing fixed charges. South Africans did not install solar because they wanted to "free ride" on the electricity grid. We installed solar because the electricity system failed us. For years we endured load shedding, unreliable supply and rapidly increasing electricity prices. Government and Eskom could not provide the reliable electricity service South Africans were paying for. Hundreds of thousands of households and businesses therefore spent their own after-tax money on solar panels, inverters and batteries. In doing so, private citizens added generating capacity at their own expense, reduced demand on Eskom and helped South Africa through an electricity crisis. It is therefore deeply concerning that the proposed electricity-market framework refers to "discouraging free riding" and anticipates a greater role for fixed charges. A household that remains connected to the grid should certainly pay a fair contribution towards the actual cost of providing and maintaining that connection. But there is a fundamental difference between paying for the grid service you use and being charged additional fixed fees simply because the electricity supplier is losing revenue when you buy fewer units. Solar owners must not become a convenient new source of revenue to compensate Eskom or municipalities for declining electricity sales. There is an equally serious concern about the proposed competitive market. Large qualifying electricity consumers may gain access to competing generators and electricity traders, while households and smaller businesses remain captive customers of Eskom or municipal distributors. That risks creating two electricity systems: Competition and choice for large consumers; monopoly pricing and increasing fixed charges for ordinary South Africans. If large commercial and industrial customers progressively move away from municipal electricity purchases, government must not simply transfer the resulting revenue shortfall onto households and small businesses that have no equivalent freedom to choose their electricity supplier. Nor should responsible, paying customers continually be expected to absorb the financial consequences of electricity theft, illegal connections, municipal non-payment, deteriorating infrastructure and decades of poor management. Poor and vulnerable South Africans must have access to affordable basic electricity. But that social responsibility should be funded transparently and fairly — not hidden inside ever-increasing charges imposed on compliant ratepayers. I therefore object to any electricity-market structure that: penalises households for generating their own electricity; uses fixed grid charges to recover lost electricity-sales revenue rather than the reasonable cost of providing grid services; gives large electricity consumers access to competition while permanently keeping households and small businesses captive; transfers the costs of electricity theft, non-payment and institutional failures onto compliant customers; or makes remaining connected to the electricity grid deliberately expensive for households that have invested in solar. South Africans who invested in solar should not be treated as the problem. They invested their own money because government and Eskom failed to provide reliable electricity. They reduced pressure on the national grid and privately funded generation that the country desperately needed. Electricity reform should reward efficiency, investment and responsible behaviour — not punish it. My position is therefore simple: I will pay a fair price for the electricity I consume and a fair, transparent price for the grid services I actually use. I should not be forced to pay for electricity I do not consume, compensate electricity suppliers for revenue they have lost because I invested in solar, or carry an unfair share of the financial consequences of a system that failed in the first place. South Africa needs electricity reform. But reform must bring competition, choice, efficiency and accountability for everyone — not competition for large users and another protected monopoly for ordinary South Africans.	Izak	retired
	2026-08-29 21:42:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NERSA should place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. There must be a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. An independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households should be carried out	Cheyenne	
	2026-08-29 21:51:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hubert	retired
	2026-08-29 21:55:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users should NOT be penalized by Government for Eskom's recent inadequacy in generating consistent power and mismanagement of funds, which led to consumers resorting to alternative reliable power systems.	Deborah	employed individual
	2026-08-30 01:35:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	retired
	2026-08-30 02:05:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If every residential property is charged the same amount, including all low income and low estimated value then I will believe that the system is fair, but this is not the case as there is already a low-income group receiving electricity at lower tariffs than the higher income homes. This is an attempt to collect funds using already in place infrastructure for which residents had to pay when building the homes in the first place. There should be an easy option to disconnect from the grid if an installed rooftop solar system is in place and battery storage is available as you are then not using the grid as your evening/night time power source.	Allan	retired
	2026-08-30 05:20:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already paying over half my eskom bill as fixed charges. This is unfair	Erica	self-employed

	2026-08-30 05:42:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This makes no sense, and penalizes people who are paying for alternative energy, and reducing pressure on the grid , thereby benefiting everyone.... Scrap it immediately!	Desmond	
	2026-08-30 05:47:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have put hard earned savings into acquiring solar panels. When I use power from the grid, I pay the absurd tariffs that the city council and Eskom charge. That is sufficient to compensate them for grid connection.	Eugene	retired
	2026-08-30 06:27:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matome	
	2026-08-30 06:49:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are being forced to support ineffective and corrupt municipalities/government.	Mandla	
	2026-08-30 06:58:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government proofed to fail reliability for uninterrupted power supply. Also planning to up the free power for selective users , why should already over burden tax payers even pay more and others just receive all for free? The sun is for all, and free, why punish those who got solar paid out of their own hard urned money, while government failed to be able to deliver to the power demand. If you use less power from the grid, you also cause less wear and tare to the grid and should pay for the masses getting free power from the grid cause more maintenance to the system.	Annalie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 07:44:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I only want to pay for the electricity that I actually consume.	Jacob	retired
	2026-08-30 07:48:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-08-30 07:52:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To Whom It May Concern, I am writing to formally object to the proposed increase in electricity rates for households with solar installations. As a solar owner, I invested my own money to install and maintain a system that reduces demand on the grid. This investment directly benefits the broader network by lowering the strain during peak periods and reducing the risk of load shedding for everyone, including non-solar users. Penalizing solar owners with higher rates when we do draw from the grid undermines the very behavior that keeps the system stable, and discourages further investment in solar adoption at a time when the grid needs it most. I would also like to raise the issue of non-payment. I understand that a significant amount, are not paying for their electricity usage at all. It is difficult to understand how compliant, paying customers who have invested in reducing grid dependency are being asked to shoulder higher costs, while non-paying users face no apparent consequence. This creates a clear inequity: those who follow the rules and invest in solutions are penalized, while non-compliance goes unaddressed.	Penelope	retired
	2026-08-30 07:53:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-08-30 07:55:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-30 08:22:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-08-30 08:32:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When we had multiple power outages for days, we were given back koney by SARS if we had solar as a drive for everyone to go solar to assist the grid and now we must pay tax if we have solar?? A rip off!	Beverley	
	2026-08-30 08:35:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Being a municipal customer I am already exposed to paying for municipal shortfalls and cross subsidies of the department. Despite my cutting of electricity consumption, I continue to pay escalating tariffs that force me to tighten budgets further. I am also exposed to municipal tactics to delay service remedies and staff incompetencies that try to force me into submissive payments. It either comes to a point where there is a resolution or we move to the Stone Age and stop electricity consumption altogether. I no longer see it viable to use the service in any form other than becoming self-sufficient.	Tony	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 08:48:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Siva	retired
	2026-08-30 08:50:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom , with assistance from the South African Government destroyed the electricity supply through nepotism and corruption and then litterally begged, with incentives the citizens of South Africa to have them install,at great personal cost rooftop solar to safe the grid from collapsing, just to penalise them afterwards. Escom is still, without mentioning it burning billions of taxpayer rands on open cycle gas turbines to keep laodshedding at bay.	Fritz	employed individual
	2026-08-30 08:52:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charnnel	retired
	2026-08-30 08:52:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Val	retired
	2026-08-30 09:17:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terence	self-employed
	2026-08-30 09:27:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	i installed solar at my own expense when CP was failing to provide a stable elcrticity service Its iniquitous that i should be penalied for doing so when my actions were driven by CP/ Eskom' incompetence	Allen	retired
	2026-08-30 09:31:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why do you punish people that have spent their capital to take power usage off the grid. You already can't supply reliably and I need my solar for supply reliability. This is taxing the middle class to pay massive care salaries again.	Wayne	employed individual
	2026-08-30 09:43:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the FAILURE of government to supply adequate electricity for a number of years, it is incomprehensible to now penalize those who assisted government by installing solar to alleviate the problem caused by the government.	David	
	2026-08-30 09:48:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear Dr Kgosientsho Ramokgopa, Minister of Electricity and Energy, c/o Ms Vusani Ramuntshi. No I do not support the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper as published in Gazette 55226, opened for comment 21 August 2026. My concern is Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties. Kind Regards Mrs Carole Diana Harris	Carole Diana	retired
	2026-08-30 10:23:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-08-30 10:47:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is only our insufficient hard-earned savings that ensured that we could survive the failing Eskom operational viability. And it should be emphasized that our President Ramaphosa publicly promoted rooftop solar as the only solution to overcome the dire failure of Eskom and saving grace of the South African economy. Without the contribution of rooftop solar Eskom would still have struggled to meet their legal responsibilities towards the South African citizens and economy. And now Eskom and the government plan to institude legal acts and regulations as punitive measures just because the very people that saved Eskoms skin are utilizing less electricity from the grid and save money on the ridiculously high electricity tariff in some attempt to repay the rooftop solar installation cost. Shame on Eskom and our government that made a u-turn on previous public pleas to the citizens of South Africa.	JC	retired
	2026-08-30 11:04:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	
	2026-08-30 11:13:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please ‘listen to the people and don’t just treat public participation as a step in the process to steamroll legislation through. Don’t do this to those of us why actually helped save Eskom from absolute collapse. Retired people can’t absorb any more price shocks.	chris	retired
	2026-08-30 11:50:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	retired
	2026-08-30 11:53:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is rediculous to tax people who use their own money to put up panels and relieving the burden form Eskom in the process.	Johann	employed individual

	2026-08-30 12:11:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose the direction proposed in the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, particularly the principle of “discouraging free riding” and any move that results in households and businesses that invested in solar energy being subjected to increasingly punitive fixed or network charges. South Africans need to ask a very simple question: How did the people who spent their own hard-earned money to solve South Africa's electricity crisis become the problem? For years, ordinary South Africans were told that load shedding was necessary because Eskom could not reliably supply electricity. Businesses lost production. Small businesses lost income. Families endured darkness. Food spoiled. Security systems failed. Schools and hospitals were disrupted. People were forced to purchase generators, batteries, inverters and solar panels simply to maintain a normal life. We did not install solar because we wanted to undermine Eskom. We installed solar because Eskom could not reliably supply us with electricity. We invested our own money because we were repeatedly told that the electricity crisis would take years to resolve. We took financial responsibility for protecting our homes and businesses from a failure of the national electricity system. And now, having done exactly what responsible citizens were encouraged—or effectively forced—to do, we are being told that we must pay more because we use less electricity from the grid. That is fundamentally unfair. Do not make responsible citizens pay for systemic failure. The proposed transformation of the electricity market is being presented as necessary modernisation and a move towards a more competitive and sustainable electricity sector. Those objectives may be worthy. But transformation cannot simply mean finding new ways to extract more money from the citizens who have already paid for solutions themselves. The government itself acknowledges that the rapid growth in rooftop solar was accelerated by load shedding. In fact, government reports that the number of South African households with solar panels increased by 86% over three years, reaching approximately 675,000 households in 2025. These households and businesses made substantial private investments in the national interest. Every solar panel, inverter and battery purchased by a citizen represented private capital being invested into South Africa's energy resilience without the taxpayer having to fund it. These people reduced their dependence on Eskom. They reduced demand on the grid. They reduced pressure during peak periods. They created their own backup electricity. They invested in renewable energy. And they did it with their own money. That should be encouraged—not punished. The real problem is not the solar customer. If Eskom and municipalities are struggling financially because electricity sales are declining, the answer cannot simply be to make electricity more expensive for the people who consume less of it. The underlying financial and governance problems must be confronted. Parliament has acknowledged that municipal electricity debt owed to Eskom has exceeded R110 billion. National Treasury has also reported extraordinarily serious municipal financial-management problems: since 2021/22, municipalities have incurred R24.12 billion in fruitless and wasteful expenditure, R145.21 billion in irregular expenditure and R118.13 billion in unauthorised expenditure. In 2024/25 alone, 116 municipalities adopted unfunded budgets. These are not problems created by the homeowner who installed solar. They are not problems created by the small business that purchased an inverter. They are not problems created by the pensioner who spent their savings on batteries because their electricity supply could not be trusted. They are problems of governance, financial management, revenue collection, infrastructure maintenance, electricity losses, debt, maladministration and, where proven, corruption and criminal conduct. Government itself has acknowledged that illegal connections, meter bypasses, tampering and vandalism have placed enormous pressure on local electricity infrastructure. In March 2026, the Department of Electricity and Energy stated that approximately 971 feeders affecting about 1.69 million customers had been placed under load reduction because of overloaded and damaged distribution infrastructure. Yet the compliant citizen is expected to carry an ever-increasing financial burden. Why? The taxpayer cannot be the bottomless pit. There is a dangerous principle developing here: When government-controlled institutions fail financially, the solution appears increasingly to be to find another way to charge the people who are still paying. This cannot continue indefinitely. South Africans already pay for electricity. We pay taxes. We pay municipal rates. We pay service charges. We pay VAT. We pay connection fees. We pay increasingly expensive electricity tariffs. And many of us have additionally spent hundreds of thousands of rand of our own money installing solar panels, batteries and inverters because the electricity system was not reliable. Now we are potentially expected to pay again for remaining connected to a grid that we use substantially less precisely because we invested in alternatives. If there is a legitimate cost to maintaining a grid connection, I accept that. The electricity grid is valuable infrastructure and it must be maintained. But there is an enormous difference between fairly recovering the legitimate cost of maintaining infrastructure and using fixed charges as a mechanism to recover lost municipal revenue or protect an inefficient business model. The two must not be confused. Do not turn solar owners into a captive revenue source. A household that invested in solar remains connected to its municipality or distributor and that household can potentially face increased fixed charges because it has reduced the amount of electricity it purchases. Where is the incentive for citizens to invest in renewable energy? If I spend my own money reducing my dependence on the national grid, only to have government increase the cost of remaining connected to that grid, the message is very clear: Don't become energy independent. That is precisely the wrong message for South Africa. Government now says that secure, reliable and affordable electricity is essential to economic growth—and that the energy transition should ultimately make electricity cheaper for consumers. I agree. But then the policy must be consistent with that objective. You cannot simultaneously celebrate private investment in solar and design a tariff structure that makes that investment financially unattractive. You cannot tell citizens that they must become part of the solution and then treat the solution they created as a threat to municipal revenue. You cannot ask people to carry the financial burden of the country's electricity crisis and subsequently penalise them because their investment has reduced their electricity consumption. That is not transformation. That is shifting the consequences of institutional failure onto the citizens who behaved responsibly. If municipalities are losing electricity revenue, then we need to examine why. National Treasury has already demonstrated that municipal financial mismanagement is a serious and measurable problem. In July 2026, it took the extraordinary step of withholding equitable-share transfers from selected municipalities because of persistent failures in financial management and compliance.	Laurie	employed individual
	2026-08-30 12:25:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't support the proposed changes. As long as my system behind the meter is compliant and safe, the state, Eskom and the municipality may not penalise me for the measures that I have taken to ensure that I have a safe and reliable electricity supply. Also, I cannot be penalised for any energy saving measures that I have taken (such as installing LED bulbs, energy saving fridge, installing heat pumps on my geysers, etc.) I can even decide to switch off my geysers and rely on cold water only to save electricity. The authorities may not penalise met for that. I can't be forced to pay for years of neglect, incompetence, corruption and fraud. The authorities can't encourage the ratepayers to measures to save electricity and even pay subsidies and then turn around and penalise ratepayers because they that.	Jat	retired
	2026-08-30 12:30:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having been taxed for our entire working years, & to overcome Eskom's inability, in the past to supply a constant service, we used part ofvour Retirement Funds to install a Solar power supply. We now face the prospect of being penalized for being proactive and essentially assisting Eskom by buying & paying for Solar Electricity systems, by the inefficient Government now wanting the General Public to pay for its inefficiency!! It is a travesty of justice that 7 years down the line, the Consumers are faced with this issue, having spent the funds to assist ESKOM out of its supply dilemma, that the Government now wants to penalize the very prople who stepped up to solve the supply problem. To now consider implementing Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties to tax people who used their own money to put up panels, thereby relieving the burden frorlm Eskom in the process criminal!	Anne	retired
	2026-08-30 12:33:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the residents , pensioners who have paid taxes our whole working lives and in retirement who used valuable retirement funds when our so called service provider could not keep the lights on!!! Eskom also helped fund some of the solar panels for the rooftop systems. If they want to persist with this unreasonable idea then a class action lawsuit should be considered!	Clive	retired
	2026-08-30 12:48:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Belinda	retired
	2026-08-30 12:58:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear sir, I oppose the implimentation of any additional charges on households that have invested in private solar energy utility. Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. - I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. - I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. - I want to see a required independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households. Thank you for your kind attention. A concerned South African rates and taxes payer	Edith	
	2026-08-30 13:21:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I decided to increase my house loan so that I can aquire a solar system that can give me independence from soaring electricity tarrifs so that I can have more available cash to pay my bills (my historical monthly electricity bill was very high, higher than the additional interest on my home loan). I'm a pensioner so I am trying everything in my power to reduce my ongoing monthly bills. Introducing a penalty for the intallation and use of solar electricity, means there will be no incentive for consumers to change from the use of fossil fuels/diesel to "cleaner" energy (solar panels). This will not be a good strategy if South Africa wants to move towards "Clean" energy to "save the planet".	Marcel	retired
	2026-08-30 14:06:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My Escom / municipal power is randomly taken away from me and I cannot do anything. Congratulations, live in the dark. Really. Suffer the consequences. I seek a self grown solution. No, you cannot. Okay, you can, we will offer an incentive for solar, then congratulations, we will punish you for doing that. The trust deficit is to large. I don't trust your intentions. I'll put up a few more solar panels & get my PrePaid disconnected. Then what, you will come with a new Street Tax ? Get your act together ASAP, remove corruption, get service delivery going. That in itself will make millions. Enact the By Laws, then try and get fancy. NO to another TAX.	Richard	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 14:11:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The infra stucture is paid for many years ago. The maintanance is a small amount of the income generated by Escom. Escom should rather focus on elecrticity thiefs that amount to bilions. Municipalities that doesnt pay and ilegsl private stealing power. Get De Ryuter back and Escom will be far better off. Also is Escom staff over paid. Cut the sallaries by at least 30% and no bonusses for the next 10 years.	Deon	business owner
	2026-08-30 14:14:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We used a substantial amount of our capital (as pensioners) to install solar panels to help Eskom by reducing the load they need to supply and when they could not meet demand & now Eskom/the Government wants to punish us for doing so. This is so not fair. We have done everything we can to help & at the same time look after ourselves. We conserve water as much as we can too as we are upstanding citizens and this is the thanks we get. I totally object to the proposed tariffs.	Lesley	retired
	2026-08-30 14:20:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ivan	retired
	2026-08-30 14:34:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steph	retired
	2026-08-30 15:33:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angelique	employed individual
	2026-08-30 15:39:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-30 15:49:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthew	retired
	2026-08-30 15:57:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rita	retired
	2026-08-30 16:04:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dee	retired
	2026-08-30 16:07:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm totally against this charge. It's just another way of milking the responsible citizens. If you want to receive a fair share of your money, go after those thieves who are stealing electricity.	Moe	employed individual
	2026-08-30 16:08:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	employed individual
	2026-08-30 16:16:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-30 16:20:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should consumers who have paid out of their own pockets for solar installations be charged a fixed rate monthly for electricity that is generated via the sun. Reimburse all the consumers who have paid thousands of rands for the installations before you charge them a monthly fee.	Craig	retired
	2026-08-30 16:46:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We took the time and hard work to instal solar panels at our home. We did this to reduce our reliance on a failing energy provider with the long term aim of reducing our energy costs !	Coll	retired
	2026-08-30 16:52:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Monty	self-employed

	2026-08-30 17:12:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner , I took my hard earned and already taxed pension fund to purchase rooftop solar because our government couldn't supply reliability power and load shed us every year for a few years They forced us to look after ourselves and become at least partly self sufficient in energy. Now the grid is more stable they want to penalize us with high fixed tariff etc. I'm sick of paying for Government inefficiency and as a pensioner they give us No relief and continue to bleed us dry till we die !!	Bruce	retired
	2026-08-30 17:35:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to charge users for a fixed connection when it will be difficult to downrate our connections because local municipalities or service providers are not mandated to give us this opportunity. In reality, I only need a very small backup power requirement from the network. A much better solution will be to implement a Time of Use charge across the board... users will then be incentivized to invest in batteries for peak periods and the generation and transmission overhead cost that Eskom is worried about will be mitigated. I would immediately invest in more batteries, using solar power for the evening peak and then recharging on grid power for the morning peak if my battery levels were low. This would flatten Eskoms demand curve which would be advantageous to them. Many businesses also use most of their power during the day and do not operate in peak times. They would be unfairly penalized by this wholesale pay for capacity approach. For larger industrial users, a continual shift to more accentuated TOU tariffs would also strongly incentivize the investment in batteries and load shifting.	JP	employed individual
	2026-08-30 17:36:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	South Africans should not be forced to pay a penalty for making a plan to survive inspite of government failures. Instead, independence and self-sufficiency should be encouraged for a healthy society that doesn't rely on government structures to survive and function. Government is there to serve the people, not the other way around.	Louise	employed individual
	2026-08-30 18:23:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User	Escom gives poor service and hives un reasonable price hikes . So much fraud has taken place with the building of Kusile and Madupie and the fact that BEE contractors and suppliers also increase the operating expenses and it is also badly managed	Dennis	self-employed
	2026-08-30 18:30:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely NOT!!!!!!! Beware Eskom- we will all eventually go totally off grid. We refuse to pay your fat salaries and you bloated workforce. Your time at the trough is up	Peter	retired
	2026-08-30 18:49:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-30 18:56:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Casper Vorster	business owner
	2026-08-30 19:06:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nkwana	
	2026-08-30 19:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		H	
	2026-08-30 19:43:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heila	retired
	2026-08-30 20:08:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	my livelihood has been regularly cut short over many years especially during the loadshedding years when no warning was offered when power was turned off and especially when it was turned back on causing surges in earlier years my external hard drives were fried by these surges ... i lost years of video editing work that was simply not recoverable, time spent editing can never be recovered ... business lost and income stopped and equipment needing to be replaced .... costing thousands this was soul destroying and then when my computer was blown by a power surge and I could no longer work nor afford to replace it, this was devastating i have zero compassion for our power provider that ruined mine and many other businesses and livelihoods, as our once functioning entity was looted and destroyed the audacity to try and regulate and charge your once dedicated customers is simply unforgivable i am now retired with a nominal income and can simply not afford to be taxed like this at all	derek	retired
	2026-08-30 20:21:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rachelle	employed individual
	2026-08-30 20:27:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russell	
	2026-08-30 20:32:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should be rewarding people from going off the grid and not charging extra as too much has already been squandered by Eskom through the Guptes	Mary	
	2026-08-30 20:36:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I would happily be reliant on Eskom to provide power reliably, if they could, but they have proven that they cant. As a remote worker I need constant reliable power, if I dont how can I be expected to be a functional contributor to the economy. We were told in the past by Eskom to minimize our electrical consumption and that is exactly what we did, and now they want to punish us for that. How many people have kept this economy moving on generators and batteries and after all that Eskom just wants to carry on punishing us?	Roger	
	2026-08-30 20:53:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MELINDA	self-employed
	2026-08-30 21:01:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not supply power resulting in load shedding. Then we spent huge amounts of funds to help reduce grid load by installing solar power. So we gave and helped to stop load shedding and now government want to take more from us who already helped remove load shedding - how corrupt and wicked are these parasites?	Dewald	retired
	2026-08-30 21:41:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the area where we live, there are regular power outages, due to the fact that the equipment is old and has been damaged by load-shedding. It is absolutely essential to have power in our house, so my husband can work as he is an independent consultant. We installed solar panels and batteries to remedy the situation. To now be taxed for having done so is absolutely nonsensical! That Eskom and the municipality battle to keep the lights on is not our fault, but due to their gross incompetence. Moreover, we are older, my husband does not always have work and we are dependent on his pension, which comes with its own limitations. To now get additional charges for power is simply unfair.	Anne Marie	retired
	2026-08-30 21:43:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please introduce a requirement that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. There must be a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. There is a need for an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Barry	retired
	2026-08-30 21:46:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-08-30 21:47:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	retired
	2026-08-30 21:52:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-08-30 22:02:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We should not be punished for wanting to better our lives and reducing our reliance on the insanely expensive Eskom! I have a bill of nearly R14 000 for this month for Eskom electricty, that is for only 1 house with 3 people living in it and a couple of guest holiday cottages - AND we produce a fair amount of power from our own solar panels per day and also store for use at night (17 panels, close to 5500 watts at any given time). Eskom have priced themselves right out of the market, and they will continue to see more people leaving and going off grid. They are a bunch of money grubbing individuals with a bloated workforce and way too much corrupotion within their ranks!	ASHLEY	self-employed
	2026-08-30 22:03:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moira	retired
	2026-08-30 22:43:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-08-30 22:50:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		EJ	retired
	2026-08-30 22:55:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an individual consumer of electricity, and a home owner who has installed solar panels and inverters IN ORDER TO COUNTER THE BREAKING AND PILLAGING OF ESKOM, I don't see why I should incur a further 'tax' cost on my use of the natural sunlight available to me to provide power to my house, to make up for ESKOM'S mess. ESKOM SHOULD PROVIDE SOUTH AFRICAN CITIZENS RELIABLE AND COST EFFECTIVE ELECTRICITY.	Janine	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 03:11:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-08-31 06:27:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. It is unacceptable to expect already overburdened taxpayers to pay even more because the state has failed to ensure regular electricity availability.	Joe	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 06:30:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Justine	employed individual
	2026-08-31 06:56:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alms	retired
	2026-08-31 07:02:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom told the public to install solar systems, at a high cost as a pensioner now, I installed a solar system at my own cost as Eskom was not supplying electricity to our homes at the most important time of the day. Will they pay back money plus interest ?. Because of corruption within Eskom billions of rands are in the pockets of of Eskom workers and nothing has been done to stop the corruption or lock up those responsible and make them accountable to pay back the money. BUT this will not happen as top notch government politicians are part of the ongoing corruption.	Yvonne	retired
	2026-08-31 07:06:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip Loots	
	2026-08-31 07:09:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johann	business owner
	2026-08-31 07:10:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private solar investment ended loadshedding. No National blackout due to private solar investment. Not right to punish private solar. Rather incentivize extensive investment with subsidies and encourage renewable energy production.	Mike	
	2026-08-31 07:19:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Eskom power crises caused a significant loss of power sales by the Municipalities and created significant problems for electricity consumers. At the behest of Eskom and the government and for electricity needs a major drive was created for consumers to install alternative energy sources. At significant expense this took place. As a Municipal consumer in JHB I pay monthly service and network fees since JHB removed my Pre-paid ability when they changed a faulty meter. My home is connected and I pay a Service Fee to maintain that connection. I pay the normal JHB electricity fees for my consumption. My solar system has the ability to feed surplus electricity back into the Municipal system but JHB don't currently allow this. JHB are very poor on electricity efficiency and cost recovery. Once JHB get their inefficiencies sorted out then they can consider other means of cost recovery.	Kevin	retired
	2026-08-31 07:34:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-31 07:35:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential electricity consumer and a proponent of sustainable energy, I strongly object to the proposed mandatory fixed grid charges for rooftop solar users. Penalizing households that have invested in their own energy generation is counterproductive and unfair, especially since the government incentivized us to move toward renewables in the first place. It risks creating a two-tiered tariff structure that places a heavier financial burden on ordinary families, undermining private investments and slowing the transition to a greener future. We need policies that encourage innovation, not penalize it	Steve	employed individual
	2026-08-31 07:43:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to steal from our taxpayers.	Gerber	employed individual

	2026-08-31 07:44:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom are scrambling for money again, Due to this cash cow being so inefficient and wasteful, in addition to miscalculating ther cost structure, resulting in billions of Rand shortfall, they are now going after everyone from solar users to everyday power consumers. Evertwhere people pay for their usage be it petrol, water etc. Eskom wants to introduce fixed charges to make up for their own shortcomings.	John	
	2026-08-31 07:53:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was terrible enough that we were forced, because of Eskom's failures, to install solar systems at our own expense in the first place. Now we are being penalised for making things work when Eskom and the government still can't.	Viktoria	self-employed
	2026-08-31 07:55:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar-powered households should be rewarded, not penalised, for solving a huge problem during the load-shedding years. - and continuing to relieve pressure on the national grid during peak times.	Sarah	retired
	2026-08-31 07:57:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The largest consumers of energy from the state should pay for the utility and service upkeep, not those who have made their own investment into alternative energy sources. Why must some pay double, to save a badly run state electricity entity?	Tandi	self-employed
	2026-08-31 07:58:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wendy	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:01:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-08-31 08:02:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:10:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair to penalize the very people who actually helped Eskom ,by reducing electricity consumption for the country as a whole. Eskom should work together with ordinary south africans who is part of the solution ,but instead ,they are increasingly alienating the people from them. a Small fair fixed amount can be viable,but it seems that Eskom care less about ordinary people,but wants us to pay for there incompetence and misuse of money.	Hendrien	self-employed
	2026-08-31 08:20:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ROELOF	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:28:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neville	
	2026-08-31 08:29:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is blatantly unfair. Are we communists? No? Then stop behaving like them.	Pieter-Jan	
	2026-08-31 08:31:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a i have installed solar, i should pay what i consume from the grid, which is prepaid, i cannot be charged same amount with those who are consuming more frpm the grid	Daniel	retired
	2026-08-31 08:36:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar should be incentivised by paying households and businesses for the unused electricity they feed back into the grid. That would encourage more people to invest in renewable energy while strengthening the grid as a whole. Instead, when people who generate their own electricity are continually charged more without a meaningful incentive to contribute excess power, the system discourages exactly the kind of private investment South Africa needs. Personally, I'd rather invest in going completely off-grid than keep paying more into a system I have little confidence in, particularly when there are ongoing concerns about corruption, mismanagement and inefficiency.	Rudie	
	2026-08-31 08:40:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We will rather then go completely off grid if we need to pay a connection fee.	Eric	business owner
	2026-08-31 08:52:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johanita	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:57:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is sad to see that the only solution the goverment ever comes up with is making the tax payers pay more.	Ben	
	2026-08-31 08:58:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:59:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:05:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roderick	retired
	2026-08-31 09:06:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:07:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:12:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	### A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar **This is nothing less than a penalty on citizens who invested their own money to keep South Africa's electricity system functioning when the state failed to do so.** Millions of households and businesses were **encouraged—and in many cases incentivised through tax rebates and other measures—to invest their own private capital in rooftop solar, batteries and energy efficiency.** They did so not because they wanted to undermine Eskom, but because **Eskom's own incompetence, mismanagement and failure to provide a reliable electricity supply left them with no practical alternative.** These citizens took the financial risk. They borrowed or spent their savings. They purchased solar panels, batteries and inverters. They reduced their demand on the national grid and, in doing so, **helped Eskom by reducing pressure on an already failing electricity system.** Now, instead of recognising and rewarding this investment, consumers are being confronted with **ever-increasing fixed network charges—a de facto "Sun Tax"—designed to recover revenue lost because people are buying less electricity from the grid.** That is fundamentally unfair. **You cannot incentivise citizens to invest billions of rands of their own money in solving a national infrastructure crisis and then change the rules afterwards to punish them for doing exactly what they were encouraged to do.** Replacing consumption-based electricity charges with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges effectively means that the more successful a household is at reducing its electricity consumption, the less benefit it receives from its investment. It **extends the payback period of solar and battery systems, undermines the economics of private investment, and sends a deeply damaging message to future investors:** > **Do not invest your own money to solve a problem created by government—because once you have done so, the rules can simply be changed to make your investment less valuable.** This is not merely a tariff issue. It is a matter of **trust, economic fairness and policy credibility.** South Africa desperately needs private capital to participate in infrastructure investment. Citizens who invest their own money in renewable energy should be **partners in the country's energy transition—not treated as a revenue problem to be punished when they become less dependent on the grid.** If Eskom and municipalities have legitimate costs associated with maintaining the electricity network, those costs should be addressed **transparently, efficiently and fairly**, not through punitive charges specifically structured to neutralise the financial benefit of private solar investment. **Citizens did not cause Eskom's crisis. They invested their own money to protect themselves from it—and, in the process, reduced the burden on the very system that failed them.** **Punishing them now with a "Sun Tax" is not energy policy. It is a penalty for self-reliance.**	Roux	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:13:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:19:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:23:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To: The Department of Electricity and Energy I strongly object to any proposal to impose additional or punitive fixed charges on households and businesses that generate their own electricity through solar and battery systems. South Africans invested their own money in solar because the national electricity system repeatedly failed to provide reliable electricity. It is therefore deeply unjust to now penalise those same citizens for reducing their reliance on Eskom. Generating your own electricity is not "free riding". It is private investment in energy security that reduces demand on the national grid. Government should be encouraging this, not attempting to recover lost revenue by making self-generation increasingly expensive. If charges are genuinely required to recover the cost of maintaining access to the grid, they must be reasonable, transparent and directly related to those costs. They must not become a disguised tax designed to discourage energy independence. Such a policy also raises serious constitutional concerns, particularly regarding the rational and non-arbitrary exercise of public power and the protection of property rights. The message this proposal sends is unacceptable: When the electricity system fails, citizens must pay to provide their own solution. When they succeed, government wants to charge them for no longer depending on that system. I therefore call for the withdrawal of any measures that unfairly or disproportionately penalise private electricity generation. South Africans should be rewarded not punished for taking responsibility for their own energy security.	Arran	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:26:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Skelm bly skelm. Die regering moet ophou dink dat die son aan hulle behoort. Dit gaan my verstand tebowe?	Anita Magdalena	
	2026-08-31 09:28:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	
	2026-08-31 09:34:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juliet	self-employed

	2026-08-31 09:35:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I added solar to my house to reduce my CO2 consumption, becuase the government policies do not consider this. I also connected my Solar to the grid and pay a minimum connection fee, my feed back to the grid seldom covers this cost. We penalise those that take the initiative to assist the environent and a grid that cannot sustain the power needed in the country. This is just another way to tax those that are relieving the burden on the average South Africa. Having solar has assisted my wife, my daughter and I to work from home. We do not apply for any kick backs from that we are adding to the economy.	Warren	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:36:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		carol	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:37:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Further / increased charges on solar are making it unfeasible for residential embedded generators / residential installations and must stop. These charges prevent residents from taking independent measures and control of their carbon footprint and force them back to reliance on the Eskom or municipal grid. A free market is not really free when regulations force them down a certain path. Furthermore, Demand charges already exist for customers to compensate the network operator to have access to their connection, so I do not agree with the principle of "free riding" for embedded generators.	Matthew	
	2026-08-31 09:39:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JG	
	2026-08-31 09:40:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar supply is only created with the application of large amounts of private capital - in the order of R150,000.00 - which came out of PRIVATEC INDIVIDUALS POCKETS. These private investments took a lot of strain of Eskom's grid and that was a huge benefit to Eskom. Making us pay additional fixed charges for a service we barely use is outragous.	Caro	
	2026-08-31 09:43:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-08-31 09:44:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-08-31 09:50:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:52:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM now has extra power available (because more people use alternate sources), ESKOM should therefore charge less and sell more	Mark	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:53:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Working from my house, I was forced by power sharing caused by ESCOM to get eitther a generator or a limited solar system to assure comtinuous internet contect . The latter solution was obvious given the extra carbon footprint , noise pollution and increasing fuel and maintenance cost of a generator. It is absolutely insane of the government to change laws to force honest (in our case limited income pensioners) retepayers to bear the cost of their feilures.	David	retired
	2026-08-31 09:53:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed shift from volumetric to mandatory, high fixed monthly grid charges targeting rooftop solar and partial-defection users. I invested tens of thousands of rand of my own, already-taxed income into solar precisely because Eskom failed to keep the lights on — and that private investment has been one of the reasons load shedding has eased and the country's growth has been protected. Penalising energy-conscious households with unavoidable fixed charges simply because our consumption has dropped punishes us for solving a problem the state itself created, extends the payback period on our investment, and discourages further private decarbonisation. Meanwhile, large industrial users above 1MW will be permitted to bypass municipal grids entirely for cheaper private power, leaving ordinary "captive" households to absorb municipal revenue shortfalls and legacy cross-subsidies through higher fixed fees. This is neither fair nor proportionate. I do not support mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges, and I urge the Department to protect volumetric, usage-based billing so that households who have taken on the cost and risk of self-generation are not further penalised for the state's own shortcomings.	Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-31 09:54:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pete	
	2026-08-31 09:54:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thembekile	employed individual
	2026-08-31 09:56:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rioma	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 09:59:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With the enormous rise in electricity charges over the past few years and high number of electricity outages we experience on a weekly basis, due to municipality inefficiencies to upgrade infrastructure and reduction of overtime available to municipal workers, we are forced to make provision for electricty in the home to ensure day to day functioning and prevent loosing refrigerated contents. government want to penelise individuals for making provision for their inadiquate managing of state funds. Unless the government refunds me fully for the costs of the installations done to ensure we have electricity when the grid is down, they annot expect us to pay additional fees unless they can guarantee 24/7 grid supply to our homes	Chris	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:13:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Eddie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:17:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cecilia	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:22:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:28:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Until such time as our government and Eskom can guarantee full-time unlimited power supply without disruption, it is unethical to place a further financial and regulatory burden on citizens who have found an alternative way to keep the lights on and businesses running. The vast majority of people who have installed solar power did not do so in order to pay less in electricty costs. Rather, we were forced into it due to frequent consistent non-availabilty of power from the national grid.	Lana	business owner
	2026-08-31 10:32:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mholi	
	2026-08-31 10:34:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex	self-employed
	2026-08-31 10:51:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		willem	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:56:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its outrageous to penalise consumers who opted for solar as a consequence of the government's inability to supply reliable energy and the energy crisis that arose because of their mismanagement.	Karin	retired
	2026-08-31 10:57:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cara	
	2026-08-31 11:01:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As a small Bussinessl consume very little power from the network. Most of the stoves, and geysers are on gas. All lighting is low power LED's. Monthly consumption is about R900. Total Escom bill - +/-R5000. That gives you R4100 of Different Charges. Service and admin 852 Network capacity 2164 Network Demand 246 Ancilliary Charge 1.66 Generation capacity 131.52 Every time a increase is refused by NERSA, it seems that a extra charge is added.	Adriaan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 11:10:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid for the upgrades to help the crisis. Now I get penalised. And that after we were encouraged by the state to install solar power. Their inability to manage. Is not my problem.	Johann	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:11:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-08-31 11:16:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will be just another fraud ridden rip-off scheme to protect the cadre ridden SOE and Councils. The sooner someone competant and inteligent takes over getting rid of the SOE protection the better. Dispose of Escom and the Minister, let the free market forces take over!	Jaco	retired
	2026-08-31 11:30:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. I use an retuculation system that is more than 40 years old and where the capital has already been reovered by municipal taxes and current maintenance is also covered by property tax and the services billed. 2. I can run the whole hiouse on solar only and do not need Eskom / Municipality supply. 3. I should be allowed to disconnect from the grid - something which is not allowed yet. 4. I should be allowed to apply for a reduced supply current / load. I have a 60A circuite breaker, but cannot use more than 25A and I CAN EVEN SET THIS LOWER. I need not pay for a large network if I cannot and do not want to use it. 5. If I have surplus enery and the municipality wants is, the MUN CIPALITY shall install a meter at THEIR cost to accept feedback into the grid. My system is signed off by a registered person and I shall NOT be required to have expenses for further conformity inspections. If I choose and the system stays connected, it should be MY CHOICE whether I feed back excess in to grid.	Pieter	retired
	2026-08-31 11:30:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How pathetic has this government and Eskom become. Not only did they screw a well-managed, competent electrical supply system, but they still choose to blame everyone but themselves. They should welcome private enterprise that has spent its own capital to obviate the problems caused by this government and Eskom in particular. Instead of punishing individuals, they should welcome them. Already the consumption on grid power has been reduced, thus allowing for less down-time on this critical infrastructure. What they should be doing is welcoming excess power production by solar panels during the day and start to feed it into the grid. What the planned changes may well do, instead of getting funds from persons that have solar power and grid power, many people will simply increase the number of batteries and solar panel and cut off grid supply completely. That will totally defeat the object. Good luck with your proposal if it is passed. I can see it backfiring in your face.	David	retired
	2026-08-31 11:30:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-08-31 11:31:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents and businesses who have taken the load shedding issue seriously and have spent thousands of Rand to install a system which is reliable for their homes and businesses will be penalised for saving Eskom from further embarrassment at the total mismanagement of both their time and resources. The solar systems which have been installed have created the illusion that Eskom now has load-shedding under control. Not true. There is simply a large number of residences and businesses which are no longer relying on Eskom which, in turn, has relieved a huge portion of the demand on the unmaintained, poorly managed Eskom infrastructure.	Caryl	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 11:34:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed rates are putting already heavy paying consumers under a lot of financial pressure.	Elana	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:35:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-08-31 11:39:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is unconstitutional	Gareth	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:39:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carole	retired
	2026-08-31 11:46:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		sandra	retired

	2026-08-31 11:56:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	retired
	2026-08-31 12:01:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lennox	retired
	2026-08-31 12:09:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ridiculous! We were encouraged to go solar and even got a little tax reduction for solar panels purchased and now they want to punish us for what we have done with our own hard earned money! Why on earth do we need to always pay for no extra services delivered or government failures. You have load shedding for weeks on end yet your electricity bill remains the same come month end? Corruption, failed maintenance and bad management is the problem. Time for SA to say NO MORE !	Johan	self-employed
	2026-08-31 12:16:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm tired of the abuse! If Eskom implements these taxes, after being given all our taxes in bailouts, I'll go completely off grid. Eskom won't receive another cent from me. NO MORE ABUSE!!	Craig	employed individual
	2026-08-31 12:21:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-08-31 12:25:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Remember we were forced to do this due to Eskom load shedding and bad municipality- infrastructure and maintenance combined. This influenced my decision after being a month offline from the grid. So penalising me for incompetency of the above combined service providers will make me automate and manage my installation to climb completely off the grid. What a disaster for Municipalities employment and biggest income, they destroyed themselves. And water to follow the same route soon.	Dave	self-employed
	2026-08-31 12:41:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erika	self-employed
	2026-08-31 12:44:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One assumes that transforming the electricity sector should provide each and every household the option to choose their electricity service provider based on competitiveness. It implies this opportunity will be provided to large industries only, whilst Governments plan (ANC) is to provide more free electricity. This will mean that households will be locked in to covering the expense gap at Eskom which is going to get larger and larger unless Eskom start shutting down aged Power Stations. The more costly it is to use Eskom as the backup electricity provider for Solar, the more cost effective it is going to be for households with Solar and batteries to go off the grid. The smaller the consumer base will be for Eskom which in turn will mean more expensive for those left. It's a spiral of death of Eskom. Wake up and smell the coffee. Government needs to ensure what wheeling is allowed for large industries is also available to households. Also they need to encourage households to actively be part of the solution by offering financial credits for pumping electricity back into the grid.	Simon	business owner
	2026-08-31 12:45:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During load shedding Eskom subsidised the intallation of Solar Power to relieve the presure on Eskom. They helped us into Solar Power. Now they want to tax us for helping ourselves when they vcould not even help themselves. They are crasy!	Gert	retired
	2026-08-31 12:50:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	self-employed
	2026-08-31 13:05:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is no end to the corruption and too much pressure put on the honest paying public . Taxpayers cannot carry the whole country - soon there will be no one left to keep the country going . There must be fair billing	Sue	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:06:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar use should be encouraged, not punished, considering earth warming etc, electricity costs are driven up by fraud , excessive high salaries in Eskom and extremely rich contractors charging exorbitantly high prices for services	Ewald	
	2026-08-31 13:08:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:26:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we be punished for taking things into our own hands when the system fails us. We should not be punished for wanting a cleaner earth.	Marne	
	2026-08-31 13:37:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Punishing South African citizens for taking initiative for government's own shortcomings is unfair and is yet another example of government pushing away private solutions. How could private-public partnerships thrive in this kind of environment?	Tumelo	employed individual
	2026-08-31 14:04:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-31 14:19:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM's failures forced private enterprises plus people to protect themselves from ESKOM by installing solar. Eskom deserves NO Subsidisation or opportunity to offset their costs, by imposing on private solar investors. If they cannot produce at competitive prices - let them sell and allow private enterprise to do a better job.	Glynn	self-employed
	2026-08-31 14:26:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support a tariff structure that unfairly penalises residential consumers who invest their own money in rooftop solar and battery systems to reduce their reliance on the grid. Electricity costs are already extremely high for ordinary households. Consumers who invest in alternative energy are reducing demand on the electricity system, improving their own energy security and contributing private capital towards South Africa’s energy transition. They should not subsequently be penalised through excessive fixed or capacity charges simply because their electricity consumption from the grid has decreased. I accept that grid infrastructure has real costs and that consumers who remain connected should make a reasonable contribution towards maintaining that infrastructure. However, any fixed network charge should be transparent, cost-reflective and proportionate to the actual cost of providing grid access. It should not be designed to recover lost electricity-sales revenue from households that have become more energy efficient or installed solar. The proposed framework should preserve a genuine financial incentive for households to invest in solar, batteries and energy efficiency. Otherwise, consumers who use their own capital to reduce pressure on the national electricity system may effectively be punished for doing exactly what South Africa’s energy transition should encourage. I therefore recommend that residential fixed charges be kept reasonable and subject to regulatory limits, that solar households not be subjected to punitive or discriminatory charges, and that tariff structures continue to reward consumers for reducing grid consumption and investing in cleaner, decentralised generation.	Thabiso	self-employed
	2026-08-31 14:47:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cedric	
	2026-08-31 14:48:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government made the electrical problems. Encouraged us to find alternative solutions. Now they have the gall to charge us for solar or alternative electricity production. No if people paid to install solar, leave them. Stop giving free electricity to those who don't pay instead	Michael	
	2026-08-31 15:08:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SSEG's have saved the grid from possible loadshedding - you cannot punish the very people who have helped the grid and gone green. Leave us alone	John	
	2026-08-31 15:09:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	JUST ANOTHER SCAM TO FLEECE THE TAX AND RATE PAYERS.	Deon Martin	retired
	2026-08-31 15:15:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed restructuring of electricity billing introduces mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges for all grid-connected households and businesses, regardless of actual consumption. While intended to “discourage free riding,” this framework unfairly penalises citizens who have invested in rooftop solar and battery storage to reduce reliance on Eskom and mitigate load shedding. Key Objections: Penalty on Private Initiative: Households and businesses that invested private capital to support energy resilience are punished with unavoidable baseline charges. Captive Ratepayer Trap: Large industrial users (>1 MW) gain access to cheaper wholesale markets, while ordinary households remain captive to municipal tariffs, bearing the burden of revenue shortfalls. Risk of Market Abuse: Eskom Generation’s dominance over baseload supply creates risks of price manipulation and volatility in retail tariffs without strong oversight. Requested Relief: Withdraw or amend the proposed billing framework to exclude punitive fixed charges on solar-equipped households. Ensure equitable treatment between residential and industrial consumers. Establish transparent oversight to prevent market abuse and protect ratepayers.	George	self-employed
	2026-08-31 15:22:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again Eskom want to claw back revenue that they lost through their incompetence, lack of maintenance and theft, by penalising those of us who invested in solar systems during load shedding. I could use a few choice words to register my disgust and opposition to the proposals...	Lesley	
	2026-08-31 15:31:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fatima	retired
	2026-08-31 15:38:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom told/urged residents of SA to install Solar for their residential purposes under constant load shedding for over more than a decade. Today we are being punished by Eskom, in the form of punitive tariffs, for having installed Solar at great cost to myself and my family! We have not yet begun to reap benefits from the fact that we installed expensive Solar to try and reduce our Eskom derived astronomical electricity bill. Poor putrid planning over the years, couples to horrendous Corruption, at Eskom & government itself, being the cause of electricity shortages that have not completely subsided to this day! Will all these wind turbines dotted around this Eastern Cape also be levied for their existence? Surely this is not the way to build a country that will be for the people by the people!	Denzyl	retired
	2026-08-31 15:39:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our decision to invest in solar energy was not taken lightly. It was a costly response to years of unreliable electricity supply and load-shedding. Before that, we were perfectly willing to purchase and pay for electricity from the national grid. We therefore strongly object to any proposal to impose additional levies or taxes on households that have invested their own money in securing a reliable alternative. By reducing our dependence on the grid, we have also reduced demand on an already strained national electricity system. There is a fundamental issue of fairness here. Citizens who have responded responsibly to the failure of essential infrastructure should not subsequently be penalised for finding their own solution. We recognise the need for a sustainable national electricity system. However, any new charges on private solar users must be transparent, reasonable and properly justified. South Africans have already carried a significant financial burden as a result of the electricity crisis. Those who have invested in alternative energy should not now be expected to pay an additional price for doing so.	Aletta	self-employed
	2026-08-31 16:00:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Suzette	
	2026-08-31 16:01:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges can be increased anytime by both Eskom and Municipalities to exploit users who are probably can afford charges and also could subsidise non payers. There is no limit to increases. The solar installation is helping Eskom cope with the demand.	Nkosinathi	
	2026-08-31 16:11:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	retired
	2026-08-31 16:16:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We have invested large sums in solar to safeguard against the incompetence of Eskom in providing reliable power supply and against outrageous price hikes caused by Eskom's corrupt management which the proposed legislation aims to bypass by introduce tariffs which have nothing to do with consumption. Another black hole for further theft and corruption.	pierre	retired
	2026-08-31 16:18:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has over the years increased the fixed and so called availability charges well above the rate of inflation to disguise the fact that the cost of electricity to the consumers is excessive once the fixed costs et al are added in. Why are hard pressed consumers constantly be expected to bail out a corrupt and ineffective state enterprise. This creates an ever increasing downward spiral. As the cost goes up fewer people want the product, resulting in unit cost increasing to cover the overheads. Not a sustainable business model...! Is NERSA protecting the consumer or ESKOM? Our country has lost a lot of key industries due to excessive electricity costs, as well as Mozal smelter in Mozambique. ESKOM is a strategic industry and the government should bear the cost to make ESKOM cost effective at the expense of all tax payers. The hidden cost to our economy by failure of ESKOM impacts every citizen and every unemployed person. Come on ANC / GNU look at the big picture instead of promoting ideological goals at the expense of us all.	Chris	retired
	2026-08-31 16:21:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liza	employed individual

	2026-08-31 16:21:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many of us had to install solar power because of all the power outages arising from Eskom's inefficiency, incompetence and lack of planning for future power demands, and now we are expected to pay these proposed fixed tariffs unrelated to the amount of power consumed. Several years back Eskom would give you a rebate if you installed solar etc. They even offered free geyser blankets and energy saving light bulbs. It is unrealistic and should not be allowed. Plus, all the money that Eskom has lost or stolen with all the corruption and all the big bonuses that they pay out etc. etc. With all the billions lost by Eskom and the government, it is definitely a NO	Patrick	retired
	2026-08-31 16:36:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Penalizing home owners or small business owners by applying fixed costs for those who installed solar during Eskom's failure to provide consistent power (load shedding periods), is discouraging and suppresses freedom of sourcing power. Eskom should itself look to installing solar to supplement their power supply and encourage those who have extra solar generated power, to sell it into the grid. Eskom should rather concentrate their efforts to stop all illegal connections which is clearly theft instead penalized those who helped keep the wheels of industry turning when Eskom failed to do so.	Colleen	business owner
	2026-08-31 16:47:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another reason for not trusting this ANC government!! When we were begged by Eskom during load shedding to reduce energy demand because grand scale corruption, political interference and theft had broken the power utility's ability to provide continuity of power and so doing destroyed economic growth, jobs etc, national treasury offered to subsidise private solar intalled generation units solar panels . I paid out R135 000 for an installation for which I will be sole maintainer cost wise for running costs and replacement of units st end of life, but I am also paying for increased monthly household insurance to protect the installation against damage. Government gets vat out of that too. So if Eskom pays me out (R 150 000) plus interest I have lost on that amount over3 years and increased insurance costs they can have my solar system abd do what they like with it. If not I will go all the way and disengage my system from the grid completely. Never in the history of South Africa has there been do much greed and disception levelled by a government aimed at the very people who came willingly of their own accord to the rescue during our power crisis. This government doesn't understand the value of hard earned money. It treats the electorate with contemp?	Norman	retired
	2026-08-31 17:25:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom supplied reliable electricity at a realistic price my investment in solar would not have been necessary. We have been forced to invest in an alternative source because of Eskom's criminal and corrupt activities. Added to this the state has allowed the theft of electricity through illegal connections. It is immoral to expect us to pay for Eskom's criminal, corrupt and negligent activities.	Michael	retired
	2026-08-31 17:55:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-08-31 18:12:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Baseline connection tax is a ripoff, especially where households are not 100% off the grid. Private Capital has been incurred to assist the State when it was in a load shedding crisis and rebates than taxes would have been an appropriate gesture by the State. The least that can be done is to charge per amount drawn from the grid.	Lefadi	retired
	2026-08-31 18:44:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The City of Cape Town on their website (https://www.capetown.gov.za/Family%20and%20home/greener-living/saving-electricity-at-home/going-solar) declares that "Homes or businesses that have onsite renewable energy generation will benefit from lower electricity costs and contribute to a more secure and sustainable future for Cape Town." This acts an encouragement for properties to install solar panes and it is due to this statement that solar panels have been installed. It would have been obvious that electricity suppliers would loose revenue from properties that use solar panels when solar panels were encouraged by government. If this bill goes through, properties with solar panels will be penalised on top of the heavy expense they have had. Hence we oppose this bill and call out the electricity suppliers to honour the initial encouragements made.	Volker	
	2026-08-31 18:58:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is alteady a connection charge, if we choose to feed the grid we are paid under market value. All this will do is encourage use to get off the grid 100% and then the guys unablr yo implement solar are left with a larger burden. Giving the energy producer a larger aupppprt burden for less income. Thos driving a wedge between consumer and government	Carey	employed individual
	2026-08-31 19:18:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannes	business owner
	2026-08-31 19:38:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has made a profit the previous year, today they revealed that they made double the profit of the previous year. This profit while the muncipalities have such a great debt, if Eskom illiminates this debt, what is the profit then? Sort out your muncipalities, not your loyal paying customers. People who have solar, have already paid their tax on the system, 15% VAT. This is a cheap way of making money by delivering nothing.	Nico	retired
	2026-08-31 19:51:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and installed solar to help me with monthly cashflow. I am not totally of the grid but save +- R1000/mounth. We can not be sitting ducks and keep on paying with pension money decreasing in value.	Jan	retired
	2026-08-31 20:29:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years we struggled with loadshedding, sitting in the dark with households to feed and get through showers etc! Now that we spend hundreds of thousands of rands to install solar, you want money from us using the sun God gave us for free! You're crazy!	Dezire	employed individual
	2026-08-31 20:30:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-08-31 20:35:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop harassing solar users as we are the ones that forked out huge amounts of cash for inverters, batteries and panels. We are the reason your grid didn't collapse at the hight of loadshedding. Now you come and bite us at the heel like a snake and say pay more? Your 30+ years of corruption, mismanagement, theft and negiigence to maintain electricity infrastructure is squarely on the shoulders of the ANC. Not to mention that almost the whole of Soweto doesn't pay a cent for electricity and you doing NOTHING about that. I paid for my system(private property) costing me over 100K for your incompetence not to mention food I had to throw to the dogs because of extended periods of loadshedding. Maybe we solar users must just buy bigger battery storage and tell Eskom to come and remove their wires from our homes. We are very angry for the constant attacks on us and we will most certainly see you in court. Even a child can tell us what is really going on here and you better stop it	M	employed individual
	2026-08-31 20:39:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested hard working money to put in solar paper. This will take years to pay off, if ever. Paying additional for power barely used is unfair to people that has basically saved the country from load shedding.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-08-31 20:40:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If it wasn't for the private sector investment in Solar, the SA grid would have collapsed. Now the government want a sun tax? Are we not already overtaxed. Just another NO NO for investors and LESS disposable income for consumers and South Africans. Shame on you	Michael	retired
	2026-08-31 20:41:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have farms in the Northern Cape. Eskom already impose supplementary charges on farms - for each and every Eskom transformer 5 additional charges apply. These charges are exorbitant and the real power consumption is only between 28% and 40% of the total bill. On farms Eskom has become totally unaffordable, and they hold farmers ransom because of their monopoly, Capital expenditure on solar systems has aggravated the issue because if you use less of the historical consumption, you pay more. With all the pressure on farmers, electricity provisional is the nail in the coffin.	Dawie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 20:46:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	
	2026-08-31 20:54:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so fed up. Around each corner someone is trying to rob you blind and take advantage whilst other are riding on the gravy train?	Florence	employed individual
	2026-08-31 21:21:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is due to the State and Eskom squandering money on BEE companies, stealing money and not maintaining the networks that we were forced to find alternatives. Diesel is stolen and not delivered but paid. Eskom staff (as a general statement) are useless and act as if they are gods. They have no idea what value for money is when squandering it. The ANC mafia and cronies are running the country.	Johannes	employed individual
	2026-08-31 22:21:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-08-31 22:26:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-08-31 22:44:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So here we go again! Some years ago the Government was urging us all to invest in solar panels etc. to "rescue" Eskom from "falling down the financial & incompetent rabbit hole" and those who could, some even using all their hard earned savings, complied and avoided the threat of load-shedding uptil now. Then low and behold, at a time when all we see around us are natural disasters, wars and a general sense of depression with AI gradually robbing many of their employment and livelihoods, what does one hear, the Government comes along with these ridiculous laws & tariffs to protect ESKOM once again!!	Cathy	retired
	2026-08-31 22:44:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	retired
	2026-09-01 00:36:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Monique	
	2026-09-01 04:36:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill raises concerns in terms of practical and logical application. There are countless families that do not exceed certain parameters of income and in all likeliness won't be able to pay the "standard" or "set" quota. Thus they will be penalized for factors outside their control. Furthermore, if property owners have Eskom poles on their property, they already pay a baseline fee. It is illogical that Eskom is able to exercise Municipal privileges over citizens. Eskom is a company that provides goods for a price, let the price be determined by the quantity of what is consumed. I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Amy	
	2026-09-01 06:12:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LUNGILE	
	2026-09-01 07:05:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Erich	employed individual
	2026-09-01 07:09:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hudson	
	2026-09-01 07:41:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Niel	business owner
	2026-09-01 08:35:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that those of us who have spent hard earned money to install solar, inverters and batteries to provide power for ourselves now have to spend more money to register our systems,anything from R3000 to R7000. We are then also forced to pay for a new electricity meter at around R7000 to be able to feed your excess solar into the grid. This will supposedly net you R1 per unit even though we pay over R3 per unit. Now we must bite the bullet again and be penalised for using less electricity by paying higher monthly fees. This is not right!	David	retired
	2026-09-01 08:44:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-01 09:08:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am disgusted at the gouvernment even thinking of taxing the citizens far above what is affordable for a service they simply can't rendere to satisfactory standard. Now, having been forced to make own plans for survival and turn to solar panels to stay affloat, the gouvernment wants to tax its citizens for using our loving Gods free sun! Its rediculious!	Anna	retired
	2026-09-01 09:21:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households have invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding and will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Philip	self-employed
	2026-09-01 10:01:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-09-01 10:09:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Candice	self-employed
	2026-09-01 10:33:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-01 10:38:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At great cost to ourselves due to load shedding, (and as encouraged by the government and eskom) we purchase a solar system. It was just a small supplemental system to try and "keep the lights on", and we do not have the capacity or space to go totally "off the grid". Now we're to be "punished" for this useful but inadequate system because of the problems Eskom created...! I'm definitely against a fixed penalty rate for solar owners!	Paul	self-employed

	2026-09-01 11:00:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samukelisiwe	employed individual
	2026-09-01 11:07:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luvuyo	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 11:10:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	retired
	2026-09-01 11:39:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, the public are being forced to pay for government incompetence. We already pay for solar system usage plus the layout for installation. Why does the government think we are all so wealthy that we can go on paying for services that we don't use? I think we are all absolutely fed-up with a government that can't do its job.	Louise	retired
	2026-09-01 11:52:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having invested hundreds of thousands of Rand in Solar PV generation at my house, I obviously use a lot less of Eskom's product, and the only way they can now squeeze more money out of me is to saddle me with exorbitant fixed charges, which will be way out of proportion to the amount of electricity that I use. We didn't install solar because it was nice to have! The alternative was not an option, as my wife worked from home and couldn't work without power. I understand the counter-argument (to a degree) but fail to see why we, as pro-active citizens should be penalised after having spent all this money. Let's not forget, the reason we had to spend this money was due to Eskoms incompetence in the first place. We cannot eternally be held financially responsible for the Government's mistakes.	Trevor	retired
	2026-09-01 11:52:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-01 12:16:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marli	
	2026-09-01 12:52:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The legislation in the current format is penalising individual consumers for seeking alternatives for constitutionally enshired rights (Bill of Rights) to access electricity when the state has failed to do this. The justification of not having paid sunk costs for infrustructure is laughable - that is the same as telling a person who crosses the street that they should pay for the sunken costs for building that road, because they decided to walk instead of drive a car. The sunken costs are already paid for via Income Taxes; fuel levies, property taxes, business taxes ect. To ask consumers to prop-up any short-fall is brazen and insulting. State entities should look to the blatant criminal and corruptive processes within their organisations. Address these instead of squeezing the very last drop from the general public - this only fuels the cycle and not address the problem of corruption. As a consumer we already pay a network charge for access to the grid on our monthly rates together with our billing for consumption - now this will increase because state thinks that paying for what you use is some how unfair and a blanket rate is better? Once again only the poor and small middle class with suffer from this ACT if implemented.	Dylan	employed individual
	2026-09-01 13:22:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers should only pay for electricity use age. Maintenance of existing infrastructure to be done out of profit from customer use age.	Petrus Stefanus	retired
	2026-09-01 13:50:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	jUST LIKE THE pOST oFFICE SOME YEARS AGO, ESKOM WANT TO ALSO COMMIT SUICIDE .... THE NETT RESULT WILL SIMPLY BE THAT THE PRIVATE USERS WITH SOLAR WILL SIMPLY GO TOTALLY GO OFFGRID.	RUDI	retired
	2026-09-01 14:03:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal would be unfair to residents throughout the country and probably lead to more hardships already experienced by many residents in SA. Surely residents should be levied charges in line with usage which has been the norm for many years. Also it appears as though Eskom is planning an option 2 type of scenario to maintain profitability.	Mark	retired
	2026-09-01 14:19:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trudie	retired
	2026-09-01 14:34:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tayo	retired
	2026-09-01 14:35:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I already pay significant connection fees to Johannesburg City Power. If these proposed charges are anything more than current it would save me to commit that extra payment to a small upgrade of my existing installation and purchase a small generator for the few days when weather doesn't allow sufficient generation. Then go fully off grid. Net result is worse for the Municipality and Eskom.	Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-01 14:49:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years Eskom discouraged consumers from using their product (and national government even provided subsidies for solar panels), encouraging people to make alternative plans. Now that we have done that they want to penalise us for their own incompetence and inefficiency. In a word, "NO!".	George	employed individual
	2026-09-01 15:00:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ursula	retired
	2026-09-01 15:05:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Dirk	business owner
	2026-09-01 15:08:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		ernst	retired
	2026-09-01 15:36:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When load shedding reached new heights we were encouraged by government to install solar power. We got messages on our TV screen every night asking us to use less power because the grid was under pressure. The newspapers were full of corruption happening at Eskom. Now we read of the enormous salaries earned by Eskom employees and the massive bonusses earned by top management. It seems as though they are bragging with their big salaries. Why must the public always pay for the incompetence of people managing SOE's. Why must solar users be targeted and penalised for spending their own hard earned money to make sure their lights don't go out. We are now using less electricity like you asked us to do and now you are also not happy about that. So I say no.	Fanie	retired
	2026-09-01 16:05:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Uma	retired
	2026-09-01 16:14:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its simple - penalise solar users to such an extent, then we go offgrid and zero revenue for Eskom. A fair charge for solar users is acceptable. There are millions of township users connected illegally. Overcharge the solar users, then you will be left with all the non paying customers.	Verona	retired
	2026-09-01 16:15:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The labelling of renewable energy use as "free-riding" is the most obnoxious thing I've heard in a long time. We (residents who put solar-PV on our roofs) were encouraged by municipalities to put solar PV on our roofs so that there would be less pressure on the grid to help Eskom to provide enough power to industry and to help Eskom to reduce rolling blackouts for all South Africans. To turn around now and make out as if we are the cause of a problem, or are getting something for free is appalling, disgusting, expected from politicians, and incorrect (we are all paying off our rooftop PV installations - IT IS NOT FOR FREE - so the term "free-riding" does not apply. Municipalities need to stop cross-subsidising electricity and need to apply for funds from central government to pay for free electricity for poor people (i.e. government needs to raise taxes from everyone, or they need to divert funds from other projects). Do not expect people who have invested large amounts of money in rooftop PV to be responsible for constitutional requirements that are directly the responsibility of central government.	Howard	employed individual
	2026-09-01 16:30:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The labelling of renewable energy use as "free-riding" is the most obnoxious thing I've heard! We (residents who put solar-PV on our roofs) were encouraged to put solar PV on our roofs so that there would be less pressure on the grid to help Eskom to provide enough power to industry and to help Eskom to reduce rolling blackouts for all South Africans. During 'load-shedding, who else except ourselves, were there to help us when there was no power!? To turn around now and make out as if we are the cause of a problem, or are getting something for free is appalling to say the least, disgusting, expected from politicians, and incorrect (we are all paying off our rooftop PV installations - IT IS NOT FOR FREE!!! So the term "free-riding" does not apply! Municipalities need to stop cross-subsidising electricity and need to apply for funds from central government to pay for free electricity for poor people (i.e. government needs to raise taxes from everyone, or they need to divert funds from other projects). Do not expect people who have invested large amounts of money in rooftop PV to be responsible for constitutional requirements that are directly the responsibility of central government.	James	self-employed
	2026-09-01 18:06:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-01 19:12:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Enco	
	2026-09-01 20:34:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charleen	
	2026-09-01 21:30:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-01 22:07:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly opposed paying double after I have saved this country from the inability to produce enough power. I don't see why I must for all those stealing power and receive free power.	TJ	
	2026-09-02 04:59:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is about Eskom, a mega abuser of state funds (bailouts for mismanagement), trying to save itself. It is an obnoxious idea in principle, and crushing to the middle class who are already under so much strain. Next, pay a fee to have a watertank because incompetent cadres didn't do maintenance on infrastructure. NO TO SUN TAX!!!	Sharlene	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 06:04:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have no words. In short, I cannot support the bonus or salary of R13mil to the Eskom dude's pension. Poor guy, would have to turn every penny around to make his budget stretch to fit in everything	Alma	employed individual
	2026-09-02 06:25:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	retired
	2026-09-02 07:01:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been controlling us with load shedding for years. We lost small businesses we had and no one cared. We found alternatives which enable us to sustain ourselves and now you want us to contribute to your mess. That's absolute rubbish and cannot be tolerated. Our rates have been higher even with no electricity for hours. We canning contribute to your corruption	Bongani	
	2026-09-02 07:29:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, citizens whom have made the effort to invest in solar due to high tariffs and an inconsistent grid are targeted to pay more fixed fees and unfairly penalized. Payment for no return service. This aligns with the shrinking rates and tax payer pool, who just get squeezed for more.	Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:12:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-02 08:28:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Blatant attempt to grab more power and money while not addressing systemic corruption in the electricity sector from the white collar. Shit flows from the top not the bottom. There is much more money being wasted on other things within eskom	Roberto	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:30:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not on and most of solar users will take out a further loan to upgrade their systems and go totally off grid. What will you do then? We are tired of an incompetent state that allowed the grid to get is such a dire state. The people heeded the calls of the president for households to get solar to eliminate a grid collapse. Now you want your bread buttered on both sides by penalizing solar users because they dont use the grid that much anymore. Its absolutely laughable. Rather stop all the corruption and theft at the municipalities and let all users pay their fair share. The townships are the true free riders and it seems you turn a blind eye on that fact because you are afraid of loosing more votes. What a sad state to further milk the people that always has been paying their bills. I get the feeling at the end of the day you will sit with egg on your face because wr are tired of being pushed around	Charmaine	employed individual
	2026-09-02 08:39:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Minister you are wrong by targeting solar users as a way to fill the hole of your bankrupt municipalities. Everybody I know took loans to install solar to just to keep essential equipment running. We will never forget how we sat for up to 8 hours a day without electeicity. Find another way to plug the hole. And tell our prez he must stop lying that ANC fixed the grid. Major companies closed because of unreliable supply and high operational cost and people that got fed up with load shedding and installed solar. Are you awake yet?	Nomvula	employed individual
	2026-09-02 09:27:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	retired
	2026-09-02 09:28:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christelle	employed individual

	2026-09-02 09:54:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 10:06:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity should be a free market system, where good healthy competition can lower the price and ensure excellent delivery.	Donald	retired
	2026-09-02 10:27:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the years of loadshedding the Government and Eskom encouraged private individuals and businesses to put in solar systems to assist Eskom with the availability of electricity. I did so (at an enormous cost to myself), even though I am still connected to the grid through a pre-paid meter. I pay more and more for less and less units! Now the Government and Eskom want to penalize me by introducing a monthly tax on my continued grid connection! How is that fair? I object in the strongest possible terms.	Glenn	
	2026-09-02 11:23:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-02 12:44:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	
	2026-09-02 12:44:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	
	2026-09-02 12:51:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-02 13:51:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	retired
	2026-09-02 14:00:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:07:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely rediculous, we as residents have spent our own money, after tax, to fit solar panels, to keep our households going and SAFE during load shedding, and take pressure off the grid, and now a proposed charge for roof top solar.	Graham	employed individual
	2026-09-02 14:48:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manuela	unemployed individual
	2026-09-02 15:08:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a 75 year old with no pension and still working to survive, I can not be bullied into tariffs that was never supposed to have been. I did invest in a solar installation when the country was suffering. I should now be compensated for my part to relieve the failing Eskom when they needed help finzncually rather than being bullied .	Eugene	retired
	2026-09-02 15:33:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a 64 year old pensioner, I can not be bullied into tariffs that was never supposed to have been. I did invest in a solar installation when the country was suffering. It is very unfair to punshish those who support Eskom to through installing solar systems to ease the load from Eskom and through that assisting them to supply electricity to South Africa.	Bill	retired
	2026-09-02 16:22:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At first eskom could not provide. We as consumer have to make a plan again. Now that there is a small chance that they can provide we are penalise again.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-02 16:23:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Installing a solar grid system has to be a financial decision. Introducing factors after the financial decision is made is completely unfair. Cape Town has announced it will move away from Eskom completely in the future and rely completely on other suppliers of energy. This becomes another consideration for relocating to Cape Town. It also becomes a disincentive for leaving Cape Town. I can understand Eskom wanting to load new solar systems going forward but the management of such a proposal would be complex so rather take the easy route and penalise everyone. The whole need to get into solar was brought about by Eskom's inability to provide a consistant supply, so for those working from home it became close to complusory to invest in solar. This is just wrong on so many levels it could probably be the basis for a full blown thesis.	Nigel	retired
	2026-09-02 17:08:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the proposed approach to fixed network charges where it results in households with privately funded solar being financially penalised. I did not install solar because I wanted to avoid paying my fair share of a functioning electricity system. I installed it because Eskom was unable to provide a reliable electricity supply. During years of load shedding, my family had to spend a substantial amount of our own after-tax money on solar panels, batteries and inverters simply to obtain the basic reliability that the electricity system was supposed to provide. It is therefore fundamentally unfair to now describe households like mine as “free riders” or to introduce high fixed charges which effectively penalise us for solving, at our own expense, a problem we did not create. Private solar owners have also benefited the electricity system. We reduced our demand on the grid, particularly during periods when generation capacity was under severe pressure, and we funded that additional generating capacity ourselves rather than requiring Eskom or the taxpayer to fund it. I accept that maintaining an electricity network has a genuine cost and that a customer who remains connected to the grid can reasonably be expected to contribute towards that cost. However, any network charge must be transparent, independently justified, proportionate to the actual network capacity and service provided, and must not be designed to recover lost electricity-sales revenue from customers who have reduced their consumption. Solar customers who export electricity to the grid should also receive a fair credit for the electricity and system value they provide. Government should be encouraging households and businesses to invest private capital in generation, storage and energy efficiency — not changing the rules afterwards and reducing the value of investments people were effectively forced to make because of load shedding. I therefore request that the policy be amended to prohibit punitive or excessive fixed charges on solar users, require NERSA to justify and cap network charges based on actual efficient network costs, and ensure fair compensation for exported electricity. South Africans should not be penalised for spending their own money to solve an electricity-supply failure that was outside their control.	Jean	
	2026-09-02 17:14:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The present electrical supply grid was paid for by taxpayers money. The current challenges that Eskom is experiencing is mainly due to corruption/mismanagement by the politicians as well within Eskom. The main reason for people to instal solar power is the unreliable power supply. Residential power consumers should not be placed at a disadvantage when compared to businesses who are already paying a lower rate when compared to residential consumers.	Sabelo	retired
	2026-09-02 17:35:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hey, listen. I am a pensioner. Look what Burkina Faso did because of their pensioners! We cannot keep up anymore!!! Eskom did not keep up with the booming population by expanding infrastructure to be able to provide power to the whole of the population 24 hours a day seven days a week. The full-scale corruption in Eskom is also one of the main reasons why Eskom could not provide 24/7 power to all as well as exorbitant pricing increases forced on the user. For that reason clients went solar and actually saved Eskom's bacon to ease the load for Eskom to provide to users easier. Nobody owns the sun; solar owners already paid a fortune to go off the grid or almost off the grid. Why must they be punished for making Eskom's task easier and that AFTER THE GOVERNMENT encouraged homeowners to install solar by getting an amount back on tax returns? That is not fair, and it is moving the goalposts after the match has already started!!	Daniel	retired
	2026-09-02 17:56:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The rising eskom charges for electricity and their non-performance and use of expensive diesel to produce electricity has forced the consumer to make other plans we install solar panels at considerable personal cost ,making use of clean power production and taking pressure off the grid we should be incentivised and not penalised !! we therefore demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Lizelle	self-employed
	2026-09-02 18:40:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the fact that you want to punish people who have taken it upon themselves to relive your useless power network from the burden of loadshedding. People like myself that own businesses and need a reliable source of energy in order to keep our business at home going and families free from your introduced decay, should not be penalised for thinking out of the box. This stinks of communism. I would rather invest in completely going off your useless grid than pay exhorbitant money so you and your chronies can keep on living in luxury. Stop screwing over the paying segment of the population and start looking at the non paying masses that are choking the life out of us. I demand the following: That NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I demand a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I demand an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Tiny	self-employed
	2026-09-02 20:27:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	
	2026-09-02 21:17:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Tshilidzi Robert	business owner
	2026-09-02 22:12:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar because Eskom was unreliable in providing the service we are paying them to provide. Working from home made it more difficult to sustain power as it was erratic. We should not be paying for their mismanagement and short-sightedness. Businesses get reduced rates, but hardworking citizens are overcharged for usage. This is discrimination against Working class citizens.	LD	student
	2026-09-03 05:31:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Eskom was in total collapse with serious stolen financial issues, not to mention the Gupta/ Zuma debacle- South Africans were asked to ease the grid by find alternative electrical sources. We have done so successfully- with solar now we must be charged for using the sun. The wholesome board and staff are all over paid, they lack business knowledge on a numbers game by lowering tariffs and getting people to pay something and not stealing it. Secondly the municipalities are equally guilting in not hading monies over. From a world class company to collapse under the ANC cadre regime.	Gavin	business owner
	2026-09-03 08:06:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	employed individual
	2026-09-03 09:24:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This policy is self defeating. It accelerates grid disconnections and burdens remaining users in a loop. Currently Eskom has excess power they cannot sell and it seems, they are not looking at their own data. General population should not be subject to the whims of a single organization.	Dzidzai	employed individual
	2026-09-03 09:30:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government should be encouraging everyone to install solar power to reduce carbon emissions. Home solar is much better than installing huge solar farms. . Putting a fixed charge on solar users will disincentivize households to install solar power. Thé alternative of going completely off grid is very difficult. Separate grid costs and charge for that through rates, along with charges for roads, street lights, etc Also people should be encouraged to be frugal with scarce resources like electricity. Paying according to use NOT fixed charges encourages responsible consumption.	Judy	retired
	2026-09-03 09:43:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was assisted (Subsidize) by Escom to install solar assisted geysers. Now they are penalising for doing this? This will reduce the incentive to control electricity usage	Arie	retired
	2026-09-03 09:50:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-03 09:50:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totaly unfair. At the time when I got solar, we were actively encouraged to make the investment in solar and even received a tax rebate. Now we are getting penalised for saving ESCOM.	Horst	retired
	2026-09-03 10:08:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totaly unfair. People were actively encouraged to make the investment in solar and even received a tax rebate. Now they are getting penalised for saving ESCOM. It is manipulation of paying citizens to cover the ones not paying!	Lorinda	
	2026-09-03 10:21:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since 1994, this government has come up with ideas that doesn't work and we the citizens had to carry the brunt of their incompetence. It is time that they admit that they have no idea how to run a country, because the hard working citizens are being punished for their incompetence. If they don't change the direction of their trajectory then South Africa will be the next Zimbabwe.	Paul	retired

	2026-09-03 10:54:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is totally unacceptable. Due to Eskom's incompetence we were encouraged to, or should I say, had little alternative but to lay out vast sums of money to install solar. Furthermore we are already being charged Electricity HU service and wire charge each month, and should we need Eskom's electricity we pay for it at an exorbitant charge.	Joanna	self-employed
	2026-09-03 12:41:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawn	
	2026-09-03 13:18:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Konradt	retired
	2026-09-03 13:44:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Call me a free-rider?? Perhaps government should rather start to weed out the real free-riders who refuse to pay for their electricity or Eskom who forced me in the first place to spend my savings on a solar system to provide me with electricity they were too pathetic to provide in the first place!! Go look in the mirror if you want to see a free-rider. I'm offended.	Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-03 13:52:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WE DID NOT INTRODUCE LOADSHEDDING, RATHER FORCED TO LOOK FOR A SOLUTION TO THE BIG PROBLEM	Jule	unemployed individual
	2026-09-03 14:18:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale punitive action for those that showed iniatiative in overcoming the planning ineptitude of Eskom to maintain a reliable power supply. Say no more. The then Energy Minister is still employed despite the gross lack of power station maintenance and forward planning that resulted in " LOAD SHEDDING".	Ian	retired
	2026-09-03 14:26:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object the change for mandatory fixed solar charges as a private homeowner. We installed our rooftop solar system as mitigation for ongoing load shedding that Eskom implemented due to their inability to adequately manage the organisation and SA electricity infrastructure. Penalising out household now is immoral and unfair. I do support moved that improves Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading as they are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-03 14:28:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Has this country gone totally mad? People were driven to solar by load shedding (which miraculously has faded away) together with unreal pricing of power. If I had the capital I would have installed solar and gone off the grid ages ago . If the have-nots were paying for services, municipalities paid Eskom and, Eskom looked at the size of their in many cases unproductive and bureaucratic workforce they would be able to weather the storm and still be profitable. Like so many I am gatvol of the ANC and its communistic policies. Roll on elections, lets hope sanity prevails and we empower a government for the people!	Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-09-03 14:47:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lina	employed individual
	2026-09-03 14:53:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How is it fair or in fact right when we had to spend our hard earned money to keep our lights on and our businesses going because the excessive corruption in the Government left them without enough money to keep our lights on. Now Eskom wants to penalise these same people for doing what they had no choice in doing!! And the same corrupt people are doing the same corrupt things!! I ask again, is this right?	Carol	retired
	2026-09-03 15:27:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hands off private property. If I run a solar system with its own DB board, own wiring that doesn't touch your precious unstable grid, what is it of your business? Its like having a diesel generator and I am free to choose what appliances I run from your grid and what from my generator. Any rational thinking person that are by his full senses can see what you are busy with. You ran out of money a long time ago because of all the theft and corruption over many years. You are looking for a place to plug your huge financial hole, so you probably thought that solar users are rich we can penalize them. Surprise...every single person I know that got solar took out huge amounts of loans to subsidize the equipment, as it is really very expensive. We are still paying off this loans. If you ran the grid responsibly with constant power supply at affordable prices nobody would have even looked at solar power. ITS ALL THANKS TO YOU...and now? Now we must pay for your incompetence? How can this reasonably be right?	M	employed individual
	2026-09-03 15:33:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have to get a choice to use or been connected to the current grid of the country or to be disconnected of the current grid. That will then apply that if you are disconnected, no basic electrical rates to be paid and you have to maintain your own electrical supply. The covermount must give the SA people a fair deal to decide for themselves and not don't caring people how want to get more and steel more. How is it fair or in fact right when we had to spend our hard-earned money to keep our lights on and our businesses going because the excessive corruption in the Government left them without enough money to keep our lights on. Now Eskom wants to penalise these same people for doing what they had no choice in doing!! And the same corrupt people are doing the same corrupt things!! I ask again, is this right?	Sophia	employed individual
	2026-09-03 15:37:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When you couldn't keep the lights on you begged from homeowners to put up solar to help stabilize the grid as it was on the brink of collapse. We did what you asked as South Africa couldn't afford a total grid collapse. So I invested in a small inverter just to keep my food fresh and wifi running. Now you really have the arrogance to come and want to impose penalties after we helped saving the grid. Even your own people are tired of your corruption and poor service delivery. I am going to contribute to the first organisation that take this matter to court for sure. How can you reasonably justify this? Its just immoral and arrogant from Nersa, Eskom and of course the ANC. Scrap that proposal. I do support IPP's as suggested in your paper. Stop targeting solar users, we will not be bullied.	Matt	employed individual
	2026-09-03 16:06:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As much as there are solar users that are using less power from the grid, most new appliances use less electricity than older versions (energy efficiency) and also residences living a frugal lifestyle will all be punished under this new plan!	Johannes	
	2026-09-03 17:12:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Taxation merry go round just keeps on spinning faster and faster. At every turn we are being Penalised for what SOE's have destroyed and are expected to bail them out once again without any improvement in Service Delivery. The Peter Principal has brought about all the Governments woes, for which We are expected to simply accept the tirade of hot air and Incomprehensible reasons as to why SOE's Have to be Propped Up by Taxing Everyone who are already Taxed to Death. We are battling to Survive instead of being able to Thrive. Fix the Problem and not the Symptom, get rid Of Dead Wood, Cut Outrageous Salaries By Two Thirds and guess what - surplus money will Miraculously Appear.	Greg	self-employed
	2026-09-03 17:14:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthew Derick	retired
	2026-09-03 17:15:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roland	
	2026-09-03 17:30:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers will, if loaded with extra charges for solar systems, start going off grid, which in turn will leave Eskom with even less revenue.	David	retired
	2026-09-03 18:17:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bonita	
	2026-09-03 22:10:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Madibi	self-employed
	2026-09-03 22:21:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-09-03 22:44:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed changes as they take away my right to make a choice for solar freedom. If government want to control solar market they must subsidise Instalation and introduce buyback reserve solar energy from rooftop residence. The fixed charges proposal does not make sense as municipalities do not subsidise residence solar installation which is expensive.	Mzi	self-employed
	2026-09-04 06:48:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Righardt	employed individual
	2026-09-04 08:17:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Llewellyn	retired
	2026-09-04 08:19:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mallisa	self-employed
	2026-09-04 08:21:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peggy	
	2026-09-04 10:36:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	If Government wants to clamp down or people for using solar: - I'll urge all households and businesses to claim loss of income from the government that could not fulfill their duty to supply constant electricity to keep the economy running. -I would also urge every household and business to claim their expenses to install solar systems. -I would also urge every household and business that was forced to buy generators, petrol/ diesel for the generator to claim that expenses. -I would also urge every household and business that was forced to change from electric appliances to gas appliances to claim that expenses, like fridges and stoves. -I would also urge every household and business that lost electric appliances due to spiking in power when the electricity was switched on again to claim that expenses, like fridges, computers printers, scanners etc. This Government cost us a lot of money and now has the audacity to ask ANY thing from us! Not to mention that they ruined many businesses during COVID by locking down everything without using the knowledge of expert medical officers that said covid was not at all that dangerous. This Government is in DEEP debt towards its citizens and should rather apologize than claiming anything . Add to this their incompetence in schooling and the cost parents had to better their children's education and this government should stop their claims and get their act together. May we be delivered from this bunch of evil doers	Helena	self-employed
	2026-09-04 10:53:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once upon a time, we were offered a tax rebate for investing in solar - now we will be penalized for it? I understand that a base rate should be charged for all live connections, but let it be a reasonable fee rather than a way for municipalities to boost revenue that is lost by regular power outages, illegal connections, failing infrastructure and theft.	Nadine	employed individual
	2026-09-04 11:27:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	self-employed
	2026-09-04 11:56:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DAVID HAGEN	retired
	2026-09-04 12:23:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay half the bill in rural area for line costs environmental levy replacement levy Our electrical costs are exorbitant and we have solar and gas geyers . To want to tax solar panels is an absolute insult to us - like going back to the middle ages where they taxed glass! HOW CAN they do this !!!!!!	CAROLANN	employed individual
	2026-09-04 12:51:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		wayne	employed individual
	2026-09-04 14:32:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom nor municipalities can manage anything at this stage they are just not capable. Municipalities get money from consumers but don't pay Eskom. Solar systems were obtained because of load shedding and unreliable power supply. At large financial expense. Now its for the consumer to cough up again. Do they really think the consumer that has solar will not just go completely off grid.	Anthony	retired
	2026-09-04 14:49:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	
	2026-09-04 15:02:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-09-04 15:21:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-04 19:06:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We installed solar panels after years of load shedding that disrupted our lives. We had no other option so we invested in solar panels and it was very costly. It is outrageous that now we are going to be punished for the incapability of Eskom to supply electricity. It is an abuse of power from the authorities.	Tzipora	unemployed individual

	2026-09-04 19:17:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Department of Electricity and Energy painted themselves into a corner. Due to corruption, mismanagement and lack of maintenance they are not able to supply the amount of power that is required to cover their costs. To combat this they have increased the price of electricity. They have plunge the country into darkness and made customers endure loadshedding. Customers that could afford it have installed solar, because electricity is a necessity. To now turn around and seek to penalize people for decreasing the load on the national grid to such an existent that loadshedding disappeared is disgusting behavior. The shear audacity of such a proposal is beyond comprehension. You don't stab a man's eyes out and then tax him because he has to have a guide dog. There has to be at least one person at the Department of Electricity and Energy that has half a brain to see the issue with this proposal.	Brett	retired
	2026-09-04 19:41:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rienie	
	2026-09-04 20:21:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government subsidies the installation of solar panels. Now they want to penalise the consumer for doing what they wanted us to do.... How can they tax the SUN ? This is an abuse of our human rights.	Barry	retired
	2026-09-04 22:25:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM could not achieve it's mandate to supply uninterrupted electricity to the nation, they even encouraged clients to buy and install solar offering rebates to those who did, now they want to act as if they own our solar systems and the sun. This is pure beaurocratic overreach. secondly every person ..residential or other should have the freedom to choose their electricity supplier. ESKOM is a business even if state owned and should be run like a business if they can't handle competition get out of the way . DONT dictate to SA who can get cheaper elec from other suppliers and who can't!!!	Magdalena	retired
	2026-09-04 23:00:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have paid at my own cost to use the sun for power as eskom could not provide. Now you want to penalize me for giving back and providing. I am disappointed in the system.	Michelle	self-employed
	2026-09-05 05:22:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the people will not tolerate being taxed for the solution to goverment incompetence.	Schalk	
	2026-09-05 05:41:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	
	2026-09-05 06:24:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	? Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges is just another tax We have invested heavily on solar and now have to pay again	Trevor	employed individual
	2026-09-05 06:41:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges is just another tax We have invested heavily on solar and now have to pay again When there is little wind or rain the power fails . When this happens during the night there is NO power until the next morning. Now again during heavy wind there is NO power. And this going on and on	Jan	retired
	2026-09-05 07:28:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gerhard	employed individual
	2026-09-05 08:27:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	self-employed
	2026-09-05 10:04:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper due to concerns regarding the mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses that will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. I have nothing more to say on the matter.	Keira	
	2026-09-05 10:37:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a pathetic attempt at garnering revenue at a higher/ fixed rate for people who are sick and tired of the constant price hikes from Eskom and their own municipalities. We, and those, who intend to invest in rooftop solar are doing Eskom aswell as the municipalities a favour by reducing the load on Eskom and yet they intend to punish us for doing so. Who or what gives these people the right to tax the sun?? Disgraceful governance. NO. I do not support this.!!	Ian	retired
	2026-09-05 10:55:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Quote copied "Anyone who has solar has it because the state is destroying Eskom with corruption, theft, and negligence. They must not be punished for taking care of their needs, they should be given tax breaks. They should be given lower tariffs. They should not be charged any more from worthless municipalities. The municipalities are failing and collapsing. We should not be forced to foot the bill for their mismanagement."	pat	self-employed
	2026-09-05 11:40:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felix	
	2026-09-05 12:28:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	
	2026-09-05 13:20:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to years of unreliable electricity availability and exorbitant increases, some residents have been compelled to invest large amounts into solar energy in order to escape years of incompetence and above-inflation increases. They should not be punished for what they do behind the meter, having a valid CoC. You cannot place a tax on the sun.	Emile	employed individual
	2026-09-05 13:31:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-09-05 14:12:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hallo, The original price we pay has already included the fixed service fee. We pay over and above for taxes. Time we stop this corruption on goverment level. The solar people will just leave grid and you loose the income. People will just be stealing power of you continue with increases. Stop giving employees heavy bonus and increases. The cost of buying power from Eskom that one will disconnect and rather buy from other sources at much lower tarrif. Stop stealing our working class money.	Matthys	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 15:00:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Solar users had been compelled due to load shedding and poor service delivery on the part of Eskom to install solar installations. South Africans never used Solar before load shedding.	Mohammed	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 15:25:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charlotte	
	2026-09-05 22:10:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely terrible how the govt and Eskom have at first encouraged us private households to install solar power in our houses and now they are punishing us for having done just that! In Germany, which has much less sunshine than we in SA, the govt encourages solar power installations by private households by various means: For quite some time, it gave private households a subsidy of up to 10200 Euro (about R193000!) to install a solar system, and to date they still give tax advantages for solar syatems, like no VAT when buying the components of the system, income tax relief and a very good price for households which sell surplus solar power to the network. Eskom and Govt, your NOT doing it right here in SA! We should definitely not have to pay a monthly fee just for being connected to Eskom power, we should only pay for the power we USE from Eskom!	Rolf	retired
	2026-09-06 07:36:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Chagring fixed fees for grid connection for off-grid homestead energy generators is nothing but forced revenue theft. Electricity use should have the same cost for every one, and if a grid-connected homeowner uses grid power to suppelment their solar demand should be of no concern to the government. It is in fact saying that people who use less electricity should be punished for it, rather than incentivised, which is completely backward planning. What we need instead is subsidies in the form of VAT and rates reductions for anyone generating their own electricity, not penalties. This is just more revenue theft, plain and simple.	Kent	self-employed
	2026-09-06 08:24:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aaron	retired
	2026-09-06 10:32:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers.	Adrian	retired
	2026-09-06 11:43:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tax payer initiative at penalty for government lack of future capacity expansion. Financial mismanagement to be addressed as serious & high priority risk instead of taxing rate payers	Gerhard	self-employed
	2026-09-06 12:33:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Should the government wish to charge me for grid connection, I would augment my current solar at an additional cost of about 20% of my total current solar cost and disconnect from the grid. Solar costs are dropping rapidly. Payback periods, depending on time of use, are anywhere from 4 to 9 years. This will push non-solar users towards solar. Most current solar users will disconnect from the grid rather than have a charge of unknown quantum (determined by Eskoms cost base) added to their bill.	Murray	business owner
	2026-09-06 13:01:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already pay taxes and connection fees for power. Due to failures of the state, citizens have been forced to procure their own electricity. This has come at great expense to the people. Having already spent excessive amounts to do this, government now proposes to further hit the people with additional bills when not even using the infrastructure already paid for by our exorbitantly high taxes. Insanity! Stop strangling the people for every penny they (don’t even) have.	Jesse	business owner
	2026-09-06 16:31:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfair to charge people for installing and using solar	Sandra	retired
	2026-09-06 16:34:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are being fined/taxed for daring to provide ourselves with reliable electricity. We were encouraged to do this and are now being penalised. Go to he'll. At the very least Nersa should put a cap (and a small one at that) on the mandatory fixed charges for solar and low volume users. Eskom is making more and more super profits on declining demand. This fact speaks volumes in as much as the price per KW consumed is way above where it should be. Why are we not allowed to buy extra electricity needed from other suppliers like big business does and leave corrupt Eskom with free electricity customers which our corrupt government will need to subidise.	Elizabeth	business owner
	2026-09-06 17:11:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernhardt	
	2026-09-06 17:24:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-06 17:26:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susie	
	2026-09-06 17:51:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Taco	retired
	2026-09-06 17:52:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We just have to look at the current profit that Eskom made to understand what is going on. It is samefull to event suggest that people that use solar should be taxed.	Francois	
	2026-09-06 18:01:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-09-06 18:16:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is due to the improper handling of our country that we as a consumer had to look for alternative ways to sustain our life styles and now that the government is not making money of off us they are trying to put tax onto our improvements where they fell short	Johannes	retired

	2026-09-06 18:32:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop punishing people for having solar due to the lack of this country's ability to supply affordable, continuous electricity. Electricity is unaffordable, and we should only pay for what we use.	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-06 18:50:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again, the financial burden is being placed on the regular citizen whilst the responsibility has been shrugged by the government. The initial problem was caused by the government, which private citizens helped solve by reducing the load on the grid. Now that this has been achieved, the government has woken up and realised that they, once again, cannot manage the problem.	Kirstin	employed individual
	2026-09-06 19:18:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot people for alternatives when we went through major load shedding. If we're not for roof top solar the country would still be facing cuts.	Imraan	
	2026-09-06 19:47:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am currently involved in an almost year long battle of paying for "the network/grid", but with no support or technical assistance with a problem where I have had no supply to my property, but still got billed for almost a year. Why should we pay if we get NOTHING at all as consumers who have been left no choice but to install a multi-hundred-thousand Rand system to be able to live a normal life? I absolutely reject this penalty tax on residents with solar installations (forced to be installed at our cost due to complete inefficiency and corruption!!)	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-06 21:08:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the actual!!! Make us pay for the sun?! Get lost! This government has destroyed this country systematically and I will pay no more than I should.	Wayne	
	2026-09-06 21:39:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marli	self-employed
	2026-09-06 22:28:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear Sirs, The price increases at Eskom are equivalent to "a war on consumers." A 10 - 15% cost overrun on Medupi and Kusile Power Stations would be acceptable but +300% cost overruns are totally ridiculous and indicate a loss of qualified personnel or large scale mismanagement or corruption. An electricity grid is a sine qua non of power production and I don't believe it warrants separate payments. Escom should welcome consumers to their grid and pay them for their excess capacity. An ex South African in California sells all his excess power to the grid at exactly the same price that they charge him at night. He has no need of any batteries. South Africans are forced to buy very expensive batteries. Consumers with solar systems are regarded as "the enemy" by Escom rather than as potential partners. Escom needs a grid to utilise excess power received from consumers. The situation at present created by Escom forces consumers to try & be self-sufficient to protect themselves from the highest electrical power price increases in the World. Kind Regards Andrew	Andrew	retired
	2026-09-06 23:28:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First we were offered a refund on solar panels installed and now we have to pay taxes on those same solar panels that we were asked to install to prevent the grid from crashing …. That just shows the extent of the greed in ESCOM ….	Linda	retired
	2026-09-06 23:32:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another devious way to steal money from residents. It's thanks to everyone's savings that went into installing solar in houses that the grid hasn't crashed yet and nobody can appreciate that …. Instead it's just pay more so that everyone working in government and Eskom can steal more	Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-07 00:23:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	South Africa benefits greatly from the investments of the middle and upper class households and businesses in solar energy. Many more South Africans would like to do the same, but are prohibited by the large outlay and admin burdens of a rooftop installation. Many more would contribute to a more stable grid if we were to facilitate balcony solar or "plug-in solar" technology. The costs are significantly lower, and within reach of most citizens. Consider the deferred maintenance that the service provider saves when their load now provides energy instead of consuming it. The steps to facilitate balcony solar can be summarised in the white paper available for download on: https://solarunitedneighbors.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/BrightSaver-WhitePaper-DemocratizingSolar.pdf 1. Define a new class of small photovoltaic systems no larger than 1,200 watts. 2. Exempt these small systems from utility interconnection requirements. 3. Exempt these small systems from net metering.	Fabian	
	2026-09-07 02:27:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Duncan	retired
	2026-09-07 06:15:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bryant	self-employed
	2026-09-07 06:22:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Olga	employed individual
	2026-09-07 07:13:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Johannesburg already has fees in place for grid connectivity. Additional fees from Eskom are unreasonable and extortion. Eskom needs to get their entire house in order, including right sizing the workforce, sort the salary scales being paid and the energy supply contracts. Going totally off grid is a very real option.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-07 07:41:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Buyisile	employed individual
	2026-09-07 07:58:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	retired
	2026-09-07 08:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-09-07 08:33:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun power is free. You have no right to interfere in alternative electricity sources. These installation are paid for by us. None of your business	AbdulRahim	
	2026-09-07 08:43:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun power is free. We already pay our own setup charges. If eskom was not so corrupt and it would have provided enough electricity. Why should we pay for Eskom's stuff up. We paid for years for that. Natural resources can't be charged,	Karlien	self-employed
	2026-09-07 08:49:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tony	
	2026-09-07 09:07:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We have been asked to save electricity. WE DID. Still Escom, Government and Municipalities could not provide enough electricity for our needs. We were forced to make another plan and look after ourselves. WE DID. The government has NO RIGHT to penalize us for doing what they asked of us, resulting in infrastructure that they did not invest in and does not maintain. It is time that they stop living on their little greedy island and learn from the countries overseas where " sun tax" did not work.	Michelle	business owner
	2026-09-07 09:09:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	retired
	2026-09-07 09:18:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	business owner
	2026-09-07 09:31:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public has expended huge costs to be less reliant on Eskom electricity by taking the initiative of installing solar panels, etc. That was because Eskom failed to supply regular and reliable electricity. Having done so, now Eskom wants the users to again pay more to bail out Eskom in spite of their failure. No fair or equitable.	EGON	self-employed
	2026-09-07 09:35:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pay for what you use. Domestic solar power owners still pay for what they use, there is no FREE RIDING. Illegal connections are FREE RIDERS. Easier to bill the honest person than the illegal parasite. WARNING: Have they thought about it that if Domestic solar power owners decide to disconnect from the grid, how much they are going to receive then, much less than what they will in with "sun tax". Watch out for the revolution. Eskom made so much profit in the last 2 years, why do they want more money, the ANC is bankrupt, we channel the money to them to keep them alive, a "bail out" as they are so good with seen in all state entities. How many qualified skilled people do the muncipalities have, in the case of a break down, how many days will people be without power, with DSO we keep things running.	Nico	retired
	2026-09-07 09:37:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	It is unfortunately unacceptable that tax and rates paying individuals need to be held liable for maladministration of state institutions The fact that this artificial charge needs to be introduced is simply bad business planning AND picking the fruit of poor decision making.	Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-07 09:38:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government requested citizens to assist Eskom (incompetent monopoly which led to blackouts) by using less electricity to reduce blackouts. Citizens were motivated by Government and Eskom to consider installing solar energy systems as an alternative source. To penalize the residents (now that the blackouts are under control) who reacted positively to the requests, is absurd. If we are not allowed a so-called "free-ride" on the municipality's network, we will simply detach ourselves totally from the network and generate our own electricity. We will NOT pay for the Government or Eskom's incompetence.	Louis	self-employed
	2026-09-07 09:50:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	retired
	2026-09-07 09:54:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a small usage domestic user, I am being penalized by both Eskom and Ekurhuleni Municipality for installing embedded roof top solar. Ekurhuleni introduced a monthly admin fee and moved small households to a higher tariff. Solar users have to register their systems with Ekurhuleni in order to be moved to the higher rate. This is just an additional form of tax on solar users and is unfair as it targets smaller users. (less than 600 units per month). Eskom is using their monopoly to manipulate users. Eskom's ridiculously high rate of tariff increases is making electricity unaffordable. Furthermore, Municipality's inability to manage their financial commitments towards Eskom adds to the problem.	Danie	retired
	2026-09-07 10:04:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way for government to charge individuals who have found a solution for a problem and paid for it out of their own pockets. Rather get rid of the corrupt, overpaid & under qualified people at eskom & cut off all illegal connections. Clamp down hard on cable theft, with harsh enforced punishment & the government needs to look at installing solar operating systems themselves	Lynn	
	2026-09-07 10:08:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Justin	retired
	2026-09-07 10:21:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As Escom could not supply households with electricity, we as home owners had to make another plan and now we are getting penalized? How is that fair? It is unacceptable to now charge homeowners for your poor management decisions. Escom should be penalized instead and Escom should not be the only electricity supplier. It is time that Escom gets competition.	Liezel	employed individual
	2026-09-07 10:41:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		gail	retired
	2026-09-07 10:41:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When it was loadshedding Eskom forced the businesses and the public to find their own way to supply electricity for themselves. Eskom even requested the public sector who had the mean to do so, should supply Eskom with extra electricity for the grid, which many people did by putting up huge panels in open secured fields so as to aid themselves and Eskom. Now Eskom wants us to pay them monthly for using these resources!!!! You will not win this cause because enough is enough.	G	
	2026-09-07 10:58:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bongani	
	2026-09-07 12:03:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am paying ridiculously high fixed charges already. I have been a customer for decades. The fixed charges are unjustifiable. Also, many of the maintenance costs incurred in our semi rural area are due to faults in Eskom's own system because it is not properly managed. In addition, we should not have to pay for bad management and defaulting customers. If I don't pay, or Eskom subcontractors read my meters wrongly, I am immediately cut off. Why should I pay for other's million rands of defaults?	Tawheda	

	2026-09-07 12:14:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Your incompetence has forced ys t9 spend money we couldn't afford on our own electricity production. This is already a shame on ESKOM. Now you want to penalise us for solving your crisis while you gloat over producing "too much" electricity. This after you completely destroyed countless businesses and industries because of the unteliable electricity supply.and high costs. Go jump in the sea. NO!!!!	Gerrit	Non-profit
	2026-09-07 12:18:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The already overcharged consumers should not be penalized for Eskom personnel's incompetence	Gideon	employed individual
	2026-09-07 12:23:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annali	employed individual
	2026-09-07 12:25:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-07 12:33:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Onika	employed individual
	2026-09-07 12:42:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	
	2026-09-07 13:01:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A small percentage of electricity generated by Eskom can be considered clean energy. Coal-fired stations provide the backbone of Eskom's electricity generations. It is a known fact that coal-fired power causes respiratory diseases resulting in hundreds of thousands of deaths worldwide. The impact it has on global warming is well known. The rest of the world must take notice that South Africa intends to raise more revenue for the generation of dirty energy at the cost of clean energy. Paying for what you consume is a great incentive for consumers to use a product such as electricity sparingly. Moving to a fixed monthly capacity and network charge model nullifies the incentive. What will prevent consumers to use a much electricity as they please.? This idea is not fair and is simply another socialist principle forced down on us.	Tinus	self-employed
	2026-09-07 13:08:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been mis-managed for years and therefore failed and fallen into disrepair and cannot provide electricity to the country as a whole due to corruption and management using Eskom as a cash cow. As a result, the price of electricity has become unaffordable, and the people actually paying their bills and are subsidising the people not paying their bills due to illegal connecting, informal settlements, etc, Now the Municipalities are trying to recover some of these funds by taxing those who can afford solar, who are moving away from Eskom because it has become unaffordable. this is not a sustainable solution and completely unfair to expect people to pay a tax on a product that they have already paid tax in installing. Again good abiding citizen are suffering due to the governments incompetence and corruption for years and years.	Marianne	
	2026-09-07 13:14:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All I can say is how much more does the useless government what to steal from the people of this country.	Donald	employed individual
	2026-09-07 13:47:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	
	2026-09-07 14:51:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jens	
	2026-09-07 14:55:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just because Eskom has been mismanaged and the government can't recover costs from certain sectors why should those already paying for services pay more. Totally disagree with solar users or owners being taxed at all. What value add service is this paying for. Should be free market managed by demand and supply and proper management of Eskom and other electricity services. Pay for what we use and not penalities where we already installed solar at time of load shedding. Accountability must be where it should be in this situation. Not penalizing the man in the street or any business.	Diane	employed individual
	2026-09-07 15:07:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The "free-rider" label is false: solar households cut peak demand, defer grid upgrades, and lower wholesale prices, yet the policy ignores these benefits while penalising lower volumetric usage. Higher fixed charges are regressive. A flat mandatory fee hits low-consumption households hardest (renters, low-income families) and kills the price signal for conservation and off-peak shifting. It undermines clean energy adoption. Eroding solar's financial return discourages renewable investment.	Tiaan	employed individual
	2026-09-07 15:26:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caro	employed individual
	2026-09-07 15:26:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Gated communities will be unfairly targeted by Eskom while individual properties in suburbs will potentially skip assessment. Eskom should focus on cutting illegal connections rather than focusing on people who are legally connected and installed solar to counteract the inefficiencies in Eskom's supply stream and for environmental reasons.	Krisha	retired
	2026-09-07 15:53:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 16:08:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You'll find a way to tax anything won't you? Soon we'll have to pay 0.000001 cents for every breath.	Lee-Anne	
	2026-09-07 16:58:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-07 17:07:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another stupid attempt to extort more money from home owners This will: 1. Discourage investment in solar 2. Lead to fixed unavoidable costs to those who pay This is all caused by the Governments inability to provide basic services at a fair cost	Darryl	retired
	2026-09-07 17:20:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-07 18:02:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-07 18:37:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Only fair if the expenses due to ESKOM's inability to provide can be recovered from ESKOM. While ESKOM was not providing power, the consumer was not causing "wear & tear" on infrastructure and had to fend for themselves. ESKOM wants to win on both the swings and the roundabouts. You want to be treated like a private entity, then act like a private entity. No more bail-outs!	Ian	
	2026-09-07 18:40:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carel	self-employed
	2026-09-07 18:55:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	business owner
	2026-09-07 19:46:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paula	self-employed
	2026-09-07 19:50:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The tax on solar is nonsense	Mmako	self-employed
	2026-09-07 20:05:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	You are actively pursuing poverty creation with your creative "make them pay" concepts. Rather that make the system efficient you just want to penalize those who had to install solar power to survive your power black outs, caused by pillaging eskoms purchasing for self gain rather than organizational success. It is not load shedding, it is black outs created by staff who have no idea what they should be doing in responsible roles, and others being placed in senior positions who cannot even read to understand or write a decent document or create a meaningful spreadsheet..	Michael	business owner
	2026-09-07 20:07:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced at our own expense to transfer to solar power because of the ineptitude of Eskom and Joburg City Power. In other countries, cities refund solar users if they have extra solar power to put into the grid. I would gladly assist the city if we could give our extra power to them. The sun's energy does not belong to anyone but to everyone. On what basis, can Eskom or City Power charge its ratepayers.	Jillian	retired
	2026-09-07 20:11:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	
	2026-09-07 20:36:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I totally disagree with mandatory fixed solar charges. Sun energy is for free and does not belong to the government.	Volker	retired
	2026-09-07 21:29:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christiaan	employed individual
	2026-09-08 06:18:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Simon	
	2026-09-08 06:21:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Wayne	employed individual
	2026-09-08 06:21:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	
	2026-09-08 06:23:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	
	2026-09-08 08:06:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In principle, I have no problem having my electricity tarrif split into fixed and variable costs, AS LONG AS THAT IS DONE CONSISTENTLY TO ALL WHO USE THE INFRASTRUCTURE. The infrastructure cost to a solar producer is no different to the indigent user (unless the solar user feeds back into the grid, in which case there are other ways in which the infrastructure cost is recovered). The difference is that they (solar user) no longer contribute to the variable use to the same extent as before, but that is the point... they don't use (as much) grid power and therefore shouldn't have to pay for it. At their OWN expense they provided alternative electricity production mechanisms and they should not be penelised for that, especially when you consider the inability of the State to provide reliable electricity and that independent producers are a big reason why we no longer have loadshedding. If you want to remain connected to the grid, by all means an infrastructure fee is in order (you are using it). But then you should be charged as much for its use as the ordinary electricity user, and indigent electricity user. You pay for what you use! May the court cases against The Cities of Tswane and Cape Town be a warning regarding the law's view on unfairly charging some users.	Hannah	unemployed individual
	2026-09-08 08:25:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	retired
	2026-09-08 08:33:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Anyone who has solar panels on their roofs has invested own money to alliviate the electricity problem while governments have slept on the job to provide electricity for their people (for whatever reason). Punishing them with a tax now is targeting the wrong people.	Gina	retired
	2026-09-08 08:41:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marietha	

	2026-09-08 09:12:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bottomline: I don't see why those who pay for solar at their own expense, largely motivated by unstable supply and ever-increasing rates, should be penalised. They invested, they carry the maintenance, they have to meet compliance. The municipalities are only seeking to find ways to capture funding sources and penalize those who seek to invest to stabilize their power supply at affordable. It's time the state, at all levels, remove themselves from all things power-related. It can be sold to independent power producers who through legislation can be kept competitive. Even here, the state would still get funds through VAT for example. Easy money, don't get hands dirty.	Grant	business owner
	2026-09-08 09:17:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Flip	
	2026-09-08 09:25:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Opposed to yet another tax. Authorities should allow people to be off-grid without charges.	Jean-Michel	self-employed
	2026-09-08 09:37:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	employed individual
	2026-09-08 09:53:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I FULLY DISAGREE WITH THE Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar!! As a taxpayer and consumer of electricity I have seem your 10s of % increases over so many years, the utter corruption of Eskom and the ANC regime and everything it touches, and the endless loadshedding of years ago. We are not asking nicely, we WILL remove ourselves from the electricity grid due to SOE failures and the complete hatred of the idolatrous State against its citizens, who it treats as chattel slaves.	Doug	self-employed
	2026-09-08 09:57:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It must be accepted that income for infrastructure maintenance and capital expenditure costs come from a combination of billing consumers for user costs (user pays principle) and the state/fiscus. Now the state gets money to pay over to SOE's from the tax payer. I'm a tax payer. Now, given that I am a user of electricity, irrespective of the amount I use and importantly that I'm billed for the use AND that i pay various forms of tax on my income and investments PLUS many other taxes I pay, it is extortionist on the part of the State to wish to levy on me an additional 'tax'. It is important that the State generally, but Eskom specifically instead of merely increasing the financial burden on citizens reduce its costs by, amongst other things, being prudent with the number of employees and more importantly stop being so overly generous with reward and remuneration of its employees.	Wayne	retired
	2026-09-08 10:22:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Myles	employed individual
	2026-09-08 10:27:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole idea of solar energy is to bypass an already overrun electrical grid. Have a look at how many townships are running off illegal connections because of the excessively high tariffs. Now i have to pay for taking action to secure my supply? If Eskom accrued R30 billion in profits over 2years, how are they still running at a loss?	Duane	employed individual
	2026-09-08 10:52:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Opposed to yet another tax to create a money pool for corrupt government officials to steal from. Authorities should allow people to be off-grid without charges. Natural sunlight is a free, universal resource, and citizens should not have to pay the government for harvesting it on their own property !!!	Waldo	
	2026-09-08 11:40:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anke	self-employed
	2026-09-08 12:13:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arjen	
	2026-09-08 12:39:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BAREND	employed individual
	2026-09-08 12:43:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	God does not charge us to use the sun and neither will we allow you to. This is preposterous and I cannot believe that we even need to comment on this topic. This is a big no from me.	Jason	business owner
	2026-09-08 12:55:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Brett	business owner
	2026-09-08 13:24:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edrick Muller	
	2026-09-08 14:36:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The unbundling of Eskom should be implemented and private capital and private sector should be more involved for fair competion . Fixed mandatory solar charges should not be imposed or imposed which will hurt households and small businesses. If Eskom recovers arrears from certain State Departments, certain members of Parlement that are in arrrear, and in individuals, Eskom will balance its books and not need to request for increases 3 times higher than the inflation rate and with Municipalities adding their increases which makes it even worse. Persons with illegal connections should be prosecuted. All should pay for electricity. There are too many Eskom employees with inflated salaries which put a drain on its revenue. The corruption and embesselment that took place in the past has never been addressed properly at Eskom. The pay back which was ordered in the courts should be recovered by all means.	CJ	retired
	2026-09-08 14:52:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can be sure that the fixed charges and Solar penalties will be excessive .	Denis	retired
	2026-09-08 14:55:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is the usual bullshit. The councils and Eskom etc can't guarantee power supply at all . Those of us who have paid out hefty capital costs to make sure we have power are now expected to pay for the crap privilege of being connected in any way to their useless systems. I see nothing wrong in using the municipal supply for storage o f excess solar power. Surely, in Cape Town, the daytime excess can be used for filling the Steenbras dam. I am tired of having to pay for useless policing, electricity supply etc.	Evan	retired
	2026-09-08 16:28:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private electricity generation has nothing to do with the state, government, provincial government or the municipality. OR Eskom for that matter.	GK	retired
	2026-09-08 17:48:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sanette	retired
	2026-09-08 18:56:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't agree with the proposed new law	Anthony	retired
	2026-09-08 19:22:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we the public always be the bailout for the state owned entities.	Werner	employed individual
	2026-09-08 19:37:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees.	Jennifer	employed individual
	2026-09-08 21:03:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe in paying for what I use	Edwin Barker	retired
	2026-09-08 21:46:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the proposed electricity transformation paper. The introduction of mandatory fixed solar charges unfairly penalizes households and small businesses that have invested in renewable energy solutions. Instead of encouraging energy independence and sustainability, these charges will trap consumers in a system that raises costs without offering meaningful choice. Furthermore, the captive consumer price hikes embedded in this proposal will disproportionately hurt ordinary households and small enterprises already struggling with rising living expenses. This approach undermines affordability and risks widening inequality in access to reliable electricity. Lastly, the paper fails to address the severe municipal revenue losses that will result from these measures. Municipalities rely on electricity sales to fund essential services. Stripping away this revenue without a viable replacement strategy will destabilize local governance and reduce service delivery, directly harming communities. This proposal prioritizes institutional revenue protection over consumer welfare and sustainable energy growth. I urge policymakers to reject these measures and instead pursue reforms that promote affordability, transparency, and genuine support for renewable energy adoption.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-08 22:36:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brent	retired
	2026-09-09 08:06:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Adele	employed individual
	2026-09-09 08:13:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will make electricity more expensive.	Wayne	unemployed individual
	2026-09-09 08:19:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	
	2026-09-09 08:46:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Given the disastrous track record of Eskom over 30 years I do not have the will or intention to give a quasi, parastatal entity, that does not have the capacity to deliver a sustainable and reliable service to captive home owners, the right to possess such sweeping rights over energy provision. Home owners were forced to make alternative arrangements for their energy provision at huge cost and should not be penalised when solving the problem and alleviating Eskom operating pressures. After 10 - 15 years of crisis Eskom is make profits now and the energy service delivery is wholly unreliable. It is still broken.	Rudi	retired
	2026-09-09 10:01:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sell Eskom, if it is private then it will get competition and cANCer wont be able to steal. A private transmission system will be better run. Allow other energy providers. No sun tax needed.	Angie	
	2026-09-09 10:02:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernst	retired
	2026-09-09 10:02:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	
	2026-09-09 12:20:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	R30.3 billion for the financial year ending March 2026. This is funding greed and corruption because Eskom does not need the revenue. As it is, those of us who have rooftop solar rescued the country from loadshedding and now they want to penalise us for having spent the huge amount on solar. I invested in rooftop solar because of Eskom's instability as well as to reduce costs for my retirement.	Gary	retired
	2026-09-09 12:33:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anver	retired
	2026-09-09 12:50:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tim	retired
	2026-09-09 14:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I paid a heavy price for my solar installation. I still use my power sparingly to avoid having to buy power. The municipality is like a vacuum sucking us dry with NO return. Eskom needs to become smaller to fit power needs. I worked my entire life paying for power but the prices have become unaffordable for pensioners. I only use gas heater and rarely my oven. That's where we are and unless the govt can show me ownership of the sun they can take a flying leap.	Theresa	retired

	2026-09-09 15:11:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arno	retired
	2026-09-09 16:15:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adinda	retired
	2026-09-09 18:14:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun is a natural free resource for all. Because of governments/Eskom's failure for 15yrs and the enormous corruption at Eskom for the last 25yrs. Government should clean up their house rather than punish ordinary citizens who had no other choice but to invest large amounts of money to put up solar panels in order to survive financially and to stay employed for the last 20yrs. government should now not come and complain and cry that many households buy less electricity because of it. I have yet to see corrupt individuals responsible for the Eskom fiasco as well as government officials in jail. Hundreds of Municipalities & government departments who have not paid for their electricity bills for years. Thousands upon thousands who are stealing electricity and nothing gets done about it.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-09 19:35:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskoms collapse drove Solar adoption and now there is a penalty for Solar take up . How many times do we need to pay for infrastructure? As rate payers we have historically paid for the infrastructure and the failure of muncipal and Eskom procurement means we continue to pay, yet receive nothing	Andrew	
	2026-09-09 21:33:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dale	employed individual
	2026-09-10 01:26:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Department of Electricity and Energy should be thanking those that got them out of the hole dug by Eskom's own incompetency and fraud and theft. If everyone generating solar had to switch off today, we would be right back in pre-election load shedding because the system still has not managed to recover, even with the grace and leeway provided by self-generation. Solar installations should get a subsidy rather than a penalisation. And the vast majority of installations still need to stay connected to the grid for those cloudy days and the daily use over and above what can be generated so, really, Eskom is over-exaggerating their revenue loss and are fully responsible for having driven people this way in the first place. How about some accountability, Eskom and the DoEE.	Tshepo	
	2026-09-10 05:41:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will only support free market principles, not increasing government interference.	Roy	
	2026-09-10 08:00:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The penalties for rooftop solar are unreasonable, given the expense undertaken to support Eskom in solving their power deficit, especially when they were advertising (TV, etc.) for us to not use their product. The fixed tariff still penalises the loyal ratepayer who has a legal connection and pays for their electricity - if Eskom & the municipalities want to balance the books, then they need to really fix the illegal connection situation and use a scaled use tariff 9as currently employed) to reward those who try to save electricity.	Roger	employed individual
	2026-09-10 08:27:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WM	retired
	2026-09-10 09:09:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karolien	
	2026-09-10 16:15:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maurice	retired
	2026-09-10 17:43:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tax on the sun? Why must we pay for Eskom's failures? . Stop these bullies.	Kobus	employed individual
	2026-09-10 18:57:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	retired
	2026-09-10 21:41:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Germaine	self-employed
	2026-09-11 08:18:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Who OWNS the sun??? What a cheek for a government to want to place yet another TAX on consumers who make use of natural resources (which can never be controlled by them), at their OWN cost to establish. We PAID out of our own hard earned income to install solar panels etc.. What right does the government have to place a TAX on solar and a regular one at that?? We, as pensioners, who barely scrape by trying to stay in our own homes without disruptions and the danger that comes with blackouts, already face hikes in electricity every year, plus water hikes... essential life needs, never mind another thing to pay! Life in SA is already difficult for ALL citizens - with roads and infrastructure falling apart at the seams, broken down hospitals, one can go on and on regarding what we USED to have!	Alli	retired
	2026-09-11 10:16:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the principle of imposing unavoidable fixed electricity or network charges on consumers irrespective of the amount of electricity they actually consume. I accept that electricity infrastructure has to be maintained and that consumers who make substantial use of the electricity network should contribute fairly towards the cost of providing that service. However, it is fundamentally unfair to penalise consumers who have invested their own money in solar generation, batteries and energy efficiency in order to reduce their reliance on the national grid. These consumers have already invested substantial private capital in reducing their demand on the electricity system. Their reduced consumption should be recognised as a positive contribution to energy security and the reduction of pressure on the national grid, rather than being characterised as "free riding". I particularly reject the principle that a consumer should be compelled to pay for a service or infrastructure that they make little or no use of, simply because that service remains available to them. Should any fixed connection or network charge ultimately be considered necessary, such a charge must not be an arbitrary amount determined by Government, a municipality or a state-owned utility without demonstrable justification. Any such charge should be independently regulated and transparently calculated on the basis of the actual and efficiently incurred cost of providing the relevant service or maintaining the relevant network capacity. The methodology, assumptions and underlying costs should be publicly disclosed and subject to meaningful public and regulatory scrutiny. There must also be clear safeguards against such charges becoming a mechanism for recovering the costs of inefficiency, wasteful expenditure, poor management, excessive staffing, inappropriate procurement or other costs that are not reasonably attributable to providing the service to the consumer. Consumers should not be required to fund inefficiency simply because the service provider has the ability to impose a charge. South African consumers have experienced repeated increases in the cost of essential services while being expected to accept that those increases are necessary to sustain financially inefficient systems. The answer to declining electricity consumption cannot simply be to transfer the resulting revenue shortfall onto consumers through ever-increasing fixed charges. Government and state-owned utilities should instead be required to demonstrate that their costs are efficient, necessary and properly managed before those costs are recovered from the public. I therefore reject any policy that effectively makes consumers financially liable for electricity they do not consume, particularly where they have invested their own resources to reduce their dependence on the grid. If a charge is imposed, it must be demonstrably necessary, proportionate, transparent, independently regulated and based on efficiently incurred costs — not an amount determined at the discretion of the service provider or Government to compensate for its own inefficiency or revenue shortfalls. The policy should encourage energy independence, private investment in renewable energy and reduced demand, rather than creating financial disincentives for precisely the behaviour South Africa should be encouraging.	David	
	2026-09-11 10:51:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Delyse	
	2026-09-11 13:30:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	retired
	2026-09-11 13:47:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to take the strain off the grid by investing huge sums of money to put up solar Pannels (some of us are still paying for the outlay of solar). No one owns the sun the last time I checked. I don't mind if we have to commit to buy a certain amount of units a month to stay linked to electricity supply but am not going to be penalized for doing what we were encouraged to do. I'd love to see every owner of solar Pannels and batteries disconnect and rely solely on electricity supply. I think this would be an eye opener regarding these money grabbing charges.	Ingrid	retired
	2026-09-11 14:04:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We get taxed to death for the shortcomings of this government. It is unacceptable that they want to introduce yet another scape goat	Brenton	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:06:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jane	retired
	2026-09-11 14:16:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-11 14:18:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Now Eskom want to introduce a Suntax(theft) ??? Its Eskom own fault that Eskom is in this situation because of corruption and incompetence, what is there solution? to tax and steal from solar-powered consumers. This will force many solar-powered clients to disconnect from Eskom entirely and Eskom won't get them back as clients	Hendrik	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:19:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop wanting to make money off us!!! Just stop! Every effort that comes along for consumers to have some relief this government cant stand it. You want us to be dependent on you. So that you can steal all our money. Hard earned money taken and legislate as Tax this and Tax that. Shame on you. Leave the Solar electricity as it is and fix your Eskom	Shaundrey	employed individual
	2026-09-11 14:20:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorenza	self-employed
	2026-09-11 14:20:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	business owner
	2026-09-11 14:21:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	
	2026-09-11 14:44:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eric	retired
	2026-09-11 14:49:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-09-11 15:12:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	jean	self-employed
	2026-09-11 15:17:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will widen the gap between the elite and poor as we are facing inequality in South Africa, which means those who are unemployed will have to enjore the exclusion of living without electricity because of high terrifs .	Thembinkosi Bhekinko	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:25:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As long as corruption at municipal and government level continues, there should be no new taxes imposed on South African citizens. When ALL the stolen funds are repaid by those who took the funds, South Africa will have more than enough funds to make up for reduced electrical network funds. target those who are fleecing the country, not the innocent citizens. Rather pass a bill that provides for the forced prison labour of those responsible for stealing government funds, and use that labour to repay the debts owed to citizens.	Steve	retired
	2026-09-11 15:27:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lesley	

	2026-09-11 15:32:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	self-employed
	2026-09-11 15:35:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-11 15:40:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mahendran	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:43:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Schalk	retired
	2026-09-11 15:43:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have disconnected ourselves off the grid, but still get accounts for connectivity. We have mailed many times, and they keep on charging us for disconnection, but they never do it. I am not paying for something I am not using. Also they keep estimating us for non use	Danny	retired
	2026-09-11 15:47:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		ALAN	business owner
	2026-09-11 15:50:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Looking at the original reason (loadshedding) normal residential and many businesses opted to install partial or full solar, Eskom did not contribute a cent towards this expensive option. They were just too happy to settle for poor maintenance of the power stations, appointment of staff not suitable for their positions and lack of governance. To penalise those of us who decided we cannot sit with unreliable power supply is absolutely rediculous. A percentage of funds meant for municipalities should be held back by Treasury and paid directly to Eskom on a monthly basis, based on the payment debt for electricity use. Do not try to milk residents and businesses whose payment in terms of their electrical use is up to date.	Karen	retired
	2026-09-11 15:51:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's unethical to want to charge for something which the government has no hand in. Where do they provide any support if we go off grid? What are their contributions? What service do they provide? I assume they believe they are stoaking a fire to keep the sun burning? If the people make use of government services then fair, charge them for the service, but the sun does not belong to the government.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:55:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jairaj	retired
	2026-09-11 15:56:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many South Africans spent large amounts of capital to sustain living and survival as a result of the government and Eskom failing their people and rate payers once again throughout the load shedding season. The issue was lack of supply. People starting finding their own solutions due to your supply issues. Now suddenly it has become a "riding the system" issue, because real rate payers consume less of the unstable electricity grid supply. While many are still paying off excessive loans for their solar investments the ones that allowed the system to decay, want taxes from those that took the load off their decayed supply system. Completely unconstitutional!	D	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:58:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Originally Eskom subsided the purchase of solar panels. Now they want solar users to register even though they are not downloading to the grid, failing which they will penalize us. It's as bad as CoJ charging residents R210 per month irrespective of being off the grid. Another case of ripping South Africans off. More money to steal.	Jasper	retired
	2026-09-11 15:59:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During the many years of loadshedding , we as electricity consumers, were encouraged and sometimes begged by Eskom and our Municipality to reduce our electricity usage to protect the grid from collapse. Many households and businesses responded by installing solar electricity systems. This was done at our own cost with zero subsidies offered and zero tax breaks offered. This selfless action by households and businesses was a large contributing factor to the ending of loadshedding for the whole of South Africa. I find it immoral and disgusting that Eskom and the Municipalities are now considering punishing already overtaxed citizens and companies who took the initiative to help reduce the load on the electricity grid. This grid was severely compromised by years of poor governance, poor planning and lack of maintenance by the relevant bodies which were tasked with managing it.	Ray	retired
	2026-09-11 15:59:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop stealing from public!	Gawie	
	2026-09-11 16:05:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:05:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get lost!	James	
	2026-09-11 16:09:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louw	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:22:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the corrupt ANC is creating a pool of money to plunder at will. ESCOM should be privatized.	OCKERT	retired
	2026-09-11 16:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dina	retired
	2026-09-11 16:24:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is blatantly stealing from consumers. Those 'working' at Eskom have brought the entity to its knees through their incompetence and corruption. R900.00 in fixed fees monthly which is over 50% more than usage fees. Zero rights for tax and ratepayers. Entitled, arrogant thugs posturing as board members paying themselves and civil servants at Eskom obscene packages.	J	retired
	2026-09-11 16:25:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lavious	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:32:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:36:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Effectively yet another form of 'wealth tax' where those who are actually keeping the country running are being burdened to breaking point with the rising cost of living in SA. Sad that if tax were utilised effectively and without theft and corruption this conversation would not be being had.	Willie	
	2026-09-11 16:38:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am both a homeowner and a small business owner. Yet again the tax paying public bear the burden of an overinflated, Inefficient, cadre run entity. If it had not been for the like of me and property owners (both commercial and private) buying solar energy, the country would have collapsed at the height of load shedding, I can't even suggest privatising Eskom as it will be sold to a connected cadre. God help the people of SA.	Larry	business owner
	2026-09-11 16:39:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernst	
	2026-09-11 16:40:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-11 16:42:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africa needs reliable, affordable electricity — not another costly market restructuring that risks putting profit ahead of security of supply and ordinary consumers. Fix Eskom, strengthen generation and the grid, and put reliable electricity first. Stop the Corruption !!!	Martin	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:44:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESCOM must reprioritise it stategies by reducing over inflated bonusus and salaries and by reducing tbe excessive amount of ANC cadre employees, the majority of whom do not earn and deserve their salaries.	Fred	self-employed
	2026-09-11 16:45:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and municipalities must stope fleecing the public to pay for their extravagant lifestyles. This is just another way to fund the corruption.	Sharron	
	2026-09-11 16:47:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is a legitimate concern about municipalities losing revenue as more customers generate their own electricity, but that doesn’t automatically mean ordinary households must carry the whole burden. Municipalities also need to control waste, improve collection and manage their finances properly. Blaming solar owners is too simplistic.	Curtis	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:47:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again, we were forced to solar due to Eskom's inability to consistently produce electricity. Now we are forced to pay yet again for their incompetence and corruption, where their salaries and bonuses outperforms our very small salary increases. This remains unfair	John	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:51:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Yu	
	2026-09-11 16:55:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	
	2026-09-11 16:56:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot reasonably expect to add extra charges because I use the sun. I paid for the solar because you couldnt supply power. This is a fraudulent policy that will destroy even more lives.	Renoux	employed individual
	2026-09-11 16:59:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom [aka the communist ANC] is striving to put every tax payer in the poor house [according to their 1994 Manifesto]. They supply countries like Zimbabwe at a FRACTION of what they charge South Africans, yet continue to bleed the people. This disastrous regime need removal.	john	retired
	2026-09-11 17:03:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joggie	retired
	2026-09-11 17:06:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pravin	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:06:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Some people got solar as they have family on oxygen machines, and needed backup during loadshedding and power outages. People were asked by the president to invest in solar, to ease the pressure on the grid. Some people used their last savings to install solar for the above reasons, and they are unemployed or pensioners with income below R9000. 00 or R20000. 00, but with a lot of expenses. There IS no more money to pay high fixed costs or penalties.	Elna	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:08:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:09:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgusting! Eskom systematically failed to provide a basic service, owing to ineptitude and corruption. The economy was tanking, and it was left to citizens to fork out for our own solution, which most of us could not afford. Yet we went ahead, to everyone's benefit, as this greatly reduced demand on the grid. We were even offered a tax incentive to be part of the solution - only to now be slapped with R400 a month in fixed electricity charges for absolutely nothing. Now you propose to penalise us further. This is SO on brand for SA's govt - squeeze every cent out of citizens, for non-delivery of services. You should be deeply ashamed.	Erica	
	2026-09-11 17:11:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom veg om sy monopolie te behou. Volgehoue nonkompeterende bestuur (oormaat oorbetaalde werkers, swak bestuur, korrupsie, diefstal swak onderhoud ens.) deur etlike jare het Eskom se winsgewendheid ondermyn. Hulle moet hulle besigheid verbeter en kompeterend raak. Intussen bestaan hulle net planne om die kompetisie te smoor terwyl hulle net slegter raak.	Johan	employed individual

	2026-09-11 17:11:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:24:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, you wanted us to use less electricity so we spend our hard earned money to get solar and inverters. Not our fault you could not maintain the grid.	Leendert	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:27:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am at a loss for words! Eskom should be allowing us, the solar users, to sell electricity back into the grid.	Anne	retired
	2026-09-11 17:27:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shrian	
	2026-09-11 17:27:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to be stopped from unfair market practices and use of their current monopoly to burden households and businesses alike with their unjustified and unmanaged cost structure.	Mark	retired
	2026-09-11 17:28:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	retired
	2026-09-11 17:28:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wiseman	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:29:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not supply power forcing me to raise R180k to install a system to assist in maintaining an acceptable lifestyle. Eskom even made a tax benefit available for those that fitted Solar Panels for own generation. Now your sales are shrinking Nationally, and costs continue to increase, you are inefficient and the citizens must now pay again for this. Why can you not do the right thing? I am a 76-year-old pensioner and must now suffer additional costs to fund the States incompetence.	Alan	retired
	2026-09-11 17:30:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalties for solar users and extra fixed charges to punish solar users, which is ridiculous seeing that the President allowed solar users an income tax rebate.	Selma	retired
	2026-09-11 17:31:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-11 17:32:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-09-11 17:35:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom continues to compensate its financial disaster by punishing its customers instead of fixing its problems. A once world class company has been distracted by incompetent Management and lack of Government control. Get a professional Management and fix the company.	Dieter	retired
	2026-09-11 17:36:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to install expensive sseg equipment while Eskom was unable to produce, and I am not going to pay that a second time with expensive tarrifs.	Kevin	
	2026-09-11 17:37:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	
	2026-09-11 17:37:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edward	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:42:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-11 17:43:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-11 17:45:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:46:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Xander	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:46:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Erika	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:49:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		sibusiso	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:50:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael Douglas	retired
	2026-09-11 17:50:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-09-11 17:51:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-11 17:52:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With the cost of living crisis in South Africa spiralling out of control I firmly stand against adding any additional costs to rate payers whether this be a fixed monthly fee for having solar or increasing rates to make up for lost revenue due to more consumers turning to solar back-up as a direct result of years of Eskom failing in its mandate to provide reliable electricity to South Africa and constantly increasing it's electricity tarrifs far above the rate of inflation.	Roux	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:52:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We do not need new taxes. Eskom is broken because Jacob Zuma broke it. This forced people to find other solutions. Fix Eskom before you you attack ordinary working class people who are trying to get by.	Gordon	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:53:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lester	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 17:56:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-11 17:57:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users.	Molly	retired
	2026-09-11 17:57:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are the few expected to pay for at least 20 years of neglect and mismanagement . Grasp the nettle and close down all illegal connections , disconnect all who do not pay . Then rightsize the organisation in line with the reduced demand and show gratitude for all businesses and households that have spent billions on solar to resolve government failure . Government should just stay away from business altogether , and focus on the basics rather than punishing the payers bysqueezing every cent out of them as this is not sustainable	Hedley	retired
	2026-09-11 17:58:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tim	retired
	2026-09-11 18:06:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthie	retired
	2026-09-11 18:12:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1: Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2: Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3: Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Perry	business owner
	2026-09-11 18:13:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Where do I start. As an IT contractor, I lost thousands of rands in income due to load shedding and unreliable power. I invested at great expense to provide the required electricity. The cost prior to solar was financially killing me. The whole electricity sector is corrupt, overpaid and poorly run. If you tax people more for electricity, you have less money, as it will be cheaper to expand the solar environment. What I suggest is follow what they have done in Australia and how cheap electricity has become.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-11 18:14:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-11 18:15:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:17:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom cannot force me to pay a tax on investing in and installing solar at vast expense because it cannot be trusted to continue supplying electricity at an affordable cost.	Corrie Andre	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:17:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-11 18:19:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally unacceptable that the government has failed to supply continued supply of affordable electricity and now want those who made alternative plans to pay. We assisted the government in the time of need when there was insufficient electricity, and now we need to pay for something the government has not invested in. Unacceptable.	Stuart	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:19:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charging for any reason other than providing something for it is unreasonsblr	Nigel	retired
	2026-09-11 18:21:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:22:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	

	2026-09-11 18:22:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ronny	retired
	2026-09-11 18:23:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariana	retired
	2026-09-11 18:24:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom brought the public move to solar energy on themselves. With constant loadshedding, increased power cost, their own incompetence, lack of any strategic management - or effective management to be direct. Now that they are unable to recover sufficient revenue due to bloated costs, high cost of maintenance, etc, etc I will ensure I do not need to go onto the grid at all. I do not need the corrupt organisation at all Definitely will not pay any fees to that corrupt organisation for not being on the grid Stuff Eskom	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:24:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathy	retired
	2026-09-11 18:27:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frikkie	
	2026-09-11 18:32:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-11 18:34:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents and businesses would not have invested in Solar had eskom not messed up in the first place. To keep the factories running and homes powered , investment in solar at huge cost had to be made . If eskom paid for the investment in solar in the first instance then only would they have a valid claim on charging a solar levy .	C	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:34:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Al	retired
	2026-09-11 18:36:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	self-employed
	2026-09-11 18:37:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar panels on my house because Eskom's inefficiency caused loadshedding. I don't think it's fair to be penalised now for something that was caused by government corruption and lack of maintenance.	Cathryn	retired
	2026-09-11 18:43:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private residents (houses etc) should not be penalized for installing solar at their own cost and for going sustainable. In addition fixed rate charges need to be the same for all users and not tax the middle class to death. ALL users should pay the same reduced fixed / flat rate.	Leslie	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:46:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	retired
	2026-09-11 18:49:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You caused this mess you retards. Get yourself out of it. Scumbags. Just admit you are stupid and greedy and get out of our pockets.	Jo	
	2026-09-11 18:53:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	retired
	2026-09-11 18:55:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom could not supply power I took the burden of installing solar to keep on working. It cost me dearly and now they want me to pay because they don't make enough money. Sorry I am not your cash cow to milk till I am dry.	Fra cois	
	2026-09-11 19:01:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mary	
	2026-09-11 19:03:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have Solar and it does benefit me, but I got it because Eskom couldn't produce enough power and we had all the loadshedding issues, now they want to penalise the people that essentially helped to lighten the load.	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:04:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom announced it made a big profit (30.3 Billion) but is producing less electricity and sales have dropped. The public went to great expense to become semi- independent because of load shedding, cable theft and vandalism and helped Eskom with reducing load shedding are now being punished FOR USING THE SUN WHICH IS FREE AND DOES NOT BELONG TO THE ANC. This is just another government scheme to exhort money from paying customers to sponsor their corruption. The CEO & CFO get a massive bonuses and for doing nothing. Go to the squatter camps and you will find the free-riders with the illegal connections.	Brian	retired
	2026-09-11 19:05:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have a few issues. First of all to single out rooftop solar as the cause of diminished electricity sales . I remember installing a solar geyser with Escom subsidy. Most homes now have a solar geyser and as a geyser is the single greatest consumer of electricity in the average home, solar geysers contribute alongside rooftop solar to reduced electricity sales. Secondly it is common cause that rooftop solar generates enough electricity to avoid permanent loadshedding. Thus those with rooftop solar facilitate uninterrupted electricity to those who cannot install this. Thereby reducing reducing pressure on Escom to use diesel and or gas. So for generating this saving we would be punished with higher availability charges . I can imagine a civil disobedience campaign whereby all rooftop solar owners switch their panels of at short notice, creating a huge spike in demand.	Eric	
	2026-09-11 19:05:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philippa	retired
	2026-09-11 19:12:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I just support the motion.	lorato	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:13:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	You, the ANC have motivated the non payment culture and now you see your mistake. The officials all over the country has been proven, found quilty, and let go to be corrupt and for taking money that do not belong to them, and this INCLUDES ESKOM. so get the other services to pay or no service. But yes only white populations has to pay the othe groups, do not as you want their votes. Solar creates a relief on the system pressure so that other industries could now be connected. prevoiosly you lacked capacity to connect the solar gives you that possibility, and now you want to tax them? You should pay a subsidy to solar generators like in Australia. No man stop luiting, and stealing, and act fairly, come on!!!	Johan	business owner
	2026-09-11 19:17:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s ridiculous that the company of corruption seeks to now fleece more from South Africans.	Jason	retired
	2026-09-11 19:18:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in rooftop solar to sustain my lifestyle following the demise of Escom’s supply capability. Private solar investments saved Escom’s bacon, now they cry wolf. Escom cannot bite the hand feeding the beast. Tsek !	Kevin	retired
	2026-09-11 19:25:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Go collect from all the illegal connections	Deon	retired
	2026-09-11 19:26:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sean	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:28:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gideon	retired
	2026-09-11 19:28:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am retired, a pensioner, I have had a solar geyser since 2009 so I do not think it's fair that I should be by any chance be taxed in any way for having that geyser. I might add that I actually do not switch the geyser on at all as I have hot water the whole year. In fact I suggest that any new houses should have one. I actually only spend +-R250 pm on electricity.	Mari	retired
	2026-09-11 19:28:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louise	retired
	2026-09-11 19:32:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The inefficiency of this government has led to a situation where consumers have had to help themselves at great expense. Consumers should not be penalized further for solar installations in order to balance municipal books and enrich the elite that head up government .	Eileen Linda	retired
	2026-09-11 19:35:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Du Toit	retired
	2026-09-11 19:36:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Tom	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:37:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary consumers should not be penalised for resolving electricity blackouts, due to government poor delivery and planning, by installing an alternative and paying for it by themselves.	Roelof	retired
	2026-09-11 19:38:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You first tell us not to use power and encourage solar then bitch and moan because of your non delivery you lose the paying customers . I will not supplement your failings. Eskom is a monopoly and punishing the very people who keep it running. No more	Mike	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:46:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to corruption and mismanagement of the national electricity grid, Eskom literally forced consumers to start looking for alternative means of generating their own independent source of electricity and those who could afford , at great expense to install solar even if it was just 1 or 2 panels, did that. Why should the people of SA once again have to pay for the ANC government and it's continued inability to stop corruption and help them to get blood out of a stone. We are already taxed to death on everything. People cannot afford food or rent anymore. The top officials all sit pretty while 90 percent of SA citizens are battling to provide the basics for themselves and their families. This is once again just another way to line their own pockets.	Michelle	self-employed
	2026-09-11 19:59:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed network charges on solar users. (Anti - Free Riding). Wholesale Market Power & Price Manupilation Risk.	Joheine	retired
	2026-09-11 20:01:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-11 20:03:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-11 20:03:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How many years since South Africa started experiencing Loadshedding? 18 years What are the people of South Africa to do if they have no power for many hours per day? This thanks to a certain President who facilitated State Capture in which the Guptas stole hundreds of millions of Rands, causing a virtual collapse of Eskom & Transnet. Answer: Install a Solar Power system . NOW THEY WISH TO TAX US ON THIS AS WELL AS ADDING FIXED CHARGES???????? DEFINATELY NO.	Charles	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:04:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Initially the average South African citizen was rewarded for installing solar via rebates from SARS. Now that the demand has weakened Eskom wants to punish the average salary dependent working with exorb6fixed rates. I do not support this double taxation.	Fanie	employed individual

	2026-09-11 20:07:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gina	retired
	2026-09-11 20:10:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Let escom recover their monies from corrupt current and past employees, cut down on salaries and workforce, heavy panalties for electricity theft and vandalism. Cut power on non paying municipalities. Create strong competition by opening the market.	Alexander	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:10:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-11 20:13:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly disagree with the notion that it is the fault of private persons who were forced to find alternative energy sources because of Eskoms failure to provide reliable energy. Therefore it is totally unfair to penalise solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. The government and all departments, including suppliers of electricity and water were voted in to serve the inhabitants of this country and not to push us into suffering, unfair billing and for some, bankruptcy.	Liz	
	2026-09-11 20:14:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spent my hard earned money to acquire solar and inverter facilities. The country suffered the loss of use of electricity through Escom's power cuts while having to still pay our accounts at the Municipality. We made our own plans and paid for solar and inverter facilities. I'm done paying to assist Escom and all their mentioned above plans for the general public to pay anything pay more.	Erna	retired
	2026-09-11 20:17:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can't expect people to be taxed for investing in their own energy solutions due to their failure on 2 fronts. 1 front being supplying electricity and the other being affordable electricity. Citizens have invested to take that "load" off Eskom and the ever spiralling of tariffs . They are also running at a surplus of energy and generated a profit of R30billion which means they can't drop their charges since they have too much power and too little consumers	Caleb	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:19:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is absurd and againts our constitution to tax those that help themselves especially if their contribution help lift the country out of economic poverty that corruption in Escom has been relentlessly leading us towards.	teo	business owner
	2026-09-11 20:20:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-11 20:23:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous to charge for a free sun exposure.?	Michael	
	2026-09-11 20:26:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	retired
	2026-09-11 20:29:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already legally registered at my municipality.	Mentz	retired
	2026-09-11 20:31:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is crazy! To charge a fix fee after not being able to provide electricity for a long time is just an incompetency tax!	Andre	business owner
	2026-09-11 20:31:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invest because the comodity I need is supplied unreliably. Now there is plan to penalize proctive investment. Escom and municipalities can benifit from buying electrical power from home generation. But then they will need to pay the small power generators, and that appears to be the problem. How ridiculous	Ian	retired
	2026-09-11 20:40:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom Messed up. People had to jump in to save themselves from electricity cuts. Eskom claims they did the saving with no power cuts while it is the residents who bought solar. Now they moan because their revenue dropped. What a shame they are!!	Wilna	self-employed
	2026-09-11 20:41:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemary	
	2026-09-11 20:41:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Separating grid cost and energy cost seems to provide a concept for competition. Grid costs should be a small fixed charge, different for small, large and heavy users. Remaining grid costs should be measured on consumption. Energy usage on consumption only.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-11 20:42:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meg	retired
	2026-09-11 20:43:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We invested in solar because we are pensioners dependant on electricity for health reasons. Our budget is also compromised because of medical expenses. Now Escom and the municipality wants to penalise us for not burdening them with our electricity use and looking after all our own needs. Very unfair!!	Ristine	retired
	2026-09-11 20:46:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Peter	business owner
	2026-09-11 20:48:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernhardt	
	2026-09-11 20:55:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's not fair that only solar users pay for the fixed line cost. Then all rich and poor need to pay the same amount. The next step for the solar user is to go completely off the grid and so goes your solar fixed cost.	Matthys	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:56:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom created this problem by doing little to no maintenance on the power stations for years and was caught in the load shedding traps. This caused more issues with blown transformers, easy cable theft and low quality coal that caused more issues at power stations. Now they want to recoup this cost from users that moved to alternative generation with solar to become independent of Eskom with other tactics. This will only drive more people to disconnect from the grid, creating even more problems for their income.	Bernard	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:00:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Amanda	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:09:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to additional levies that make electricity unaffordable for the average homeowner.	Terrance	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:14:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason why I installed solar is due to the unreliable the inconsistent supply of electricity. Therefore we followed the government's suggestion of being self sufficient in electricity. After investing in solar, the very same government department wants to penalise us for their incompetence. This is despicable.	Glenn	retired
	2026-09-11 21:14:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The inability to operate a successful baseload grid is threatened to be paid for by the involuntary taxation of the oridnary consumer who deserves better than to have to subsidise yet another shortcoming of this Govermental. Those who have taken the only route out by organising their own power support to cover for oputages and other shortcomings in supply resilience are now being required to pay for their positive actions. This is highway robbery. It will affect the common resident who simply asks for a dependable source of electricity at a reasonable cost.	Don	retired
	2026-09-11 21:21:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	
	2026-09-11 21:21:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	
	2026-09-11 21:22:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Samee-Ullah	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:26:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sannie	retired
	2026-09-11 21:26:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:31:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Feyo	
	2026-09-11 21:37:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is not assisting with anything in fact we reduvthe high demand of electricity. So they cannot charge the sun	Gilbert	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:39:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phuti	
	2026-09-11 21:40:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kobus	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:47:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has held the country at ransom for many years. They should thank private homeowners for their investment in solar systems to give Eskom time to survive.	Naas	retired
	2026-09-11 21:50:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieta	
	2026-09-11 21:51:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darryl	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:52:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By installing solar I already have a fixed cost - I have to recoup my initial investment costs over the next 10 years. This excludes maintenence and repair costs. Over and above this after the 10 year period I will have to foot the bill for replacement costs and upgrade. Lastly the government asked and incentived us to install solar to help the national energy crisis	Frank	
	2026-09-11 21:58:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Guidi	business owner
	2026-09-11 22:00:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly, rolling blackouts caused me to invest a R150 000+ in grid tied rooftop solar power, secondly, for which I was receiving a tax cut for 2024. This was regarded as an incentive for investing in solar power to take pressure off the grid. Thirdly: Now the unethical punishment to solar power users by introducing fixed charges.	Theo	retired
	2026-09-11 22:08:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		G	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 22:08:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to very poor supply of quality electricity we invested in a very expensive solar system, why should we be penalised for poor service	Jennifer	retired

	2026-09-11 22:12:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to being penalised for ESKOM's inability to deliver electricity reliably & cost effectively. I have had to invest heavily in solar energy in order to maintain an acceptable lifestyle. The cost of which will never be recovered economically due to the new fixed charges & high Kwhr tariffs.	C	
	2026-09-11 22:12:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, I can honestly say life is a financial struggle without taking this into consideration. The whole system is unfair..hitting residents but not big business. Forcing those who have solar to pay is like forcing someone to pay for something they don't want, simply put. I am in total despair. I don't have solar ..too expensive!	Jane	retired
	2026-09-11 22:12:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	retired
	2026-09-11 22:15:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are sick and gatvol to pay for incompetence and greed. It’s as simple as that. The government cannot govern anything competently and fairly. They only know how to fleece patriotic citizens.	Doreen	retired
	2026-09-11 22:18:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arlene	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:24:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom asked the public to install solar to help with the load. Now they are taxing everyone because they are losing revenue. Sun tax what nonsense	Paulette	retired
	2026-09-11 22:33:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	
	2026-09-11 22:35:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Wilhelm	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:52:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop fixed solar charges. Do not place the burden of costs on residential units. As per the president, users initiated other methods to produce electricity rather in order to reduce reliance on Eskom as told.	Leticia	employed individual
	2026-09-11 22:52:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean-marc	self-employed
	2026-09-11 23:07:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aarifah	self-employed
	2026-09-11 23:14:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronald	retired
	2026-09-11 23:19:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How on earth are pensioners and poor citizens supposed to afford these exorbitant, unavoidable costs? We just keep getting hammered from all sides. Caring government? Pffft!	Helen	retired
	2026-09-11 23:42:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond Holmes	retired
	2026-09-12 00:00:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly, to tax individuals on something such as free sunlight is about absurd as taxing us for the air that we breath or drinking rainwater. The municipality has no right to penalize individuals for having solar systems especially since a vast majority had to install solar power to counteract the irregular mains power and load shedding caused by Eskom. There was no compensation to individuals or companies from any government department for the loss in revenue due to load shedding for the many years that we had it. The increase price of electricity each year shows a total disregard and is like a slap in the face to the consumers particularly now that Eskom has a surplus of power. Any increase in a connection fee continues to show how municipalities do not have any consideration for consumers. As it stands now, the municipalities are employing bullying tactics as they know that most of us must have electricity and a lot of us don't have solar systems. Municipalities are a disgrace to this country and are making us suffer for a problem which was originally caused by Eskom almost 20 years ago.	IAN	retired
	2026-09-12 00:22:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the direction set out in the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. Framing solar households as "free-riders" and shifting costs toward punitive fixed capacity charges penalises private citizens for investing in their own energy resilience, investment the state has consistently failed to provide at scale. At the same time, allowing large industrial users to bypass municipal networks while leaving ordinary "captive consumers" to absorb the resulting revenue shortfall is not restructuring, it is cost-shifting from those with the power to leave onto those who have no choice but to stay. I call on the Department to: 1. Reject the "Sun Tax", do not impose punitive fixed grid fees that penalise solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers, prohibit municipalities from recovering lost industrial and solar revenue through higher tariffs on ordinary households. 3. Commit to transparency, ensure any market reform process publishes clear modelling of who bears the cost before implementation, not after. This policy will affect every household's monthly budget, solar or not. I ask that this objection be recorded as part of the formal public participation process.	Karl	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:47:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ismail	retired
	2026-09-12 00:51:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a free resource from God. This just absurd and like taxing me for breathing.	Nicolaas	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:53:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Wayne	
	2026-09-12 01:04:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Swazi	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 01:06:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bob	retired
	2026-09-12 01:28:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 01:36:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jitendra (Jay)	retired
	2026-09-12 02:47:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolph	retired
	2026-09-12 04:03:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	DUE TO CORRUPTION AND MISMANEGEMENT ALLOWED BY AN INEPTOCRATIC INCOMPETENT GOVERNMENT, ESKOM COULD NOT SUPPLY THE NECESSARY POWER WHICH HAD A DOWNWARD TTRND AND THREATENED THE FUTURE SURVIVAL OF BUSINESSES. THE VERY SAME BUSINESSES THAT MADE PLANS TO SURVIVE BECAUSE GOVERNMENT COULD NOT SUPPLY THEM WITH POWER. NOW THE INEPTOCRATES WANT TO GRAB MORE BECAUSE THEY KILLED THE ECONIMIC MACHINE AND HALTERED BUSINESESS EXISTENCE AND GROWTH . GROWTH THAT CLULD BAVE THIRVED OTHERWISE BY MARKET FORCES THAT WOULD HAVE GENERATED A BROADER TAX BASE TO FEED GOVERNMENT BY FOLLOWING A RATHER MORE FREE APPROACH TO ALLOW BUSINESS TO LTOSPER AND CREATE MORE JOBS RATHER THAN KILLING JOBS. LET AND ALLOW BUSINESS NOW TO FREELY GROW AND PROSPER THIS COUNTRY AND FREE US FROM THE INEPTOCRATES BY APPOINTING THE RIGHT PEOPLE IN THE RIGHT POSITIONS. WE HAVE GOOD PEOPLE ON THE GROUND THAT IS CAPABLE OF RUNNING ESKOM LIKE A REAL BUSINESS FRRE OF STATE CAPTURE.	Johan	business owner
	2026-09-12 04:07:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolf	employed individual
	2026-09-12 04:09:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kockott	self-employed
	2026-09-12 04:13:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-09-12 04:24:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-12 04:36:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Da vid	business owner
	2026-09-12 04:44:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A N	retired
	2026-09-12 04:47:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand in this Public Submission: we Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. we Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. we Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Hendrik	
	2026-09-12 05:31:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Jacobus	self-employed
	2026-09-12 05:35:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernest	business owner
	2026-09-12 05:35:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pothiti	retired
	2026-09-12 05:37:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Louis	retired
	2026-09-12 05:39:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe if this bill gets passed, democracy will win the day like it did with e-tolls. Government itself and Eskom is far to quick to use citizens pockets as their answer to their many many problems. Sorry ne. Not happening.	Ruan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:39:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-12 05:43:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Solomzi	employed individual

	2026-09-12 05:44:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alexis	business owner
	2026-09-12 05:46:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm sorry, but when we had constant stage 4 to 6 loadshedding for a year, Eskom was begging people to find alternative means to generate power so that pressure on the grid was alleviated. So we did that, and now they have the audacity to want to tax us even more?! They can go to hell. The one and only reason why loadshedding stopped is because we did what they asked and now they want to punish us even more. I do not agree with any of this.	Renata	self-employed
	2026-09-12 05:49:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom put us in this position where consumer paid high fees to have solar installed. Now they own the sun that they can do this? They have high salaries yet won't restructure their business but rather fine or charge high fees for people who assisted the loadshedding problem by getting solar.	A	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 05:50:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Hulle het nie nou genoeg om te steel nie	Christiaan	business owner
	2026-09-12 05:56:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	retired
	2026-09-12 05:56:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		dawie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 05:58:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:01:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Smittie	retired
	2026-09-12 06:01:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it would be wrong to penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. It is unfair to burden Consumers with extra fees in order to create more funds for bankrupt municipalities. Municipalities need to be run more effectively without burdening the individual. We need to stop municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. We need to make sure we that everyday households are not left footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Dominique	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:02:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First government give rebate for solar now they want to penalise you if you use solar	E	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:06:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sedicka	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:12:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A reasonable fixed fee is understandable but excessive connection fees is unacceptable. If you are offgrid the fee should be lower.	Steve	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:20:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First the Government could not supply enough energy and households had to, at their own cost, invest in sustainable enery. Now you want to lump yet another tax on individual and not address the actual problem. Municipalities should be cleaned up and run as proper businesses. Stop waiting ratepayers money on exuberant salaries and maintain your infrastructure. This is typical from Government… we don't fix we tax!	Jeanette	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:22:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-12 06:25:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Marc	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:27:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-09-12 06:27:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:29:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Agatha	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:33:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am strongly opposed to imposing high fixed grid tariffs on households that invest in rooftop solar. Homeowners who generate their own electricity have already invested their own money to reduce demand on the grid, and they should not be penalised through unavoidable monthly charges simply because they use less electricity from the grid. While grid infrastructure must be maintained and fairly funded, the solution should be transparent, cost-reflective and proportionate—not a punitive "anti-free-riding" charge that undermines the incentive to invest in renewable energy. Such fixed charges could discourage private solar investment, shift more costs onto households that remain dependent on the grid, and ultimately slow South Africa's transition towards cleaner, more decentralised electricity generation.	Pia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:33:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandra	retired
	2026-09-12 06:36:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sehlaremang	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:37:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom has been run so badly and billions have been stolen and spent badly . Now they are short of money and we must pay . Nonsense, run Eskom properly and there will not be a need to burden all citizens. Ridiculous, privatisation is the only way	Kim	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:38:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jen	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:38:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lu	
	2026-09-12 06:39:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	
	2026-09-12 06:39:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	pensioners install solar energy for 2 main reasons 1. Cost of electricity 2. Inconsistent power supply eg alarm systems, fridges, medical equipment are essential items, not a luxury The initial outlay is huge but life saving Public can't pay for fat bonuses whilst no maintenance take place. They showed a profit according to news...so why more money	Juliana	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 06:41:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harry	retired
	2026-09-12 06:41:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are saving the country from loadshedding and thus must be rewarded and not penalised.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 06:42:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Screw Eskom and the Government. For many years Eskom couldn't supply reliable electricity, most people went off grid, now they want to milk the public?	B	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:42:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to milk the consumer! Shame on you!	Clint	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:43:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Steve	
	2026-09-12 06:44:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 06:44:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynette	retired
	2026-09-12 06:45:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Dominic	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:46:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its unconstitutional to tax me for the use of the sun, or penalise me for governance of state owned enterprises.	Jeandre	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:47:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hans	business owner
	2026-09-12 06:54:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the customer be charged if we install solar ? We install solar at huge, taxed cost so we don't have to put up with eskoms atrocious management and power outages. If government/ eskom stopped stealing money we wouldn't be in this position.	Grahame	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:57:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antje	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:59:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Annemarie	retired
	2026-09-12 07:01:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		F	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:05:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mathew	employed individual

	2026-09-12 07:05:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There can only be ione driving force behind this...Ramagopa who has promised lower powewr charges over the past several months ...presumabbly to all but now clearly becoming only for the poor with the electricity grant of no payment for the first 300kw/h of use while everyone e;lse coughs up heavy amounts to pay for the free electicity others (above) gain. Equality is the clarion call of the ANC and other parties that work with the ANC in particular the EFF and PA et al. The government has brought on poverty in the extreme in SA and now loads those who live by their wits and careful financial management of their often meagre income (as in my case) as a pensioner relying on an inadequate pension form the State , whome I served loyally for over 45 years and who was rewarded with a 3% increase in March 2026 while inflation was well above this. I oppose these draconian measures to stabilise an inefficiently run municipality and an Eskom which hikes electricity prices by 8,8% while their top management granyts itsel huge increases while doing F-all othere than bask in the glow of what they claim led to the stabilisation of the grid when in fact it was hugely thanks to the people who invested in solar which resulted in the reduction on the load on the grid ...not the leadership of Eskom's so called "fine planning" while feeding at the trough.	Ian	
	2026-09-12 07:09:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed policy completely ignores the massive benefits that local solar generation provides in reducing grid strain and preventing blackouts. Ultimately, it serves as a protective shield for outdated utility monopolies at the expense of regular consumers and environmental progress.	Mildre	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:09:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hana	retired
	2026-09-12 07:10:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is heinous to pile charges on domestic users. Those who have tried to manage their electricity consumption now get lumbered with no free ride fees. Wealthy users will get off grid completely. What happens then? It is equally heinous to allow municipalities to make up their losses from large industrial users by charging huge costs to ratepayers. Transparency and fairness should be the essence of any new regulations.	Eileen	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:11:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It seems state institutions want a full on tax revolt. Keep on messing with us and find out.	Philip	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:17:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nazley	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 07:17:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbara	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:17:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must South Africans again funds a non functioning unreliable entity, thats the main reason why people went to Solar, but now you will be penalised for looking after yourself when they could not. Stop doctoring the symptoms.	Martin	retired
	2026-09-12 07:17:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-09-12 07:20:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:20:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject this proposal to the full. The average law abiding citizen has been punished enough for decades of incompetence and corruption at SoE's. We cannot absorb any more costs due to your own mismanangement and poor planning.	Emile	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:23:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-12 07:24:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	his is a absolute joke. Whys have we installed Solar in the first instance - because the Government and Eskom failed to supply power, leading to load shedding and leaving us losing clients.	Sandra	retired
	2026-09-12 07:26:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should I have to pay for sunlight, something that is free to all, to fund an incompetent, inefficient organization that is unable to run a business profitably, gifted to the ANC drifters.	Sarie	retired
	2026-09-12 07:36:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its pathetic that the Government would penalize consumers for saving electricity (which they cannot supply) . Whats next? Taxation if mothers use their ovens more than 5 times a week?	Willem	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:39:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:40:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Improve efficiencies and reduce fat cat salaries / benefits rather than milking the cow that has already been overmilked. As usual the proposals are devious but obvious.	bruce	
	2026-09-12 07:42:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are already hard pressed to survive the cost of living in this country - the government should be looking at easing financial burden not increasing it. When Eskom was struggling some home owners spent thousands to invest in solar solutions to among other reasons ease the burden on the grid when loading shedding was a crisis in this country. It was encouraged by the president who gave a tax rebate for those who could do this. Now they want to penalise us for doing the very thing that they encouraged? How ridiculous and unscrupulous!	Riaz	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:43:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:43:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:45:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-09-12 07:45:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All that will happen here is that you will strangle the households whose income is not unlimited. Get rid of the corruption, and the cadres and you can save some money, so as to not burden the people further.i see more power theft coming, because it's your actions. The imcome generating group who oay tax, and your salary by the way, are leaving, so you will have less to grab. 2027,your are so out of here.	Peter	
	2026-09-12 07:47:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I went to great expense to put in Solar power because of unreliable electricity. Why must I pay for free loaders.	Laetitia	retired
	2026-09-12 07:48:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that we we forced to install Solar at massive personal expense as we simply could not survive 11 hour load-shedding schedules where I live. The money we spent created an opportunity for Eskom to stabilise their generation. Electricity supply stability and cost was massively inflated to compensate for large scale theft, corruption and mismanagement. How many times do we need to pay for incompetent thieves and grafters? Eskom is showing massive profit due to Government bailouts. This caused the Eskom Management to reward themselves with pay raises up to 180%. Again we pay as taxpayer as we fund the damn bailouts and we pay as consumers for the largesse of the Eskom Management cadre.	Marnus	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:50:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As pensioners we are unable to afford solar and are stuck with Eskom. We cannot afford to pay any more than we are already.	Julie	retired
	2026-09-12 07:50:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Dave	retired
	2026-09-12 07:51:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stanley	retired
	2026-09-12 07:52:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	retired
	2026-09-12 07:52:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to incorporate alternative energy sources like solar, water and wind which is cost effective and sustainable in the long run. Increasing tariffs on solar power users is punitive.	Sandra	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:52:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverly	
	2026-09-12 07:53:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that we we forced to install Solar at massive personal expense as we simply could not survive 11 hour load-shedding schedules where I live. The money we spent created an opportunity for Eskom to stabilise their generation. Electricity supply stability and cost was massively inflated to compensate for large scale theft, corruption and mismanagement. How many times do we need to pay for incompetent thieves and grafters? Eskom is showing massive profit due to Government bailouts. This caused the Eskom Management to reward themselves with pay raises up to 180%. Again we pay as taxpayer as we fund the damn bailouts and we pay as consumers for the largesse of the Eskom Management cadre.	Victor	retired
	2026-09-12 07:56:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity income should have been used to maintain and develop the municipal grid over the years, instead of benefiting a few top officials. Because we have made some alternate plans we now are expected to pay for their lack of skills and foresight.	Ed	retired
	2026-09-12 07:58:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s a rip off , we solar panel users are trying to assist the government with offloading their dilapidated infrastructure leading to countless load shedding We can’t be punished for using God’s natural energy	Kwena	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 07:58:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:58:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that the grid is unreliable. If it is not faulty transformers or just general outages. If you want to charge solar for incompetence. Then the supplier of electricity should be more responsible and reliable. Take into consideration that there was loadshedding. If you enforce the electricity been used illegally in locations and charge the relevant people for the use. Then their wouldn't be an issue	Gerald	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:58:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can’t encourage South Africans to be energy sufficient because Eskom couldn’t keep the lights on, and now that people are energy sufficient and don’t need to rely on the grid, you want to penalise them. Makes no sense, you need to reform the entire energy sector and make it fair and equitable for all, the prices we pay already are sky high and ludicrous. There are reports that Eskom has too much electricity than what is needed, and yet we still need to pay exorbitant prices.	Matthew	
	2026-09-12 08:00:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens cannot be penalised for compensating for government failures	Vanessa	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 08:01:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No fees on sun energy creation and distribution or usage	Charles	
	2026-09-12 08:02:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caroline	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:07:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:07:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is so typical of this corrupt and inefficient ANC Government of ours. They caused the so called "Solar problem" and now they want to penalise the people who have been forward thinking and have made plans to provide their own energy. This has come at great cost to these people, and many have had to take out loans to get a solar system up and running (I am one of those). We are a big part of the reason as to why the ESKOM grid is now stable - ESKOM consumption is down significantly as Solar Power increases and it is totally unfair to expect the remaining consumers to pay for the mistakes and dishonesty of the people who created the problem.	Glen	retired

	2026-09-12 08:07:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A J	retired
	2026-09-12 08:09:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margie	retired
	2026-09-12 08:09:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dolly	retired
	2026-09-12 08:11:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The audacity to tax you on sun power !!!!! The sun does not belong to the Government!!	Maxi	retired
	2026-09-12 08:11:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal does not adequately recognise the investment made by private persons in electricity generation. If this proposal also covered that Eskom would purchase electricity from households that generate surplus then the fixed connection charges may be appropriate but as a stand alone it is none sensible. Ps there is no requirement for the gov / soe to recoup infra costs from everyone. We already pay heavy taxes and the investment was done long ago.	Stewart	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:11:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Istell	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:13:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gordon	
	2026-09-12 08:19:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They, the ANC corrupt government officials, have broken everything that worked in SA, stole the money in every way they could, impoverished their own people to where they are worse off than before, begged business and homeowners to help by installing solar, and now they want still steel more from the people that made it possible for national load shedding to end. Shame on you, please go stand in front of a mirror and look at yourself and see what you are. You are a disgrace to the human society.	Cliff	retired
	2026-09-12 08:27:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	
	2026-09-12 08:34:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	JC	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:35:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caryn	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:37:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 08:39:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have paid for the maintenance and upkeep of the existing infrastructure to deliver a decent service yet we cannot rely on this model, so I have invested my hard earned money to supplement my power with solar and now the government wants to penalize me which is absurd.	CHRIS	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:39:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Goverment ruined Eskom and should fix it. I invested in Solar power to keep my business running and assisted the economy. Why am I penelized. Why must I fund poor decisions.	Piet	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:41:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Llewellyn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:43:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russ	
	2026-09-12 08:45:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lothar	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:51:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-12 08:53:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Robbery by government	David	retired
	2026-09-12 08:54:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:55:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:59:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Hello, I believe that we have been put through major life concerns when ESKOM could not supply power with days and often weeks with no power. Why should we pay for ESKOM inefficiency when now they have made billions in profit and the consumer again has to be penalized or put into debt for ESKOM to target an easy market to make profits. It is shocking to realize that the PEOPLE of this country always have to suffer the result of GOVT failures. Does ones vote really count ??? The PENSIONERS need a break by tax relief and these draconic measures. God help us all including animals and this tested country.	JUDITH	retired
	2026-09-12 09:00:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:02:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun power is free to use. We have spent thousands to set up solar installation - let us use it.	Carrie	retired
	2026-09-12 09:02:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-12 09:04:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petrus	retired
	2026-09-12 09:05:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It's typical with this government how we must always pay for their incompetence	Geoff	
	2026-09-12 09:09:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No government owns the power of the sun. We should be allowed to use it. If we have a system that can feed back into the grid, there should be a COC for that and it should be made to a standard of compliance, whether we feed back to the grid, or not. We should NOT be penalised at all, on any front.	Vanessa	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:09:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thomas	retired
	2026-09-12 09:11:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Cathelene	business owner
	2026-09-12 09:12:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	we are still paying through our noses for all the corruption perpetrated by eskom officials, barely a single person in jail and now they want to tax us more to get eskom out of the hole they dug. shameful !!!!	David	retired
	2026-09-12 09:12:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:14:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees.	Steve	retired
	2026-09-12 09:15:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The price of electricity is becoming unaffordable. We have spent so much money putting in solar and now I have to pay an expensive connection fee and equally expensive electricity when I use it. Eskom has wasted/lost so much money through incompetence and mismanagement but now the general public has to make up for this. This is totally unacceptable.	Margaret	retired
	2026-09-12 09:17:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No sun tax	Estelle	
	2026-09-12 09:22:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This bill proposal is punitive and unjust. The government does not own the sun. It is a free gift from God to all.	Justine	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:25:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is now trying to cope with daily energy surpluses. As a result of events in the past which resulted from load shedding, Transformation Policies and State Capture many large users such as steel makers have closed down their operations and moved to other countries. Eskom in the meantime has resolved a number of their operational problems and now finds that their customer base has shrunk considerably. Eskom now require this vastly reduced customer base to fund their current operation. Unfortunately the captive customer base, those who cannot afford to migrate to other power sources, will be expected to bear Eskoms costs. The CUSTOMERS CANNOT AFFORD THIS!! This bill is not the solution!!!! Eskom will find that many will band together and form Stockvels to provide for their electricity needs. Escoms customer will be reduced even further. Anothe effect will be that many Municipalities will not have suffiecient funds to be able to fullfill their obligations.	John	retired
	2026-09-12 09:26:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	City of Cape Town misuse their captive solar users with extreme fixed monthly fees, and there is "no way out" that i could find. Real "mafia" power in action.	Johan	business owner
	2026-09-12 09:28:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The solar penalties & fixed charges are a real scam from the government. Why should we pay them especially when they are corrupt & fail to fulfil our needs due to "load shedding". If Electricity Minister claims that he has done al ot to avoid "load shedding", in recent years, then he has been lying to us as all he did was replacing the electricity shortfall with diesel productions. In fact, there was also a diesel scandal in Eskom where they paid for diesel that were not delivered at all - Corruption! Here it concerns more than 700 million litres of diesel that were paid but not delivered - refer to an article from Daily Maverick which can give you elaborate details on this matter. Being an honest citizen trying to help out by installing solar cells on our roofs, get penalised by the government who is fully committed to Green world. Fully unacceptable!	Leong	retired
	2026-09-12 09:30:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aron	
	2026-09-12 09:32:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		GERHARD	employed individual

	2026-09-12 09:42:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ons, die verbruiker, moet die heeltyd die las dra vir die regering en Escom se onbevoegdheid. Verbruikers installeer solar om nie deur Escom se onbevoedheid benadeel te word nie en nou word die verbruiker daarvoor gestraf, Nie eenkeer sal daar van regeringskant iets gedoen word om die onbevoegdes voor stok te kry nie. Almal in die regering is in elk geval ook onbevoeg.	Hilgard	retired
	2026-09-12 09:43:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rates and levies are already too high forcing owners into more debt just to survive. Municipalities current income streams are being misappropriated not benefiting all residences. More funds will continue to be misappropriated	Ben	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:43:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-12 09:43:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	All they want to do is to get more money for their corruption.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 09:45:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Government through Escom could not deliver through incompetence, cadre deployment, corruption and sheer mismanagement, we were left to our own devices to ensure a reasonable standard of living, whilst Ministers were provided with generators for free. Now, after us spending huge amounts, they want to penalise the honest rate- and taxpayer for taking initiative (and our money) to do what Escom cannot, will not and could not do - provide electricity at reasonable prices. This is a socialist state with communist thinking and bullying tactics. Rather than deal with the deep structural issues at Escom costing the public billions every year, they want to cover it up by extorting more money from a public already driven to the wall by cost of living increases, a recession on out hands, imported inflation and highest ever petrol and diesel prices	Theo	
	2026-09-12 09:46:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Zero point energy period.	Mychel	
	2026-09-12 09:46:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of crippling corruption, Eskom is a disaster. Don't penalise the consumer; the Govt must address corruption and clean up state enterprises. Don't penalise the little people for finding alternative ways of getting by when the government lacks the will to be efficient.	Anne	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:48:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcell	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:48:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should users get penalised because they cannot afford Solar	Neville	retired
	2026-09-12 09:50:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		GREGORY	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:51:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHEN DID ESKOM OBTAIN SHARES IN THE SUN, AND WHO WAS THE SELLER WHO OWNED THE SUN ?	Robert	retired
	2026-09-12 09:55:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Typical State-owned failure response, just force everyone to pay more, instead of fixing the problems at source. The only reason people install solar, which they can't really afford, is because the Government and Eskom are so incompetent that they cannot be relied upon to provide the service they promised to provide. Electricity is already hugely overpriced and this act is nothing short of criminal.	Chris	retired
	2026-09-12 09:56:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First Eskom asks not to use power because of the load shedding. So as good citizens we install Solar to help out . Now, we are not earning enough, so you must pay extra for helping us. stop stealing money and reduce your work force by at least a third.	Carl	retired
	2026-09-12 09:56:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SWITCH OFF THE STREET LIGHTS DURING THE DAY THERE ARE BILLIONS OF RAND TO BE SAVED THERE	Tony	retired
	2026-09-12 09:56:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Public were denied uninterrupted power frequently. Eskom pleased with consumers to switch off and save. Government incentivised the installation of Solar and now want to penalise the very people that assisted in reducing load shedding.	James	retired
	2026-09-12 09:58:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gaynor	retired
	2026-09-12 09:59:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	
	2026-09-12 10:03:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-12 10:09:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am writing to object to key elements of the draft Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. This paper is being sold as a modernisation effort, but for ordinary households it functions as a cost-shifting exercise. If I invested my own money in solar to reduce my dependence on a failing grid, I should not be punished with a mandatory fixed "anti-free-riding" charge designed to claw back revenue the state feels entitled to. That is not fair market reform. It is penalising self-reliance because it's inconvenient for government revenue models. At the same time, households who cannot afford solar are being set up to absorb the fallout as large industrial users get to buy power directly and bypass municipalities altogether. When the big users leave and the wealthy defect to solar, municipalities lose their strongest paying customers, and the plan, as written, lets that shortfall be passed straight down to "captive consumers" who have no alternative. That is not shared sacrifice. That is the people with the least negotiating power being left to fund a system that has already failed them for over a decade through load-shedding, mismanagement, and tariff hikes running well above inflation. Before consumers are asked to pay more, whichever way they're squeezed, government and Eskom need to account for existing infrastructure failures and municipal debt, not restructure the market to guarantee revenue regardless of service delivery. I am not opposed to reform. I am opposed to reform that protects institutional revenue before it protects the people funding it. I ask the Department to: 1. Drop the fixed "anti-free-riding" charges on solar households. 2. Legally prevent municipalities from passing industrial-defection losses onto captive residential consumers. 3. Publish a transparent accounting of where existing electricity revenue and infrastructure budgets have actually gone before asking for more.	Robin	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:09:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	House owners have spent a lot of money to install solar after it became evident that Eskom could not keep the lights on 24/7 for everybody, residential and businesses. Owners also dod so after the Government gave the incentives that an amount can be reclaimed from tax as a rebate. The goal posts cannot be changed now because Eskom and the Government failed to prioritise the expansion of electrical infrastructure due to the population explosion that the Government encouraged. The Sun is nobody's property, why should responsible citizens be penelised in choosing the better and cleaner electricity option. The Government is already taxing the ordinary citizens to death - siesa man. Enough!!	Rico	retired
	2026-09-12 10:22:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-12 10:23:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I elect to install solar because we cannot rely on Eskom. Now they want to tax us on protecting ourselves. Ridiculous,	Alan	retired
	2026-09-12 10:23:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		ANTHONY	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:24:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	retired
	2026-09-12 10:34:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If eskom is not capable and we as consumers need to look after ourselves then eskom must leave us alone. This is government overreach	Dylan	
	2026-09-12 10:35:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you charge someone for services or product you haven’t sold to them? This is called mafia mentality	Rocco	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:37:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not wish to have solar panels and I do not see why I should be penalised for this decision.	Karen	retired
	2026-09-12 10:41:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to be more competitive in the market place. Why is there more staff for less electricity produced. Not long ago there were incentives to put in solar power so why now they want to penalize. This is definitely a way to fight this	Tony	retired
	2026-09-12 10:44:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Errol	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:44:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:47:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have Solar panels but it boggles my mind why Eskom is allowed to run shod on consumers' basic need and tax us on using the free sun. We have been blaming the ANC government for the past 30 years but the GNU appears to have just hoped onto the gravy train wagon and merrily singing to the country's sunset. This MADNESS must be nipped on its bud! This is another clear indication of the dangers of monopolies and Eskom's lack of fiducial management. They let municipalities to run wild with their Eskom debt and illegal connections and simply pass these costs to paying consumers. This does not only demolish trust but actively destroys our economy. Where is our GNU government to look after us?	Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 10:49:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Born free, taxed to death. To hell with this shit, I invested in my own lifestyle. Let them revise their free for all policy in black areas. The sun is free. Solar is paid for. Stop looting and you will see the balance sheet is making sense. By the way, what about the moerse profit advertised? Ridiculous, as only the ANC can be.	Frikkie	
	2026-09-12 10:52:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	
	2026-09-12 10:58:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Ronald	retired
	2026-09-12 10:58:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Going after people who installed solar at their own expense, due to Eskom's increasingly high tariffs, is unacceptable. Their reasoning is backwards and draconic. Tax paying citizens who have solar, should be allowed the freedom to do so without unjust penalties to fund the Eskom monopoly. Tax paying citizens aren't "getting a free ride" as they incorrectly phrase it. Citizens are taking care of themselves where the government is either failing or too expensive.	Heinrich	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:00:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	retired
	2026-09-12 11:02:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Johannes	retired

	2026-09-12 11:03:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding was the final knock for me: it went on far too long and, as an elderly person, living alone, solar was the only way to go. I invested heavily in it and have been happy ever since in doing so. Greater Tzaneen Municipality purchase electricity from Eskom then sell it on to us, the consumer. Tzaneen lies in a subtropical area and is subject to heavy storms and high winds which causes frequent outages. Electricity is frequently off for hours or days, one never knows so many people who live on just salaries have squeezed the budget to afford some sort of solar back up for cooking, hot water and LIGHT. Small children need all three. To impose a tax on us for trying to help ourselves is lunacy. ESKOM is looking for any, ANY way to haul in money to keep going without borrowing. I call it criminal.	Jennifer Williams	retired
	2026-09-12 11:04:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-12 11:05:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Poor service....the answer was solar with savings and hard work cash.....will not pay escom	Chris	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:09:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	retired
	2026-09-12 11:10:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	retired
	2026-09-12 11:13:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russell	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 11:18:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	retired
	2026-09-12 11:20:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nora	retired
	2026-09-12 11:20:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President offered us a tax incentive to install solar to bail them out of their load shedding disaster because of the corrupttion and theft that was going on at Escom, now they want to penalise us for helping them out!! How more aggravating and ridiculous can you get!!!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 11:21:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The City of Cape Town is busy taxing us out of our homes!	victor	retired
	2026-09-12 11:27:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		T	
	2026-09-12 11:36:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marcel	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:36:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monty	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:43:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When the anc decide to show political maturity and enforce debt collection from all the erring municipalities, currently at R 119 Billion, and pay Eskom, and Eskom reduce staffing to a reasonable headcount of 14 244 according to World Bank norms, as per developing countries world wide. The average staff costs per person are R 1.026 Million/year. Rationalisation and employing competent people ,something the unions abhor, would dramatically cut expenses, negating the rape of the captive consumer. Unfortunately, dogmatic adherence to outdated communism ideals preclude the above solution.	Roger	retired
	2026-09-12 11:44:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I got solar when Eskom couldn't provide energy. I am not even saving a big amount on power, but I am not willing to pay more for electricity.	Heila	retired
	2026-09-12 11:45:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 11:48:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	if this government say they support green energy WHY are they punishing those who save up to pay for expensive alternate green energy sources??? Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Charlotte	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:50:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I always hoped Solar installations would decrease carbon emissions and therefore global warming That is why I fitted solar I do not understand why Municipalities are positioned in the downstream supply chain. In Europe this is not the case Municipalities use electricity as a ' Cash Cow', and an uncontrollable cow ! The cost of running the grid nationally and locally ought to be within the cost per Kw (as it is in most countries) In the future best to keep politicians sticky fingers away from an essential resource like electricity	Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 11:53:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If the government / municipality supply us with cheaper reliable electricity it would not be necessary to get their own. Once again the public is blamed for their failure and is being billed for it. Get the money from the municipalities that owe, not from us.	Braam	
	2026-09-12 11:59:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We already burdened with such high tariffs. I can ill afford the present charges and cannot make ends meet.	Ismail	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 12:01:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bretjohn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:07:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Do not over-regulate this. Stop penalising individuals who have assisted Escom in solving the Power crisis. Rather find solutions which benefit everyone and grow the Economy.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-12 12:08:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maudene	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 12:08:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner. These fixed charges is robbing from me. I find it difficult to keep up with these charges. I am just above the income salary, so I can't apply for concession	Cedric	
	2026-09-12 12:11:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Talib	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:15:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom encouraged us to go solar when they were unable to produce sufficient electriciy even subsidising the panels. Now because it suits them they are acting like a communist state or a Dictator not even allowing us to sell back our excess sun generated electricity. Who do they think they are!!!	Rorie	retired
	2026-09-12 12:16:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a retired pensioner, and I cannot afford increased charges for electricity	Derek	retired
	2026-09-12 12:16:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolute governmental madness to force the as yet unknown financial penalties upon the paying domestic customer. Surely government, as the sole Eskom shareholder, must be aware of the dangers associated with creating mass "electricity poverty" and rethink this present disastrous solution. Perhaps it's time for government to privatize Eskom, sell off the grid to the private sector and let the private sector deal with municipalities who are incapable of managing their electricity debt. Eskom can then function as a generator of electricity in competition with other private sector participants.	Ian	retired
	2026-09-12 12:16:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom dug their own hole - why must we fill it up? Of course municipalities not paying over money we have been charged, especially to Eskom, is a very large problem.	Aletta	retired
	2026-09-12 12:17:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't support sun tax.	Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:19:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniela	
	2026-09-12 12:20:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar was to solve a problem that you created... You would be making South Africans pay for government incompetence. Again.	Tiva	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:23:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dharmesh	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 12:30:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	retired
	2026-09-12 12:32:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I see no reason why I should pay for a grid I am not using and electricity which is not supplied by Eskom. I have had to install solar at my own cost because of Eskom and ANC inefficiencies and corruption!	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:41:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another avenue for Eskom to fund its operation, consisting of the most inefficient, overpaid and incompetent management and staff, not to even mention the dancing buffoon of an Energy Minister! Typical ANC strategy to keep on milking the SA taxpayer. VOETSEK.	Gene	retired
	2026-09-12 12:42:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is criminal to make the consumer pay whether they use the system or not, especially when the system does not work as it should, is not maintained properly and is increasingly too expensive, so using solar becomes an option for those who can afford it, only to have this taken away by the very people who are making it a necessity	Lesley	retired
	2026-09-12 12:52:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It doesn't make sense to have fixed bill or amount because it will not be fair to all consumers and it seems like they want us to pay for those that aren't paying, secondly why penalise solar owners for their backup power just because now eskom is a bit stable and all along they encouraged consumers to buy solar systems. We need better solutions not a quick money making scheme to keep eskom going, yes let's reform but do not destroy your paying customers.	Shepherd	employed individual
	2026-09-12 12:54:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government never takes responsibility that because of poor management and neglect they created this problem. Now they want to fix it by creating more problems!	Ben	retired
	2026-09-12 12:57:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We try to help ourselves Ang eskom by investing in Solar to be hit with more fees and costs. You are making it impossible to live a normal life!	Michelle	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:57:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deek	retired

	2026-09-12 12:57:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	
	2026-09-12 13:02:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed Solar as a result of Eskom loadshedding. So as a result of the failure of Eskom I invested in Solar under duress. So, I can't be punished as if it was a choice I exercised. I think we should gang up and sue Eskom for failing on his legislative mandate to provide electricity to us instead so that they can pay for our Solar investment.	Pumla	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:05:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another example where failure, inefficiency and corruption in Government and its SOE's is perpetuated through raising taxes on honest hard-working citizens.	Roderick	
	2026-09-12 13:06:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:07:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If you can't help - don't hinder.	Brigitta	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 13:10:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested in solar when the government could not provide a stable and affordable supply. The proposed legislation is shortsighted and petty and I will remove myself completely from the grid before paying this.	Charl	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:12:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers who invested in solar systems should not be punished by being charged higher connection fees. Private investment into solar has lightened the demand on the national grid and improved electricity delivery stability. Government did not fix load shedding, the private sector did it by investing in their own power generation.	Steffan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:15:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	
	2026-09-12 13:15:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been ripping us off for long enough. Go away with you stupid suggestions. If you all did your jobs properly, we wouldn't be having this conversation. Get rid of the fat cats running Eskom, including the minister of electricity - what a joke!!	Colin	retired
	2026-09-12 13:18:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	retired
	2026-09-12 13:22:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wolf	
	2026-09-12 13:23:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 13:32:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has messed up the whole supply system. Now they want the consumer to pay for their mistakes. This is robbery and not ethical.	Bryan	retired
	2026-09-12 13:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We reject any “sun tax,” punitive fixed charges targeted at solar users, or registration regimes that function as barriers or revenue grabs. The sun belongs to no one. South Africans who invested in solar did so because Eskom failed them. Stop punishing private solutions to a public failure. Focus on fixing generation, transmission, and governance instead of extracting more from those who adapted. Legitimate, non-discriminatory network charges for actual use of the grid are one thing; taxing sunlight and self-reliance is another.	Bettina	
	2026-09-12 13:43:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is disgusting to not provide proper power and then demand that people pay a silly tariff when they’ve been forced to take their power into their own hands. Government, leave the people alone, dangit!	Matt	
	2026-09-12 13:44:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I bought a solar power system so as to eradicate the threat of load shedding, often without notice. This stopped power surges damaging electrical equipment as well as giving us the opportunity to maintain our lifestyle, while the Government were unable to give us any guarantees as to when the load shedding crisis, caused by corruption, fraud, illegal procurement practices, putting unqualified people with no experience of the energy sector and poorly maintained infrastructure. To blame solar power users for the lack of usage upon the grid and make us financially responsible for your abject governance is unacceptable. It is a better alternative to reduce the cost of electricity, have all of the non paying municipalities pay their monumental bad debts and enforce illegal use rather than thinking you can keep going to the same well to repair the financial holes in the discuss created by the ANC in Government.	Tim	retired
	2026-09-12 13:46:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I think that the government cannot charge people who install solar anything. It is also not fair to charge people who remain on the grid more because so many people have found alternative forms of energy. Eskom's inability to supply enough power over the past years has caused so many people and businesses to invest into solar. It is not right now to punish anyone with higher rates. The rates should come down because there is less demand.	Gerda	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:47:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject any “sun tax,” punitive fixed charges targeted at solar users, or registration regimes that function as barriers or revenue grabs. The sun belongs to no one. South Africans who invested in solar did so because Eskom failed them. Stop punishing private solutions to a public failure. Focus on fixing generation, transmission, and governance instead of extracting more from those who adapted. Legitimate, non-discriminatory network charges for actual use of the grid are one thing; taxing sunlight and self-reliance is another.	Ana	retired
	2026-09-12 13:54:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom needs to generate electricity efficiently. Get red of at least 50% of the bloated oayroll. I think we are currently producing less electricity than pre 1994 with more than double the workforce at significantly higher salaries/wages than have been justified by cost-of-living increases. the time for gouging the taxpayers has come to an end. Employees must understand that holding consumers and the Kleptocracy to ransom has come to an end! The MEC for Infrastructure in KZN has done this with the Taxi controlled Business Forums and produced the first clean Audit O[inion from Treasury in the past 20 years plus. That is how we need to ron Government - as a business and not as a private bank.	John	retired
	2026-09-12 14:02:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can NOT BE CHARGED for the inability of S.A.'s power suppliers, i.e. Eksdom and municipalities., to supply continous and un-underbroken power which forces consumers to install solar back-up systems. We live in an area with repeated power interruptions and very slow repairs action by Eksdom, thus back-ip power bwcomes essential for us, so why must ww be penelised even more and more for the powe suppliers inefficiency !!!!!	Fanie	retired
	2026-09-12 14:03:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When times were bad and load shedding was constant those who could afford to sought alternative power solutions, now that Eskom has recovered they now want to punish solar users for use of the sun! which was forced upon consumers due to Eskom negligence.	Graham	retired
	2026-09-12 14:05:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom and the defunct municipalities caused this problem. You can’t bill your way out of it and retain poor service delivery, corruption and overinflated salaries. In what world do you either bill someone for not using your product or overcharge those that do. This is merely another form of tax and you risk the honest few that remain from turning their backs on their integrity. Clean up your house and fall on your corrupt swords, else the next generation will pay the price of a failed state.	Dean	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:07:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Victor	
	2026-09-12 14:07:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot punish people who are innovating and introducing environmental friendly power generation to south africa. we need more people to do this. and they do not need punishment.	riaan	
	2026-09-12 14:09:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who have installed solar power should be rewarded not punished. They dug Eskom out of a hole when they could not provide the nation's demand for electricity due to their thieving and incompetence!	Lesley	
	2026-09-12 14:10:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Anastasiya	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:10:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA Government has the monopoly to abuse consumers financially while crippling the country with their greed. It’s unfortunate that we, the consumers have to bear the brunt of their incompetencies.	Angela	
	2026-09-12 14:12:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South African economy is not triving interms of employment. Why can't RSA adopt development countries policies and let government run the electricity entinty.	Themba	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 14:15:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosana	retired
	2026-09-12 14:15:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC transformed the cheapest power producer in the world and through corruption, stealing and complete incompetence now expect to fix their errors by stealing from the public. If ESKOM was a private enterprise it would have gone broke years ago.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 14:16:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-12 14:17:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If you abuse the consumer they will leave.... SA is already losing successful, educated, rich people. We will be left with the useless rubbish that can't leave. South Africa will be irreparably further damaged	Martin	retired
	2026-09-12 14:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How dare they want to charge us if we have solar. The reason we have invested in solar is because Eskom is so unreliable and very expensive. And then the CEO gets a bonus of R13 million plus. What a cheek	Ann	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:21:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-09-12 14:24:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	retired
	2026-09-12 14:28:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom allowed load shedding to happen To keep on making a living we had to invest in solar and generators Now that we have installed all of this, they want to penalize us If they took action long ago then all of us would have been in a different satiation, but no they allowed overspending, corruption and mis management and inflated salaries to continue When our homes and business lost income, they did not care Now that they have forced the public down this road and they are losing income they want to force us to subsidize them again	Dawie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:37:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom on death spiral due to escalating costs and not real cost management or worker efficiency. Costs escalating out of control. Eskom does not incentivised to cut costs as they can pass laws to cover costs. Just another form of taxation. Paying again for something already paid by taxpayers.	Reuben	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:38:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was not able to keep the lights on in2023.So It was invest in Solar or live in the dark. We were encouraged to install Solors at the time and were even given a Tax refund . It was very expensive to install and before we will see any savings from the Installation it will take many years. So actually we are already paying a very high price for my electricity. Take this into account.	Cynthia	retired
	2026-09-12 14:49:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-12 14:50:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were encouraged to install Solar and were even given a Tax refund. The installation was costly and will take years to realise any savings from the outlay. Now the proposed changes will punish all those who helped ' keep the lights on' in SA.	Garth	retired
	2026-09-12 14:52:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The incapacity of Eskom to supply us with power supply to allow us to continue working forced us to invest in solar energy. This is an expensive initial step to take as a business. My husband and I are both healthcare providers: having uninterrupted solar supported power supply allows us to serve the community in our positions as healthcare workers. Without this, this would not be possible. How can we be penalised for this, just because of greedy government organisations? Makes no sense	Ischen	self-employed

	2026-09-12 14:53:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Roy Botha	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:54:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to invest in Solar due to Eskom's failure to supply us with electricity. The rolling blackouts was due to their inefficiency and Eskom's budget problems are a direct result of over staffing and inflated salaries. Enough is enough.	Guy	retired
	2026-09-12 14:57:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar energy is free energy, however sloar instalations are costly with pay back periods in exess of 12 to 15 years depending on the extent of solar power installed. Eskom is a hopeless energy supplier, top heavy with the gravy train passengers who contribute absolutely zero. If is wasn't for the initiatives of homeowners installing solar, Eskom would have plunged this country into the laughingstock of the developed world. eskom has degenerated from the world's cheaper energy supplier to one the most expensive in the past 30 years due to corruption and lack of senior management skills/	Ian	retired
	2026-09-12 14:57:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I pay the fixed charges in my business which accounts for approximately 70% of my monthly bill. I could easily create more jobs if that was not the case. The impact of fixed charges will further destroy household income. It is a unavoidable charge and will be the biggest part of the electricity bill. So a user cannot opt to save on electricity usage in times of financial constraint because a fixed usage charge will be drawing the funds from the household. Electricity generation should be left to the private sector going forward.	Harry	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:01:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We support the reform of South Africa's electricity market, including greater competition, Eskom unbundling, and the development of an open wholesale electricity market. These reforms are necessary to improve energy security, attract private investment, and reduce the structural weaknesses that have contributed to the country's prolonged electricity crisis. However, such reform should not proceed at the expense of ordinary households, small businesses, municipalities, or consumers who have no practical alternative to remaining connected to the grid. Mandatory fixed charges on solar users, disproportionate increases for captive consumers, and measures that materially erode municipal electricity revenues risk undermining both public support for reform and the financial sustainability of local government. We therefore support electricity market reform subject to appropriate amendments and safeguards. In particular, fixed network charges should be transparent, cost-reflective and subject to reasonable limits; captive consumers should be protected from unfair or excessive tariff increases; and municipal revenue structures and legitimate cross-subsidies should be preserved during the transition to a competitive electricity market. South Africa needs meaningful electricity reform, but it must be implemented in a manner that is fair, economically sustainable, and protective of consumers who are least able to absorb additional costs.	Frans	business owner
	2026-09-12 15:01:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was not my fault I had to install Solar because Eskom was so captured and destroyed. Why must I pay for our corrupt government??????	Darryl	retired
	2026-09-12 15:08:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom,s inability to provide regular power resulted in 16 years of loadshedding for industry and residential users. Now business and residents have been permitted to install Solar which many jumped on to prevent loadshedding. Eskom, which for many years told us to switch off consumers, effectively telling us to use less of their product. Now that policy has bitten them in a sore spot and being Govt owned the Minister has simply decided to charge every Energy user a fee to be linked to a monopolistic Govt supplier. Residential Solar is expensive and almost all users did so to avoid loadshedding. So why are we that went to such expense now being charged a "Grid" fee, effectively to permit the Monopolistic supplier to earn income from "OUR INVESTMENTS". The point that we only se the grid to recharge at night is not fully correct, as many systems are coded to minimize recharging and use the battery backup. Remember, we also pay for what we use from the grid, so any "recharging" is paid for energy. It is time the IPP,s are allowed to generate & sell energy to any user, so that Eskom will have to compete on a fair and equal bases.	David	retired
	2026-09-12 15:17:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		David	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:22:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The sun is free for all and solar were added to homes and businesses at the own cost to prevent darknes and loss of income with businesses. If everyone pays electricity that uses electricity, there will be enough income to pay the debts.	Annatjie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:23:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have had to spend a large sum of money to maintain power in our residence due to the failure of the power generation and transmission company Eskom, poor management, poor planning and damn right lack of concern for the cost companies and individuals have had to pay. Why not start by paying us back the sum of money we have invested in keeping our homes safe and functional q	Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:27:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gottlieb	retired
	2026-09-12 15:28:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom are just looking to collect additional money for their corrupt members .	Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 15:29:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsabe	retired
	2026-09-12 15:31:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kruger	retired
	2026-09-12 15:37:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First we were given rebates to install solar and now we are being penalised - double dipping .... (If they even know what that means!!!!)	Linda	retired
	2026-09-12 15:39:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Philip	retired
	2026-09-12 15:39:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People with solar pays fees to stay connected to grid. This is free income to the government. They reduce the load on the grid, again assisting government to be able to meet demand. By hiking this fees solar users is going to go off grid, cause government to loose that free income. Why do you cut if your nose to spite your face? You Need to think clearly who is going to suffer more!.	Johann	retired
	2026-09-12 15:41:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to take money from the public who are responsible for keeping the grid from totally collapsing and yet they still take the credit for it !!!!!	Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:46:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Doug	
	2026-09-12 15:47:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fact that you want to charge people more for power and taxing Solar is just insanity. It is a corrupt system via Goverment having their fingers in all the businesses. Haven't you destroyed or stolen enough from this countries citizens and private businesses? Worthless policies and rules being drawn up daily with no growth added to this countries economy.	Roan	
	2026-09-12 15:49:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cost per kWh should vary Depending on demand Peak hour, more expensive Non peak cheaper	Etienne	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:49:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity I consume, even if I consume none	Jarrod	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:51:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Henk	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:52:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is a tax payer penalised for producing a service which the government for many years could not reliably supply? Who is to say that the days of load shedding don't return? Keep taxing the small base of tax payers and you drive an even greater wedge into receiving less income. When are solar producers going to be able to sell their excess generation back into the grid? Getting all consumers to pay as opposed to only going after a few will ensure your income stream is stabilised.	Hilton	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:58:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reinhard	retired
	2026-09-12 16:01:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merlene	retired
	2026-09-12 16:03:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Shane	retired
	2026-09-12 16:03:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jalo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:08:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Flip	
	2026-09-12 16:08:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Tell the Department of Electricity and Energy: 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Keith	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:14:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	retired
	2026-09-12 16:16:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thys	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:20:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Citizens, who have invested and installed e.g. solar panel in support of the grid, can now not be penalised with rates, which are designed to help Eskom and the municipalities. This type of rate setting should have been published bevor people were supports to invest in solar power.	Rainer	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:20:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merle	retired
	2026-09-12 16:21:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Les	
	2026-09-12 16:22:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spent approx R 150,000, and went into great & continuing debt to get solar, so that I could continue working (and existing) from home, due solely to Eskom s corruption and inexcusable incompetence, large scale thievery and inefficiency - I will not be blackmailed into paying further for this unless they are prepared to refund the very considerable expenses I have been FORCED into.	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:37:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Thomas	retired
	2026-09-12 16:42:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Olaf	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:42:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Irene	retired

	2026-09-12 16:43:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally ridiculous A new form of tax is created almost every day Greed and corruption is rife . We have less over monthly money left to spend than the amount We pay in taxes and levies to our government	Tom	
	2026-09-12 16:44:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robin	
	2026-09-12 16:50:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	hopefully the courts shut this down. just as cpt cant manage it's endless water supply and had to impose restrictions and fines, but then when people actually started saving water and utilising municipal water less, suddenly they were short of money - so implemented a mandatory fee. damned if you do, damned if you dont. same now with electricity. burden us with power failures for years, forcing people to make alternative plans, then punish them for making those plans. and hitting the lower middle class and upper lower class the worst. this could only ever come from politicians. soon AI will run governments and politicians will be extinct. fail at service delivery and then punish citizens for your failures. the opposite to free market capitalism, where it would be provide the best service and build trust and provide value and then introduce extra services to get in more revenue.	marc	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:50:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way for a corrupt government to raise taxes that they can then siphon off into their own pockets. This must stop. The culprits need to be in jail before government start raising new taxes.	Andy	
	2026-09-12 16:54:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Charge the users of power from the grid for the power they consume. No discounts to industry and no penalising of solar homes	Nathalie	
	2026-09-12 16:55:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot tax the sun	Hardus	employed individual
	2026-09-12 16:57:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Graham	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:59:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	
	2026-09-12 17:03:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I the consumer cannot pay more.	Marianna	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:11:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Flippie	self-employed
	2026-09-12 17:13:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jan	
	2026-09-12 17:13:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:15:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should be rewarding consumers for easing pressure on the grid. We can’t have more load shedding in future.	Bilal	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:16:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 17:17:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		T	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:22:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	SMME's are not milk cows, who just cannot willingly submit to Govt pressure to pay more for no benefit at all. Solar expenses have already been paid to in principle avoid paying for municipal maladministration. Stop taxing those who took the initiative to save money on alternatives that was available (with tax benefits and all !).	Nikan Family trust	business owner
	2026-09-12 17:24:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-09-12 17:32:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It is absurd that we must pay for the stuff up of the ANC and corrupt Eskom management that has caused this massive problem, they must be accountable and pay back the money that was wasted by people who had no idea of how to run a business.	Richard	self-employed
	2026-09-12 17:35:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adele	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:38:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		HENDRIK	self-employed
	2026-09-12 17:47:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My solar investment is what saved Eskom and SA from continuous load shedding, and still does, the improved Eskom performance would still not be sufficient without all the solar installations, so don’t try and now penalize those who’s saved you! Additionally Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 17:54:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Biggest rip off and they're getting paid millions a year and we as the taxpayers are suffering with all these high costs.	Gerry	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:56:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		George	business owner
	2026-09-12 17:59:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:59:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tom	retired
	2026-09-12 18:05:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If there is going to be a charge for being connected to the grid, then ALL consumers must pay this charge, irrespective of consumption. There also needs to be a system in place which credits the consumers with this charge, for every hour, or part thereof, that the grid is not available to such consumer for any reason	Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 18:09:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s not always cheaper for large consumers to go directly to ESKOM, also the load shedding effects are more severe when connected directly to the grid therefore it’s ignorant to state that large consumers will move to ESKOMs direct supply. I don’t support the bill due as it will increase the poverty gap with an increase in household costs	A	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:10:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ghita	
	2026-09-12 18:10:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As business owner I am nor in a position to pass any tariff increases on to a customer. Pay what you use is fair. Solar is intended to minimise the existing high tariffs and to safe consumption as Eskom cannot guarantee supply to meet growth	James	business owner
	2026-09-12 18:14:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Sander	self-employed
	2026-09-12 18:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	business owner
	2026-09-12 18:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Prices of fixed charges already killing consumers. Further fixed electricity charges is illogical	Enzo	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:26:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kate	retired
	2026-09-12 18:41:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	retired
	2026-09-12 18:45:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		João	retired
	2026-09-12 18:51:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theuns	retired
	2026-09-12 18:51:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will stop paying municipal account completely if I'm penalized for having Solar.	Carol	employed individual
	2026-09-12 18:52:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Irene	retired
	2026-09-12 18:57:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired person the cost of living is ridiculously high and municipal bills are eroding my pension.	Lyn	retired
	2026-09-12 18:59:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dominic	employed individual
	2026-09-12 19:01:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Life is getting too expensive to keep the lights on	Otto	business owner
	2026-09-12 19:03:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired person it is important to have access to electricity at all times. So because one tries to help yourself you are now being penalised. Eskom used to be one of the cheapest and best run suppliers that was before the rot set in and the thieves took over. Now the honest ratepayers have to pay. A tax on using solar power is criminal.	Liz	retired
	2026-09-12 19:03:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom couldn’t supply us with power we invested our own money on solar, now they want to penalise us for their incompetence, I don’t think so	Lin	retired

	2026-09-12 19:06:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The obedient citizens already paying ludicrous tariffs for the mere convenience of just having the now becoming a no longer affordable luxury electric connection, are financially already caught between granite and hardship. It seems that the government and especially NERSA, Eskom and local authorities does expect already dry blead customers to some way or another keep footing their expectations and mismanagement. Several others also want their cut from citizen's income i. e. SARS, ever rising medical aid funds, cell phone contracts, internet services, fuel and food, school fees, etc, etc. Eskom already reaching a point from which otherwise prinsibled law abiding citizens will be forced to all become thieves in desperation to survive. We as so-called low income and middle class citizens, already long gone forced by especially Eskom beyond the affordability tipping point, miracolously regarded and expected still having exceptional wealth from an inexhaustible source of income. This outright now comes down to continue kicking the already dying horse.	Julius	retired
	2026-09-12 19:09:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The paper is wrong headed. Eskom and municipalities must invest in grid scale solar and storage which is now much cheaper than coal. Charge for that. Import batteries at scale from China and give poor household just 5kw of domestic storage. Way cheaper than complex underground cables. For grid stabilisation we probably have to accept a certain amount of nuclear. Solving the eskom problem requires more than one approach. While this is happening, Eskom and government must ACCEPT decommissioning end of life coal powerd stations and drastic reduction over say 5 years of eskom head count.	Jack	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:10:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:14:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bianca	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 19:15:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	self-employed
	2026-09-12 19:17:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stuart	retired
	2026-09-12 19:25:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JBM	retired
	2026-09-12 19:36:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neil	retired
	2026-09-12 19:36:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Mandy	
	2026-09-12 19:52:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I obect to Mandatory fixed solar charges, and captive consumer price hikes, it will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Jozaan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 19:54:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-12 20:19:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again a government sector wants to recover their loses which was caused by incompetence from the working people. Not except able at all. As it is we are paying a availability charge.	Sam	self-employed
	2026-09-12 20:24:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a consumer but also an electrical Pr.Eng. I understand this extremy well. Eskom's concerns are valid on an individual scale. BUT Eskom can predict power usage and plan for it on a macro scale, which is all it needs to. With AI, it is extremely easy to predict the usage. The weather forecast is available.	Marius	
	2026-09-12 20:27:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MARLENE	retired
	2026-09-12 20:35:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gert	retired
	2026-09-12 20:38:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarah	retired
	2026-09-12 20:43:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vanessa	employed individual
	2026-09-12 20:52:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willi	self-employed
	2026-09-12 20:53:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Austin	retired
	2026-09-12 20:53:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadia	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:00:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 21:02:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	self-employed
	2026-09-12 21:03:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 21:04:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don't impose penalties and heavy levies on solar users, the sun power is free stop strangling us with your levies and charges	Abraham	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:05:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely pathetic. If this goes ahead it will be tantamount to this pathethic government not only having stolen from its tax payers, but proving it is hell bent on financially ruining them after enticing them to install roof top solar with a SARS Tax reduction in order to "save Eskom". This is the same as sabotaging the electorate!!!!! THERE IS NO WAY ANY TAX PAYING PATRIOT CAN EVER SUPPORT OF EVER TRUST THIS GOVERNMENT AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	norman	retired
	2026-09-12 21:13:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:13:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot be penalised for helping with load shedding and for using the sun. Eskom at best is the worst consumer provider and yet we still have to pay for services wether they deliver or not - the loss of revenue is due to their own failures and state capture	Maria	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:25:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC government created the problem. Now want everyone to pay for their inadequate abilities to govern. How does that become the tax payer's problem?	Michiel	self-employed
	2026-09-12 21:31:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM - From a top eletricity supplier in the world in 2000 to a corrupt bankrupt Augean stables in 2026. What a shame! Clean it out Cde. Minister. Punish the guilty. Not the innocent.	Jary	retired
	2026-09-12 21:53:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karin	retired
	2026-09-12 21:56:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	
	2026-09-12 22:13:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not the way an open market economy works. Government and other public institutions must work in the interest of the citizens on the one hand and ecological sustainability on the other. Govenrment MUST encourage the use of renewable energy by either awarding initiatives and/or allowing large-scale selling back into the grid.	Japie	retired
	2026-09-12 23:32:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly, Stop the free riding thieves who get electricity for free. How long do we have to support the previously disadvantaged? 31 years already? Where is the government on this? Every person with solar power in the rest of the world feeds the grid with power not used giving the grid more power to consume and gets renumeration of lower power costs or what they feed extra to the grid. Why does government of South Africa agree on Eskom stealing from local people who have installed expensive solar systems because the corrupt government and corrupt Escom are not providing enough power? You have the money in your corrupt officials back pockets STOP WANTING MORE FROM US AND START ACTING LIKE A COUNTRY WHO CARES FOR ITS PEOPLE AND DONT SUPPORT EITHER THE CORRUPT GOVERNMENT AND CORRUPT ESKOM..	Seán	employed individual
	2026-09-12 23:50:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frederick J	business owner
	2026-09-12 23:52:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government to us to use renewable energy due to heavy loads. Hence load shedding. We did that now we must pay what God created for us. No to be bullied in democracy	Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 00:06:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is very sneaky Eskom. Stop it! Your own inefficiencies have caused the operational snd financial failures. Stop it!	Greg	
	2026-09-13 01:10:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	retired
	2026-09-13 01:23:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		George	business owner
	2026-09-13 01:24:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eddie	retired

	2026-09-13 01:41:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kayetan	business owner
	2026-09-13 01:42:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noelene	retired
	2026-09-13 01:49:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This drive to fine solar power users is just another tax on people already paying too much. If the government did not have such stupid BBEEE rules, it would be able to attract data centres which use massive amounts of electricty. Instead the attempts to increase revenues by taxing solar power users (who at the height of lead shedding were encouraged by the President to use the sun) is the only way this corrupt government can think of the keep a sinking ship afloat. Ditto all the extra charges *taxes) on people who could not afford solar and have had to put up with load shedding (called 'outages') these days. A country's growth relies on electricity and all the efforts to tax everybody to keep Eskom afloat after years of stealing is typical of the government of the day. The current charges and healthy profits of Eskom with declining usage says it all. My response to all of this and to bankruptcy Citypower after years of theft is..'get lost' . More money to steal?	Elizabeth	business owner
	2026-09-13 02:58:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nico	
	2026-09-13 04:37:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Johann	retired
	2026-09-13 04:48:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why do the same goverment try to take money from us. The problem with the goverment they are getting too much of say in this and we as the people needs to stand together and get rid of the goverment with these money making sceems then only will the politicians see that when you touch one south africans pocket you touch all south africans pockets.	Willem	
	2026-09-13 05:43:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:02:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douglas	retired
	2026-09-13 06:05:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dario	retired
	2026-09-13 06:10:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Useless idiots stripped Eskom into bankruptcy, forced citizens to install solar, and now want us to pay for their incompetence?! Fuck Eskom, fuck the ANC!	Hannes	retired
	2026-09-13 06:13:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		P	retired
	2026-09-13 06:14:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marilynne	retired
	2026-09-13 06:23:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 06:28:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Emile	
	2026-09-13 06:33:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's getting increasingly difficult to survive with the cost of living. They are crippling the average man In the street. This encourages crime as people can't afford to live	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-13 06:39:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yvonne	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:40:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get your “house in order” and stop all the bribery and corruption .	Derick	retired
	2026-09-13 06:48:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar offgrid users uses clean energy. Leave us alone. We made a discission to go solar because off what is happening in South Africa. And cost us also alot of money, and life changes to keep our solar safe from thieves. You cannot charge us for the sun's uv. You don't own the sun. God gave us this not for anybody to own.	Arno	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:53:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the already high prices we have to pay and Eskom just adds more to the end user, at no actual cost to them.	Ruth	retired
	2026-09-13 06:59:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should be encouraged to use as little electricity as possible! Not penalised for being sustainable!	Jen	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:02:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannelie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:06:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bill	retired
	2026-09-13 07:10:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With rates already at record highs this Government seems to want everything you have. Ridiculous.	Stephan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:12:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a big load on a pensioner that is already struggling to make ends meat. Stop this theft of our little money we have.	Jean	retired
	2026-09-13 07:24:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharleen	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:28:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margaret	retired
	2026-09-13 07:31:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again stealing from those who pay, make us pay more but places like Soweto who do not pay are not followed up on so this does not effect them maybe if the went after places like soweto they would not have to punish those of us that pay.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:31:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to being penalized for generating clean energy, when I was encouraged to do so under loadshedding. This is 'double standards' in practice.	Nick	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:33:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop misusing tax received. Tgen ekectricity will be available and no consumers need to go hungry for stolen funds. Lower salaries for politicians according to what taxpayers earn.	Helen	retired
	2026-09-13 07:35:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joy	retired
	2026-09-13 07:37:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:38:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Monica	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:40:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Douglas	
	2026-09-13 07:46:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Talitha	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:49:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We all put in rooftop solar to ensure our own supply AND to help Eskom with their loadshedding. We never got a thank you, but are now being penalized!	Dave	retired
	2026-09-13 07:51:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:51:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government now so desperate for money, it seeks to tax sunlight! In 1970 ESKOM was one of the best in the World. - now- hollowed out and crippled through old Soviet era thinking and Communist Government ideology, its bound to fail - like the rest of the failing, flailing State. The solution is Free Market thinking - setting people free to grow the Economy by private initiative and motivation - more jobs - and a better standard of living for all South Africans - not just for a well connected few elite.	Robert	retired
	2026-09-13 07:51:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should b encouraging all households to go off grid and not be charging like this. The paper as drafted potentially unfairly penalizes homeowners.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:52:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:55:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	retired
	2026-09-13 07:56:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to grow the country and this is the opposite direction.	Deon	employed individual

	2026-09-13 08:00:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner whose monthly income doesn’t increase, there is no way to be able to afford all these increases. What about all the municipalities & people who owe money. ? Time to cut their power off!	Gay	
	2026-09-13 08:00:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Phillip	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:00:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Policy makers keep exploiting the citizens of our country by creating Laws and legislation to protect their salaries and financially failing systems, when will this end? You are draining the quality of life out of ordinary so-called middle class, employed individuals, retired individuals, every day individuals who've saved what they could overtime to fund their vision of progress only to find themselves exploited by the unaffected Policy Makers Filp the script Would you the Policy Makers be okay when all you income is absorbed by New Policies, Laws or By Laws to the point where your quality of life is negatively impacted? Close on retirement and financial Stressed of the future...	Tolgha	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:03:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	retired
	2026-09-13 08:11:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernest	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:11:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom can’t deliver one has to make a plan	Daniel	
	2026-09-13 08:12:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Again the government is trying to fleece the consumer with exorbitant taxes. NO. Find ways to reduce government expenditures.	David	
	2026-09-13 08:18:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ronelle	retired
	2026-09-13 08:19:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jos	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:19:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anke	
	2026-09-13 08:29:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Follow-up comment: While we end up paying more and more for "kak" services, our president is currently in Delhi (Inmdia) for a BRICS meeting with all the other dictators, enjoying the lavish life of a traveling millionaire.	Frank	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:31:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my own cash to buy my solar system. If Eskom / government supported in any way they can claim some money from me now, but actually Eskom was super happy when I installed my solar as I helped them with their supply-demand problem when Loadshedding was a daily issue. Eskom should start their own renewabales projects, which will then require less continued funding. In essence - my solar, my gain! If Eskom was not overcharging and better managed, we would not even have this debate. It is clear that Eskom’s decades of full control led us to this point, giving Eskom now again control over privately owned solar systems is just giving Eskom full control again - and nothing will change. I ask only one question - why can other countries do this right, and South Africa with an abundance of sunshine cannot - the answer is mismanagement and corruption. Start with laws and procedures to ensure the root causes of corruption and mismanagement are controlled rather than trying to pass laws to protect Eskom income!	Desire	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:34:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If you make connection to the grid very expensive for people with solar, they will disconnect entirely. That will make it even harder for you to generate revenue, and an even higher burden will fall on people who cannot disconnect. The system will ultimately collapse. A fair fixed cost base will keep more homes connected and sustain the system.	Bradley	
	2026-09-13 08:39:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gordon	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:42:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:47:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not believe that I should pay any extra charges for having installed solar panels , inverter and battery backup so I am not left without electricity during loadshedding, frequent outages with very long times to repair by Eskom technicians as I am direct user having to endure very poor service. Also should not have to pay any registration fees if I do not want to feed back into the grid. My solar compliance certificate by my qualified electrian/ solar installer should suffice. Enough is enough.	Patricia	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:54:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarah	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:55:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roland	retired
	2026-09-13 08:56:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:58:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed legislation punishes those that can least afford more costs and overall higher electricity charges. Additionally, this proposed legislation removes any incentive for people and businesses to adopt balance energy supply e.g. fossil fuel + solar energy basket and will destroy further investment. Poor management and inefficiency can’t be protected through faulty bad legislation.	André	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:00:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly and unequivocally oppose any proposal that allows Eskom to impose excessive electricity tariffs on South African households and businesses in an attempt to recover declining revenue. For years, South Africans endured rolling blackouts, unreliable supply and enormous economic disruption. Families and businesses were effectively forced to find their own solutions. They spent billions of rand of their own money installing solar panels, batteries, inverters and generators because Eskom could not provide the reliable electricity service for which consumers were already paying. It is therefore outrageous that those same consumers should now be expected to pay substantially higher tariffs because their efforts to become less dependent on Eskom have reduced its electricity sales. This creates a completely perverse incentive: Eskom fails to provide a reliable service; consumers invest their own capital to protect themselves from that failure; Eskom's revenue subsequently declines; and consumers are then expected to compensate Eskom through higher charges. South Africans should not be financially punished for becoming more energy-efficient and self-sufficient. Continuously increasing electricity prices will also damage businesses, discourage investment, increase the cost of manufacturing and food production, and ultimately raise the cost of living for every South African. The solution to Eskom's financial challenges cannot simply be to extract ever-increasing amounts from an already heavily burdened population. The focus should instead be on efficiency, accountability, reducing unnecessary costs, combating corruption and electricity theft, and building a competitive, reliable and sustainable electricity market. South Africans deserve affordable and dependable electricity—not another financial penalty for solving a crisis they did not create.	Jeff	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:01:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this government had any brains they would do as many of the other countries where residents & companies have had to use solar power for different reasons. Possibly unlike South Africa where citizens & businesses were left without electricity supply for days even weeks because of incompetence, theft, corruption & even incorrect or substandard equipment used at the power stations causing breakdowns. The citizens & the businesses had to find alternative electricity sources. Again unlike the South African government, these governments turned to their citizens & businesses to add the additional power that was produced back into the municipal grid. These governments actually paid the citizens & businesses for the electricity they generated. Instead the South African government are a greedy bunch with little thought of it citizens or the economy & want to take the easy way out by increase tariffs & taxation. This government that we have had in power over the last 30 odd years have crippled the citizens & our economy. Lastly, we were forced to install solar panels because the ANC, like everything else in the country has collapsed. At no time did any country own the power produced by the sun & nor will the ANC. The power of the sun is free to all creation.	Alan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:01:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner these hikes are unaffordable!	Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-13 09:05:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this is upsert. First Eskom cannot provide, we were force to provide our own electricity or partly and know when Eskom can provide we are shrewd again. How many many do they want to steal this time?	johan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:06:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:12:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is now punishing the public for their incompetence of running a SOE. So much corruption, paying huge salaries and bonus, they us as South Africans must pay the price. We had to take out loans or use our hard-earned cash to keep our lights on in our homes. We saved Eskom from grid collapse! The major electricity players in the market, pay at huge reduced rates, while the public must suffer and get poorer. Eskom should rather install two-way meters free of charge and let the public push back electricity into the grid which they can resell without them costing them money to produce. This is just another way of fleecing the public, outright disgrace of our government!	Peter	retired
	2026-09-13 09:13:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is now punishing the public for their incompetence of running a SOE. So much corruption, paying huge salaries and bonus, they us as South Africans must pay the price. We had to take out loans or use our hard-earned cash to keep our lights on in our homes. We saved Eskom from grid collapse! The major electricity players in the market, pay at huge reduced rates, while the public must suffer and get poorer. Eskom should rather install two-way meters free of charge and let the public push back electricity into the grid which they can resell without them costing them money to produce. This is just another way of fleecing the public, outright disgrace of our government!	Sherryn	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:17:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Vicky	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:17:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margarete	retired
	2026-09-13 09:20:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 09:24:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ziningi	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:24:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	retired
	2026-09-13 09:25:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Run the business of Eskom better and stop penalizing us for your losses and bad management.	Ginny	retired
	2026-09-13 09:26:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is a free resource to all living creatures and no entity has any right to claim it's life-giving energy for their own gain, penalised and fixed charges are therefore unacceptable.	Rainer	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:26:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop sun tax! Eskom has no legal right to tax business owners /home owners who have installed solar. We used our own capital to provide what Eskom could not consistently provide for many years and as a result do not agree with being punished by the new law in that we need to subside the failing energy structure. Eskom should themselves take the initiative and install solar with all the tax money they receive instead of subsidising their salaries. Stop sun tax!	Colleen	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:27:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	

	2026-09-13 09:28:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Increasing fixed network charges will result in existing solar users rather investing in going completely off the grid	Nolan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:32:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must us as consumers pay for corruption in Eskom who overpay their staff (i was also an eskom employee for 35 years until retirement and I said that numerous times during that time). Higher electricity rates are used for increase in remunerations and subsidies. Eskom missmanged the entity for years, encouraged consumers to use alternatives but now wants to punnish us??	Pierre	retired
	2026-09-13 09:33:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Ross	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:40:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 09:42:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What happened to all the vat that was collected from the unnecessary buying of solar because government destroyed Eskom? Now that they don't get enough revenue they out rob us again	Antonio	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:44:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yan	
	2026-09-13 09:44:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		WM	retired
	2026-09-13 09:51:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandi	retired
	2026-09-13 09:57:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		georgina	
	2026-09-13 09:59:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charlene	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:08:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop making consumers pay too much to feed municipal pockets.	Susan	
	2026-09-13 10:12:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers who are trying everything to save and live a mediocre life are been punished for their thrift. Government and local councils are not allowed to penalize citizens in this regard.	Frank	
	2026-09-13 10:17:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqui	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:19:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		E	
	2026-09-13 10:20:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think municipalities should fund the electricity grid from from Rates and no free electricity to the majority of users in cities. Everybody should contribute to the grid if they use.	Victoria	
	2026-09-13 10:21:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Maartin	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:22:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-13 10:25:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wouter	retired
	2026-09-13 10:31:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Please introduce a control that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Please introduce a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. It is imperative that an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Barry	retired
	2026-09-13 10:34:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom's inept and corrupt management is strippings operational funds inflating generation cost and this is just being shoved into the throats of individuals while large users and non-South African get away with below cost pricing. Furthermore the employment of incompetent and lazy individuals not capable of simple process logic has made maintenance costs soar and once again the small users are being forced to pay. No more. I have solar to protect myself and my household against this inept and corrupt structure. I will not be punished for that.	Derek	business owner
	2026-09-13 10:36:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Andries	retired
	2026-09-13 10:36:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-13 10:45:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:45:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The customer has had to bail out Eskom for many years. Solar helped to end load shedding paid for by the customers themselves. Now we must be penalised for bailing out Eskom while the system inefficiencies does not get sorted out by Eskom.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:47:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom encouraged consumers to use alternative power. Now that people are doing this they now want to penalise those who listened to them. They are incapable or too lazy to collect from the people who have stolen electricity foe the last 35 years Their incompetence knows no bounds. They need to put competent people to run state companies and not their cadres and family so they can get rich.	Neil	retired
	2026-09-13 10:48:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:49:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is crap, nobody pay for sun power. I paid for my solar without help of anybody. I shall not adhere to Eskom or municipality laws which are not according the constitution of this country. They can chose any finger they want. I have a coc certificate which was given by a registered electrician.	Jan Christo	retired
	2026-09-13 10:57:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom fails to deliver what they get paid for and then want to panelize the everyday person for trying to be self sufficient. In any European country the tax payer receives an incentive to be self sufficient . It is an absolute joke that electricity prices goes up and Eskom does less work. No taxpayer can keep up with government greed.	Urban	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:59:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 11:00:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-13 11:03:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		VANESSA	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:04:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Costs should be a variable one, not fixed and the infrastructure is already present and just needs to be maintained. The largest users continue to be large corporates and in particular mining companies who get preferential treatment where we as taxpayer, ratepayers and whatever charge ls we are now made to pay are left with little recourse. What would be the plan if everyone is off grid? Would the grid collapse or would the corporates would then be asked to pay their actual share? We should promote competition in the sector and allow multiple providers from SA and outside SA to trade electricity -/ exactly as it is done in Europe for instance.	Frederic	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:05:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna	
	2026-09-13 11:06:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Johan	
	2026-09-13 11:08:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JP	retired
	2026-09-13 11:16:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHY must WE support a company that is hell bent on destroying every household in this country????????	DAMOVA	retired
	2026-09-13 11:19:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So while all the informal settlements have access to free electricity, and some municipalities owe hundreds of millions to Escom, the rate paying, tax paying, honest worker is expected to cover the shortfall, disgusting ineptitude.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-13 11:40:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		phillip	
	2026-09-13 11:45:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday household at ransome. Escom Profit: Escom has made a R30 Billion rand profit during the last financial year. Why do they want to tax households? The electricity price per unit should be lowered.	Koos	retired
	2026-09-13 11:48:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fix Eskom Stop the theft from state entities Stop cadre employment and employment of incompetent staff	Anthony	retired
	2026-09-13 11:48:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		George	business owner

	2026-09-13 11:53:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex	business owner
	2026-09-13 12:07:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-13 12:10:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laura	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:12:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wanda	retired
	2026-09-13 12:16:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Julienne	business owner
	2026-09-13 12:18:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that what some consumers have done through installing solar to relieve the pressure on a poorly managed and aging electricity infrastructure should count against them.	Russell	retired
	2026-09-13 12:20:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The premise is simple. Just because you have a hold over the people of the country doesn't mean you should abuse that power and lord over the citizens of this country. Our government is established to serve the people and bleed them for as much money as possible. Unfortunately if tax payers funds were not squandered as they currently are and were used to actually run the country well, we would not be in this position. Instead of fixing the issue at its core you wish to exploit the citizens of the country further by taking more money for survives you don't and sometimes can't even provide. It really makes no sense at all and simply points to negligence and incompetence of those trying to exploit us. It's wrong and everyone can see it clearly. Unfortunately since the authorities try and abuse their power, it leaves this country in dyer straits. We need faithful, honest and competent leaders to step in and make a change. It's time for good to prevail in our land. I pray this is what we see in the near future.	Benjamin	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		U	retired
	2026-09-13 12:24:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	In the previous Budget, SARS allowed tax deductions on Solar instalations, now they want us to pay!	Ken	retired
	2026-09-13 12:27:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joseph	
	2026-09-13 12:34:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ratepayers are massively taxed and shouldn't be punished for installing solar to have stable electricity.	Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:35:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely ridiculous to me that as someone who invested in solar at home ,in part to help Eskom overcome the loadshedding disaster, you now want to penalise us for helping you to free up capacity.	Andrew	
	2026-09-13 12:38:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely against mandatory fixed solar charges that are attempting to prop up a very badly run national electricity provider that cannot provide electricity to the grid. It's time to enter the age of allowing electricity to be self generated and be paid to generate what Eskimo can't like the rest of the world. Additionally further penalising captive consumers with price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses even further who are already suffering.	Belinda	
	2026-09-13 12:47:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There are 3 points to my objection 1) The "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2) You must protect captive consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3 You must ensure transparency first: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Martin	retired
	2026-09-13 12:52:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is time for Government including Eskom to stop being a Doctor by rather treating the CAUSE and not the symptoms. Wake up Mzanzi Wake up.	Ian	retired
	2026-09-13 12:57:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No one should be taxed for using their own solar system	Michael	
	2026-09-13 12:59:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colin	retired
	2026-09-13 13:00:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Central power generation and then distribution via power lines is now seriously out-of-date! Every household should be equipped with its own solar/wind generator. This is the future of electricity supply.	Bill	
	2026-09-13 13:01:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	
	2026-09-13 13:11:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MARC	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:12:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Warren	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:16:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Those who invested in solar when Eskom couldn't supply should not be penalized because of it. And those who don't have solar shouldn't be penalized because there are those who have. Instead, Eskom should fix their own house by taking salary cuts.	Raymond	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:17:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC does not own the sun. God let the Sun's rays fall an this earth to benefit all living beings. How can they do an unlawful thing to charge us for using those free solar rays? Escom is responsible for the situation they are in. Let them sort it out as any other company that ended up in disarray. They have no right to claim their losses from the public. If Escom must shut down due to mismanagement, let them eat their fruits alone. Keep us, the public, out of it.	Kobus	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:17:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firstly doesn't this just smell like another way to rob the tax payer to provide for the leaches of society who make babies they cannot but the cANCer party holds those same imbeciles accountable. This government stole from every South African to fund its criminality and now wants to steal a little more. Eskom made a profit by forcing households to pay for its employees theft and criminality and not one employee has been held accountable. Now we pay a Minister of electricity who is not there to support the South Africans but to find new ways to penalise and rob South Africans.	Ashok	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:18:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The City of Cape Town already has a R368.96 per month "connection" charge before you use one unit of electricity!	John	retired
	2026-09-13 13:20:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly oppose any tariff structure that effectively penalises households and businesses for investing their own money in solar power, battery storage, and energy efficiency. Many South Africans invested in alternative energy because the electricity supply was unreliable and because we wanted to reduce our dependence on the grid. It is fundamentally unfair to now increase fixed charges simply because those customers have successfully reduced their electricity consumption. I accept that maintaining the electricity network has a cost and that grid-connected customers should contribute fairly toward that infrastructure. However, there must be a clear distinction between paying a reasonable network connection charge and imposing disproportionately high fixed fees designed to recover revenue lost because consumers use less electricity. Energy efficiency should be encouraged, not punished. Solar households still use the grid, but many also reduce pressure on the system during daylight hours and may export electricity back into it. A fair tariff structure should recognise that contribution rather than treating these customers as "free riders." I therefore oppose uncapped or excessive fixed network and capacity charges and support: • Reasonable, regulated limits on fixed charges. • Fair compensation or credits for electricity exported to the grid. • Tariffs that do not penalise households for reducing consumption. • A proper socio-economic impact assessment before such changes are implemented. South Africans should not be encouraged to invest in renewable energy and energy efficiency, only to have the financial benefit taken away through higher fixed charges once they do so. A sustainable electricity system requires customers to pay their fair share. It should not require efficient customers to subsidise inefficiency.	Johannes	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:22:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	
	2026-09-13 13:26:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA's sky rocketing cost of electrical energy is very largely due to the mismanagement of Eskom. It is public knowledge that Eskom is overstaffed and many salaries are inflated. The outsourcing of core areas along with appointment of staff on race-based criteria rather than competency is at the core of this mismanagement. Restructuring the organization is only a ploy to extract more revenue from the captive households to support the status quo. Municipalities who don't pay Eskom for their power are not held to account. These changes on structure are designed to unfairly extract money from those who do pay rather than adress the root causes of the escalating cost of power.	Shirley	retired
	2026-09-13 13:30:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:31:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laurie	retired
	2026-09-13 13:33:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Keeping lights on has become unaffordable !! Corruption and mal administration rules in South Africa. If we had an honest competent government this would not happen.	Maria	retired
	2026-09-13 13:36:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kwanele	employed individual
	2026-09-13 13:43:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We bailed out Eskom. We must keep bailing out Eskom. They have no intention of fixing Eskom. They will milk the cow dry ... and then? Get rid of all the highly paid, incompetent free loaders! Eskom can do the same amount of work with a third of it's employees. Like Government, it is growing bigger and bigger and delivers less and less. Big Businesses and Mines pay less? Figures! BEE. Middleclass will keep getting annihilated and keep being milked. Fix Eskom first!!	Olga	retired
	2026-09-13 13:48:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sick and tired of living in a communist state. Ordinary citizens must keep paying and the Government keeps spending, Incompetent, free loading, useless, lazy thieves. Solar users were practically begged to help Eskom out. Now you must pay more for using less. This Government is way pass it's sell by date. Get rid of them so that we can build Eskom back up to where it used to be before this pathetic, self serving, incompetents took over.	Deon	retired
	2026-09-13 13:49:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are so sick and tired of Government and it's entities fleecing the average man in the street especially when they created the problems in the first place.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-13 13:52:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	

	2026-09-13 13:55:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After years of not being able to supply the consumers with power, the consumer took action at great cost by installing solar to ensure they have power. Now Eskom wants to recoup some of the lost revenue by charging fixed fees and penalties. This is totally unacceptable!! The fact that there has been so much less loadshedding is more due to the fact that so many households and companies have installed solar. It's not that Eskom has increased capacity or is actually maintaining the infrastructure. Just like the EToll saga a quick easy way to make some cash without actually doing anything!! Should they be successful with this legislation I'm sure most will go totally off-grid and remove their Eskom connection!! They will then loose even more revenue. Municipalities should also tighten their own belts and stop looking for money from the residents. A good start would be to stop burning street lights during the day!!	Linda	retired
	2026-09-13 14:14:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephen	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:16:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gill	retired
	2026-09-13 14:34:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim	
	2026-09-13 14:36:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pensioners should not have to pay fees and taxes.	Eric	retired
	2026-09-13 14:39:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kamal	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:42:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-09-13 14:42:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Enthiape	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:53:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynnette	
	2026-09-13 14:57:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree with or support any of the pieces of the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. So: 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Jonathan	
	2026-09-13 15:04:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maurice	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:07:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom aiming to entrap struglingˆ and poor houshold consumers with unafforable and unfair fixed tarrifs to cover Eskoms unholy historic mismanagement.	Robert	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:09:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		melinda	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:13:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	retired
	2026-09-13 15:16:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Hannes	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:19:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	14 years of load shedding caused average South African resident to reshift their spending or borrow money to buy into solar solutions. This was out of necessity, not luxury. This was encouraged by Eskom and helped to reduce overall demand to meet Eskom's lower level of supply. This also helped to reduce and now remove load shedding and has given Eskom the capacity to invest into regular maintenance. The government and Eskom cannot punish these consumers via introducing extra tarriffs and penalties, because they are buying at a lower volume than before load shedding. Also Eskom took on exceptional levels of debts to finance corruption of building new power generation and switching coal transport to expensive methods. Eskom needs to re-design and run their operation at a much lower cost with much less people they have and not pass their inefficiency and high cost model onto a tax base that is already under exceptional strain.	Tamas	
	2026-09-13 15:23:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper completely. This policy is exploitative and rob consumers of their freedom. Instead of rewarding forward thinking households, they are punished, exploited and faced with governmental corruption. Over-extended households that are trying to make their lives liveable amidst massive governmental failures are faced with a corrupt, over-reaching, unhelpful government. To compensate for the failures of our government to provide affordable, reliable electricity, citizens must to be allowed to harness free, natural solar energy to survive and get on with their lives. Households use their own hard-earned cash to harness energy from the sun (the only reliable source of energy in South Africa) and should be allowed to do so without penalty. It is a basic human right on this planet to have access to sunlight – no government, elite cabal or trillionaire – owns the sun! I fully reject any sun tax in any shape or form or any levies and penalties to households that exercise their god-given right to harness energy from the sun. The burden of living in this collapsing, exploited country and the capital outlay for solar are punishment enough. I fully reject tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, who are forced to subsidise government corruption, industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. I fully reject any bypassing of municipalities by mines, companies and factories that leaves the financial burden to ordinary households. I reject the erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. I fully reject the lack of transparency within wholesale reforms that leaves everyday citizens to it the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is governmental overreach and highly exploitative. It discourages the use of clean and sustainable energy, undermines private investment, and hold households captive in a loop of ever-increasing costs. It is fundamentally unjust and inhumane to penalise citizens for being forward thinking and for taking the initiative to fill the gaps left by and ineffective and corrupt government that fails to provide electricity to tax payers and citizens. I call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Reform in a transparent and affordable way that will not further burden ordinary households. The government is a liability and a burden to citizens. They only care about their own pockets and ways to extract money and to control citizens. We do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, affordable and transparent policies that will protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Mada	
	2026-09-13 15:24:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LYNNE	retired
	2026-09-13 15:32:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to being charged a fee for using less Eskom generated electricity.	Ken	retired
	2026-09-13 15:46:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens who have installed Solar for private use should not be penalized for reacting to the poor management of Eskom. Eskom failed us and we reacted by installing Solar and now Eskom is recovering we shouldn't be penalized. We are PART of the reason there is now excess power?	James	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:47:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My solar system was not subsidised, incentivised, or financially supported in any way other than entirely from my own pocket. I made sacrifices, cut back on expenses, and saved the money myself in order to invest in solar. I am by no means off-grid, and I continue to rely on the electricity grid and pay for the services I use. However, I strongly object to being treated as an easy source of additional revenue simply because I made the responsible decision to invest my own money in reducing my electricity consumption.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:53:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:55:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had no option other than to invest in solar when Eskom completely failed our country. Now they expect us to pay for their many years of incompetence, corruption and cadre deployment. Not a chance!!!	Barbara	retired
	2026-09-13 16:00:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Start envorcing payment off those who dont pay their accounts.Stop milking those who does pay. Stop subsidising tose who allege they cannot pay and prosecute those with unlawfull connections and stealing electricity	Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 16:08:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:27:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-13 16:31:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benita	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:35:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:43:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clem	retired
	2026-09-13 16:44:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Petrus Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-13 17:24:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another money-making racket to offset incompetence and fill corrupters pockets.	Clarke	retired

	2026-09-13 17:32:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I hereby submit my formal objection and comments regarding the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, 2026, published under Government Notice 7841 in Government Gazette No. 55226. I support the objectives of improving electricity security, encouraging private investment, increasing competition and building a more reliable electricity system. However, I object to any reform that may unfairly transfer electricity-system costs to ordinary residential consumers. My main concerns are as follows: 1. Fixed charges for solar households Households that have invested their own money in solar energy should not be penalised through excessive or unavoidable fixed monthly charges. These investments reduce pressure on the national grid, support environmental goals and improve energy security. Any grid-connection charge should: * Reflect the actual and reasonable cost of providing grid access. * Be approved transparently by NERSA. * Be supported by independently verified cost information. * Not be used to recover unrelated municipal losses. * Consider the benefits that private solar generation provides to the electricity system. 2. Protection of non-solar households Households that cannot afford solar systems are especially vulnerable. They should not carry an increasing share of electricity costs when large commercial and industrial customers purchase electricity elsewhere or when wealthier households reduce their grid consumption. Government should introduce clear protections against: * Excessive tariff increases. * Unfair basic or capacity charges. * Poorly explained cross-subsidies. * Municipalities transferring inefficiency, electricity losses or unpaid debt to responsible customers. 3. Municipal accountability Consumers should not be required to fund electricity theft, poor maintenance, administrative failures or uncontrolled municipal expenditure through higher electricity charges. Municipalities should be required to publish: * The actual cost of electricity distribution. * Network-maintenance expenditure. * Technical and non-technical electricity losses. * Income received from fixed charges. * The method used to calculate residential tariffs. 4. Fair treatment during market reform Large customers should not receive the benefits of cheaper wholesale electricity while ordinary households are left responsible for an unfair share of the distribution network. Before customers are allowed to bypass municipal supply arrangements, government should conduct and publish an independent assessment of the likely effect on household tariffs and municipal sustainability. 5. Meaningful public participation Any proposed tariff structure, fixed charge or new levy affecting households should be published with clear examples showing its monthly effect on: * Low-income households. * Pensioners and other fixed-income consumers. * Average residential consumers. * Households with rooftop solar. * Households with solar and battery storage. * Households without access to alternative energy. The public should receive sufficient time to study and comment on these calculations before implementation. I therefore request that the final policy include binding consumer protections that: * Prevent punitive charges against solar owners. * Protect vulnerable and non-solar households from unfair cost increases. * Require tariffs and fixed charges to be reasonable, transparent and cost-reflective. * Prevent residential consumers from carrying municipal inefficiencies or the cost of losing large customers. * Require independent impact assessments and meaningful public consultation before new charges are introduced. * Establish a simple process through which consumers may challenge unreasonable charges. Electricity is an essential service. Market reform should improve affordability and reliability for all South Africans—not create new financial burdens for households already struggling with the cost of living.	Michiel	retired
	2026-09-13 17:44:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households that cannot afford solar systems are especially vulnerable. They should not carry an increasing share of electricity costs when large commercial and industrial customers purchase electricity elsewhere or when wealthier households reduce their grid consumption.	Brian	
	2026-09-13 17:46:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and a widow of 27 years and counting. I have faithfully paid for my rates and services. through years of power outages. I cannot consider installing solar panels funded by my pension. I use the absolute minimum of electricity. Would you rather I starve?	Helen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 18:07:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		eddie	retired
	2026-09-13 18:11:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It always boils down to those in charge not having a clue how to manage what they are paid to manage, and the residents/consumers are expected to clean up their mess. By coughing up, once again Stop mismanaging Stop thinking all you need to do is put your hand out We are not prepared to clean up after you We pay diligently every month, on time, in full every month Show some respect please	Lynn	retired
	2026-09-13 18:24:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I only went to the huge expense of installing solar because of loadshedding. So I object to now be faced with punitive charges because of Eskom's bad management.	Diana	retired
	2026-09-13 18:55:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		BODO	retired
	2026-09-13 19:12:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The public are strained enough, burdened enough, we dont need extra.costs	Sheila	
	2026-09-13 19:19:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Petrus CJ	business owner
	2026-09-13 19:20:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rick	retired
	2026-09-13 19:44:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have invested in Roof top Solar because of load shedding and high tarrifs, now you want to tax us unessary Rather use roof top solar to lower electricity costs.	Nico	employed individual
	2026-09-13 19:55:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brendon	self-employed
	2026-09-13 19:56:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has not enough electricity to supply al the households. If everyone should switch of there solar, we back to load shedding again. Now they want to tax/charge us because we help them! We can only pay for what we use, we can not subsidies ESKOM for poor performance	Stean	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:22:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom imposed forced load shedding, which meant that they could not supply the product they sold. We all went to alternative methods of providing our own electricity. If my product is not available and the client goes to my opposition, am I then allowed to penalize my opposition ? I therefore do not support their proposals and papers to try and force me to comply to their laws of incompetence. Where is the fair market practice in Eskoms logic?	Lodewyk	self-employed
	2026-09-13 20:41:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom forced the public to invest in solar options due to their inability to run the electricity network properly. It is a shame that they want to levy citizens who opted to protect their own interest after Escom failed us all.	Wynand	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:45:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My main concern is affordability.	Andre	retired
	2026-09-13 20:55:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:56:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-09-13 20:59:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reluctantly invested in a solar system following years f erratic or no supply that has cost me many thousands in damaged electric and electronic appliances along with gross inconvenience and expenses relating to using a generator. I did not object to paying Eskom to supply me electricity, but Eskom FAILED and the NMBM also failed with lack of infrastructure maintenance resulting in prolonged outages. To now attempt to invoke a fixed cost is adding an insult to injury.	Andrew	
	2026-09-13 21:02:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential energy user we had to suffer many years of energy interuptions (Load shedding) mainly because of total lack of in-competant managers at ESKOM as well as gross corruption.There were no sympaty with the user, we just had to suffer.As a result many of the public invest in RoofTop systems with even subsidies from the State to do so.Now ESKOM realises they bare on the loosing end and no threaten to pennalise those wo did invest in Solar. The public must fight this arrogancy of the State with all means to us available	Mynhard	retired
	2026-09-13 21:03:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenthtino	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:05:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We enjoy electricity 24/7 because we have rooftop solar to fill in the gap when Eskom is down. This suits us well. We cannot see why this should be changed because Eskom cannot manage their business more successfully.	Rob	retired
	2026-09-13 21:09:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 21:10:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	employed individual

	2026-09-13 21:12:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:15:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		johanni	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:16:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	top the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	John	retired
	2026-09-13 21:47:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should have taken care of a superb set of power stations when the ANC took over. Because of various reasons, the neglect that followed was shown in not enough electricity and load shedding. Then generating own solar and self-sufficency would never have been an issue. Eskom should be penalised for their failure, not the residents of SA.	Winfried	retired
	2026-09-13 22:27:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom together with the municipalities trough their poor service delivery performance in providing uninterrupted power supply has forced me to provide for myself and family through solar system. They expect me now to pay for their uselessness. We need to fight this thing with all our energy!!	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-13 22:49:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 22:51:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ee	self-employed
	2026-09-13 22:51:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why helping the inept government to reduce outages and stabilize the grid, and in order to allow all citizens to have Eskom electricity, those who help the economy are punished for doing good by overregulation and taxation. No man, stop being parasites	Andries	retired
	2026-09-13 23:19:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-13 23:38:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't agree with paying a tax for not using the grid. They charge you for using power and now they want to charge you for not using the power as well. That's not logical. They have done next to nothing to maintain the infrastructure, so why should they get paid for work not done? However, I wholeheartedly agree that everyone (including high-energy businesses) should have the option to buy electricity from private suppliers. The failing grid supply is too weak to keep supplying high energy users by itself alone. But if we only give those large businesses access to the private energy market, then costs will disproportionately hurt regular households small businesses, and will likely do so with similar consequences to increasing petrol/diesel prices. Hence, everyone should be allowed to access the private energy market.	Stephen	student
	2026-09-13 23:47:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	employed individual
	2026-09-14 01:02:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Winile	employed individual
	2026-09-14 01:10:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 02:16:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A	retired
	2026-09-14 03:58:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-14 04:02:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daphne	retired
	2026-09-14 04:15:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	self-employed
	2026-09-14 04:21:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So what has it cost every consumer when we have loadshedding? Eskom couldn't supply. Eskom's business model allows corruption. How many people get electricity for free legally and legally?	Keegan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 04:34:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William R	self-employed
	2026-09-14 04:39:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	
	2026-09-14 05:01:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernardine	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:03:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Domingos	self-employed
	2026-09-14 05:08:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sylvia	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:09:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-14 05:19:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom forced South Africans to use solar as they have forgotten that we had 335 days load shedding during 2023. On top of that can the local substation in town not keep up with the local demand and we have experienced the last 3 years load reduction. This is insane, and that is how they treat the people that pay their monthly bills.	Peet	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:23:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Senzo Derrick	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:31:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed tariff if just another way that Eskom can loot more from the taxpayer. The ANC have never built anything in the 30 years of power. Take take take mentality.	Darren	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:45:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dwayne	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:52:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Arno	
	2026-09-14 05:53:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nadine	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:01:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People had to find money to install solar as backup as Eskom could not always supply. Eskom even assisted solar installation. They do not own the sun. I would rather find a way to go off grid than pay tax because I have solar.	Lincey	retired
	2026-09-14 06:06:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans invested their own money in solar panels, batteries and inverters because Eskom’s unreliable electricity supply, load shedding, corruption and state capture made it necessary to find alternative sources of power. It is unjust for government to now penalise these homeowners with heavy fixed monthly charges simply because they have reduced their dependence on the grid. The unfairness lies in the fact that citizens are being charged for making the electricity system more reliable for themselves after government failed to do so. They took financial responsibility for securing their own electricity, and are now being asked to pay additional charges to compensate for using less of a service they can no longer rely on.	Pandelis	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:07:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't support this proposed solar system policy of the government as it will hurt ordinary households who are already struggling under high taxes	Isaac	retired
	2026-09-14 06:09:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed “sun tax” is unjust because it penalises South African citizens for taking responsibility for their own electricity needs after years of government failure, corruption and state capture left them with no reliable alternative. Homeowners who invested their hard-earned money in solar did so to protect their families and businesses from load shedding —not to avoid paying their fair share. Government should not be allowed to shift the financial consequences of its own failures onto the very citizens who have spent their own money solving the problem.	Susan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:12:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this latest development is scandalous and we as ratepayers are yet again loaded with additional expenses due to bungling for years by Escom and its so-called efficient management departments not to mention the failing municipalities who are also scrambling to squeeze all they can from consumers and rate payers. Enough is enough. The trough feeders need to be disciplined through severe punishment and ratepayers and electricity consumers need to stop saying "oh what can we do?' and stand together against rampant inefficiency and incompetence . There is a way...just resist paying until the government wakes up or face or faces the consequences. We are tired of ineptitude and extortion and all in charge should be dismissed and heavily fined for their lack of competence.	ian	
	2026-09-14 06:20:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:23:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private investments in domestic solar a) saved Eskom and the economy when it was at the worst of load shedding, b) contributes significantly to our decarbonisation commitments. It is unfair and counter-productive to punitivelty tax these consumers to make up a balance shortfall.	Brent	business owner
	2026-09-14 06:23:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bitou municipality charges a daily availability fee on electricity that is 3 times as much as the neighbouring Knysna municipality. This is due to the disastrous previous ANC administration of Bitou municipality.	Desre	retired
	2026-09-14 06:24:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reabetswe	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 06:27:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helgard	retired
	2026-09-14 06:30:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelis	employed individual

	2026-09-14 06:36:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Paul	business owner
	2026-09-14 06:36:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users	Lizel	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:38:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MILTO N	
	2026-09-14 06:41:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	retired
	2026-09-14 06:43:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Florah	retired
	2026-09-14 06:45:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:49:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am tired of Government and Eskom trying to bleed its citizens dry. You cannot plan, maintain and manage Eskom properly and deliver reliable untinterupted electricity for years? Then when we seek alternatives to resolve this issue, you then go and penalize us for not buying electricity from eskom as much as we used to. So now Eskom wants us to pay, for the fact that they basically forced us to start using solar? Unethical and I cannot believe that you can even propose this with a straight face. Shame on all of you. I pray that this goverment is voted out in the next election so that we can replace them with an honest and non corrupt Government who does not make its citizens pay for their own ineptitude! Absolutely outrageous, the nerve this useless Government and Eskom crowd have! Why not take the funds needed from the exorbitant bonuses paid out to your board of directors and the CEO and the back hands given to Government to allow such a ridiculous attemp to "Rob" its citizens!	Dennis	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:50:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Sun is free, don't punish those that help save the planet.	Fabien	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:51:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not fair.	Hendrik	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:54:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Schalk	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:55:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Richard	business owner
	2026-09-14 06:56:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-14 06:57:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jochem	self-employed
	2026-09-14 06:58:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sunshine does not belong to the ANC however much their corrupt mindset may believe. Solar power installations have relieved ESKOM of being unable to meet demand at reasonable cost. It is NOT consumers fault that ESKOM has incurred such lollapalooza debt through dishonesty and mismanagement. Remember Molefe and Singh.	John	retired
	2026-09-14 07:01:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		russell	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:11:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsa	retired
	2026-09-14 07:14:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rina	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:20:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	South Africans are already taxed to the bones,burdened by unaffordable petrol prices.Oppressed by the corrupt and incompetent politicians who loot ? without any regard for the people .Government must stop punishing the people for their incompetence.People must be allowed to use available alternative energy sources and not be punished for doing so.No to sun tax	Rex	retired
	2026-09-14 07:24:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once a thief, always a thief. A leopard never changes its spots. The insatiable greed and corruption which has gripped this country since the free-for-all pro BBBEE participants is rushing this country and its inhabitants into a total destruction of its economy and infrastructure. Until all of these thieving creatures are removed from government, every single change they make will be for their own greedy benefit and never the benefit of the country's inhabitants.	Terence	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:27:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I do not agree. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Minke	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:29:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and government does not own the sun. Why must we keep filling government pockets while there's so much financial struggle?	Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:30:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:31:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Can government not get anything right? You're holding the consumer hostage with every price hike due to corruption! What's next...a tax on sunbathing?	Duane	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:33:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You useless corrupt things stole your way into setting up ESKOMS demise. We sat in the dark for years while you fat over fed things ate all you could and sabotaged ESKOM so that your tenderproneurs could become wealthy. That should be deemed as treason. You increased tariffs at will (and still do) until no one can afford the price!! You killed businesses and livelihoods without remorse. Yet in spite of the ridiculous tariff increases you still did not provide power...we are paying a fortune for what.!!! You burnt billions in diesel while your buddies became wealthy. You maintained nothing!!! We with our own money, (TAXED MONEY) spent a fortune installing solar. Did you get this...WITH OUR OWN MONEY!!! We as South Africans, as usual were ingenious and rose to the occasion and saved the day, while you sat on one side stealing the place blind!! We thwarted your sabotage of the country....and now we mused be punished for that. Go to hell ! You have not fixed load shedding. You now give it different names like maintenance (what a laugh). "Local Load Reduction" is the new buzz word to fuzz the same shit.... You paid your buddies to stop sabotaging the infrastructure. You burnt billions in diesel, that we have to pay for....(while half of the fuel was never even delivered to ESKOM by your cronies!!) Those that installed solar power have reduced load shedding!!! Not you!!! This constant terrorism is enough to make decent people livid to degrees not experienced before!! Get the damn money from all the free loaders...all the electricity thieves, all those that contribute to nothing but drain society of all the have built and created!!!!!	Roland	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:35:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danie	retired
	2026-09-14 07:35:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It does absolutely makes no sense that people who did invest with their own money in solar to let them pay. They took the risk of investing, they pay the maintenance, they pay the repair..... nobody has any right to charge you for making your own investments.	Tinneke	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:38:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People moved to Solar because Eskom failed to deliver their core service for 10 years plus and in this period drove up the cost of electricity despite their poor efficiency and performance. They need to adjust their operating model, workforce and not their rates	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-14 07:39:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Craig	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:39:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-14 07:39:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At first we were encouraged to lift stress off the grid by going solar. Now Eskom (who asked us to generate alternative power) is also the authority who wants us to pay more into the grid. Seems unfair that we can try and alleviate pressure by investing personal funds but when the situation changes Eskom can just call the shots as they please. Will this law also apply within the rural communities and high density population of squatter camps? If everybody in South Africa is lawfully paying for the electricity they are using - we can have a chat again. But we can't keep subsidizing millions. The small percentage of people who can afford solar can't be a train smash to the whole grid IF ALL SA citizens actually paid for electricity… fix the obvious leak first please.	Shirne	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:39:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moja	retired
	2026-09-14 07:41:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom het baie van hulle inkomste verloor as gevolg val son energie stelsels nou will hulle dit opmaak deur mense te laat betaal al is hulle los van die grid. Onaanvaarbaar.	Frikkie	retired
	2026-09-14 07:42:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:44:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:45:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tina	
	2026-09-14 07:46:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalize private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure	Petra	self-employed

	2026-09-14 07:47:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an ordinary South African residential ratepayer and taxpayer, I support reforms that create a more efficient, competitive and reliable electricity sector. However, I strongly oppose any reform that ultimately shifts an increasing share of the cost of the electricity system onto ordinary households. Residential consumers should not become the default source of revenue when large industrial users move to alternative suppliers, municipalities lose electricity income, or households invest their own money in solar and energy efficiency. People who install solar should not be penalised through excessive fixed charges simply because they have reduced their electricity consumption. These households have invested private capital in reducing demand on an already constrained electricity system and should not be treated as "free riders". At the same time, households that cannot afford solar must also be protected. They should not be left as captive customers facing ever-higher electricity tariffs and fixed charges to compensate for declining municipal electricity sales. South African households already carry a substantial burden through taxation, municipal rates, electricity tariffs and other service charges. Electricity reform should focus on improving efficiency, reducing losses, increasing competition and ensuring that the actual cost of maintaining the network is transparent and fairly shared. I therefore ask that the final policy include strong protections for residential consumers, transparent and independently regulated network charges, and safeguards preventing municipalities or distributors from simply recovering lost revenue through disproportionate increases in fixed charges or residential tariffs. I support electricity market reform, but it must result in a more efficient and affordable system for ordinary South Africans, not simply redistribute the existing financial burden onto those consumers who have the least ability to avoid it.	Jacobus B	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:53:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zane	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:53:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to supply electricity and we were loosing equipment and food as a result thereof, we invested unforeseen money in our own systems. These solar systems saved Eskom some face as there was less complains of no power from those who invested in a UPS or solar system. Now Eskom and Municipalities want to put a penalty on those who are willing and do have the means to help themself and put less stress on the supply authority. Instead Eskom and the Municipalities should rather encourage houseowners and businesses to install solar where all export electricity can be bought at a fraction of what they sell it for. " NO BRAINER" Stop being a total boreoarctic insufficient entity and move forward with the inevitable. With Eskom's ongoing strive to make profits without working for it, more and more homeowners systems will be installed and cause a runaway effect on their income as it is already in progress. Rather subsidies , regulate and gain without making enemies.	Piet	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:54:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The President asked us to put Solar in at a huge cost not they want to tax it. Does the President not count.?? Cost of Electricity is so high already. We also HAVE TO PAY A MONTHLY LEVY FOR SUPPLY.?? This was never taken into consideration. P.E. Name changed,has now won a court battle on this additional levey payment.WHY NOT EVERY ONE.!!! ALL AREAS.!!	Joan	retired
	2026-09-14 07:55:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:56:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aaron	retired
	2026-09-14 07:58:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:00:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nelson	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:08:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The inability to sustain a world class infrastructure to provide electricity to all of South Africa is extremely disappointing to be polite. It was quickly eroded away, and financially broken. The cost to ensure we have power to keep deep freezes going etc is extremely high, so why should we penalized for looking after our needs when the government can't. It is disgusting to target us for their inefficiency. In Australia feeding excess power back into the grid is welcomed and financially rewarded.	Bruce	retired
	2026-09-14 08:10:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:10:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dont allow this We as taxpayers have enough commitments	vaughan	
	2026-09-14 08:11:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	this is a price and electricity power manipulation, we don't need more corruption.	Elene	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:11:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
	2026-09-14 08:11:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How fair is any of this no one wants to invest hundreds of thousands on solar and generators, we basically want electricity, so if the government can't provide this then we forced to do it for ourselves, we not asking anything from government, or assistance in funding and maintaining these installations and on top of it we not taking anything away from government! On top of this the solar and generator companies are creating jobs, paying taxes which the government is benefitting from so how can they decide they also want to charge us for something they didn't supply, fund, insure or maintain? Why don't they bring out a law that we must start paying for the air we breathe?	dave	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:13:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This is a blatant effort to maintain a monopoly that is not able to provide and sustain a cost effective service to the taxpayer due to corruption and incompetent leadership.	Manus	
	2026-09-14 08:15:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They created a problem and now they wish to punish the ratepayer and user for their incompetence.	Keith	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:15:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patsy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:17:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I did not invest R160000 in a solar system for the fun of it. I did so because of Eskom's ineptitude and inability to ensure reliable and uninterrupted electricity.	Gerhard	
	2026-09-14 08:18:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:19:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This government is so corrupt and bringing the country to its knees with taxes and charges. We need more solar in our country to catch up to the rest of the world, why must anybody pay for the use of solar which has nothing to do with the government. This is a Massive NO from me, leave the people to get on with cleaner air, rather than supporting a corrupt, greedy government.	JEFFREY	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:21:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	It's such a pity that this current government did not tell us at the time that they had these audacious plans to kick the resident and business owners in the teeth again, when their corruption caused loadshedding. During the height of loadshedding, you as a government asked businesses and residents to reduce electricity consumption as you could not keep the lights on. How do people continue running their households and business - they make a plan, they paid for solar installations. Now you want to penalise them for helping you out during the bad times because you are loosing out on income. Where in the world, sorry only in South Africa, does a governement believe it is their right to once again, charge for solar installation because of their corruption. Let's get down to economic facts ... No business can continue operating by charging their customers for their own mismanagement, this applies to this corrupt government as well. So NO, I do not agree with this and hope that this is kicked to the curb where it deserves to be.	Heather	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:21:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unlawful	Stefan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years the Govt asked us to use electricity sparingly because the grid was under pressure. As a loyal citizen I decided to install a hybrid solar system at great cost to myself. As a result of mine and many other citizens I am sure we assisted the grid accordingly. Now that all appears to be running well we the solar owners are being threatened with all kinds of charges whether punitive or direct or some other form of tax!!! I am sure the lawyers can't wait to get their teeth into Eskom.	Willaim	retired
	2026-09-14 08:24:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernst	retired
	2026-09-14 08:26:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		viv	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:26:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ingo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:26:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Richardt	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:27:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	because Escom has been mismanaged and is incompentent should not be borne by the customer! whether due to incompetenc, graft, corruption, laziness or whatever it is not the customer's fault as we have been paying our electricity bills for 44 years!	anna Louise	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:27:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop using residential consumers to cover municipal inefficiencies.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-14 08:30:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:32:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Guy	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:36:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jen	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:37:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get more users to pay for electricity. The current payers can not foot the bill for non-payers.	Louis	retired
	2026-09-14 08:39:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	business owner

	2026-09-14 08:39:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Amor	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:39:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing solar users on sunshine are insane. Local authorities bad financial management must not be paid for by the residents, fire the bad managers.	Deon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:40:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rashida	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:40:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-14 08:43:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	
	2026-09-14 08:47:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Klaas	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:49:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The idea that that I get penalised, in the form of increased fixed charges, for supplying my own power, because of Eskom's inability to supply reliably in the first place, cannot be accepted as good practice. Thi sis not fair or reasonable.	Chris	
	2026-09-14 08:50:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	retired
	2026-09-14 08:50:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois J	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:51:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stefan	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:53:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Coln	retired
	2026-09-14 08:53:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner I am very concerned about these proposed charges. I have solar (rental), but as backup when power fails. Eskom is punishing the average consumer for their bad maintenance and planning issues. These proposed new tariffs are detrimental to house owners who faithfully pay their electricity, rates, water, etc bills.	Leigh	retired
	2026-09-14 08:54:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-14 08:55:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trishend	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:57:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Hans	retired
	2026-09-14 08:58:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Installing solar infrastructure requires a significant financial investment. However, households and businesses that adopt solar are not only shielding themselves from loadshedding — they are actively reducing pressure on the national grid. Every kilowatt generated privately is a kilowatt Eskom does not need to supply, which directly assists government in keeping the lights on. Penalising owners who have invested in solar makes little sense. These systems decrease demand, improve grid stability, and contribute to national energy resilience. Policy measures should encourage private generation, not discourage it, especially in a context where Eskom continues to struggle to meet demand.	CATHARINA	business owner
	2026-09-14 08:58:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pete	retired
	2026-09-14 08:59:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a private household, we have invested our own funds in a rooftop solar and battery system to maintain a reliable, more environmentally friendly, electricity supply when the state was unable to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious consumers, lengthens the payback period for these investments, and risks discouraging further private investment in decarbonisation.	Zack	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:00:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Theo	retired
	2026-09-14 09:00:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		eugene	retired
	2026-09-14 09:01:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:01:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I honestly don't know how Eskom get away with the constant increase in electricity - Consumers are strapped for cash and are battling financially to make ends meet. Dear Mr Rhamaposa - HELP ! I don't believe that Consumers should be penalised for going off the grid - and neither should those who are unable to go off the grid pay more to cover the cost of the loss of income herein to Eskom - because that is basically what is happening here I think - Something seriously needs to be done to STOP all of this corruption , We are struggling to live in South Africa -	Debby	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:02:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unfortunately, municipalities are by their very nature socialist constructs. This is entrenched in, inter alia, the rates and taxes cost formulations of municipalities. Those that invest heavily in their property (thereby creating further employment prospects and placing capital into circulation) are penalised by large, on-going rates charges. Payments are not linked to the actual costs of services provided, but are manipulated to "rob Peter to pay Paul", i.e. sunsidise services for those who do not invest in property. The advent and proliferation of solar power generation has introduced a perhaps previously unappreciated issue - loss of municipal (and other) income. The captive market is by far the most vulnerable. Large users may be able to permanently go completely off-grid and thus avoid all charges, fixed and consumption. Affluent households and estates may be able to do the same. The costing structures of municipalities needs to be based on realistic issues, not the antiquated, over simplified model of what is now a bygone era.	Ian	retired
	2026-09-14 09:03:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In our case , we use solar purely as a back up when we have power interruptions. we still rely on the grid for our electricity and don't see why Solar uses should be penalized due to the greed of the Electricity suppliers. Who see this as an opportunity to profit more. Solar uses help to keep the wheels of the economy turning , when the power goes down and should be encouraged and applauded.	Kevin	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:05:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We will go completely off grid rather than pay this extortion	Wendy	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:08:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop destroying the livelihood of South Africans and offer affordable, reliable 24/7 energy and if you cannot stop penalizing us for your incompetence. give us the freedom to self-determine what is comfortable for us without Eskom holding on to our pockets. We are drowning as citizens...have some heart.	Angie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:10:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	i CANNOT RELY 0N GOVERMENT TO KEEP LIGHTS ON, NOW I MUST PAY A TAX TO USE THE SUN, WHICH IS FREE, I MAKE MY OWN PLAN AND NOW THEY WNT ME TO PAY FOR THEIR INCOMPETENCE AND CORRUPTION, SE GAT!!!!!	PHILLIP	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:10:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading - these are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital.	Daryl	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:14:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judith	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:16:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WE ARE COMPOLETELY OVER REGULATED AND IMPOVERISHED BY INEFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION!	LOUIS	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:16:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I put in solar at home because of load shedding, it lightened the load on the grid and helped me be able to work. Now you want to punish me for being a good citizen. The argument being used is also rubbish, when my power runs out and I am drawing power from the grid, I am drawing a few hundred watts, because my batteries carry the workload through to late at night. If the government/municipality is going to force me from pre-paid to some heavy fixed monthly cost I will simply spend the extra money and go off grid, try and make me pay for something I don;t use and see where we end up. Stop stealing from the citizens.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:16:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	If government wants to charge me for having to invest in my own power and still want me to feed the grid then the government should pay me first for feeding them. Otherwise im just going to cut off from the main supply completely and build my own generator. This is the same as the TV license situation NOBODY is going to pay for something they dont use. If you want to charge people for investing in themselves to avoid the unfair payment hikes then pay the people that not only followed your code but are feeding back into the grid. The only thing this is going to do is make people ignore your charge and throw away the paper that you spent money sending them or SMS. We are going into summer so power is going to be free for the next 6-8 months.	Ashley	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:17:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	One cannot exploit ones position as an entity to serve the people by exploiting the very people you are established to serve. The free market economy must prevail and privatisation and unbundling is required to reform a dying state enterprise which cannot operate efficiently nor without exploitative increases.	Marcus	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:19:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Grant	
	2026-09-14 09:20:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	electricity charges are already unafordable with out adding any further costs or taxes	Evan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:20:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity users who bought expensive solar systems as an investment and to help Eskom, should not now be forced to pay higher fixed connection fees - especially when they are unable to opt out of the grid - we are still forced to pay even if the wires to our house are cut. This is just another form of taxing responsible patriotic citizens, while the real free riders loot Eskom even further and steal it deeper into debt. Dismantle Eskom entirely, privatise it, and let free market forces lead to fairer electricity prices - or get rid of the crooks running it. Stop punishing the poor and middle classes with more stealth taxes to cover the looting. Time of use tariffs would encourage responsible electricity use during solar peaks when there is excess, and encourage energy arbitrage using privately owned batteries / energy storage.	Julian	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:20:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liesl	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:22:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Citizens are taxed to death. We cannot afford a single cent in additional taxes. Petrol price keeps rising. Taxing me for using Solar is rediculous!!!	Heinrich	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:23:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarah	student
	2026-09-14 09:24:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Dante	employed individual

	2026-09-14 09:25:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I propose the following: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	James	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:26:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Christo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:26:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to encourage solar adoption for the sake of the planet, not discourage it for short term gains.	Sean	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:28:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Extra taxes used by Govmt to benefit a few of the hierarchy	Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 09:29:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Mark	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:31:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not provide and we were still charged rates and taxes by them for non delivery. We solar owners have provided what they could not and now our useless and inept government are trying to make money out of the rate and taxpayers. I STRONGLY OPPOSE ANY FURTHER RAISE IN TARRIFFS!!! The Government already doesn't provide services, electricity or water and what kind of inept institution wants to charge us more for something they don't really provide.	Eion	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 09:36:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leo	retired
	2026-09-14 09:40:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-09-14 09:42:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Strong objection to Eskom tariff hikes✓ The Consumer Must Not Be Punished for Eskom's Failures Why must the consumer always bear the brunt of the supplier's incompetence, poor management, unlawful connections and electricity theft? Consumers are not responsible for Eskom's operational failures, its historic mismanagement, inadequate infrastructure maintenance, illegal electricity connections, electricity theft, or the failure to enforce payment from those who consume electricity without paying for it. Yet the recurring solution appears to be the same: increase the tariff and make the law-abiding consumer pay more. That is fundamentally unfair. A household that pays its electricity account every month, uses electricity responsibly and complies with the rules should not be treated as the financial shock absorber for losses caused by theft, illegal connections, non-payment, inefficiency and poor governance. The principle is particularly troubling when legitimate consumers who invest their own money in solar power are effectively portrayed as "free riders" because they purchase fewer units from the grid. These households have invested private capital to reduce their dependence on an unreliable electricity supply and, in many cases, to protect themselves against escalating electricity costs and load-shedding. They should not subsequently be punished with punitive fixed charges simply because their investment has reduced their consumption from the grid. Nor should consumers who cannot afford solar be turned into captive revenue sources to compensate for customers who leave the grid, industries that obtain cheaper electricity elsewhere, or revenue lost through electricity theft and illegal connections. **The solution to revenue leakage cannot simply be to squeeze the consumers who remain.** If Eskom and municipalities are losing revenue because electricity is being stolen, the priority must be to stop the theft. If revenue is being lost through illegal connections, those connections must be disconnected and the perpetrators held accountable. If infrastructure is failing, the causes of that failure must be addressed. If there is financial mismanagement or operational inefficiency, consumers should not be presented with an ever-increasing bill as the default remedy. There must be a clear distinction between **legitimate cost recovery** and **making compliant consumers compensate for systemic failure**. Tariff increases should therefore not be approved merely because an electricity supplier or municipality claims that additional revenue is required. Consumers deserve to know precisely: - How much electricity revenue is lost annually through theft and illegal connections? - How much is lost through non-payment? - What steps have been taken to recover that money? - What portion of proposed tariff increases is attributable to legitimate electricity supply costs? - What portion is intended to compensate for revenue lost because customers have reduced consumption through solar or energy efficiency? - Why should consumers who remain compliant and connected be forced to subsidise failures they did not cause? - What measurable improvements will consumers receive in return for every additional rand charged? **A tariff increase must not become a substitute for accountability.** Consumers cannot continually be told that electricity prices must rise because the system is under financial pressure while the underlying causes of that pressure remain unresolved. The message to Eskom and the relevant authorities should be unequivocal: **Do not punish the paying consumer for the failure to stop the non-paying consumer. Do not punish solar owners for reducing their dependence on an unreliable grid. And do not turn households that remain connected to the grid into a permanent revenue source for an electricity system that has failed to deal effectively with theft, illegal connections, non-payment and inefficiency.** Before asking compliant consumers to pay more, Eskom and municipalities must demonstrate that they have exhausted every reasonable measure to eliminate theft, illegal connections, waste, inefficiency and avoidable losses. **Consumers should pay a fair price for electricity they legitimately consume—not an ever-increasing penalty for somebody else's theft, incompetence or failure to manage the electricity system.**	Piet	retired
	2026-09-14 09:42:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lubabalo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:46:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janco	
	2026-09-14 09:47:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Doug	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:48:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ewald	retired
	2026-09-14 09:49:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:49:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Om verbruikers wat in sonpanele belê het te belas net omdat hulle nie genoeg van die GRID se onderhoudskoste betaal nie, is soos om motoreienaars met petrolvoertuie te belas net omdat hulle nie genoeg diesel gebruik om die produksie van diesel te finansier nie. Dis 'n belaglike redenasie net om mense wat tot skoon energie bydra te belas omdat hulle skoon energie voorsien om om die land te probeer dwing om AGTERUIT te gaan deur op fossiel-kragopwekking staat te maak. Die basiese beginsel is: BETAAL VIR WAT JY GEBRUIK. As jy op die pad ry, betaal tolgeld vir soveel as wat jy ry. Moet nie TOLGELD hef vir mense wat karre besit maar op ander plekke woon en nie die TOLPAD kan gebruik nie.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-14 09:54:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years ESKOM told us to stop or reduce consumption of their product. I don't know of any other business who would dissuade consumers from buying their product, but we complied. At great cost to ourselves. We kept our homes and businesses running on our improvised power supply, both of which might have otherwise stopped. Homes and businesses continued to pay rates and taxes out of wealth we generated in spite of no service. Municipalities ought to be happy that SA did and the fact that they find themselves cash-strapped now is no fault of consumers. We cannot now be penalised for doing so.	Andrew	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:56:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacky	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:01:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Romaine	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:01:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	While the President asked South Africa to help the electricity system and asked businesses and household to put in Solar. Now the President wants to penalize household due to the inefficiency of Municipalities and Eskom to manage their cash collects and corruption with a lack of reducing waste in their businesses but support high increases in salary and bonuses. We also see high increases each year to support the corruption and inefficiencies in their business and inflation running at 3,5% last year. Why bother with inflation targets when the President allows these businesses to increase rate as they wish and then nails consumers for inflation when the presidents allow inflation to rise. We cannot survive with all these high increases to support their corruption and lack improvements in their business to reduce costs. STOP penalizing the few and get your act together and improve collections so we all benefit.	William	retired
	2026-09-14 10:09:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity prices went up by over 1000% over time. The sun tax has already been introduced on farms and 5 additional charges are added to our bill every month. The real consumption is only a fraction of the bill and it has become ridiculous and unaffordable. We DO NOT SUPPORT this unfair policy changes. Eskom is one of the main contributors for the poor economic growth in SA.	Dawie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:11:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	retired
	2026-09-14 10:11:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Municipal Official / Councillor		Danie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:12:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable that incompetant municipalities keep increaseing tarrifs,and expect compliant consumers to foot the bill,but do nothing about illigal connections and consumers who claim to be indegent while driving around in new vechiles Its a case of penalising the easy targets ,instead of prosecuting the criminals?	Hugo	retired
	2026-09-14 10:14:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Ivan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:14:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a ruse to cover Escom's inefficiency and wasteful management, and it will perpetuate economic decline an household poverty! I do NOT SUPPORT THIS.	Walter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:15:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derrick	retired
	2026-09-14 10:15:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	self-employed

	2026-09-14 10:15:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a direct Eskom customer and already pay exorbitant monthly connection fees, which are double my normal consumption, any further costs will force more customers to leave this corrupt system.	Frank	
	2026-09-14 10:17:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don`t punych the people for investing inSolar energie and also do not make the people pay for Eskom mess. The non payment and destroying the infrastructer should be better controllt.	Helga	retired
	2026-09-14 10:21:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stoffel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:21:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:27:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	retired
	2026-09-14 10:27:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verena	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:29:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Serati	
	2026-09-14 10:29:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Byron	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:32:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Tania	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:33:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Richard	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:33:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:35:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection.	Deon	retired
	2026-09-14 10:39:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used part of my pension pay-out to obtain a small solar power system, I am still connected to the grid, so the exorbitant electricity price increases still affect me badly. I will not be able to pay all kinds of extra fees because I have a little solar power which only covers the very basics. So will the state pay me back if I get rid of the solar installation (which now seems to have been installed to my detriment)?	Celia	retired
	2026-09-14 10:39:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	
	2026-09-14 10:43:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users who invested in these systems should not be penalised for helping to reduce the reliance on grid-power during the load shedding crisis. Most consumers are still paying off these systems and cannot afford further increases on grid power.	Joe-Lin	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:44:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Owen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:44:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As someone who is looking to add solar to the home - to have a smaller impact on our environment - being charged because I am lowering the problem seems counter intuitive and quite frankly overextending. Imagine SPAR and CHECKERS asking a levy to enter their stores for those who have cows or chickens since their milk and egg supply is a backup to these community members? If you think someone who spent 150k rand or more on a solar installation is ever going to go back to using more of the grid then you are misunderstanding the customer. This new draft law is unashamedly trying to increase revenue streams for Eskom. So next up if you are not connected at all to the grid you should pay a not connected fee ?? where does this end and make sense. Why not rather add more laws and support to Eskom from being targeted by actual bad actors to help them with corruption - e.g copper cable theft which is a way bigger issue than even being reported.	Harold	
	2026-09-14 10:45:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Electricity is for all, the poor must also be able to afford it. I don't believe in freebees, then you don't know the value. At the current rate, the poor cannot afford it, and increasing it, still less affordable, making those who can, trijecting them into the poorer sector. They (the ANC) want to create poverty, then they can remain in power. It's not about the SA citizen, it's about the stinking rich elite ANC's to remain in their "stolen" wealth. 2. Eskom has enough money, look at the "so called" profit they have made over the past 2 years, when is enough enough, plough back into those who have carried the country the last 3 decades while they were stealing themselves rich. 3. The ANC wants to remove the the ability of income for muncipalities from electricity and centralise it, they're losing the muncipalities, so they will loose that income, and for the incoming party to be able to be successful, they need money to produce services. Courts have to think logical, about the future of the country, not of a bunch of idiotic money grabbing politicians. I say, we need a business man for a president, a business man for a mayor, one who thinks business, not politics, but how can I grow the country, the town.	Nico	retired
	2026-09-14 10:47:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s nonsensical to charge people on solar energy consumption because the electricity supplier needs to balance their books. We’re so tired of talking at this point.	Andile	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:49:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We will not accept national and local government tricking us, and abusing us as their cash cows. The sun is free, and if we pay huge amounts on solar and backup systems to alleviate pressure on the national grid and have power security, because government encouraged us to and incentivised us to, as the government structure failed, why must we pay for government structures being mismanaged over years and for corruption, with government civil servants lining their pocket and getting fat off us the citizen that voted them in. We will revolt and vote you out. Beware ANC, EFF, DA and the likes, we don't need you, you need us.	Brett	
	2026-09-14 10:52:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is inconceivable that Eskom continue to increase electricity tariffs for households that actually pay their electricity accounts. The increases are a simple way for them to get the consumer to pay for their total incompetence over the last 30 years, bringing a once proud and capable organization to its knees!! Most of us who installed solar systems to alleviate load shedding issues are still paying those systems off while continuing to pay our ever - increasing electricity bills!! No way we can accept this new "plan " of theirs.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-14 10:53:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's the Sun... Nobody has the right to tax users for using a free resource that will be around for 100's of generations.	Micheal	
	2026-09-14 10:54:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vivian	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:54:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-09-14 10:56:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous	Bertie	
	2026-09-14 10:57:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gustav	retired
	2026-09-14 10:58:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernard	
	2026-09-14 11:00:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hentus	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:01:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Celia	retired
	2026-09-14 11:02:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-09-14 11:03:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Merle	retired
	2026-09-14 11:06:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louis	retired
	2026-09-14 11:07:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is the real prime mover behind economic development. We need plenty of it and it must be cheaper. Let those who can cultivate it for themselves do so and support them, not penalize them. Government can subsidies Eskom to make electricity cheaper for communities who are not working. End corruption and we will "always" have more to produce electricity for the benefit of the country. Let no people subsidies incompetence, corruption....Tackle corruption and all will be good.	Daniel	retired
	2026-09-14 11:07:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The middle class will pay the most for electricity/electricity availability. Big business will go off-grid and the poor will get it for free. This is ridicules, as we are getting milked for Eskom inefficiency	Ronald	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:12:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	“Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep South Africa's lights on. These households and businesses allowed fellow South African who could not afford rooftop solar to at least have much less load shedding when Eskom failed to generate enough electricity. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalizes energy-conscious citizens and inevitably will lead to more households exiting the Municipal Grid , further staining municipalities financially. Kill the Golden Goose with your shortsightedness (ANC)	Quinton	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:13:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Legalised unjustified penalty	Uwe	retired
	2026-09-14 11:13:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to put solar in due to the lack of electricity. Even now when there is no "loadshedding" we still go without power for days due to lack of maintenance causing trips and vandalism. WIthout solar we would struggle. Our company went without electricity in Jetpark for over a week when a big cable was stolen and it took them that long to repair it. We don't have solar there so we had to use a generator which is hugely expensive due to diesel costs. Don't keep punishing us for the governments failures	sandra	
	2026-09-14 11:14:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	business owner
	2026-09-14 11:17:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support any policies that will enforce us to pay for this incompetent ANC GOVERNMENT. We have an to endure about 500% increase of electricity since 2008. It has impacted on the welfare of many families.	Norman	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:18:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Peter	self-employed

	2026-09-14 11:20:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents have opted for Solar for two reasons: - To overcome Eskom's inability to provide consistent power - To reduce the exorbitant cost of electricity charged by Eskom To now levy a charge on residents who have solved their electricity problems at their own cost is totally unjustified and is tantamount to theft.	Dirk	
	2026-09-14 11:24:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Salome	retired
	2026-09-14 11:26:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a case of double jeopardy. We were forced to go the solar route because of Eskom's inability to supply us with stable reliable electricity. This was done entirely at our own substantial cost. If we had not adopted this approach, Eskom would have been in a much worse off position. So the solar panel users did it an enormous favour. Any excess power generated & fed back to the grid is a bonus for Eskom because it eases their burden even further. Any proposed charge cannot be justified because of reduced income on Eskom's part, which was entirely brought on by their own actions & inability to manage its affairs properly.	Aatmaram	retired
	2026-09-14 11:27:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I would have probably gone with "support with amendments" BUT I do not trust government to consider the average man on the street, the poor and impoverished.	Claire	retired
	2026-09-14 11:28:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You have no right to charge me for sun power. You did not create the sun that is my right to use as God provided for us to get light from.	Hester Louisa	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:30:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed us and continues to fail us due to nepotism and corruption and over paying managers that have no clue what they are doing. The Government failed us and continues to fail us because it continues to place in competent people in positions of leadership who then either raid the funds through preferential awarding of tenders to their buddies. So we invest in our own solutions to make a plan to fix what they have broken and then they feel they have the right to leverage our investement to raise more tax funds for them to plunder and abuse! NO! Enough is enough you do not have the rights to the sun it was given to us by God!	Mark	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:36:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They must put energy time and effort into the previous bad decisions and situations that caused them to come to a point where they now need to attack the solar world.	Karen	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:38:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geoff	retired
	2026-09-14 11:39:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Frans	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:40:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenton	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:44:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another way to punish the consumer for Eskom's incompetence and greed. Cut the bonuses of the Eskom executives.	Christine	retired
	2026-09-14 11:45:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the "anti-free-riding" policy. I installed solar to help SA oin times f energy shortage. Now I am threatened with being penaliised. That it is completely unacceptable. Shifting tariffs toward unavoidable, high fixed monthly capacity charges and forcing me to pay a heavy connection levy regardless of how little power I draw. Is a cruel twist!	George	
	2026-09-14 11:47:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Klaas	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:48:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-14 11:51:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We bought solar to escape power outages, now they want to penalize those who do not submit under their control	William	retired
	2026-09-14 11:55:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lino	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:00:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom Management allowed the SOE to degenerate into a bankrupt entity, why should the consumer now pay the price in order for the entity to survive ?? Eskom must begin to apply the "no free riding" principle in all the informal settlements all over the country and stop targeting the obedient and paying citizens of this country.	Manetta	
	2026-09-14 12:01:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jim	
	2026-09-14 12:04:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Popsey	retired
	2026-09-14 12:04:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom due to their negligence & incompetence forced home and business owners to invest in solar. Those people, rather than spending money on the growing of their businesses or fixing of their homes, were literally forced into buying something to make up for what should have been readily available and cheap. ESKOM forced those that didn't want food to go off, and didn't want to replace appliances every so often to rather get an alternative. Now they want to charge us for the sun? To hell with the lot of them.	Joseph	
	2026-09-14 12:04:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Retha	
	2026-09-14 12:09:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		William	retired
	2026-09-14 12:15:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	
	2026-09-14 12:16:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Meryl	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:16:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-14 12:17:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:18:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Chris	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:18:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We had no option but to install solar power because of the inconsistent supply of electricity. We do not accept that we will be penalised for trying to survive.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:20:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debra	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:23:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alma	retired
	2026-09-14 12:26:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LEON	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:27:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don't punish us for spending our own money on solar systems when you could not provide a reliable supply. Don't punish consumers who are reliant on eskom via municipal supply for not having solar systems.	Felicia	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:28:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	So we now have to foot the bill because we made a plan and got our energy elsewhere and therefore have not been taking enough from the grid i.e. used our initiative. We also had to foot the bill over the last 15 or so years when you (ESKOM) did not provide enough energy for the Grid. May I point out that you are still not producing enough energy which is impacting on our economy. Sorry, inefficiency/incompetence has its price to pay and now you are paying it Eskom. Seems you want to eat your cake and still have it while not even paying for it.	Allan	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:30:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		raj and reetha	retired
	2026-09-14 12:30:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again paying consumers bearing the brunt ...	Ray	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:31:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think its absolute robbery to charge for sun tax -NO TO SUN TAX OR ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL CHARGERS, we pay exorbitant prices for Eskom power already. Eskom must pay their management and Directors less.	CHARLES	retired
	2026-09-14 12:35:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposed framework in its current form because it risks placing an unfair financial burden on ordinary households and small businesses that have invested in rooftop solar and battery systems. Residential solar users, have made a significant private investments to reduce their reliance on the grid, lessen demand on South Africa's electricity infrastructure, and improve energy security for households. The introduction of mandatory fixed network charges that are disconnected from actual electricity consumption would undermine the financial viability of these investments and effectively penalize consumers who have acted responsibly. While I support efforts to modernize South Africa's electricity sector and encourage competition, I am concerned that the proposed market structure could create a situation where large industrial and commercial customers gain access to cheaper electricity options while ordinary residential customers remain captive to municipal distribution networks. If municipalities lose revenue from their largest consumers, there is a real risk that the resulting shortfall will be recovered from households through increased fixed charges and higher tariffs. I am also concerned that separating network charges from energy charges may lead to escalating fixed costs that consumers cannot avoid, regardless of how much electricity they generate themselves. This reduces the incentive for private investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency, which is contrary to South Africa's broader energy transition goals. Any market reform should ensure that: Residential solar users are not unfairly penalized through excessive fixed charges. Network fees are cost-reflective, transparent, and subject to strict regulatory oversight. Ordinary households are protected from bearing the financial consequences of municipal revenue losses. Consumers who invest in rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency continue to receive a fair return on their investment. Municipalities are encouraged to adapt their business models without transferring disproportionate costs to residential customers. South Africa needs electricity reform, but it must be implemented in a way that is fair, transparent, and does not discourage citizens from investing their own money in renewable energy solutions that ultimately benefit the country as a whole.	Gerhard	employed individual

	2026-09-14 12:35:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No need to tax for samething that is done on own cost for my own benefit. It does not cost Eskom anything while I have solar on the roof.	Corne	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:45:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		RIAN	business owner
	2026-09-14 12:48:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		julia	retired
	2026-09-14 12:49:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieta	self-employed
	2026-09-14 12:49:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		I.B.M.	retired
	2026-09-14 12:51:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morne	
	2026-09-14 12:52:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alastair	retired
	2026-09-14 12:57:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have been paying for electricity since 1981, month after month. Then, when load-shedding was wreaking havoc in SA, we were asked, rather begged and even offered incentives by the Government, to invest in solar energy to lighten Eskom's burden. Now, four years down the line, we are on the verge of being penalised for stepping up and heeding that call. Get your house in order, Eskom, and rather bring the defaulters to justice - not those who have been paying month after month because of the grid-backup.	Esté	retired
	2026-09-14 12:59:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	" 1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalize private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure " Copied and Quoted	Pat	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:01:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Des	retired
	2026-09-14 13:07:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	YOU CANNOT PUNISH ME BECAUSE I USE THE SUNS NATURAL POWER SOURCE IN MY OWN HOME	MARIA	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:09:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Firzt we were encouraged to have solar and reduve vonsumption Now we are pemalized for it. I am selling my house as I cammot afford the elevtricity hikes. Think about the general man in the street trying to survive and raise a family.	Elanie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:10:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom recent results annoucement, showed that they are doing financially extremely well. Eskom could not deliver the services it was supposed to and it was Eskom who askes the public to help Eskom. It was actually due to the private solar installation's that the lights are staying on as Eskom could not cater for the needs of the people and the supply needed. Eskom cannot "tax" or charge or even fine people for finding alternatives when Eskom cannot not keep up and supply. Now Eskom wants to charge us for using the sun.	Ulrike	
	2026-09-14 13:12:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have all spent a fortune on setting up solar panels because Eskom could not supply us. Now they want to penalize consumers just in case they miss out on some funds. They did not give us the sun, how dare they charge us for that. Please don't say they are missing out on funds, they reward themselves and the board of directors continuously with huge salary hikes and bonuses while we are battle just to survive.	RENAE	
	2026-09-14 13:13:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ilse	retired
	2026-09-14 13:16:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges of any nature should not be allowed. NERSA should ensure tariffs do not penalize customers' investments in private solar systems. The same should apply to municipal electricity rates. Municipalities should not be allowed to increase electricity tariffs as they like. No increases should be higher than the annual rate of inflation.	Zigmund	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:18:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free for all of humanity. Who are you to try and tax us when we have made a huge outlay for solar systems . How much more can you tax the poor who cannot afford to eat?	ilse	retired
	2026-09-14 13:21:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalize private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Rui	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:23:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed charges and solar taxes disincentivise saving electricity. As with the water charge, which has become much larger than the cost of actual water used (by me at least).	Andrea	retired
	2026-09-14 13:35:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heather	retired
	2026-09-14 13:48:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A D	retired
	2026-09-14 13:49:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The whole reason we got solar panel was to assist Eskom with capacity limitations. If Eskom could provide consistent electricity without interruptions other than occasional maintained I would never have needed solar panel. Solar panels is not necessarily the cheaper option to Eskom. It comes with great cost. Plus, it has a 10-year life span so this is something that will come at great cost again in 10 years. It hasn't reduced my electricity bill as we have to pay a R 267 odd amount. Before Solar panels my bill was about R 500 during the summer and R 1200. Currently with solar panels we paying about R 850 in summer and about R 1800 in winter. So to say I am not paying my fair share is not exactly accurate. Please also understand solar panels are helping reduce strain on the grid especially in trying times and so you should encourage alternative and green alternatives. The country loses too much money when there is load shedding. I am in the film and Television sector and SABC definitely has number reduction in load shedding period with effect the sales enormously. I feel if Eskom needs to recover funds, they shouldn't only push the cost on end user, it's a government entity it's supposed to be making is more affordable, more accessible to all, this is a basic human right. Instead of simply just charging a solar tax and punish people that are assisting the grid. Diversify. Create jobs. Make solar panels in SA. Install them in SA. So that you have to use and ESKOM certified technician to put in solar panels. This will ensure that our solar panels are correctly installed increase funding on your side as well as create jobs and hopefully also create skills. Then if there is excess power sell it to other countries	Aimee	business owner
	2026-09-14 13:51:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Rushdene	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 13:53:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free and so should our right to choose our power source be !!!	Mon	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:55:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How is it possibly that the government, through ESCOM, intends to tax solar installations by means of fixed solar charges or increased fixed network fees? This is yet another scheme to subsidize the inability of the ANC appointed cadres to manage an institution profitably and effectively. Small businesses and households stand to pay much more for no additional benefit. Thinking through the proposed actions, could lead to protection of revenue streams for the municipalities and prevent captive ratepayers from facing unpredictable and uncontrollable increases	Nico	retired
	2026-09-14 13:55:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not tax me further with fixed basic charges because I was forced to install solar due to the inability of ESCOM to provide the basic electricity is was mandated to provide. a Government doing this to its own citizens is unthinkable	Nico	employed individual
	2026-09-14 13:56:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caro	
	2026-09-14 13:59:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andy	retired
	2026-09-14 14:01:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	we pay enough rates & taxes, we try to reduce our dependence on an unreliable grid and get penalised for it. eskom at one time could not provide enough electricity and were happy for us to utilise solar	Fred	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:07:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Uwe	retired
	2026-09-14 14:08:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalize private capital and solar investments by imposing fixed grid fees. So stop the Sun Tax . Stop municipalities from hiking tarrifs on non solar homes to cover lost revenue due to industrial and off -grid defection. Protect captive consumers. Ensure whole sale market reforms do not leave everyday households to pay the bill for grid infrastructure. Don't make electricity even more unaffordable for average households. Stop penalizing those who installed solar out of their own pockets.	Hettie	
	2026-09-14 14:10:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marika	retired
	2026-09-14 14:13:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The people on the street cannot afford more penalties, taxes or higher electricity prices. Because eskom are failing do we now have to pay the price.	Irene	retired
	2026-09-14 14:16:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Pierre	retired
	2026-09-14 14:17:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As indicated by others, we bought solar, changed to LED lighting that is not cheap, changed to gas appliances, considering a solar geyser - all at a cost where we pay VAT, so government is getting more than our am savings!!! All of these interventions are to use and pay less for a product that we all need and to "help" Eskom overcome their inability to supply power to all - with a focus on consistent supply, every time there is an outage I have to worry about our frozen and refrigerated food spoiling before we can eat it. I use less power because of the above interventions - Yet we are all being punished for using less - be it solar owners or not!!! Another thieving ANC entity that the consumer has bailed out year after year and now reflects a very healthy income statement at the cost on the everyday person - totally corrupt organization	Sally-Anne	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:19:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar was encouraged by the government even going so far as to offer tax breaks to install solar. Now they want to tax that. If the Eskom had been able to supply electricity no one would have installed solar. Solar became a necessity when the government couldn't supply electricity and we had to make our own plans. At some stage government needs to take responsibility for their incompetence, you can't just keep taxing people there is no more money	Dave	
	2026-09-14 14:23:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When ESCOM was in trouble, we the rate payers, with our own money installed Solar panels, inverters and batteries so helped ESCOM with their problem in the 2020's. They did not pay a cent to help us (the tax rebate come after most people already installed their Solar system). Now they want to tax us - that is a slap the face! If ESCOM did the preventative maintenance - as they should have done - none of this taxing people would have been necessary. Now we must pay for their mismanagement!	Kalie	retired
	2026-09-14 14:24:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the Sun Tax. Do not penalize private capital and solar investments by imposing fixed grid fees. Protect captive consumers. Stop municipalities from hiking tariffs on non solar to cover lost revenue due to industrial and off-grid defection. Ensure whole sale market reforms do not leave everyday households to cough up for grid infrastructure. Electricity must remain affordable for the average household.	Tinie	
	2026-09-14 14:26:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired

	2026-09-14 14:37:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government requested private householders to assist Escom when they could not produce enough electricity. We received a small tax rebate as a reward for doing so. Now it wants to punish us for the very same thing? We still have to expensive electricity. We had to cover the high capital cost of installing solar power. Hay cost needs to be recovered. Having to pay a high fixer fee for the grid which has already been paid for by our taxes and usage charges is absolutely unfair and unconstitutional. We will fight this proposal just as we did the Sanral Toll costs forced on us in Johannesburg and Tshwane.	Keith	
	2026-09-14 14:37:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Bongani	
	2026-09-14 14:38:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm "happy" to pay for electricity that I use from the grid at a fair price. Eskom's corruption and incompetence is not to be made another tax on citisens.	Pieter	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:38:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalize private capital and solar investments by imposing fixed grid fees. Stop the Sun Tax. Stop municipalities from hiking tariffs on non solar homes to cover lost revenue due to industrial and off-grid defection. Protect captive consumers. Ensure whole sale market reforms. Do not leave everyday households to pay the bill for grid infrastructure.	Riaan	
	2026-09-14 14:42:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am not against the registration of SSEG's but am against the taxing of those who have put solar on their rooftops. I am effectively off the grid as a registered SSEG, reducing loadshedding and should not be taxed for this,	John	
	2026-09-14 14:43:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	retired
	2026-09-14 14:46:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm against the taxing of those who have put solar on their rooftops. Plus it won't achieve what the want to achieve because those with solar will just buy a few more panels and disconnect from the grid completely.	Johann	employed individual
	2026-09-14 14:52:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Load shedding was the reason I installed solar. Load shedding was not my fault and should not be penalised for making the best out of a bad government situation due to corruption and state capture. Recover the funds from the looters, not the consumers. I also support green energy which should be commended, not penalised.	Mark	self-employed
	2026-09-14 14:55:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that • NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. • no mandatory fixed network charges on solar and low volume users. • tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes.	Sheena	retired
	2026-09-14 14:55:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At great expense we installed solar during load-shedding. It is unfair to tax us because we used our initiative to solve a problem with Eskom.	Sarah	retired
	2026-09-14 15:03:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Just where do you expect us to get more money from?	Adriaan	retired
	2026-09-14 15:05:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	retired
	2026-09-14 15:08:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The taxpayer is already over taxed. Eskom failed the consumer and failed to supply electricity to the country, the consumers then made a plan to have electricity and now Eskom wish to punish the consumers further.	Don	retired
	2026-09-14 15:10:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep my lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious rate-paying citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Riaan	
	2026-09-14 15:12:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Double pain for us who invested in solar energy to compensate the inefficiency of Eskom with long years of heavy load shedding phases, while still paying this atrocity of electricity bills!!! THIS IS A SCANDALE, one more on the account of this government.	Alex	self-employed
	2026-09-14 15:19:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Am concerned that this will place an increased burden on me with the already heavy burden of electricity charges and municipal rates. As a fully paid-up ratepayer, who had also invested in the cost of solar, I do not appreciate any extra charges that may be imposed.	ELEANOR-MARY	retired
	2026-09-14 15:20:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		nick	retired
	2026-09-14 15:22:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is supposed to deliver a service, which they cannot because of corruption, mismangement etc. Yet we, the public, pay premium prices for solar systems so that we can maintain our standard of living. With that, we also lighten the load on the grid, which should be a good thing. Yet they punish us for doing it? This is a disgrace.	Annalien	retired
	2026-09-14 15:31:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom did this shortage and not reliable by them selves Stealing and over paid, lazy staff Eskom forced normal households to do something to survive Eskom should be punished for not delivering	William	retired
	2026-09-14 15:39:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	retired
	2026-09-14 15:44:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom's inability to provide adequate electricity (along with over the top tariff increases) was the main reason for households installing solar PV. It was even encouraged in order to cover the country's electrical requirement. Its madness that these households now are penalised for being part of the solution.	Craig	self-employed
	2026-09-14 15:53:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Francois	business owner
	2026-09-14 16:06:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-14 16:07:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-09-14 16:08:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Next thing is that the government will tax sunbathing! Wherever they can extort money to corrupt and steal, they want to lay their hands on!	Gerrit	
	2026-09-14 16:10:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goal posts continue to shift. We cant afford eskom electricity, our businesses are about to close and 100's of employees left without a monthly income from job losses. We use our last savings for 2 pot pension pot to save jobs and keep businesses alive by installing solar. Now we need to pay a solar tax. NO!!!! goverment must stop this bullying tactic. i will never invest in SA ever again if this solar tax happens	craig	
	2026-09-14 16:13:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because of the incompetence of Escom and the extremely high personnel cost at Escom and most municipalities they keep on just passing the cost to the consumer. How about reducing your overheads?	Cobus	retired
	2026-09-14 16:14:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households and businesses using solar power have invested in this alternative power supply at their own cost to ensure their own power supply when the municipality is unable to deliver. As a result, the demand on the municipal grid is alleviated, rendering greater capacity for the municipality to provide power to homes and businesses without solar power. This lightens the load for Eskom, rather than adding to it. It therefore doesn't make sense, and is exploitative for solar power users to be penalised for being part of the solution towards alleviating the power crisis.	Candice	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:16:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andries	
	2026-09-14 16:16:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	There has been no proper forethought into these Electricity regulations. Eskom has forgotten why so many people , Companies, and organisations changed to Solar. It was all due to Eskom incompetence, constant increase in tariffs, that instigated people to install solar, and discovering how much money could be saved. To now bully the public who have So invested in Solar with massive increases in fixed charges is unacceptable. If we had not installed Solar we would still have load shedding. I therefore support competition, Wholesale trading, and methods to invest in cheaper forms of supply I object very strongly to fixed price increases and mandatory supply. As solutions and amendments should be provided. Those with Solar should be rewarded, by allowing them to feed back into the grid , that excess power alone would compensate Eskom for the fixed charges that they are considering. In addition the use of Solar is green. It's clean power, and Solar users should be rewarded with carbon credits that could be used by the consumers to offset the cost of operating the grid. All these threats are if no assistance to the general public. The arrogance of Eskom management to punish us Solar users is neither helpful, nor in the long run going to solve the cost issues. After all as a solar investor, if I consider it necessary, I will invest a little more, and go off the grid completely., That will give me a saving of currently R 10,000 a month if not more.	Perry	business owner
	2026-09-14 16:17:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After living through the nightmare of loadshedding and avoiding it by paying a substantial amount on solar, I must now continue to fund Eskom's inefficiency and corruption? No!	Shelley	
	2026-09-14 16:18:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a property owner and resident (and a pensioner) who responsibly installed solar panels at a significant cost to myself to ensure the delivery of electricity and to assist the state in its desire to supply electricity to all its people. My own security and comfort dictated my decision not to be completely reliant on a power system that is erratic. I shouldn't be penalized in any way for being a responsible citizen who is on the grid and paying for this, and having sufficient solar power to protect my family from State inefficiency (much of it corruption, inferior coal, coal theft, using diesel and overpaying Eskom board members).	Stirling	retired
	2026-09-14 16:21:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-14 16:26:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fritz	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:28:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am so fed up for this issue! During the ridiculous long load shedding months we were encouraged by the government to make use of alternative electricity such as solar. Like myself lots of people spent a lot of hard earned money by doing this and we were even given a once off small tax relieve for solar panels purchased. However, now it seems that they want to punish us for what we have done. Totally unacceptable!	Johan	self-employed
	2026-09-14 16:30:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 16:36:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		skip	retired
	2026-09-14 16:36:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		zoe	
	2026-09-14 16:50:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Dawn	retired
	2026-09-14 16:54:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired

	2026-09-14 16:56:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-09-14 17:09:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government failed to provide me with reliable, affording electricity so I had no option but to install solar, no they want to penalize me when I had massive capex to provide for myself what they could not.	Amelia	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:09:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should anyone pay Eskom a fee for relieving the pressure on the grid. We are in this situation because of the shenanigans at Eskom and doesn't matter who caused it but the current leadership should not solve their problems by punishing the conscious consumers.	Tsimane	retired
	2026-09-14 17:12:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michele	
	2026-09-14 17:20:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jordanna	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:40:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalizing and charging consumers extra for utilizing solar is both immoral and against growth. The bill would penalize and burden responsible citizens who wish to reduce the burden on the state electricity suppliers and invest their own capital in energy production. Dis-incentivising such independence from the state is clearly immoral and should never be considered. Further, such financial penalties on citizen's capital investment in energy generation is extremely anti-growth. Quite literally the bill would make it harder for people to increase their energy production, and energy is the basis of all economic activity.	Nigel	self-employed
	2026-09-14 17:42:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brigitta	retired
	2026-09-14 17:44:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		DANIELE	
	2026-09-14 18:04:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. I insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. I require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Rudolf	business owner
	2026-09-14 18:07:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying way to much for electricity while municipalities squander the money or do not pay escom. So much corruption! We need independent suppliers a d the choice who we want to use.	Laura	retired
	2026-09-14 18:08:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Izelda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:10:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked to help out by Eskom giving us R15,000 towards Solar. So we did it and in total most people paid out R120,000 to R160,000 for a Solar setup. Now Eskom wants us to pay a tariff after we helped them out of there dilemma. No , No I'm off grid and will not pay them anything. Also the municipal grids have been paid for along time ago. The municipalities have been using a part of the electricity sales to pay for other services such as overstaffed and lazy municipal workers pay as well as municipal managers million Rand plus wages and bonuses and consulting agents due to incapable employees which shouldn't be paid as they haven't in many cases performed.	Raymond	retired
	2026-09-14 18:20:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People can't be taxed on becoming self efficient.	Erens	business owner
	2026-09-14 18:46:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am opposed to the government penalising private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees.	Joy	
	2026-09-14 18:48:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carolann	retired
	2026-09-14 19:01:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	self-employed
	2026-09-14 19:02:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	THIS REMAINS A BULLY TACTIC BY GOVERNMENT TO SUPPLEMENT INCOME FOR ESCOM WHICH HAS BEEN DESTROYED BY YEARS OF MISMANAGEMENT AND NOW EXPECTS TO BE ARTIFICIALLY SUSTAINED . SOLAR /WIND WHATEVER HAS ARRIVED AND NEEDS TO BE SUPPORTED FOR MANY GOOD REASONS - ESCOM HAS BECOME A SYMBOL OF WHAT NOT TO DO	Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-14 19:07:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	employed individual
	2026-09-14 19:20:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government cannot claim to own the electricity generation capacity of the sun. Taxing households that use solar is absurd.	Natascha	
	2026-09-14 19:29:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Johan	
	2026-09-14 19:39:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	self-employed
	2026-09-14 19:44:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	
	2026-09-14 19:52:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		pierre	
	2026-09-14 19:54:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot be taxed on the free sun, we cannot be held liable for the failures of Eskom and can and will not be assisting in further financial exploitation due to their incompetence and their disrespectful treatment of their paying customers!	Francois	
	2026-09-14 20:16:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the anc government is two faced but what is new. On the one hand they encourage you to invest in solar and on the other hand they now want to "tax" you. Rather get rid of staff who sit around and do nothing all day and your finances will improve. Fight corruption, appoint competent staff and it will go well with you.	Graham	employed individual
	2026-09-14 20:26:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glenn	retired
	2026-09-14 20:48:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If a service isn't provided and people find their own way to resolve the issues such as solar, they have taken the responsibility to deal with what Eskom and municipal services couldn't. You don't own the sun! Be grateful solar owners aren't loading your service more. People who can't afford solar shouldn't have to subsidise the corrupt companies who have benefited from the old system.	Anthea	
	2026-09-14 20:54:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It was Eskom who got us looking at alternatives when the started Load Shedding. We decided to go solar and look at the difference it has made. Even during the winter months Eskom had spare electricity. By the time this can turn into legislation and being hauled to court they will not be governing us post 2029.	Kantilal	
	2026-09-14 20:59:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maatje	employed individual
	2026-09-14 21:17:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anna Marie	retired
	2026-09-14 21:21:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	retired
	2026-09-14 21:33:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Francois	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 21:47:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-14 22:23:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	such disgusting laws to finance a broken ESKOM. who is still bankrupt. so effectively we are being charge a fixed rate to use the sun, thats is disgusting, the sun is free of charge and if we use ESKOM then its to pay what we use , but not a fixed charge this who want to disconnect permanently from the grid should be allowed to do so ..... and pay nothing show me the law that says a household must be connected to the grid, I want out of this tariff and theft by the ANC government and ESKOM	robert	retired
	2026-09-14 22:42:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-14 23:31:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a totally off grid property, I am curious as to the approach, (hopefully within the law) by ESKOM, how they will justify charging users of sun rays, who have absolutely no access to the grid! In these cases, I totally oppose any suggestion that likewise users are burdened with charges.	Sam	self-employed
	2026-09-15 00:10:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Government should be punishing the criminals who steal the money, not the law abiding, tax paying citizens!	SEAN	business owner
	2026-09-15 00:13:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Esaiah	self-employed
	2026-09-15 00:45:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wicked	retired
	2026-09-15 04:52:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		AJ	retired
	2026-09-15 05:20:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The energy sector should be privatised to vecome competetive in the market and to stop the looting. This is the only option for a sustainable competitive energy supply market.	Clifford	employed individual
	2026-09-15 05:26:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janette	

	2026-09-15 05:29:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar at great economic cost as the municipality was unable to supply my families needs. I am still paying thi investment off, these costs are offset by my monthly electrical bill. After paying it off I will need to replace batteries. I can't afford the cost of solar as well as any additional tarrifs that the municipality is thinking up. I was forced to go solar due to loadshedding, I can't now be penalised for this chive. There was no other choice at th time	Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-15 05:34:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Theo	
	2026-09-15 05:48:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Clive	retired
	2026-09-15 06:06:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joe	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 06:40:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired
	2026-09-15 06:48:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	self-employed
	2026-09-15 06:49:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost cannot shift to already overburden rate payers. Alternatives must be looked at.	Su	employed individual
	2026-09-15 07:16:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ambrose	Non-profit
	2026-09-15 07:40:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You caused this problem out of greed and mismanagement, the public made a plan to SURVIVE and now you want to punnish them. The sun is free, it is a gift from God. Next we will have to pay to breath air.	Meryl	
	2026-09-15 07:42:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government requested us to find other avenues of power and for the few who did as requested they now want to penalize us. Due to their incompetency.	Odette	retired
	2026-09-15 07:48:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jakobus	retired
	2026-09-15 07:54:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and municipalities are choosing to tax the people to death, rather than improve their services, cut corruption and innovate. It is shocking that they are even attempting this.	Rodger	self-employed
	2026-09-15 07:56:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-09-15 07:59:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and Jhb City power are a disgrace. I installed solar at great expense and was partly responsible for saving their bacon. Now they want to punish us? We could supply the grid with excess power most days but it isn't permitted. They could solve supply issues by allowing tens of thousands of rooftop solar users feeding power back to the grid. They are not interested in long term solutions - only their own selfish selves. I'll buy more batteries and get off the grid. Good riddance.	Neil	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:01:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	
	2026-09-15 08:09:51	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Celine	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:12:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jens	retired
	2026-09-15 08:15:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariki	retired
	2026-09-15 08:20:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		REBECCA	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:21:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipal rates are becoming unaffordable to the average citizen, whilst at the same time service levels are non-existent. The lack of service delivery in SA is well documented, yet rates and tariffs continue to increase beyond affordable levels. At the same time the state monopoly on electricity supply via Eskom and the municipalities failed us during the recent past, and citizens had to resort to their own supply arrangements [mostly solar powered / off grid solutions] to still have electricity, which is essential in a modern economy and society in general, e.g. hospitals and schools as but one example. Now the state wants to claw back its monopoly income via all sorts of punitive tariffs, and once again the citizens of the country must pay for the state's inefficiency and lack of foresight. The state in the form of the ANC led government is South Africa's biggest growth inhibitor and must be fought by every democratic means possible.	Casper	self-employed
	2026-09-15 08:24:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cedric	
	2026-09-15 08:28:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		RICHARD	retired
	2026-09-15 08:35:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We spent R100 000 on solar because the electricity isn't trustworthy with loadshedding and unexplained electricity cuts and disruptions. We can't live that way, trying to do life, work, eat, shower etc with on and off electricity. God made the sun and you have no right to 'charge' for that just. We already paid (and still pay annually for new batteries). NO OTHER FEES!	Dezire	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:44:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	retired
	2026-09-15 08:51:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not supply the country with electricity so we, the already heavily taxed citizens, paid to install solar. This alleviated the pressure on the national grid, which helped Eskom. Now we are being penalised for their ineptitude and bad management!! It is preposterous!! We already pay a service charge and a network charge every month - where is that money going? It is time for the privatisation of Eskom!! Enough is enough!!	Amanda	retired
	2026-09-15 08:54:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to target legal taxpaying citizens for the lack of accountability in the rural areas where power is almost completely free- There is random residents that do pay electricity, but most does not pay and feed off illegal connections. People go off the grid for financial reasons and stability on the power supply that prevents damage to equipment. The real culprits that are causing ESKOM to suffer is the people who does not pay ESKOM after receiving payment from their residents and not paying ESKOM. WE had a beautiful shopping centre for almost 30 years and suddenly it had to close for the new owners used their rent and utility bill money for cars and housing for themselves!! Let all that use electricity pay a fair affordable amount, so that they are able to pay their electricity and thus reduce the pressure on the small percentage in the country that does pay their bills honestly. This way economy will stabilise regarding many other things and people will not feel forced to leave the ESKOM GRID due to unreasonable demand from the honest paying citizens while the majority of the country demand free services and ride on the backs of the 10-15 % that already pays for their free health clinics grants and SASSA.	Louette	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:57:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	
	2026-09-15 09:04:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments.	Sharwan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 09:14:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity supplier could not provide a consistent and reliable supply of electricity, and alternative solutions had to be implemented. The consumer had to incur the cost of implementing these alternatives in order to compensate for the shortfall in supply. Now that the electricity supplier is losing consumers due to high tariffs and ongoing supply problems, they want to penalize the very consumers who have spent their own time and money to address the supplier's failure to provide a reliable service.	Ivan	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:19:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop hiking the fixed charges to make up for lower demand caused by Eskom's failure to provide enough electricity which forced people to go to solar to survive.	Dave	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:20:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Vuyiso	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:21:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henry	
	2026-09-15 09:23:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cornelius	retired
	2026-09-15 09:31:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:36:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa's dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections.	Werner	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:51:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am at a loss of words as to the cunning skill deployed to rob hard working middle class citizens when the original shift from Eskom power consumption to renewable energy sources such as solar, was Eskom and the municipalities' doing in the first place! Why did you not deploy that same energy and cunning to maintaining operations and generation capacity? The immoral stance of a monopoly state-owned, mismanaged entity on "protecting" its own profits and super bonus pay-outs only communicates one thing, communism at its worst form is alive and well in the thinking of those in power. There is no freedom here. No freedom of choice, no free market economy where participation and competition is welcomed to allow everyone a place under the sun. The statement that poor will suffer the most, is rather erroneous. The poor and destitute in the townships already do not pay for electricity with their discounts and even illegal connections. It is the working class that pays taxes and keeps this country going that suffers at the hand of cunning profiteering. You should all be ashamed of yourselves. Stop this nonsense of fleecing the goose that lays the golden eggs (working, taxpaying citizens) to fund the small elite's way of life. Start by "tightening the executives' belts" financially and refuse to pay out huge dividends to the shareholders (ANC). Show the people of South Africa, that the country comes first, by being responsible and hard working, seeking to serve, not to self-indulge. If all the thieves and robbers of South Africa would employ the same amount of skill and energy to construction, nation building, and community service, South Africa would be a beacon of light to the world!	Alick	

	2026-09-15 10:12:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:27:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sun Tax - When ESKOM and the government could not provide stable, continuous electricity, tens of thousands of citizens and businesses invested private capital or hard earned savings deploying solar energy around the country. Government even rewarded those who did so with a financial incentive. Now, that same government wants to penalise those whom it previously commended by adding an even greater financial burden onto those who are already shouldering the bulk of SA's taxation. This is unacceptable and will only drive people to disconnect entirely from the grid or simply fail to pay their municipal bills, adding to an already catastrophic breakdown of municipalities. Captive Consumers - Big business already has the greatest number of tax loopholes available to it. Now you want to give them cheaper electricity too? Who do you think is going to have to make up that shortfall within municipalities? The residents, of course, who have no option but to buy energy at vastly overinflated prices to make up the difference. Transparency - All over the world we've seen firsthand the impact of privatising things like energy. You're putting a constitutional obligation of government in the hands of people whose ONLY goal is to get rich(er). This will benefit no one except those who get these lucrative contracts and their corrupt cronies in government. If government put as much energy and effort into proper governance as it does into fleecing its citizens of everything they have then this would be a first world country.	Richard	retired
	2026-09-15 10:37:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun existed BEFORE the ANC or the beginning of man. Fact: Eskom is corrupt. Eskom is State Owned. ESKOM IS TOP HEAVY And over staffed on the ground. Fact: The sun is free. It belongs to our universe, not ESKOM NOR NERSA. Go steal from the politicians, NOT US WORKING CLASS, we're taxed enough already.	Manuel	retired
	2026-09-15 10:40:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun existed BEFORE the ANC or the beginning of man. Fact: Eskom is corrupt. Eskom is State Owned. ESKOM IS TOP HEAVY And over staffed on the ground. Fact: The sun is free. It belongs to our universe, not ESKOM NOR NERSA. Go steal from the politicians, NOT US WORKING CLASS, we're taxed enough already.	Luisa	retired
	2026-09-15 10:42:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun existed BEFORE the ANC or the beginning of man. Fact: Eskom is corrupt. Eskom is State Owned. ESKOM IS TOP HEAVY And over staffed on the ground. Fact: The sun is free. It belongs to our universe, not ESKOM NOR NERSA. Go steal from the politicians, NOT US WORKING CLASS, we're taxed enough already.	Ana	retired
	2026-09-15 10:45:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The net outcome of penalizing consumers who pay and then also not delivering the services or product promised means they go some where else. ESKOM: Collect the money from municipalities that you are owed or cut them off. Raise the prices and penalize me, then I install a small size wind generator and tell the municipality to disconnect the house.	A	
	2026-09-15 10:48:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizanne	
	2026-09-15 10:50:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar users should be afforded the credit of feeding solar power back into the grid. Not have to pay fixed charges for lightening the load on the grid ! which in turn reduces maintenance on the grid as well!	Rudi	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:51:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Work with the public, do not alienate them with your attempts at bullying. Its not a crime to save money, and to use alternative methods to alleviate ones personal costs. remember Eskom , We solar users are using clean energy, thats helpful to the environment, we are using less dirty energy supplied by coal mines releasing pollution into the air. SA received 400 billion from Europe to close down coal fired power stations , and here is Eskom trying to make the consumer pay for it. Eskom Think out of the Box, there are other ways of solving the financial side. What about consumers who use Solar receiving carbon credits, which the Municipalities can sell to the heavy polluters like Eskom, to offset taxes.	Perry	business owner
	2026-09-15 11:05:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has made a handsome profit on the back of increased charges. During load shedding it encouraged people and businesses to install solar energy. Now that it has capacity and healthy profits it wants to penalise consumers for doing what it asked them to do. This is not acceptable. It is in fact the action of a rapacious parastatal and government intent only on enriching themselves. In addition, it is an action which runs contrary to climate change mitigation policies which encourage the use of alternative technology such as solar.	Jeanette	retired
	2026-09-15 11:24:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet another way for government to steal from the citizens of this country!	Lauren	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:45:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	First of all you encourage us to spend a huge amount on solar panels and then you want to penalise us for doing so. Ridiculous.	Janet	self-employed
	2026-09-15 11:54:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paula	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:08:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deon	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:22:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to provide a reliable source of electricity. Moreover, the state encouraged the installation of roof top solar by providing a tax rebate to these households. You can't encourage us by giving us a tax rebate on one hand and then punish us with high fixed monthly network charges. Will the "Sun Tax" also be imposed upon RDP homes with solar geysers and solar energy?	Tony	
	2026-09-15 12:24:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the consumers of Eskom power, whether you have solar power or not, should not be charged with these penalties due to Eskom not maintaining the grid and been unable to supply uninterrupted electricity . This directly led to households installing Solar power, at great expense. We all paid for our power what happened to the money? Eskom should rather look into the illegal users that are connected to the grid and collect due money from them.	Barbara	retired
	2026-09-15 12:28:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Manie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 12:28:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed is an unacceptable punitive measure placed on already overburdened public. Brought about by the inefficiency of the service providers	Morne	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:32:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just totally ridiculous charging for the Sun, and then also expect everyone to put up with their power outages!!	Erika	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:41:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Same old Story again bunch of scumbag thieves raping the general public to fund their lavish lifestyles and thieving habits	Patrick	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:01:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom and government should be taken to court and FINED for failing the people of South Africa. We ALL SUFFERED because of their poor decisions when told about not having enough capacity to supply electricity to the country yet THEY DID NOT CARE about the PEOPLE and Businesses of this country, and we LOST very productive companies and people because of GOVERNMENT and Eskom. Then ESKOM asked the PEOPLE of South Africa to help them and put in Solar, and we would be paid back certain amounts. So, Eskom and Government MUST Answer to that in Court.	Kevin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-15 13:11:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The middle and upper middle class pays for everything. We cannot pay more / higher fixed charges than we already do. It is a large investment to install solar, especially for a small business. You only recoup the money invested over 15+ years. If charges are added, middleclass people and small businesses will not be able to afford & install solar.	Christie	business owner
	2026-09-15 13:12:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephan	business owner
	2026-09-15 13:27:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	self-employed
	2026-09-15 13:29:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom created the problem, don't let the consumer pay for it	Erik	business owner
	2026-09-15 13:46:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-15 13:51:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With respect to The ANC-controlled Eskom Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, I must politely object to the proposed legislation: it looks less like a fair tariff and more like a bait-and-switch, where one escapes the grid only to find Eskom still billing you for a relationship you’ve ended. It like charging rent for a house you no longer live in, or a “fresh air levy” for opening a window; if the goal is to encourage self-reliance and clean energy, penalising people for not buying your product is a curious way to say “please stay,” and it risks making Eskom’s name synonymous with paying for nothing - which during load-shedding was somewhat ironic.	David	retired
	2026-09-15 13:58:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Please stop stealing more from the hard-working citizens of this country. We can barely make it through a month, but still you want to take more.	Hannes	
	2026-09-15 13:59:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	employed individual
	2026-09-15 14:04:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-15 14:09:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In the first instance, with prolonged loadshedding, consumers had no alternative but to find alternative power supplies. These alternative power supplies were, and are, expensive. They simply substituted the supplier and did / do not reduce the overall cost of power provision. While fewer Eskom units may be used, the solar plant (inverter, batteries, panels etc.) Costs the end user. It is not free. If amortized over it's useful life, it remains a cost to the consumer. Worse still, when Eskom was failing to meet a reduced demand, & remained unreliable, consumers were encouraged by tax incentives on solar panels to relieve the pressure on Eskom. Now they bite back? Many businesses might have failed without alternative power supply. Solar power is NOT free!! There is a significant cost to installing the necessary equipment and it does not last forever. It requires maintenance and replacement components at the customers cost, not Eskom's.	Ursula	retired
	2026-09-15 14:23:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For too long we have been manipulated into paying extremely high electricity costs. The manipulation of consumers rights and pockets needs to stop. Electricity rates should be standardised and transparent. Taxes are paid to maintain the country and its people - less theft and corruption means more money to spend. Solar users should not be punished. People only invested in solar as Eskom could not supply constant electricity. Indigents should perhaps all receive solar systems to lessen the burden on the rest of the country.	Kathy	self-employed
	2026-09-15 14:34:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Cathrine	employed individual
	2026-09-15 14:36:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	the ANC-led government is, again, attempting to cover its own failures by penalising tax-paying and law-abiding SA citizens	Jacki	self-employed
	2026-09-15 14:42:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Levies and taxes on owners of solar, are unfair, and probably unlawful to let people pay while no extra service is rendered. We paid for our solar ourselves with no support from anybody else	Jannie	retired
	2026-09-15 15:05:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM have requested the public to invest in alternative energy resources when they could not supply enough electricity to the grid a few years ago = loadshedding. ESKOM also requested RIDICOLOUS tariff increases to fund their mismanagement of the utility. This is STILL continuing. Last year they changed their billing structure to force down levies whether you use 10 kW or 500 kW in a month. Now they are FORCING down laws to enrich themselves while their Senior Managent earns RIDICOLOUSLY high salaries. To "fine" people who spent thousands of Rands on solar is CRAZY!	Carel	retired
	2026-09-15 15:13:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	

	2026-09-15 15:33:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When individuals put in solar, they are trying to achieve two things mainly - regular electricity supply, and also taking a load of the main grid, so the government can provide electricity in a better and effective way for others. To now be penalised for this aspect is not encouraging citizens to find solutions to government problems that the government should have resolved but could not.	Favoured	
	2026-09-15 15:41:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		D	retired
	2026-09-15 15:49:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Punitive fixed tarrifs for ordinary consumers who have installed their own power generation systems is surely not constitutionally correct or allowable. Municipalities must also be forced to bolster their electricity supply systems to ensure that illegal connections (which use electricity with out paying anything) are not only discovered and disconnected but that reasonable reparation is recovered from the freeloaders, to alleviate the substantial debts owed to ESKOM?	Will	retired
	2026-09-15 15:53:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Absolutely unbelievable that municipalities want to now charge us for not having solar! Just so that they can use it! This must be stopped! Enough looting of ordinary hard-working citizens! We have been forced to pay exorbitant increases for years. We have paid enough!	gina	self-employed
	2026-09-15 15:53:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I installed solar at high cost to counter load shedding, caused by the government, with no subsidy from government. Now they want me to pay more for what I have already paid. That is just criminal.	Jobert	employed individual
	2026-09-15 17:07:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally object to fixed charges for those who installed solar to help Eskom out. Should not be punished for this at all. Why should one pay if awayfor a month or 2 and using a little? Everyone is finding life expensive and if one can save on something then why not electricity that cost lot of money to install in the first place, loadshedding was terrible , no one got a reduction on monthly supply charges when no supply was being provided for 11 hours plus a day. And this went on for years.	Roz	retired
	2026-09-15 17:27:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matthew	self-employed
	2026-09-15 17:28:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom used to produce electricity for not only our country but most of Southern Africa, and was extremely affordable to the taxpayer and well run. They were also producing about 65,000-70,000 megawatts of power. Since the ANC has taken over, electricity has gone up on average about 20%-30% per annum over the last 20 years or more, megawatts produced down to circa 40,000 mega watts, mass fraud and corruption, more than doubled the headcount at salaries the private sector wouldn't pay, rolling blackouts, burning diesel to keep the lights on and so it goes on. Incompetence, corruption and fraud seem to rein at Eskom, which the innocent tax payer has been unfairly burdened with. Charge for Solar, absolutely not, based on what I said above, the taxpayer paid out of their own pocket to protect themselves against the incompetence of Eskom, not you want to charge them for having done that, NO. I agree with privatizing the production of power, cos if done correctly, should actually see the cost of electricity decrease as the private companies root out overstaffing, corruption, inflated salaries etc. However, if privatization is going to lead to cadres getting power plants, this will definitely become a gateway to future unsustainable increases, as nothing will be done to fix the underlying problems. All these changes the ANC tries to implement only has themselves in mind and what they can score from it, not us taxpayers.	Michael	business owner
	2026-09-15 17:41:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Johann	business owner
	2026-09-15 17:44:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mike	retired
	2026-09-15 18:44:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to supply power to South Africans, we were encouraged to assist the government on reducing demand to the grid. The government was even prepared to subsidise us to look for alternative power. What they are are now doing, is punishing us for helping us them in the past. They didn't even tell us that once the grid stabilizes we're going to pay for using power from the sun. I feel that Eskom and the government withheld crucial information. Why am I now the bad guy for trying to help out when there was an electricity crisis. I'm still paying off a loan I took for solar installation. This is plain unfair. Eskom and municipalities must look for revenue from people who are stealing electricity and leave us alone!	Nomhle Constance	employed individual
	2026-09-15 19:11:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom want to punish people because of their bad management practices, and we will not allow them to do this anymore. Eskom knows they are at the end of their excitants.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-09-15 19:21:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mulaudzi	self-employed
	2026-09-15 19:39:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will affect everything, the cost of goods, the cost of living and cost of services. Money is limited as is.	M	employed individual
	2026-09-15 19:42:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to any legislation that will force consumers to pay any sort of connection fee. I have installed solar energy to be independent of continual power breaks and surges, and believe that everyone should have the right to be independent if they so choose. This country is a democracy which means that everyone has a free choice and should not be penalised for that choice. Electricity has been relatively unreliable for years, and we have been taxed to pay for Eskom's losses. It is double taxation to tax us to pay for Eskom losses and then to tax us again for generating our own electricity. This is a constitutional matter - will I amongst others will make sure that it gets there.	Gareth	retired
	2026-09-15 20:05:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	retired
	2026-09-15 20:35:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	self-employed
	2026-09-15 21:26:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	employed individual
	2026-09-15 21:33:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-15 21:47:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanne	retired
	2026-09-15 22:03:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Godfrey	self-employed
	2026-09-15 22:12:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	employed individual
	2026-09-16 00:14:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nomy	retired
	2026-09-16 06:17:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar panels and batteries are an expense which the householder pays. This should not be taxed by government.	Helen	retired
	2026-09-16 06:24:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:00:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip Loots	
	2026-09-16 08:04:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is totally unacceptable for the Government and Eskom to try to limit or penalise me for my personal choice on how power is proveided or supplied to me in my private home. It is sufficient that the government and municipalities have extorted enormous sums from those of us who pay for our power. The provision of free electricity to many thousands who have the capacity to pay is criminal and should be stopped. Finally there is no way that individuals cannot choose the most cost effective way in which to power our homes. ENOUGH ALREADY	C J	retired
	2026-09-16 08:23:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roberto	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:30:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anke	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:05:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Municipality and by extension the Government failed dismally in providing a reliable steady supply of electricity and forced persons such as myself to expend my savings to compensate for their very poor performance. Now they want to further penalise Ratepayers such as myself by fixing a charge for even possessing a solar plant which by the way aids the municipality and state.	Ed	retired
	2026-09-16 09:24:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a home owner and have invested heavily into Solar over the last years. My investment eases the strain on the Grid and helps Eskom. If I take power from the grid, I pay for it. Therefore I object to frame this as "free ride". As an investor I rely on the stability of rules and find it unfair to change the rules while running. On a different note: Over the year, I produce more power than I use, but the current Eskom policy prevent me from feeding this back to the Grid. Eskom should embrace solar owners and not punish them.	Udo	business owner
	2026-09-16 09:34:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Municipality and by extension the Government failed dismally in providing a reliable steady supply of electricity and forced persons such as myself to expend my savings to compensate for their very poor performance. Now they want to further penalise Ratepayers such as myself by fixing a charge for even possessing a solar plant which by the way aids the municipality and state.	Hennie	
	2026-09-16 09:37:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	RENE	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:38:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Chanel	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:46:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rene	
	2026-09-16 09:57:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lionel	
	2026-09-16 10:11:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gino	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:32:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You can all just stop trying to squeeze blood from a stone now. What did you think would happen when you decided it was more important to allow theft and let some people 'eat' as Pravin Gordhan said, than to build capacity to supply the whole of South Africa with stable power? Did you think we'd all be satisfied to live in the dark while bearing the burden of high costs? You must be smoking your socks!	Gillian	retired
	2026-09-16 10:45:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market transformation must focus on operational efficiency, fair competition, and cost-reflective operational expenditure, rather than penalizing private green energy investment and forcing captive electricity users to fund structurally flawed utility models. Tariff structures must prioritize fairness, encourage renewable adoption, and protect households from arbitrary fixed penalties.	David	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:47:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Craig	employed individual

	2026-09-16 10:57:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Felicity Williams	
	2026-09-16 11:05:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fix your mess, structure your pricing correctly, then we will pay. Simple.	Paul	retired
	2026-09-16 11:18:56	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unacceptable to get robbed by Eskom.	Mareli	employed individual
	2026-09-16 11:44:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derick	
	2026-09-16 11:50:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another way of getting tax from people. Since when do you pay for energy from the sun? Does the government own the sun??? Anyone who chooses to use solar energy should not be taxed. Municipalities could use solar energy and put a reasonable levy on consumers who can't afford solar. If I choose to go the solar route, I will Not pay any so-called fine. Life is heavy for us who are trying to stay afloat in our country. Municipalities must Wake up and start projects where solar is introduced. Municipalities Must be investigated Properly and Thoroughly by Independant, Ethical people. Clanwilliam Municipality is committing fraud and it must be investigated.	Jenna	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 12:52:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every citizen of this country must pay for using electricity. Those persons who are receiving SASSA grants should get 6 KW on a monthly basis. All illegal connections must be stopped and the perpetrators brought to account.I am a pensioner and pay Eskom diligently every month.	Jay	retired
	2026-09-16 13:06:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	why must citizens be penalised for the billions stolen from corrupt leaders in Escom? The reason for changing over to solar power is due to Eskom's inability to supply demand! Absolutely criminal to lay the burden on ordinary citizens who was not part of Eskom's failure!!	Carel	
	2026-09-16 13:25:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Gertruida	retired
	2026-09-16 14:06:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the government is trying to make taxpayers pay for their inability to provide sustainable electricity to consumers. Taxpayers have spent millions ensuring that they have a constant electricity supply by investing in solar panels and the complimentary technology and now they are going to be penalized. Not fair! The idea that bulk users can deal directly with Eskom (which simply means that the government won't have to take action against municipalities that don't pay and upset their comrades) means that the municipalities revenue will decrease, ultimaely resulting in increased rates for the ratepayers - many of whom are already struggling financially. Fix the problem and stop passing the buck to the taxpayers!	Carol	business owner
	2026-09-16 14:09:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is absolutely ludicrous that you would want to charge us because we are not using electricity or enough electricity. We were forced to get solar panels because Eskom was unable to provide a continuous electrical connection, at great expense may I add.	Kim	
	2026-09-16 14:10:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maria	retired
	2026-09-16 15:30:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renee	
	2026-09-16 15:32:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and cannot afford all the charges. those deciding on these issues earn more than enough to pay for any charges/ unrealistic increases.. RSA is a corruption state	jaap	retired
	2026-09-16 16:23:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dane	
	2026-09-16 16:36:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The supply grid had an initial cost which Escom bore and borrowed money to cover its cost. Escom must recover that cost in the long term but surely that recovery can't be a forever liability for individual households. After 10 years say the individual household must have fulfilled its liability to Escom. Connection to the property from the municipal grid is paid for when the original connection fee is paid. Long established properties can not be expected to pay indefinitely for old infrastructure. A small fee for upkeep and maintenance is acceptable but any effort by Escom or a Municipality to cover their expenditure shortfalls by milking electricity end-users is banditry.	Mike	
	2026-09-16 17:50:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Latetia	retired
	2026-09-16 18:34:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked by Eskom to decrease the load on the system during loading shedding, and that is what South Africans did by buying solar, now Eskom is trying to punish those who have solar for doing exactly what they asked by charging a flat rate for everyone. I do not support this bill.	Roger	employed individual
	2026-09-16 19:32:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Benedicta	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 20:40:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They cannot provide me with reliable power supply, thus I HAD to install Solar. Now I must be penalized for their lack of governance which is very unfair.	Steven	employed individual
	2026-09-16 20:58:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannes	retired
	2026-09-16 21:00:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nathi	employed individual
	2026-09-16 21:11:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We now have to pay for electricity we don't use because Eskom couldn't provide us with any and forced us to find alternatives. This is highway robbery!	Tracey	employed individual
	2026-09-16 21:26:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I've carried the cost of solar hour can you penalize me? Sunlight is not owned? What would i be paying for if I'm of grid?	Lalu	employed individual
	2026-09-16 22:33:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pessie	employed individual
	2026-09-17 02:07:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	• Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-17 02:54:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consoder the poor masses in our beautiful country. Our appointed leaders must utilize their skills to solve challenges and not opt to increase cost and price. Ultimately, we the citizen's are carrying the impact. ?	Ramesh	retired
	2026-09-17 05:54:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mpho	employed individual
	2026-09-17 06:52:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There should not be penalties for people who become independent from a system which corrupt and cannot function properly. Small consumers shouldn't be punished for big companies and consumers leaving the grid due to the incompetence of ESKOM and their reliability.	Frederick	
	2026-09-17 07:00:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its very simple and I will stick to the principle: Pay for what you get. What do I get? I get very little to no basic services. What will I pay? A payment that should match these poor inhumane "services". I went through lots of stress and hard earned money to get myself solar so I can avoid all these criminals from Escom and Municipalities (yes criminals). I had to spend lots of cash to get a Jojo tank to collect water for the bad days which happens a lot. They (service providers) only focus to enrich themselves and its nothing to do about service delivery. If you were so honourable you would cut all government positions and affected 3rd party positions' salaries at least by half to fund the shortcomings that was caused by prior criminals that stole the service money. Putting the burden on loyal paying customers is unethical and just a plain criminal act hiding behind "legal" excuses. So for me I will not foot the bill of corruption and will not pay even higher fees	Marc	employed individual
	2026-09-17 07:53:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerhardt	
	2026-09-17 07:57:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniel	employed individual
	2026-09-17 08:38:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I recognise that Eskom must recover the legitimate costs associated with maintaining a safe, reliable and sustainable electricity network. Residential solar customers who remain connected to that network should therefore make a reasonable contribution towards those costs. However, cost recovery must be balanced against South Africa's equally important objectives of increasing private electricity generation, improving energy security, encouraging energy efficiency and accelerating investment in renewable energy. Consumers who use their own capital to generate clean electricity should not be placed in a position where escalating fixed charges substantially neutralise the financial benefits of doing so. I therefore request that Eskom and NERSA continually review the residential solar tariff framework to ensure that: * fixed charges are demonstrably cost-reflective, transparent and proportionate; * households are not effectively penalised for reducing grid consumption; * customers receive fair value for electricity exported to the grid; * tariffs continue to provide meaningful incentives for renewable-energy investment; * low-consumption solar households are not disproportionately affected; and * the long-term tariff framework provides sufficient certainty for consumers making substantial investments in renewable-energy systems. The electricity tariff framework should achieve a fair balance: customers should contribute reasonably towards the grid services they use, while households that invest their own resources in reducing pressure on the electricity system should continue to receive a meaningful economic benefit from that investment.	Nhlamulo	employed individual

	2026-09-17 08:44:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To Whom It May Concern, I hereby submit my objection to aspects of the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper due to concerns regarding fairness, affordability, and the potential unintended consequences for South African electricity consumers. 1. Opposition to Punitive Fixed Charges on Solar Users The proposal's "anti-free-riding" approach appears to unfairly penalise households and businesses that have invested significant private capital in rooftop solar systems. These investments have helped reduce pressure on the national grid, contributed to energy security, and supported South Africa's transition to cleaner energy sources. Introducing excessive fixed capacity or connection charges that are largely unrelated to actual electricity consumption undermines the economic viability of these investments and discourages future private sector participation in renewable energy development. Consumers who have invested in solar should not be subjected to punitive charges simply because they consume less grid electricity. 2. Protection of Non-Solar and Low-Income Consumers I am deeply concerned that electricity market restructuring may result in a shrinking revenue base for municipalities as large industrial customers gain access to alternative electricity procurement options. If municipalities respond by increasing tariffs and fixed charges for residential consumers, the burden will fall disproportionately on households that are unable to afford solar installations or alternative energy solutions. The Department should ensure that vulnerable consumers are protected from tariff increases that arise primarily from revenue shortfalls rather than actual service delivery costs. 3. Transparency and Cost Allocation Any restructuring of the electricity market must be accompanied by transparent and independently verifiable cost allocation models. Consumers deserve clarity regarding: The actual cost of maintaining distribution networks. How fixed charges are calculated. The impact of industrial customer migration on municipal finances. Measures to prevent cross-subsidisation from becoming excessive or unfair. Without full transparency, consumers cannot meaningfully assess whether proposed tariff structures are justified. 4. Encouraging, Not Discouraging, Energy Investment South Africa requires substantial investment in electricity infrastructure and generation capacity. Policies that create uncertainty or reduce the financial benefits of solar adoption may discourage future investment by households and businesses. The Department should develop a framework that recognises the value distributed generation brings to the grid while ensuring that network maintenance costs are recovered fairly and proportionately. Requested Action I respectfully request that the Department: Reconsider any policy measures that impose disproportionate fixed charges on solar users. Introduce safeguards preventing municipalities from transferring lost revenue burdens onto ordinary residential customers. Publish transparent cost studies and impact assessments before implementing tariff reforms. Ensure that market transformation promotes affordability, fairness, and investment in clean energy rather than penalising consumers who have acted to improve their energy resilience. Thank you for considering this submission.	Ashish	employed individual
	2026-09-17 08:48:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petro	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 08:50:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	CJ	
	2026-09-17 08:55:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not l	Ampie	retired
	2026-09-17 08:57:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get your thinking caps on government. We are not your Cash cows. I saved for years to access solar power. Why must I pay for using Eskom as a back up. Load shedding has been a reality for the past 20 years and that was extremely painful for myself and my family. We are human beings, not commodities!	Denzyl	retired
	2026-09-17 09:05:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacqueline	retired
	2026-09-17 09:28:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Howard	retired
	2026-09-17 09:34:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. A short while ago, government was subsidizing domestic installation and use of solar infrastructure, in order to lighten the load on the electricity grid. Now government wants to take punitive action against those that have conformed to this policy and all because it allowed decades of corruption, theft and treasonous self-sabotage within Eskom! The Constitution requires policy to be consistent, logical and fair. This new phase of government energy policy cannot be seen in isolation - it is clearly a dangerous mutation of the same thread of policy, which will undermine the evolution of South Africa's path towards the adoption of sustainable, non-polluting energy sources. It is not logical, it is not consistent (since it marks a reversal of a sound evolutionary path) and is therefore unfair, which brings it into conflict with the Constitution. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Barry	retired
	2026-09-17 09:40:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom pleaded with the ever patient citizens of RSA to reduce electricity usage. The citizens responded by spending their overtaxed earnings on solar systems to help Escom out of its perilous state of affairs. The citizens paid even more tax in the form of VAT to install solar systems !! Now Escom want to REPAY the citizens by taxing them again. Inflated electricity charges are already far to high. As a pensioner living on a fixed income we were already battling to stay warm during the past winter, now Escom want to freeze us. Were is their gratitude for everything that that citizens did in an attempt to help Escom out of the hole that it had dug itself by not maintaining generating equipment ??	Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-17 09:57:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chrisstoffel	employed individual
	2026-09-17 10:49:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	retired
	2026-09-17 11:11:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	
	2026-09-17 11:18:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since Eskom introduced load shedding, I have lost TV's, fridges and freezers including contents, which has increased my insurance premiums. So, if a provider cannot supply, then I have a right to look for alternative solutions. I will not pay Eskom money for services they don't supply, including sun power, which is the solar power.	Juele	employed individual
	2026-09-17 11:41:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and the fixed electricity charge is unfair and is making it impossible for me to cope. I use as little electricity as possible but the fixed charge is more than my consumption.	Moira	retired
	2026-09-17 12:31:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	À	Keith Moore	retired
	2026-09-17 12:42:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This useless company broke electricity in the country and now that the brave industrious South Africans found another way they still want to tax these people for something they in the first place refused to produce and deliver effectively to the people of SA. Voertsek anc, voertsek da and rest of gnu idiots	Jan-Casper	employed individual
	2026-09-17 13:14:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SCHALK	retired
	2026-09-17 13:22:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A few years ago when loadshedding was common, citizens were encouraged to get rooftop solar systems to take pressure of the grid since the electricity demand was too high. Now that we have invested the capital and took pressure of the grid, Eskom plans to penalize us for doing what we were encouraged to do because it failed to supply enough electricity. That is not right! I do not support the fixed monthly solar charges and being penalized for ensuring that we have electricity at our homes or businesses.	Tharina	self-employed
	2026-09-17 13:26:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Belaglik dat 'n besigheid wat monopolie het in die verbruikers mark, ekstra belasting wil hef en sy kliente verder wil verdryf deur hulle te penaliseer omdat hy nie aan die aanvraag kon voldoen nie. Soos krag pryse tans is, gaan niemand dit meer kan bekostig nie!	Lindie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 13:49:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		yusuff	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 14:02:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom caused this mess and if they threaten to disconnect me they can ho ahead	Paul	retired
	2026-09-17 14:20:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nobody has the right to charge God for giving us the sun	Martie	retired
	2026-09-17 14:23:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bernice	retired
	2026-09-17 14:28:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nobody has the right to tax the sun , next thing we will be taxed on the air we breathe . People have spent thousands to secure their own energy needs due to a situation created by ESKOM . Now that their sales are declining due to poor service delivery and extreme electricity unit costs they are crying that they are losing revenue . If they keep pushing this agenda every single person/business that has solar will disconnect from their useless overpriced grid and Eskom will receive nothing from these users at all .	Grant	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:28:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tobie	
	2026-09-17 14:31:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dereck	employed individual
	2026-09-17 14:35:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	House owners paid out of their own pockets for solar. It costs zero for the government. If they did contribuut or did the payment for the solar installation, it was anothet case but the house owners has to borrow money, pay interests and other costs for installation. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Goverment must rather concentrate on street walkers, people who have small business at their homes to be taxed.	Susara	retired
	2026-09-17 14:54:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Clive	business owner
	2026-09-17 15:08:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can the government put a levy on the use of the sun? Does government own the sun? Only God can control whether we have access to the sun or not, not any government.	Teboho	employed individual

	2026-09-17 15:17:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgusting proposal, South Africa had a perfect, well run, well managed Eskom generating and distribution system until the ANC raped it, stealing funds intended for new power stations, using unqualified managers to make decisions, paying wages far higher than the output deserves, causing people to invest in their own back up system. Now expecting them to pay more fore what they had before!	Trevor	retired
	2026-09-17 15:18:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	self-employed
	2026-09-17 15:57:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lehlohonolo	self-employed
	2026-09-17 16:05:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Reabetsoe	employed individual
	2026-09-17 16:08:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Delaine	
	2026-09-17 16:30:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We, the South African citizens who have to make a plan for rooftop solar due to the incompetence of the ANC Government, as well as corrupt State-Owned Enterprises, WE are now being labelled, as “free riders” with an “anti-free riding” principle! What is SOWETO if not free riding? Why are they not paying for their electricity? Why have corrupt people in the municipalities who have stolen funds paid for electricity, by us the consumers, not in jail? Now you want to punish the consumer for your incompetence and corruption. This is unacceptable and as corrupt as Zuma and the ANC!	Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-17 16:45:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is a resource that is free for all living beings of the world. No entity has the right to tax or levy any fee for generating power from the sun. If the state, municipalities and Eskom has failed to supply affordable energy without the fear of loadshedding then the installation of solar power would not have been needed by ordinary citizens. Trying to punish citizens with solar tax and fees for not using the grid fully or completely going off grid, are unreasonable and unconstitutional. They failed South Africans and have no business interfering with solar power. They did not pay for the solar systems so they have no say.	Zel-marie	
	2026-09-17 17:11:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerald	retired
	2026-09-17 18:13:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wayne	employed individual
	2026-09-17 19:30:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was duped by the spineless President to install Solar-power and get a rebate of R15000.00 from SARS. Now what nonsense is this about charging for power that's generated from the sun which is free. The next this rogue ANC will do is charge us for the air	Suresh	retired
	2026-09-17 19:56:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karolin	retired
	2026-09-17 20:21:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	https://www.facebook.com/share/p/19RuN7zVbR/ Did Eskom really back down on solar? Or did we just fall for a massive regulatory distraction? Over the past week, headlines celebrated Eskom supposedly "retreating" on threats to fine solar households up to R30,000. Here is what the victory laps didn't tell you: Eskom never had the legal authority under the Electricity Regulation Act to fine you in the first place. While public attention was fixed on an unenforceable phantom fine, the Department of Electricity and Energy gazetted a far more dangerous policy that introduces a direct "Sun Tax" on South African homes: the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper. Here is how this policy impacts your pocket—whether you have solar or not: ☀️ If You Have Solar: The policy paper introduces an explicit "anti-free-riding" rule. Because solar owners buy fewer units (kWh) while staying connected to the grid for backup, the state plans to shift billing away from usage toward punitive, mandatory fixed monthly network charges. You will be forced to pay high fixed connection fees every month just for having solar on your roof, regardless of how little grid electricity you draw. ? If You Do NOT Have Solar: You stand to take the hardest hit. The paper deregulates large industrial consumers (1 MW+), letting mines and factories bypass local municipal grids entirely to buy cheap wholesale power. As big business leaves and affluent homes switch to solar, municipalities lose their biggest revenue streams. Under this policy, those shortfalls will be dumped squarely onto "captive consumers"—everyday households who rely on the grid—through skyrocketing tariffs and basic service charges. A press release celebrating unenforceable Eskom claims will not stop this policy from becoming binding regulation. Under South African administrative law, the only record the Minister is legally required to consider is formal public participation on the gazetted document. ⏳ Written comments close on 20 September 2026. Have your say directly on the official record via the DearSouthAfrica platform in under 60 seconds: ? https://dearsouthafrica.co.za/electricity-transformation-paper/ Tell the Department: • Stop penalising private solar investments with mandatory fixed grid charges. • Protect non-solar households from shouldering the cost of municipal revenue shortfalls. • Ensure wholesale market restructuring doesn't leave ordinary citizens paying the bill.	Marie	retired
	2026-09-17 21:34:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You don't own the sun and you can't supply electricity now you want to penalize us for supplying our own	Elmarie	employed individual
	2026-09-17 21:49:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-17 22:05:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthea	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 22:25:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So sick of paying for non existing services. The government will use any means to get their filthy hands on our hardworking money. This crap must stop now!!!!!	Ria	retired
	2026-09-17 23:02:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	retired
	2026-09-18 03:18:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ray	
	2026-09-18 05:19:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You asked us in the power failure crises to assist. Many did at great expense to the consumer. Now instead of thanking us, your now smacking them . Shame on you	D	retired
	2026-09-18 06:09:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	employed individual
	2026-09-18 06:19:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	
	2026-09-18 06:38:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The anc power grab makes us all sick	Isabel	retired
	2026-09-18 06:57:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pierre	retired
	2026-09-18 07:11:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-18 07:16:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to this blatant attempt by government to once again punish citizens who are invested and responsible for providing their own services which has been necessitated by government’s own abject failure to provide these. Instead of welcoming the assistance and partnering with these admirable citizens by offering electricity buy back or discounts for low usage, as an example, the knee jerk reaction is to double tax and potentially ruin another successful citizen initiative. We want and deserve more considered and appropriate legislation that is constructive and supportive of citizens driven initiatives. Be better!	Jessica	self-employed
	2026-09-18 07:18:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Leave us alone. We invested into solar because of government failure.	Marius	
	2026-09-18 08:15:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mpho	
	2026-09-18 08:20:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iain	
	2026-09-18 08:29:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Megan	
	2026-09-18 08:35:08	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A ploy to charge the public yet again for Eskom’s incompetence. Ever rising prices since the power supplier was robbed of it’s legitimate finances, years of interrupted power, now trying to make the public who were forced to make other plans to access their power needs, to keep on paying regardless. It’s never ending theft on a grand scale.	Laura	retired
	2026-09-18 09:14:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie Hattingh	retired
	2026-09-18 09:39:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	
	2026-09-18 09:41:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hennie	employed individual
	2026-09-18 09:42:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Most of the residents who now have paid large sums to install solar at their homes did so exactly because Eskom was not able to reliably supply electricity. One of the reasons my own son gave for deciding to emigrate was that we had too many blackouts, in addition to the discriminatory BEE laws and violent crime he had been subjected to. To now try to force those same residents who took the onerous financial decision to install solar so as to avoid blackouts, for Eskom, and, or, municipalities, to try to penalise those same residents is obscene. I reject this. In addition, investing in solar is the right green choice to make for a sustainable future. The government, Eskom and municipalities should be supporting this not penalising residents in a position to help themselves, Eskom, and the country, by installing solar.	Roland	employed individual

	2026-09-18 10:03:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tim	employed individual
	2026-09-18 10:06:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I will do the Solar system and want to be disconnected from the grid. The government must give all house owners the choice of been connected or not connected to the grid. So, if I am disconnected, I don't have to pay any flat rates for electricity. The stupid government can't decide for me, if they want to do that, they are constitutionally correct. Firstly, they have to change the training legislation for stupid people before they are allowed to the government structure. I am not that clever, but I will do a better job than our current government.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-18 10:41:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So Eskom a failed SOE CAN'T provide electricity. Implementes load shedding for more than 10 years. Then when the citizens decide to power their own homes, Eskom says you must still pay? cause they have lost revenue? What about the billions lost to theft and corruption? Passing this on to the private citizens to. A totally failed SOE. Close it down. Allow the private sector to do its own energy supply.	Rob	
	2026-09-18 10:43:58	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As a business and a household we were forced to install solar systems and generators to keep our business operating due to Eskom inability to do their job. The very same people that helped to take the pressure off the grid are now being punished for it. Unacceptable ! Bring in proper competition suppliers of electricity such as Europe so consumers can benefit and not be help to ransom.	Sandra	business owner
	2026-09-18 11:05:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tracey	retired
	2026-09-18 11:11:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	David	business owner
	2026-09-18 11:29:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arie	business owner
	2026-09-18 13:40:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bennie	retired
	2026-09-18 14:12:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	As a small business owner that is heavily reliant on electricity I had to invest a huge amount of money on a solar solution due to load shedding. Taxing the sun and punishing people who were forced to spend a fortune to keep their businesses going while Eskom fails totally and completely is an unbelievably sinister move by Eskom and the government.	Monique	business owner
	2026-09-18 14:56:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	self-employed
	2026-09-18 15:10:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When Eskom was unable to produce power, citizens were encouraged to get solar to lessen the load, and now we have to pay a fine for doing this	Bronwen	employed individual
	2026-09-18 16:52:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Tanya	business owner
	2026-09-18 17:00:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired person I just simply cannot afford any more additional costs.	Dorothy	retired
	2026-09-18 18:21:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-18 19:33:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We the people cannot keep fitting the bill when the funds generated are being squandered. Get your house in order, stop the expecting the already strained consumer to foot the bill for your inability to correctly run an SOE	Zakaria	employed individual
	2026-09-18 21:25:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired person I just simply cannot afford any more additional costs due to your incompetence.	Rita	retired
	2026-09-18 23:48:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jarl	unemployed individual
	2026-09-19 04:57:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is unable to provide the necessary electricity, as individuals we have had to invest in solar and also have to pay our fixed electricity charges. Barries to supplying into the grid are still steep. Fixed charges for solar seem like an excessive measure to keep a monopoly on the market	Jenny	employed individual
	2026-09-19 05:38:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar is free energy we helping a collapsed grid and the government at our cost we should be given the right to the cheapest options available	Rajeev	employed individual
	2026-09-19 10:09:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support this bill. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Many household have gone over to solar out of necessity and lack of financial capacity to pay for the climbing prices of electricity. To have an affixed price for electricity would cause countless small, low income households to go bankrupt. Furthermore, ordinary consumers will become captive ratepayers. If large users above the threshold can leave municipal grids, households and small businesses will be left to carry municipal revenue gaps and legacy cross-subsidies. That risks a spiral of rising tariffs for those least able to pay.	Amy	
	2026-09-19 10:19:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is crazy do they own the sun? How can they introduce sun tax for something that is completely free. They failed to provide sustainable electricity to community now that we found an alternative source of electricity they want to legislate and take it away. We spend thousands of rands to install solar in our homes without government assistance now they want to tax us, it’s crazy even to think about it let alone gazette it. I will not not pay any tax or penalty I refuse to be bullied by this incompetent government.	Mzi	self-employed
	2026-09-19 11:07:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jessica	
	2026-09-19 11:13:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amelia	employed individual
	2026-09-19 11:49:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JAPIE	employed individual
	2026-09-19 12:28:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom can't charge for something that is not supplied by them , they are the sole reason people who could afford to get solar power did, because they could not supply enough electricity at the time	Mychel	
	2026-09-19 13:21:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A so-called 'open and competitive market's is not open at all if the State dictates it's conditions. Yet more smoke screens from this totalitarian ANC Regime.	Arjan	
	2026-09-19 13:33:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dennis	business owner
	2026-09-19 13:44:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have paid huge money to have solar because Eskom could not supply us electricity. Now they want to charge us for their incompetence!! Absolutely not!!	Bev	employed individual
	2026-09-19 14:39:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Susan	retired
	2026-09-19 17:17:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-19 18:02:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun DOESN’T belong to ANYBODY	Louis	
	2026-09-19 20:02:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Owners who helped relieve strain on electrity use by putting up solar should notbe punished	Elsa	retired
	2026-09-19 21:04:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have paid huge money to have solar because ESKOM could not supply us electricity. Resulting damages to our fridge/freeser and the rotting of foodstuff. Now they want to charge us for their incompetence. SORRY ABSOLUTELY NOT !!!	Johan	retired
	2026-09-19 21:28:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dan	retired
	2026-09-19 23:40:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	A “Sun Tax” on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance. Wholesale Price Volatility and Market Power Manipulation: Eskom Generation still controls the overwhelming majority of South Africa’s dispatchable baseload power. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant suppliers have engaged in economic or physical withholding to artificially spike market clearing prices. Without hard statutory bid caps and aggressive oversight, wholesale price volatility will be passed directly down to retail consumers. Severe Conflicts of Interest Within the NTCSA: Consolidating transmission grid ownership (TNSP), system dispatch (SO), market clearing (MO), and legacy state off-take contracts (CPA) within a single entity under Eskom Holdings creates structural conflicts of interest. NTCSA could face internal commercial pressure to favour Eskom assets or delay third-party grid connections. Premature Market Launch Amid Unresolved Municipal Debt: Opening an advanced wholesale market with mandatory imbalance penalties in 2026/2027 while municipal distribution debt to Eskom remains unresolved is premature. Financially distressed municipalities that fail prudential credit requirements will be excluded from trading platforms, creating a divided nation of well-supplied metros and failing, power-starved rural councils. Discover	Jacques	self-employed

						This sneak policy is iniquitous! It also directly contradicts Eskom's advocation of rooftop solar and for small businesses, only to deceitfully turn around and bite the hand that fed them at steep cost to those who had to install solar PV systems to keep their businesses afloat for the simple reason that Eskom had screwed up since ten years before 2007 when they failed to start building new power stations to prevent the need for load shedding! Yes, this was indeed the direct result of the point blanc refusal of the then PV and later President of South Africa, Mbeki. But since the government is the only shareholder of Eskom, they are essentially an integral part of Eskom, since Eskom is the state's plaything! Eskom is the state and the state is Eskom. Irrespective of how you look at it Eskom was the direct unworthy beneficiary, promoter and the cause of the need for all the all the solar PV installation in the first place! Eskom is directly responsible for not having the guts to make public Mbeki's damning stupidity at the very start to force his hand in sanctioning the commencement of the urgently needed new power station build. As such I and countless others should present Eskom with bills for the generators that we first installed, with hugely excessive fuel bills. When these failed, we had to replace them with Inverters and deep cycle batteries, only to see the batteries fail within a year as the inevitable long predicted (and ignored) load shedding increased. When PV systems became more viable we had to install solar PV systems. The cost of all of this was directly caused by Eskom's failure to make public Government's massive economy stalling blunder! But the above only the tip of the iceberg of the costs that Eskom has knowingly imposed on South African businesses and the public! 18 years of load shedding since 2007 with concomitant stalled economic growth has forced several small and large commercial and industrial business to cut production and staffing just to survive two long decades of seriously curtailed economic growth. On top of that many businesses were forced to shut down entirely, causing job losses for entire staff compliments. All of this directly caused the national GDP growth to collapse, with enormous economic loss to our nation. Moreover, there is a very strong relationship between GDP and life expectancy due to impoverishment of breadwinners and their desperate families. (Had this been taken into consideration it would also have been obvious that the premature and protracted harsh lockdown during the COVID-19 fiasco would have caused many more unnecessary that ugly slow deaths through extreme poverty than those that were medically saved by the lockdown. You see letting a few medical practitioners mange the pandemic led to the obsession to minimise COVID-19 deaths to the exclusion of the deaths that would ensue from the harsh lockdown. They were trying to minimise the wrong variable! The objective should have been to minimise the TOTAL number of deaths (the sum of the medical deaths PLUS the economic deaths). If I, as a hydrological and water quality modelling expert engineer could identify this while watching the blur of graphs presented on TV and that I confirmed a couple of hours later that night, the why couldn't the medically let government team do it? the answer is simple - they could not see beyond the medical problem and the desire to minimise the number of medical deaths, the control of which failed entirely anyway as soon as infections spread from the international travel sector to the crowded townships. I am not an actuary, but was pleased to find that a competent team of actuaries had taken up the cudgels and produced a more detailed analysis that showed results very close to those of my simple calculations. Listening to actuaries more attentively would have made this obvious in a very short time.) The above example is included to point out the foolishness of a blinkered approach to a major problem of resulting in the stubborn (arrogant?) focus on their own area of expertise, thereby failing to recognise the wisdom residing in the expertise available in an even more important field. With regard to Eskom we could also benefit from a team of actuaries and economists calculating just what Eskom owes the South African public as a result of their KNOWING delict that caused and later prolonged the load shedding. Maybe a group of lawyers could enter a class action ton see justice done? Perhaps those of us who face economic loss due to Eskom's outrageously unjust planned action now, could counter sue Eskom for the losses that have been imposed on them due to Eskom's catastrophic delict. A landslide of invoices for their criminal delict in failing to authorise the commencement of a new build of essential power stations until it was already too late? Not to mention the following long litany of blunders that caused massive cost over-runs and extraordinary delays in getting Medupi and Kusile Power station to actually work. If I were Eskom I would drop this indefensible scheme right now to avoid facing embarrassing and very costly court orders arising from their criminal delict that has cost both us as individuals and our nation so much. There s also the matter of all the poverty driven deaths that have already occurred and will continue to plague our land for years to come. Stirring this hornet's nest could prove to be extremely uncomfortable for both Eskom and the ANC that has presided over this mess. At the end of the day the Government will be the biggest loser, along with a number of past and present top officials and managers within Eskom and managers and top office holders within government who would find themselves co-respondents who could be held personally responsible. This could really mess up the hoped for comfort of their retirement.		
	2026-09-20 02:13:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dr Christopher	self-employed
	2026-09-20 04:41:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not agree with solar charges or any network fixed charges. Should be charged based on usage	Erica	
	2026-09-20 06:38:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom could not deliver the product we were paying, so we were forced to pay a lot of money for solar products. That was our hard earned money that we had to invest because Eskom could not deliver, now they expect to be paid for it? It is ludicrous for them to expect a return on our investment!	Dirk	
	2026-09-20 06:45:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Valencia	unemployed individual
	2026-09-20 07:24:59	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Also, as far as the fixed solar charges are concerned, that is ludicrous. Eskom and the South African government do not own the Sun.	Shah-Alem	employed individual
	2026-09-20 08:17:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	business owner
	2026-09-20 11:55:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have invested in solar due to your inability to supply continuous power to my home . Be it through ageing infrastructure, vandalism , theft or bad maintenance. You are only able to generate enough power now that thousands of homes are producing their own power and thus not taxing the grid supply. I have already paid an exorbitant amount just to ensure 100% power and will not pay additional taxes as a result	Athol	retired
	2026-09-20 13:42:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PEET	retired
	2026-09-20 18:22:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What is crazy to me is that the ANC government does not understand basic market economics. When a product becomes scarcer the price would increase. When the product is readily available the price would drop! Not so with Eskom....they are not selling enough product because of "oversupply", so they up the price to make it even more unaffordable! "only in South-Africa!	Hugo	retired
	2026-09-20 18:29:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to being penalised because I have installed my own solar system so that my household did not have to be totally reliant on the failing Eskom infrastructure. The current % of fixed charges is already ridiculous without it being increased again.....	Michael	retired
	2026-09-20 19:14:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To the current (and future) leaders of the Electricity and Energy Sectors in South Africa All the proposed transformations for the electricity sector ignore the fundamental reasons for arriving at this point in time (and the proposed Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper). Addressing the fundamental / core concerns would be far more effective and beneficial for South Africa and everyone living and doing business here. In brief:- the immense political interference in the management of Escom and the coal supply have cost South Africa an enormous amount. The deliberate release of competent staff, appointment of less competent staff, cadre deployments, inappropriate and even lack of (preventative) maintenance, and tolerating corruption through various means (without adequate support from crime prevention units / entities) are factors that contributed to the so-called need for transformation. The solutions proposed are not in the best interest of South Africa, its residents, and business. You are instructed to address all the core concerns (as you have already started doing in some instances), and stop wasting time on transformation initiatives that are mainly geared to suit the interests of a few local and globalist people and interests. Electricity should have remained (and still be) very cost effective in South Africa. You are also instructed not to introduce any form of a taxation (by whatever name you want to call it) at any stage of the use of solar energy (as subtly proposed with this Electricity Sector Transformation Position Paper).	Franco	retired
	2026-09-20 20:03:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		H.	retired
	2026-09-20 20:04:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No-one owns the sun, so if you don’t own it, you have no right to charge people for it!!!Whats next? Are you going to charge us for the full moon?	Clarina	employed individual
	2026-09-20 23:08:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1.) Eskom has become extremely inefficient, with more staff than ever, yet generating less electricity than before. First it begged people to use less of its increasingly unreliable and expensive electricity, so people invested in more efficient appliances, switched to gas for cooking and installed solar panels. Punishing people for doing what it asked smacks of Eskom wanting to have its cake and eat it too, by not generating electricity but still getting paid. 2.) Now after its customers are using less of the product, which it asked them to conserve, it realises that it can no longer cover its bloated cost structure, nor can it compete on cost with alternative power, for example, solar panels and batteries. It boggles the mind that Eskom is being outcompeted by private industry who had a standing start. Eskom needs to go on a serious cost-cutting exercise and become far more efficient so that it can drop its fixed charges. The only way I can see that happening is by introducing competition. If people could pick a private company to take over administration of their account, then Eskom would likely be forced to streamline its administration and decrease that large yearly charge for administration. 3.) Eskom sees fixed charges as a way out of the mess that it has created. It now has administration charges and network access charges and other fixed charges. Instead of laying off the surplus staff members and cutting overpriced suppliers like a private company would have to, it simply behaves like a monopoly and passes on the costs to customers. Without significant pushback from the regulator, Eskom will behave like a monopoly and price gouge its customers. The City of Cape Town now offers cheaper network connection charges than Eskom. while delivering a superior service. 4.) Fairness: the user pays the principle; if you use the grid, you should pay. If you don't use it, you should not pay. If you use it more, then you should pay more, and if you use it less, then you should pay less. Imagine everyone had to pay for the upkeep of fuel stations and refineries; thankfully, they are not an Eskom monopoly. 5.) Fixed costs for network connection and generation charges should be based on the measured (not estimated, notified, or deemed) maximum current drawn per month or quarter. This could be done more cleverly by factoring in time of use. I.e., measure the current draw during peak times of the day and not penalise use in the times of lowest demand, for example, between midnight and 05:00. This would encourage load shifting from peak to off-peak times by anyone with batteries or even just geysers (hot water heaters). People would willingly run off their batteries during peak demand and charge them during lowest demand; similarly, people would use a simple timer to heat their water during the same low-demand period. 6.) The more money that goes to Eskom, the less there is to spend on other goods and services. Starving the other sectors of the economy to feed an already overweight Eskom is hardly thinking of the bigger picture. Not to mention the negative impact that it will have on small businesses that have to pay ever more to Eskom.	Liam	employed individual
	2026-09-21 10:05:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sherman	unemployed individual
	2026-09-21 18:50:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is generating less power, the power is unreliable and now consumers have to bear the brunt of a mismanaged institution with a bloated workforce. People installed solar due to Eskom not being able to provide reliable power - why does the consumers now have to foot the bill....once again.	Herman	employed individual
	2026-09-21 21:51:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martie	employed individual
	2026-09-21 22:00:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolande	
	2026-09-22 06:53:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Werner	employed individual
	2026-09-22 08:31:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-22 12:17:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I should have the right to have backup electricity by investing into Solar. I still pay my Rates and Taxes, but because of lack of electricity supply, we should not be penalised for seeking alternatives.	Desmond	employed individual
	2026-09-22 13:01:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Diana	
	2026-09-22 15:07:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Charging a tax for using the sun? How about the citizens of the country charge Eskom for taking up space in out country? How about we charge them for wasting our time with asinine proposals? Our grid needs to be kept clean. All good. How about SABS-approved equipment where equipment may interfere with the grid, and penalising people/businesses who dirty the grid? How about making it easier - but not mandatory - for municipalities to buy back power from people or businesses with installations, with a reasonable cap on profit they make on re-selling the power?	Alexander	business owner
	2026-09-22 18:30:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		James	business owner

	2026-09-22 19:50:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cobus	
	2026-09-22 20:01:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Penalising consumers who were forced to invest in solar to power their home is yet another attempt to have individuals foot the bill for years of mismanagement and allowing municipalities to continue to consume power despite having delinquent accounts and wholesale power theft. Yet again those who pay their account will be liable to fund non paying entities.	Melonie	employed individual
	2026-09-23 03:19:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	
	2026-09-23 12:33:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is poorly managed, which is why load shedding occurred, which placed many people in the position where it was essential to install alternative power sources. Now penalising the very people trying to solve the issue!!	Geoff Thomson	business owner
	2026-09-23 13:22:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-23 13:28:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeiret	employed individual
	2026-09-23 14:30:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Udo	retired
	2026-09-23 16:20:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elize	retired
	2026-09-24 06:33:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't believe that it is fair to penalise the use of solar when the energy provider has repeatedly not been able to provide adequate power to support the businesses and houses.	Abdul	employed individual
	2026-09-25 12:37:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bad idea. People should not be punished for trying to save	Ben	employed individual
	2026-09-25 12:54:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	YOU DON T HAVE ANY DAY IN SOLAR RNERGY ITS OUR RIGHT TO CONSUME AS WE WANT. YOU CANNOT PUT PRICING DEPENDANT ON WHETHER WE HAVE SOLAR OR WHAT.	Janmahomed	self-employed
	2026-09-25 13:06:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	
	2026-09-25 13:35:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	employed individual
	2026-09-25 14:12:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lauren	
	2026-09-25 14:49:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object most strongly to being charged a basic fee before purchasing a unit of electricity. It is a money making racket. I also object to solar users being charged extra. I was forced to purchase solar as Eskom can't deliver a reliable source of electricity. As it is, we have currently been without Eskom for 4 days and counting.	Carol	retired
	2026-09-25 15:41:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Freddie	
	2026-09-25 15:59:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-09-25 16:31:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-25 17:12:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kim Smith	retired
	2026-09-25 18:03:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The grid failed due to their incompetence, then when people paid out for a solution, the grid is stable. So much money in arrears, but nothing done to get it back, so the solution is to make the people who already pay and have stabilised the grid pay more	Nicola	unemployed individual
	2026-09-25 18:24:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why not charge those who are selling through the grid. Not just blanket everyone	shandu	employed individual
	2026-09-25 18:55:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	self-employed
	2026-09-25 20:02:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	retired
	2026-09-25 21:08:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to tax lab abiding citizens into the ground and go after corruption instead if you are so desperate for money	Sahil	employed individual
	2026-09-25 23:34:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barbra	retired
	2026-09-26 03:21:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-26 05:41:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Andre	
	2026-09-26 06:25:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 06:33:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francois	employed individual
	2026-09-26 08:52:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I added solar (at great cost to myself) to my house in order to get a reliable supply of power which Escom could not supply , now they want to charge me more for this is totally unreasonable. If eskom had stuck to its mandate we would not be in this problem! We would now have to pay again for its failures.	Peter	self-employed
	2026-09-26 08:53:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I added solar (at great cost to myself) to my house in order to get a reliable supply of power which Escom could not supply , now they want to charge me more for this is totally unreasonable. If eskom had stuck to its mandate we would not be in this problem! We would now have to pay again for its failures.	Peter	self-employed
	2026-09-26 09:00:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Steffan	employed individual
	2026-09-26 09:34:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sydney	retired
	2026-09-26 09:34:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sydney	retired
	2026-09-26 09:35:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-26 09:36:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	retired
	2026-09-26 09:58:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 09:59:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 09:59:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 10:00:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 10:00:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual

	2026-09-26 10:00:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 10:00:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 12:36:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom couls not deliver power. We had to take our loans to get solar to get by everyday. They even allowed sars rebate. Now they want to penalise you because of the their corruption. Absolutely not!	Engela Claassen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 12:36:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom couls not deliver power. We had to take our loans to get solar to get by everyday. They even allowed sars rebate. Now they want to penalise you because of the their corruption. Absolutely not!	Engela Claassen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 12:37:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom couls not deliver power. We had to take our loans to get solar to get by everyday. They even allowed sars rebate. Now they want to penalise you because of the their corruption. Absolutely not!	Engela Claassen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 12:38:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not deliver power. We had to take out loans to get solar to get by everyday. They even allowed sars rebate. Now they want to penalise you because of the their corruption. Absolutely not!	Engela	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 12:38:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom could not deliver power. We had to take out loans to get solar to get by everyday. They even allowed sars rebate. Now they want to penalise you because of the their corruption. Absolutely not!	Engela	unemployed individual
	2026-09-26 13:38:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grazyna	retired
	2026-09-26 13:38:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grazyna	retired
	2026-09-26 13:39:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grazyna	retired
	2026-09-26 13:39:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grazyna	retired
	2026-09-26 13:40:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grazyna	retired
	2026-09-26 14:19:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	employed individual
	2026-09-26 14:20:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lee	employed individual
	2026-09-26 14:28:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 14:48:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good day, I am a loyal and binding citizen of this country and don't understand why Government must punish us for working hard to install solar panel and saving Utilising panels and getting punished for it it's totally unfair and a bulling system Government needs to go back to their drawing board and fix this mess....Very unprofessional	Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-26 16:22:34	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adrian	self-employed
	2026-09-26 17:28:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	business owner
	2026-09-26 17:37:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JOSEPH	self-employed
	2026-09-26 18:32:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	retired
	2026-09-26 18:34:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-26 19:39:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Homeowners who have solar panels are aiding the country against electricity shortfalls. To penalise them with high connection fees will be counterproductive. They need to rather look at reducing incompetence and corruption to increase profitability.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-26 21:59:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sias	retired
	2026-09-26 22:55:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not feasible knowing the number of solar panels across the country prove much needed relief on the grid, government encouraged the use of solar when load shedding was damaging the economy. Now they needing more revenue to cover their inability to manage Eskom. Homeowners made a plan to get solar, forcing high tariffs might see homeowners totally off grid.	Warren	employed individual
	2026-09-27 05:41:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	employed individual
	2026-09-27 07:55:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Ingo	
	2026-09-27 08:04:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar can not be taxed. Sun is free, Eskom overcharging us, while others is getting free electricity.	Herman	employed individual
	2026-09-27 08:36:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eion	retired
	2026-09-27 08:44:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can the government charge for something they have no control over! I can understand water boreholes because of using underground water used by the community but a million solar panels will not affect the sun. It is like charging for the air we breath.	Angus	self-employed
	2026-09-27 08:53:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nonhlanhla	employed individual
	2026-09-27 08:55:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	self-employed
	2026-09-27 09:06:30	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our municipality doesnt provide constant electricity. Therefor we made the loss of energy safer with solar. Eskom will punish us by letting us pay after we made our own plan to avoid the loss of constant energy.	Bets	retired
	2026-09-27 09:08:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Len	
	2026-09-27 09:20:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	employed individual
	2026-09-27 09:46:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charge for electricity connection should be based on the amount of electricity used per month. The lower the use, the smaller the fixed charge. The sunlight is a free gift from God the creator thereof, not Eskom. Solar penalties is therefore not an option to generate income for Eskom.	Joachim	retired
	2026-09-27 09:54:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ewald	
	2026-09-27 10:12:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Roof top solar drastically assisted in reducing load shedding. Why are we being penalized now?	Treveen	employed individual
	2026-09-27 10:23:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government atole money and is now looking for extra to steal more.	Rudolph	retired
	2026-09-27 11:18:26	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alta	employed individual
	2026-09-27 11:45:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IS THE ANC GOING TO INTRODUCE A TAX ON SUNBATHING AND USING RAINWATER?!?!!! THAT IS HOW RIDICULOUSLY BLATANT ANC IS IN THIEVING.	Karen	
	2026-09-27 12:16:54	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What they are proposing is ridiculous. Just another 'legal' way of stealing and feathering their own nests which they are so good at doing. May their plans fail. I had to provide my own power so that I could continue running my business because they are too incompetent to do so. Now they want to penalize all those who have done likewise.	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-09-27 13:24:33	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom are nuts if people didnt move to solar loadshedding would still be a thing. Honestly they are looking to charge people because they have eaten the entire pot and have no one to swallow. The weird part about this is our generating capacity and system is still as unstable as it was 15 years ago. If this gets passed the ANC will keep losing votes.	Naeem	self-employed

	2026-09-27 13:28:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elan	self-employed
	2026-09-27 15:23:24	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	retired
	2026-09-27 15:26:53	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sassa does not give us enough to live on let alone al the levies they are forcing on us	Shirley	retired
	2026-09-27 16:38:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	employed individual
	2026-09-27 19:40:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Following years of bad operational, financial, and capacity management by the government and Eskom (through government overreach, interference), this policy seeks to recover additional revenue from an already small pool of over-taxed rate payers, who not only aided in Eskom's recovery by lessening the load on the demand through self-funded solar installations, but also lowered the country's carbon footprint by increasing our proportional renewable generation. Solar users are effectively being punished for being part of the solution (at their own cost). Furthermore, apart from the latter, solar users were in most part forced to become self-reliant in the face of years of unreliable electricity supply due to load-shedding. It is not sustainable for the government to continue shifting the burden of their responsibility to the minority of economically active and constructive rate-and tax-payers and private sector businesses. Instead, the government should look inward for recovery solutions and hold officials and SOE's accountable for poor performance and insufficient planning and management, while focussing on cost-savings as opposed to questionable tactics to increase electricity revenue to return Eskom to a viable sovereign power supply platform.	Matthys	employed individual
	2026-09-27 20:42:28	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I invested personal capital to replace failed government infrastructure, do not tax me twice. Stop stealing from the state.	mark	
	2026-09-27 20:56:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom was once a world class utility , run into the ground through incompetence . Now people who paid through their necks to improve the intolerable situation must pay up . Escom should be forced to pay back the money laid out for services not rendered .	Johan	retired
	2026-09-28 04:43:39	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lionel	business owner
	2026-09-28 04:55:25	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mismanagement and corruption have led to the financial struggle why should the residential tax payer be penalised?	S.P.	retired
	2026-09-28 05:42:02	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sidney R	retired
	2026-09-28 07:36:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-28 07:51:44	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The position paper establishes the principle to “discourage free riding,” arguing that modern electricity networks have high fixed infrastructure costs and low operational costs. Under this framework, tariffs will shift away from pure volumetric consumption charges (cents per kilowatt-hour) toward mandatory fixed capacity and network charges for all grid-connected customers, regardless of how little electricity they consume. Only consumers who disconnect completely from the national grid will be exempt from these fixed fees. The Underlying Risk: Households and small businesses that invested significant private capital into rooftop solar, batteries, and energy efficiency to protect themselves from load shedding will be forced to pay higher monthly baseline connection fees. This structural shift acts as a financial penalty on private decarbonisation, extending solar payback periods and increasing electricity bills for low-volume and frugal users. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.	Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-28 07:52:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	unemployed individual
	2026-09-28 09:00:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-09-28 09:07:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support this proposal in its current form. While I understand the need to reform South Africa’s electricity system and reduce Eskom’s monopoly, I am concerned that ordinary households and small businesses will end up paying more while large industrial users are allowed to access cheaper power directly. I strongly object to mandatory fixed grid charges aimed at rooftop solar users and low-usage households. Many people invested in solar because Eskom failed to provide reliable electricity, and government encouraged the public to reduce demand on the grid. It is unfair to now treat those same people as “free riders” and penalise them with unavoidable monthly charges. I am also concerned that households and small businesses could become captive ratepayers, left behind on municipal grids while larger users bypass the system. This could force ordinary consumers to carry municipal revenue shortfalls, cross-subsidies, and legacy costs. Any electricity market reform must protect households, small businesses, and private renewable energy investors from higher fixed charges, unfair solar penalties, and tariff volatility. Competition should lower costs and improve reliability, not create a new system where ordinary consumers pay more.	Kim	employed individual
	2026-09-28 09:09:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The goverment recieved large sums of money from europe to be more green, but then they want to punish people who are green make that make sense. ESKOM could not provide and when people made plans they want to punish them, because the paying population reduced. They brag about how much money they made, but then still want to take more!	Ann-Marie	employed individual
	2026-09-28 09:17:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom, encouraged people to move to solar to help with demand, Now Eskom don't have the money to keep things running so they want to charge more and more to keep the lights on, the tariffs and mandatory fees have already doubled my monthly costs with out any additional usage on my side, in fact I'm using less than before, but being charged more for less, go figure. the only option is to go completely off grid, which is ridiculously expensive. "sun tax" will be introduced when government realize they have broken everything in S.A.	Johann	
	2026-09-28 09:31:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	employed individual
	2026-09-28 09:45:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glynis	employed individual
	2026-09-28 09:50:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am already indebted on a solar system i had to take due to Eskom's shortcomings in its ability to provide for its customer base and inability to hold acountable those that have looted from it and claw back that money. Eskom's poor planning has now left it with too much capacity and its not fair that i and individuals like me be held accountable for their failures. They need to hold themselves to account. the Sun does not also belong to Eskom so they cannot raise a levy for solar. my system also does not feed back into their grid. These nonsense will force me to consider going completely off the grid leaving eskom with a massive hole in the budgets should other tax payers follow the same route. What then , they will have more capacity but ZERO customers so they should thread carefully !	Sheetal	employed individual
	2026-09-28 10:33:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-28 10:51:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were asked by the government, and even subsidized to install solar at great cost to ourselves. Which we have never recovered Now that the generation crisis is over but due to the total lack of control over payments by municipalities, Escom now attacks the easy target - the paying consumer, to fund itself with costs we cannot afford. Escom needs to send the municipal leaders to jail for dereliction of duty. But, oh, it can't, as they are cronies of the government, And no ANC associates ever go to jail.	Errol	retired
	2026-09-28 11:00:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	God gives us sun, most definately not any government, so go sort out all those who steal and do not pay for electricity. Majority of municipalities are not capable to deal with this issuse, since they are part of the problem.	Ronald	retired
	2026-09-28 11:11:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-28 11:29:40	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	employed individual
	2026-09-28 11:53:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dylan	employed individual
	2026-09-28 13:08:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trudy	retired
	2026-09-28 14:02:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mariaan	retired
	2026-09-28 14:28:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is reprehensible that Electricity is being used to dictate to consumers how they receive their electricity, with pricing manipulation, whether you go Solar or remain as an Eskom customer. The burden on the man in the street is already huge and these intentions of government will bring the small amount of people holding this burden collapse along with South Africa's economy	Wyane	employed individual
	2026-09-28 14:59:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernen	employed individual
	2026-09-28 15:03:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Lots of people installed solar panels when Eskom could not provide electricity, SARS even said we could get relief if we put in solar panels. Now Eskom want to charge us for using the sun and not their electricity. Where in the world does it say anyone can charge people for using the sun to obtain electricity. The only thing left for us to do is to go completely off Eskom's grid and then they will try and find another way to charge us.	RUTH	retired
	2026-09-28 15:28:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		João	
	2026-09-28 17:08:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		charles	retired
	2026-09-28 17:10:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johannes	
	2026-09-28 18:12:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Siphokazi	employed individual
	2026-09-28 19:29:15	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		gawie	employed individual

	2026-09-28 19:55:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has destroyed the country's economy and itself. We can not afford it's cost increases.	Jurgen	retired
	2026-09-28 20:23:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC let government must jam this waste of paper where it belongs. They firstly destroy a perfectly functioning EAKOM with embezzlement and the bed the private sector to implement a infrastructure and risk investment and then have the cheek to want to implement taxes on it after the investors have created the infrastructure for these useless criminals. Fuck them. Pay as you go. Pay if you use it. It it doesn't work because it was BROKEN by the rats., don't pay for something the OLD government created . That has been paid for already by you. No maintenance caused most of the problems and not ESKOM expansion the other. So no costs incurred equals no payment from the user for a failing service. The Sun is free energy for humans. No government has the RIGHT to tax anyone on its use or any other free energy people choose to use because just because they decide that their business model of making the self sufficient pay for the incompetent free loader is failing without policy and legal intervention. This is typical ANC policy creation basics. Consumers need to see this and object. Read carefully and see how well the ANC have disguised this money grabbing policy behind a guise of justified control or equality for all.	Mike	employed individual
	2026-09-28 20:47:45	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	employed individual
	2026-09-28 21:04:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	self-employed
	2026-09-28 22:11:17	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		moegamat	
	2026-09-28 22:52:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marieta	retired
	2026-09-29 00:04:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	no one own the sun and the oner of solar panels we pay for it not the government.	johan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 03:30:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed electricity rates and solar levies are ridiculous as I want to pay what I use only and solar is purchased by the individuals and has nothing to do with Eskom which doesn't own the sun.	Rosa	retired
	2026-09-29 06:26:04	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lara	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 08:26:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I was forced to install solar to keep the lights on and my business running because the municipality couldn't supply electricity all the time, we are still subjected to constant power outages to this day. So why should I pay for power I get from the sun???	Alexander	self-employed
	2026-09-29 08:28:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johnny	employed individual
	2026-09-29 09:08:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alex	self-employed
	2026-09-29 10:02:37	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Some private consumers have worked responsibly to reduce strain on the grid and have spent money to buy solar power for their homes to supplement their use of the grid. They are already paying tariffs for pre-paid meters over and above their electricity usage and now they will be further financially punished for this. It is not fair on them to use them to subsidize free electricity to those who do not pay for theirs.	Barbra	retired
	2026-09-29 10:08:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neels	retired
	2026-09-29 10:09:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tali	
	2026-09-29 10:26:46	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I Do not support this document. It is completely irrational since the municipality cannot supply essential needs, so the consumer goes elsewhere for the supply and now we get levied on it. Stop wasting money with corruption and cut off power from those stealing it. Really, you just keep on milking the your customers but you don't start with yourself. Your own corruption within.	Joharine	employed individual
	2026-09-29 11:10:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support the principle of opening South Africa's electricity market to competition. The single-buyer model has failed us comprehensively, and private investment in generation is overdue. But I object, absolutely and without qualification, to the imposition of high fixed monthly connection charges on households and businesses with rooftop solar installations. Let us be honest about what happened in this country. During the worst years of load-shedding, the state could not keep the lights on. Ordinary citizens and small businesses responded by investing billions of rand of after-tax private money — often financed against their homes — into rooftop solar. That private investment did what Eskom could not: it reduced demand on a collapsing grid, freed up capacity for those who could not afford alternatives, and materially helped end load-shedding. Government at the time actively encouraged this, with the President himself calling on citizens to install solar and offering tax incentives to do so. To now brand those same citizens "free riders" and target them with unavoidable fixed charges is a retrospective punishment for having done exactly what the country asked of them. It is a breach of the most basic principle of investment certainty: people made 10–20 year investment decisions based on volumetric tariffs, and the state now proposes to change the rules after the money is spent. If government does this to households over solar panels, why would any investor — domestic or foreign — trust the tariff assumptions underpinning the very private generation investment this reform claims to attract? The "anti-free-riding" framing is also simply wrong on the facts. Solar households still buy electricity from the grid — at night, in winter, in cloudy weather — and pay the full tariff for every unit, a tariff that already contains distribution margins. They have not defected; they have reduced consumption, exactly as any energy-efficient customer does. Nobody proposes a fixed penalty for installing a gas stove or LED lighting. A fixed charge aimed specifically at solar owners is not cost-recovery; it is revenue protection for a broken municipal financing model, dressed up as fairness — and the roadmap admits as much by pairing it with the "captive ratepayer" structure, in which large users may escape to cheaper traders while households are locked in to fund the deficit. If grid costs must be recovered more explicitly as the market unbundles, there are honest ways to do it: cost-reflective, capacity-based network charges applied equally to all connection sizes, phased in with grandfathering for existing installations; time-of-use tariffs that price actual grid usage; and fair compensation for the energy and grid-support services rooftop systems export. What is not acceptable is a punitive fixed levy that singles out the one group of citizens who solved a national crisis at their own cost. Reform the market. Do not tax the people who kept it alive.	Gerrit	self-employed
	2026-09-29 12:31:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The main reason for opting for solar installation was due to loadshedding. The government stated that loadshedding is necessary to reduce the burden on the electricity supply grid. Since we installed solar panels, the load on the supply grid has been solved, so government's problem has been solved at no cost to the government, but at the cost of the individual tax payer for solar installation. Now government want to impose a grid levy/ tax due to the use of solar panels. This constitutes theft, because you will tax for a service which is not rendered.	Deon	self-employed
	2026-09-29 12:52:11	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	retired
	2026-09-29 12:59:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The main reason for opting for solar installation was due to loadshedding. The government stated that loadshedding is necessary to reduce the burden on the electricity supply grid. Since we installed solar panels, the load on the supply grid has been solved, so government's problem has been solved at no cost to the government, but at the cost of the individual tax payer for solar installation. Now government want to impose a grid levy/ tax due to the use of solar panels. This constitutes theft, because you will tax for a service which is not rendered.	Sarel	employed individual
	2026-09-29 14:46:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have been ask by Cyril to help Eskom and solar to the houses that cost a lot of money , now he wants to penalize us after he ask the nation to do it. What lot of bullshit . but they can steal and get away with it. the country is busy collapsing with this Anc	MARIUS	unemployed individual
	2026-09-29 15:03:07	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	
	2026-09-29 16:49:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-29 17:30:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Susan	
	2026-09-29 18:10:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Werner	employed individual
	2026-09-29 18:50:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to sun tax as Escom could not deliver and ended up in this position because of mismanagement. Homeowners ended up spending thousands on solar to improve their own living conditions so why penalise the homeowner?? Wrong, just wrong. You Mr Electricity, would you liked to be taxed too? I bet you are probably getting power for free so you dont care about the normal person on the streets!!!!	Liezel	employed individual
	2026-09-29 19:35:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ek gebruik die son om my krag op te wek. Ek sien geen rede waarom ek ekstra vir krag moet betaal nie.	Marthinus	retired
	2026-09-30 09:34:05	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fathima	retired
	2026-09-30 09:47:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wesley	unemployed individual
	2026-09-30 10:42:16	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Margriet	retired
	2026-09-30 12:28:14	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bella	self-employed
	2026-09-30 15:18:20	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hardus	retired
	2026-10-01 08:10:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The below section which punish solar users after the very same government pleaded with the public to go solar to assist the grid due to the lack of government supply is the worst way to say thanks for the help. The problem is that the municipalities have lost their paying customers due to the solar installations and the remaining users are not paying their bills or just stealing. Stop all the corruption and then table new plans that actually benefit all not continually screw us over. "The position paper explicitly identifies grid-tied rooftop solar households under its "anti-free-riding" principle (Section 1.2.2). Because solar users consume fewer kilowatt-hours from the grid while still relying on it at night or during overcast weather, the policy argues they are not paying their fair share of fixed infrastructure costs. To address this, the framework mandates a shift away from pure per-unit consumption billing toward higher mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges for all grid-connected users, regardless of how much electricity they actually draw."	Michael	employed individual
	2026-10-01 18:01:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Luis	retired

	2026-10-02 17:23:41	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1) ESKOM should get their own house in order first and into the townships to get rid of illegal connections and once that's done (and on going) go after the technicians who are complicit in these illegal connections with goal time not fines. 2) ESKOM created the problem problem through lack of maintenance and terrible budget planning due to municipal inefficiencies which was never curtailed thereby forcing ratepayers to go solar (at huge costs) to themselves and now they are going to be punished for utilizing Gods gift to everyone... the SUN!!! What a load of ……..!! It's time to replace the current Government!! (and yes I'm fuming).	Keith	retired
	2026-10-03 06:43:52	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This current government is looting this country left right and centre. Eskom forced people to find alternatives due to load shedding. Now they are looking at other avenues to continue the looting. I most definitely do not support this.	Maria	
	2026-10-06 08:28:55	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There must be a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Fixed fees goes against the whole idea of families trying to be “greener” by using solar power whenever possible.	Jason	
	2026-10-06 14:05:01	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lester	
	2026-10-06 15:24:18	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to force people to pay for Escoms inability to dobtheir job properly!!!	Caroline	retired
	2026-10-06 19:38:38	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	employed individual
	2026-10-06 20:21:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Na jare van onstabilityd in di lowering van krag wat eintlik n eensydigge kontrak breuk is (ons betaal/ daar word nie gelewer nie) het die tyd gekom mense raak gatvol en begin sorg dra vir hulle eie voorsienings aangestuur deur eskom en die oorheid homself. Nou mense opstaan vir hulle eie stability Kom soon eskom mense van hulle investerings gemaak deur eskom se tekortkomings. Vieselik	Walter	retired
	2026-10-07 08:40:32	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oenone	retired
	2026-10-07 08:53:09	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is free. The public has invested heavily in filling in where Eskom has failed miserably with its racism against white skills and corruption. As taxpayers, we are forced to pay exorbitant taxes to carry the corruption burden due to the illegal activities perpetrated by Eskom officials and their Cadre handlers.	Ivan	unemployed individual
	2026-10-07 09:21:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	employed individual
	2026-10-07 13:46:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shannon	
	2026-10-07 14:25:35	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	During loadshedding, the call went out to consumers to get solar to assist, now we paid for solar and have to pay fines for Eskoms ineptitude	Bronwen	employed individual
	2026-10-07 15:42:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	retired
	2026-10-08 06:58:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gretha	
	2026-10-08 14:19:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Lesley	self-employed
	2026-10-08 14:29:36	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I’ll be short an sweet: since when did the ANC or any government ever own the sun. It was due to the incompetency of the ANC & the corruption within the SOE that it was necessary to pay for & install a solar system.	Alan	retired
	2026-10-09 00:10:48	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joheine	
	2026-10-09 11:04:31	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Senselessly flogging a dead horse - just cannot afford to pay more.	d	employed individual
	2026-10-09 16:12:12	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ross	employed individual
	2026-10-13 16:32:50	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens - NOT ACCEPTABLE	Erna	retired
	2026-10-14 16:03:03	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory Fixed Grid Charges on Rooftop Solar: Why must we pay for the power of the sun and the money we have already spent on getting our own solar	Janet	self-employed
	2026-10-14 20:48:49	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, we will not be able to pay any further increases or additional tariffs. We shouldn't have relief rather than being forced to pay for the gap left by business and industrial sector. This is highly unacceptable.	Desiree	retired
	2026-10-17 13:14:10	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		stella	
	2026-10-19 19:46:47	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	NOT zzzOn TAXING US TO DEATH	Peter	
	2026-10-20 05:16:29	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Disgraceful unfair uncaring greedy move All due to Eskoms looting corruption incompetence	Cam	self-employed
	2026-10-20 07:50:43	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair practice to charge for creating their own solutions with unstable infrastructure and maintenance and making it sustainable to have power by your own means and money.	Marilize	employed individual
	2026-10-20 09:21:57	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derryn	
	2026-10-20 18:14:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Reward solar users It is important that individual can be proactive, find solutions and implement solutions especially in a time where the basic needs of the people of South Africa are ignored. Security, Quality Water Supply, Electricity, Roads surfaces, etc. are just a few of the most basic needs of almost every South African. These need to be secured and people who try to survive in spite of the lack of services offered should be rewarded not penalised.	Carola	employed individual
	2026-10-21 00:10:23	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heleen Scheepers	
	2026-10-22 14:54:06	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	retired
	2026-10-22 21:28:13	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There was a call from goverment to install solar and the incentive was a rebate on tax. Now Eskom wants to penalise those that were able to install dolar and reduce Eskom demand during the years of load shedding.	Lawrence	retired
	2026-10-26 12:25:22	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unnecessary taxation.	Louwra	retired
	2026-10-26 18:21:00	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Albert	
	2026-10-27 12:20:42	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is aimed at the small Percentage of people who might be able to afford it, and will make the poor more marginalised, the elite, corrupt and entitled exempt. Unacceptable!	Catharina	retired
	2026-10-27 13:38:27	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People are already struggling financially, so charging them for using solar power is simply wrong. Solar is supposed to help people reduce their electricity costs, not become another burden on already struggling households	Musa	employed individual
	2026-10-27 15:51:19	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sifiso	retired
	2026-10-27 15:52:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	unemployed individual
	2026-10-27 20:07:21	No I do not	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Daylight robbery	Nayna	unemployed individual
	2026-08-25 17:50:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-26 16:20:47	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government stuffed up the electricity power plant and say we must invest in solar what I did the current electricity failure cost me a lot of money already stop stealing and planning the work and money beter stop all the salary increases at Eskom th ey not within because look at all the problems that they cost us the taxpayers	At	retired
	2026-08-26 17:19:33	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No charges for user installed Solar	Howard	business owner
	2026-08-26 17:38:57	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Any electricity produced and sold at a fair price will be sold.	Louis	retired

	2026-08-26 18:29:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mrs I	
	2026-08-26 20:35:17	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. Demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Theresa	business owner
	2026-08-26 20:40:23	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-08-26 23:44:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dit is tog n feit dat soveel as 80% van muniaipaliteite in finansiele moeilikheid is en dus hierdie reddingsboei terdiee sal verwelkom. Hierdie wetgewing kan slegs iets beteken as eskom die diens kan lewer. Geld word nou gevat by belastingbetalers sonder teenprestasie wat neerkom op verskuilde bedrog. Die hele ontwikkeling van eienaars om weg re beweeg van eskom het tog n 30 jaar plus geskiedenis van kerslig wat toe reeds op eie kragverskaffing neergekom het. Ek is van mening dat eskom sy drade moet knip by die eienaars wat selfversorgend wil wees sonder verdere dreigemente en bloed tappery uit klippe. Hierdie niwe wetgewing laat my terugdink aan die staatskaping tydperk dit ruik net so sleg.	Jack	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:17:42	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JACO	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:17:50	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-08-27 09:49:47	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sally	self-employed
	2026-08-27 15:14:13	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		joann	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:01:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have a modest 3 bedroom/1 bathroom house and live alone. I already pay over R1000 per month in fees. Where is all this money going. Eskom is just looking for more funds that they can waste on already excessive salary packages without doing anything to earn it!	Stephen	retired
	2026-08-27 17:20:31	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Daniella	self-employed
	2026-08-27 18:39:03	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juliette	retired
	2026-08-28 05:08:41	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andy	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:11:13	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janine	retired
	2026-08-28 06:55:03	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mollin	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:12:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This sun tax is rubbish! Escom is punishing the public for getting solar when it could not provide expensive electricity! Besides God created the sun - not Escom!!!	Sheila	retired
	2026-08-28 11:57:27	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanette	retired
	2026-08-28 12:06:11	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unless all prepaid users get charged network fees, how can a user with solar and prepaid suddenly be asked to pay them?	Colin	retired
	2026-08-28 17:36:10	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth	
	2026-08-29 08:42:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stephnie	retired
	2026-08-29 11:25:31	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wallace	retired
	2026-08-29 17:00:29	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		A D A	retired
	2026-08-29 17:50:33	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only outcome will be to force even more residential consumers to move off grid, and this will end in the establishment of micro grids controlled by the people using them. You cannot have carbon taxes on vehicle sales, talk about green economy and take green loans from European funders for the purpose of reducing CO2 and at the same time charge residents that spent their own capital for solar and wind with grid connectivity that was built by their and previous generations tax money. Build your own new grid/s without using tax money and charge as much as you like but allow the private sector to do that as well and contract with residential consumers for electricity delivery and maintenance. Eskom has been proven to be less than efficient and to force its tenuous existence down to the few paying customers with price increases that are well beyond any inflationary measure or benchmark. This road ends with everyone that is able establishing an alternative that includes private networks, off grid installations and simply not paying any longer as they are not able to afford the forever increasing demands in a country with low growth and plenty unemployment.	André	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 22:44:00	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree with a “tax” on a service I do not utilise. Next in line will be a hike in property rates and taxes. Allow private energy suppliers to compete in an open market	Jannie	self-employed
	2026-08-30 06:16:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Get money from the looters, your should know by now however it is	Johannes Eduard Schm	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 07:19:00	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop punishing honest consumer for helping solve a Government caused problem with their corruption	Wayne	retired
	2026-08-30 20:55:52	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Japie	retired
	2026-08-31 08:28:20	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government and parastatals must invest in their own existence and not always milk the rate payers, if Eskom did its proper maintenance and investments we as the public did not have to invest in our own supplies.	Cornelius	self-employed
	2026-09-01 08:57:51	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Etienne	employed individual
	2026-09-01 19:43:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		cornelus	retired
	2026-09-01 19:47:58	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		cornelus	retired
	2026-09-02 11:01:28	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devadasen venketasen	unemployed individual
	2026-09-06 15:35:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should not pay for what government has destroyed. We should not pay for the collapsed local governments to continue to steal and loot. We should not support anythong that provides government with more, tax, fees, levies, charges or whatever	Charl	employed individual
	2026-09-07 21:03:14	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dinah	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:33:39	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Petrus	retired
	2026-09-11 16:12:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another attempt to 'milk' the populace.	Clifford	retired
	2026-09-11 17:32:28	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its always the consumers that carry the bugger ups made by so called people who care for us. Meanwhile all we ever do is line the pockets of all government employees! WELL THERE MIGHT BE ONE OR TWO EXCEPTIONS!!!	Lorraine	retired
	2026-09-11 17:48:11	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More and more avenues are being found to let the poor and middleclass citizen just pay more and more taxes as it is already a hard living way for all . Stop taxing the citizens and get your house in order	Sandra	
	2026-09-11 18:03:06	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elma	retired
	2026-09-11 22:16:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is CRIMINAL how this useless government cannot get their house in order to provide essential services. They are completely incompetent to even have their government departments pay their dues to Eskom....they would rather through punitive legislation action against people to help alleviate pressure on the power grid. This useless anc thugs are stealing local and national government department blind and now they want to "rake" in more money to steal. They should lift themselves off their seats and do their jobs. Cleanup our country and work on plans to improve service delivery and debt collection and stop with this "legally stealing " from South Africans.	stephan oelofsen	retired
	2026-09-11 23:28:58	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		PJ	retired
	2026-09-12 05:31:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since 1994 this will productive indicative Futher more. This bill will give government a lawfully way to enslave the people of SA and suck the last drop of blood from our citizens. There is no positive iniatifes from this rulers of SA but only to brought Futher DARKNESS over this beautiful country and his people.Shame on you!!!!!	Gert	self-employed

	2026-09-12 06:55:28	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:30:26	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Fatima M I	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:36:02	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frans	
	2026-09-12 08:40:12	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Vaughan	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:43:20	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Arthur	retired
	2026-09-12 08:44:28	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christianus	retired
	2026-09-12 09:01:27	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-12 09:44:57	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		HANNES	
	2026-09-12 17:09:08	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		mariska	retired
	2026-09-12 18:25:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:11:20	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sekerlik is daar goeie, gebalanseerde oplossings vir die situasie. Geldgierigheid het ons land hier gebring.	Nanette	retired
	2026-09-13 08:33:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	employed individual
	2026-09-13 11:30:46	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:31:29	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	retired
	2026-09-14 08:13:11	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I t is unfair to expect from us to subsidise the Metros to balance their books if they waste so much money	Annas	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:00:28	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA must first establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Municipal electricity distribution entities must ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. There must be a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Tom	business owner
	2026-09-14 09:03:04	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		dorothy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:54:18	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	retired
	2026-09-14 10:38:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-14 12:47:35	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Small users will bear the brunt of tariff increases. Look at what happened in Tshwane where each unit in a Body Corporate now have to pay a fixed water connection and sewerage fee. Regardless if you use the facility or not	Johannes	
	2026-09-14 15:39:32	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cascading energy/ cost problem has been years in the making: The Government Minister /s over years failed Eskom Eskom: (by Government appointees Management) raped the business which resulted in disasterous under supply. The Public responded by seeking alternatives at great expense. (Power generators, solar power, wind turbines etc,) In other words the public bailed out Eskom. As a result of public outcry Eskom were forced to respond and they now need paying(!) customers. Municipalities who have been the collectors of public energy bills are finding less revenue than previously and their wasteful (corrupt) entities are largely bankrupt. The Government/Eskom/ Municipalities now seek to impose further costs on the paying (!) public to rescue themselves again. The Government/Eskom/ Municipalities should look at themselves for resolution. I oppose any increase.	JOHN	retired
	2026-09-14 18:22:55	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tina	retired
	2026-09-15 08:12:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More taxes for a corrupt government and its subsidiaries who cannot even buy toilet paper at the correct price! Yes, we know about the toilet rolls that cost thousands of rands! While regulation is necessary, you cannot hold the consumer at ransom for your failures to plan ahead and prevent corruption!	Kobus	self-employed
	2026-09-15 10:47:20	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mary	business owner
	2026-09-15 16:47:22	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this is simply not fair; they cannot supply consistent clean power but when the public take alternative they want to impose penalties. this gives them even less incentive to improve their supply. we have installed solar with post tax money!!	Andrea	retired
	2026-09-16 09:28:51	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mense met sonkrag het probeer help om die lading te verminder, nou word hulle beboet vir hul aanbod om te help. Mense wat nie geld het, word ook swaar gelaai met die prys van elektrisiteit wat verhoog word, deur munisipaliteite wat nie kan byhou nie. Omdat munisipaliteit nie kan byhou nie, verhoog hul net die prys van die verbruiker wat vuisvoos is. Ons land kan nie so aangaan nie. Dankie dat ek kon sê hoe ek voel.	Elmien	retired
	2026-09-16 10:43:46	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Natie	
	2026-09-16 10:51:50	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		s	
	2026-09-17 10:02:37	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The consumer cannot be expected to continue to fund looting and incompetence. If the money the municipality needs to pay its bills has been stolen, it needs to institute criminal proceedings to recover it. Creating a law that allows for the limitless transfer of the burden of payment to the consumer is unethical. Such consumers are already under extreme pressure as tax paying citizens and citizens who fund the majority of other government revenue streams (vehicle licensing, purchasers of luxury goods with higher VAT etc.) and should not be forced to continually bail out the municipalities because of poor planning and inadequate oversight. Municipalities need to be forced to work with what they have and ministers should be held accountable in their personal capacities.	Tamsin	unemployed individual
	2026-09-17 15:22:27	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	private Solar owners Safed Eskom from collapsing..... they were unable to supply the demand required in the RSA	Uys	retired
	2026-09-17 17:05:29	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kevin	
	2026-09-17 19:36:14	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Audrey	retired
	2026-09-29 05:54:42	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annice	
	2026-10-19 17:32:34	No I do not	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carel	retired
	2026-08-29 11:30:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-08-26 07:23:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		G	retired
	2026-08-26 15:41:26	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Rather say thank you to the people that can afford these panels and saves Eskom a lot of energy. Why make them pay for "just in case". We have gas stove and geyser same thing we pay electricity that we need "just incase". You need all to use electricity so you can pay your debts and you still have to pay out huge amounts for diesel or coal. These people will save you big money on generating more energy. Appreciate their efforts and expenses.	Elza	retired
	2026-08-26 16:08:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		João	retired

	2026-08-26 16:13:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-08-26 16:33:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I find it totally unfair that residential users have to pay heavy subsidisation rates to accommodate the large volume users.	zane	retired
	2026-08-26 16:53:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support opening the market to end Eskom's monopoly, but home owners with a solar set-up that is not attached to the national grid should completely be left alone to generate their own power and NOT BE TAXED! If someone chooses not to buy power from either Eskom or another provider and makes their own on site, that should be their choice without any penalties. Am I going to be charged next if I put a windpump up on my property for the friggen air???? Anyone who is off grid should pay ZERO. If I make fertilizer with my own poop are you going to tax me on that too???? Anyone with a solar set-up that feeds back into the national grid could reasonably be charged for upkeep of the entire grid. But reasonably, like no more than R200pm for a 3 bed house. Similar to the fixed fee we already pay for Eskom power. But the pencil really has to be sharp here, as that money should go for maintaining infrastructure, not profit for failing municipalities.	Janine	employed individual
	2026-08-26 17:20:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		charles	
	2026-08-26 17:52:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just yet ANOTHER TAX. The few hundred thousand taxpayers that keep this country afloat are now being penalised again. I'm tired of subsidising a bloated public service, cadre deployment and corruption. Why not use all this rooftop solar to feed back into the grid and save us all money?	Elizabeth	self-employed
	2026-08-26 17:58:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Many people on fixed income are limiting power consumption to fit their busget. It is well understood that pensions are not keeping up with so called inflation. Note: CPI does not match practical experienced inflation. So will come to pass that pensioners will one day have disconnect from the grid so as not to fall in a pit of debt.	Hendrik	retired
	2026-08-26 18:09:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Audrey	retired
	2026-08-26 18:16:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:14:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'm battling to survive financially, exposedto and forced to pay for no-paying communities. This is not fair.	Therese	retired
	2026-08-26 19:41:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs.	Dylan	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:47:18	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roxanne	
	2026-08-26 20:04:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to sort out their corruption problems. Recently there was an article about Eskom's missing diesel which they have already paid for. Approx. 40 million diesel is missing and where are they? If corruption still continues despite of our Electricity Minister who claims he has everything under control, why give Eskom more rights to cheat our money.	Leong	retired
	2026-08-26 21:43:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We have assisted Eskom , at great cost to ourselves, by reducing power consumption so we should be rewarded not taxed.	Caroline	retired
	2026-08-26 21:52:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SHIRAZ	retired
	2026-08-26 23:37:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once more we are held to ransom, did they ever think about the pensioners and their hey have been managing.	Deena	retired
	2026-08-27 03:55:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Joan	retired
	2026-08-27 06:02:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martin	
	2026-08-27 07:13:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariette	retired
	2026-08-27 07:28:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I cannot afford this.	Shabeer	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:42:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-27 07:58:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Typical from people after serious corruption to load their corruption on the consumers, while they escape from paying for their stupidity	Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 08:13:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christine	retired
	2026-08-27 08:15:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar owners spent their own money reducing pressure on an overloaded and unreliable grid, suffering under the additional costs. They will now be punished for Eskom and the government's corruption and mismanagement resulting in Eskom's near collapse. Solar owners should not be penalised merely because municipalities and Eskom upset their income stream through looting and mismanagement.	Sheryl	retired
	2026-08-27 08:42:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying too much. Escom must take responsibility for its own mess.	Jackie	
	2026-08-27 08:55:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle S	retired
	2026-08-27 09:02:03	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Leigh-Anne	
	2026-08-27 09:24:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think a tiered model would favour smaller households s they consume less they should not be taxed at the same rate as big companies.	Craig	employed individual
	2026-08-27 09:55:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Henry	business owner
	2026-08-27 09:55:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into "Eligible Customers" and "Captive Customers." Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain "captive" to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Points to Demand in Your Public Submission: Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	michael	retired
	2026-08-27 09:56:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-08-27 09:58:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus A. N.	retired
	2026-08-27 10:08:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Grant	retired
	2026-08-27 10:14:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private residence consumer will be filling the gap for municipal loss of income from industrial consumers which will lead to much higher tariffs for the household consumer	Cecelia	retired
	2026-08-27 10:54:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	For years, we have been told that South Africa's electricity system was under enormous pressure and that we needed to reduce our electricity consumption. Load shedding was introduced because there was not enough generation capacity to meet demand. Many South Africans spent money on alternate systems so that they could reduce the pressure on the national supply and keep their homes and businesses operational. It feels like a contradiction; when we were using too much electricity, we were told to use less. We responded by investing our own money to use less grid electricity, and now we are being told that we may have to pay more because we use too little. With residential usage required for keeping food safe with reliable refrigeration, Homes safe from the fact that the state can't and being able to operate businesses reliably while not having electricity. The unstable and poor quality of supply causes costs to rise due to insurers increases cover costs and claimants having excess charges for damages. These costs are not recoverable just as the costs for Eskom due to the installation of self-supply to overcome the shortcomings of the grid supply.	Jonathan	retired
	2026-08-27 11:36:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsabi	retired
	2026-08-27 11:39:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:42:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Lesiba	business owner
	2026-08-27 12:43:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Louisa	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:46:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as South africans have been experiencing loadshedding while energy prices has surged, it is unsustainable when coupled with the high crime and unemployment we face. Inflation is eating away at the avarage paycheck. On hard months we had the opinion of cutting down energy use to reduce the bill but with the implementation of a mandatory minimum fee that will no longer be possible.	Bandile	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 13:38:03	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	retired
	2026-08-27 13:44:54	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	https://dearsouthafrica.co.za/electricity-transformation-paper/#1770131112043-0e75ef86-4b6c5d6a-e1cd1d69-9490bed6-ef95	Robert	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:49:05	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ernesto	retired
	2026-08-27 14:07:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adrian	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:30:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I agree with the unbundling of Escom to make ALL entities that are unbundled more cost effective not less.No cadre deployment . After years and years of load shedding which forced people to make alternative plans both at home and at work to now come and attempt to tax that which was spent on rectifying a problem absolutely caused bu government is criminal. This cannot be allowed to happen .What is the case if the household goes off grid by disconnecting Eskom?	Greg	business owner
	2026-08-27 14:32:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is appalling. We already pay way above average in taxes and now they want to tax us even more.	Barbara	retired
	2026-08-27 14:49:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	retired
	2026-08-27 15:05:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amor	self-employed
	2026-08-27 16:27:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should we, the hard working tax payer, be penalized because of a government entity that was and still is unable to provide basic electrical needs to its paying citizens? Due to this we had to take matters into our own hands by spending outrageous amounts of money to install solar systems just to be able to have a normal functioning household. This is bizar to even think that this is being considered. Something has to be done.	Cedric	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:00:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eberhardt	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:05:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brian	retired
	2026-08-27 17:15:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Currently as an Eskom Direct consumer I already pay about R700 per month BEFORE usage. It is iniquitous and an unnecessary extra TAX for no reason except to make up shortfalls at Eskom for which the average consumer is NOT responsible.	Jeffrey	retired
	2026-08-27 17:18:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I spent a lot of money and am still in dept paying for it because I could not afford to have no power whilst trying to work during constant load shedding. It helped save Eskom and pull them back from the brink - there's no way I'm paying further, THEY OWE ME !	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:20:39	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maurita	retired
	2026-08-27 17:30:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is failing its citizens with a forever failing electricity supply. Citizens try to help solve the problem, and get penalized for it!! NOOO.	Seipati	retired
	2026-08-27 18:39:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	
	2026-08-27 19:53:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	This is not fair, we have invested in solar and now government want to penalise us. Instead, we should be supported for investing in solar because that helps the congested and struggling grid.	Rex	Non-profit
	2026-08-27 20:26:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unacceptable we paid to fix your problem eskom leave us alone fix your own problem	Ricardo	business owner
	2026-08-27 21:13:00	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derrick	employed individual
	2026-08-27 21:34:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As pensioenaris EN belastingbetaler is dit finansieel onmoontlik om enige sonkragstelsel te installeer. Monitering van huishoudelike gebruik van netwerk elektrisiteit deur middel van goegekeurde vooraf-betaalde-elektrisiteit is dit steeds bitter moeilik vir huishoudings om hul persoonlike finansies te bestuur. Om ten volle op Staat en Eskom krag staat te maak en te weet dat nie een van die twee Instansies regtig omgee oor arm en voorheen-benadeelde huishoudings nie is 'n bitter pil om te sluk! Hieronder staan dit: ek sal 'n sogenaamde arm en benadeelde "gevangene" bly van Staatskaping. Die stast&regerings besluite is beledigend om dit ligtelik te stel! Die "Gevange Belastingbetaler" Risiko: Groot industriële en kommersiële gebruikers wat vasgestelde drempels oorskry (bv. 1 MW) sal toegelaat word om munisipale netwerke te omseil om goedkoper krag direk van private handelaars te koop. Gewone huishoudings en klein besighede sal "gevange" bly aan munisipale verspreidingsnetwerke, wat hoër tariewe riskeer om munisipale inkomstetekorte en ou kruissubsidies te dek.	MS	retired
	2026-08-27 23:05:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Naomi	retired
	2026-08-27 23:24:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	employed individual
	2026-08-28 01:13:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		graham	business owner
	2026-08-28 05:55:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	employed individual
	2026-08-28 06:46:13	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The advance of solar systems in the country amongst homes was due to the shocking raping of Eskom by the Cadres. This lead to unbelievable outages seen only in 3rd world countries. Why would I pay more for incompetence. Furthermore, the public could increase the size of their installation that already exists and go off-grid totally which is what I would do.	Mike	retired
	2026-08-28 07:02:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The state encouraged and (albeit moderately) incentivized us to install solar systems. It is irrational, unfair and therefore unconstitutional to punish those who installed these systems. It also goes against decarbonisation imperatives.	Mark	
	2026-08-28 07:06:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to the introduction of mandatory fixed charges for solar users and further tariff increases imposed on so-called “captive consumers.” I live in an area where we already pay a fixed monthly charge for electricity availability. In reality, that availability is anything but reliable. Our electricity supply is repeatedly interrupted—sometimes for days and, in severe cases, for weeks at a time. The explanations are always plentiful: failing infrastructure, inadequate maintenance, trees falling on power lines, tripped substation switches, vandalism, rain, wind and numerous other recurring problems. What remains absent is a dependable electricity service. During these prolonged outages, households and small businesses must spend enormous amounts of their own money on generators, fuel, solar systems, batteries and other backup solutions. We do this to prevent food from rotting, protect appliances and equipment, keep water systems running and stop our businesses from collapsing. No one compensates us for these expenses or for the losses caused by failed municipal and state-owned infrastructure. Our electricity accounts, municipal rates and taxes are nevertheless expected to be paid in full and on time—regardless of whether the promised service is actually available. Residents who invest in solar power are not abandoning the electricity system merely to avoid paying their fair share. Many have been forced to become partially self-sufficient because the electricity provider has repeatedly failed to deliver a stable and reliable service. Solar installations reduce pressure on an already strained grid and require substantial private investment. Penalising people for making that investment is fundamentally unfair. These proposed charges create a perverse situation: consumers must first pay for an unreliable electricity supply, then pay privately for an alternative when that supply fails, and finally pay an additional penalty for needing that alternative. Municipal revenue losses cannot simply be transferred to a shrinking group of captive consumers through increasingly unaffordable tariffs and fixed charges. This approach will place further pressure on ordinary households, pensioners, low- and middle-income residents and small businesses already struggling with the cost of living. It may also encourage more consumers who can afford to do so to disconnect from the grid entirely, further reducing the municipality’s revenue base. The solution to declining electricity revenue is not to punish responsible consumers or trap those without alternatives in an endless cycle of price increases. The solution is to improve reliability, maintain infrastructure properly, reduce electricity losses, address illegal connections and vandalism, improve billing and financial management, and restore public confidence in the service being provided. Any fixed charge should be reasonable, transparent and directly related to a reliable service. It should also take account of the actual availability and quality of that service. Consumers should not be forced to pay an “availability” charge during prolonged periods when electricity is demonstrably unavailable. I therefore call for: The proposed mandatory solar and fixed charges to be withdrawn or substantially reconsidered. A transparent breakdown of how the charges were calculated and what services they are intended to fund. Proper public consultation and a full assessment of the impact on households and small businesses. Service-level protections, rebates or account credits where electricity remains unavailable for prolonged periods. Fair tariffs that reflect actual consumption and do not penalise residents for investing in alternative energy. Meaningful accountability for infrastructure maintenance, outage response times and municipal service failures. Consumers cannot continue to carry every consequence of institutional failure. We cannot be expected to pay for the service, pay again when the service fails, and then be penalised for providing the solution ourselves. I respectfully request that this objection be formally recorded and that the proposed charges be reconsidered in the interests of fairness, affordability and sustainable municipal electricity provision.	Lise	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:27:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Please tell me how the informal settlements are going to be included in the Solar registration and fixed rate costs. It seems like the real free riders are not paying a cent. As long as eskom is giving away free electricity it has no right to try and captivate those who are struggling to make ends meet as an overtaxed citizen and business owner.	Bruce	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:32:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop wasteful spending and employ knowledgeable people to do the work. Not the incompetent highly paid ones. Stop penalising the consumer for your incompetence. We pay enough with LESS income. We cannot AND WILL NOT pay anymore.	Tracy	
	2026-08-28 07:41:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		J	
	2026-08-28 07:49:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I used my private capital to put up solar panels because you destroyed an electrical system which worked. You owe me!!!!	Jocelin	retired
	2026-08-28 08:09:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	retired
	2026-08-28 08:12:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Anselm	business owner
	2026-08-28 08:22:13	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why not create a central grid into which excess electricity can flow from each household with solar power? Instead of penalizing those with solar power, they could be part of the solution.	Gerry	employed individual
	2026-08-28 08:25:00	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trish	business owner

	2026-08-28 08:44:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Henk	
	2026-08-28 09:22:26	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariëtte	retired
	2026-08-28 09:26:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-08-28 10:01:26	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-08-28 13:46:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can any government department charge for a service not consumed. In the same vein, should the Post Office put a levy on citizens who don't use their services as dictated, by whom. Maybe Transnet should levy travelers not using their rail service.	Victor	retired
	2026-08-28 13:58:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reasoning is illogical for a resident who alleviates strain on the grid in general and when a trusted provider, Eskom, or any of its associated suppliers, have failed the public and business more than once. The onus is not on individuals, residents in this case, to be liable for failed infrastructure and its electrical supply, or lack thereof. The government, including Eskom and all its sectors, are failing to protect their electrical network for example; illegal connections, down time, long hours or days of no supply, etc. Residents who have provided themselves with an alternative for power supply should not be considered as a 'threat' or free riders as their policy dictates. These same residents that have sourced alternatives are guaranteed to be the same individuals who pay and paid their bills on time with their electricity supplier. The focus should be solely on the communities and groups that are receiving electricity free or at reduced rates due to political race policies. No individual should be penalized for innovations to further their own sustainability and personal growth as the problem is not with them, but the corrupt mentality of South Africa. Again they want to milk those few who aren't involved in destroying the economy or the safety of South Africans. There should be a massive mirror lifted and faced directly to those individuals who are pushing for this, whilst looting the funds of our country to line their pockets further. They should work on developing the country and not milk the few 7 million tax payers (less than a quarter of the RSA population) to further their foolish greedy ideals. I do not support this proposal in any form.	Evan	employed individual
	2026-08-28 14:44:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die groot meerderheid verbruikers het sonkrag installasies ingesit om die gereëlde onderbrekings in verskaffing uit te skakel en nie om verbruik uit die netwerk te verminder nie. Wanneer die krag af was, was daar in elk geval nie verbruik nie en die sonkrag stelsel het ongerief uitgeskakel. Dit sou onbillik wees om nou diegene wat hulle self beskerm het te benadeel.	FG	retired
	2026-08-28 15:40:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Because Tshwane Metro encourage citizens to install solar panels and even was prepared to subsidise them with R15 000. Therefore I have installed solar panels at the cost of R100 000 plus and was thinking it also helps escom, but instead Escom now wants to tax me/us. I think it is very unjust. The Afrikaans sayin goes "om die hand te byt wat jou voed". (To bit the hand that feeds you)	Dr Pieter	retired
	2026-08-28 18:53:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People who are on off-grid should only be charged for usage. They should buy prepaid for their backup and not get it for free. They should also not be charged a flat rate from Municipalities.	Lerato	employed individual
	2026-08-29 00:33:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not carry the installation, maintenance, or upgrade costs of privately installed solar, but somehow wants to tax consumers for a situation it created. Where does the bailout money come from when Eskom fails as a business? Instead of preying on tax payers who help to alleviate the pressure on the grid, why not reward and encourage further investment in solar to the benefit of all? Creating storage capacity to capture excess energy from homes with solar that are still connected to the grid, seems like the most obvious win win scenario. Instead these charges are just further encouragement to disconnect from the grid, exasperbating the cost concerns for those unable to disconnect.	Bys	
	2026-08-29 06:55:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacoba	
	2026-08-29 07:41:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If anything captive user rates should decrease to allow consumers to get more units for their rand, not fewer, not all people living in so called affluent areas are well off, we, as a housed are living below the bread line and barely make it through having to pay 4rand per unit of electricity	Cedric	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:49:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Terri-Leigh	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:52:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't support any pricing for consumers with solar panels as it is them that pulled Eskom out of trouble and now with all the Eskom corruption we must once more stand " pa" for them to steal more just like the present accusations about diesel paid for which was never delivered but they try and get out of it by saying oh it has been in storage to be delivered later . We are not all stupid. Thats to say the least.	Brian	retired
	2026-08-29 10:12:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malcolm	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:42:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot be taxed for using solar in households... the sun is free ... economic circumstances of surviving are expensive now that we finding options to cut down on expenditure we must be punished???	Selamodi	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:51:37	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rudolf	self-employed
	2026-08-29 13:13:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilona Kolbe	retired
	2026-08-29 15:26:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Connections to any existing grid (paid for by rate and tax payers) are paid for by the entity (household/business) connecting. Eskom has zero capex obligations and only benefits from rates when the connected party uses the grid. Most solar installations are the result of government prodding and Eskom load shedding. To turn around and add additional tax is purely exploitive and not justified.	Meiring	business owner
	2026-08-29 16:13:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is usual in South Africa to penalise the most vulnerable citizens. If we as ordinary rate payers have saved our hard-earned money to buy a solar system because Eskom let's us down at least 1-2 times a week, we should NOT still be taxed again and again for solving the problems we face. Stop penalising those of us who are not in a financial position to spend the next 10 years fighting a court case against the government to prevent them from punishing us for being proactive.	Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-08-29 17:46:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		K	
	2026-08-29 18:37:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gabi	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 22:37:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ambrose	Non-profit
	2026-08-30 09:30:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	
	2026-08-30 11:34:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nokuthula	employed individual
	2026-08-30 11:37:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is despicable that the useless and corrupt ESKOM has decided to introduce this law. Again blaming apartheid will be the reason.	Nanette	retired
	2026-08-30 18:18:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is giving away more free kilowatt hours to its people, yet wants to sun tax users to used their own money to install solar when their was blackouts. Your system does not work and needs rethinking.	T	employed individual
	2026-08-30 19:47:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Garth	self-employed
	2026-08-31 04:36:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities will use the fixed charge as a way to balance their books and save them the trouble of collecting debt rogue users and preventing theft. Solar roof top owners are already the people carrying most of the municipal financial burden. If the price cap is fixed nationally then there is some merit to it.	Mike	retired
	2026-08-31 15:04:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its unbelievable that ESKOM mismanaged the production and supply of electricity from being of the cheapest power in the world, to exorbitant. And in an attempt to ensure we had power, and with Eskoms blessing at the time, we installed solar power at great cost. But now that Eskom are losing customers, and are no longer able to inflict double digit increases upon a captive market, there is now a move to increase fixed prices to ensure their income remains static. And what I find is the worst, I cannot take my business anywhere else. I call this extortion to say the least.	Francois	self-employed
	2026-08-31 16:11:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		john	retired
	2026-08-31 18:17:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We captive households cannot afford to be charged more for electricity, we already pay a wires charge on our rates bill before we even buy electricity. I dont see why we normal households must always suffer the consequences, so no i do not support the solar mandatory charges nor the captive household price hikes. Stop trying to charge captive households more for everything. We are already struggling to pay our rates and buy electricity every month. Enough is enough now.	Victoria	employed individual
	2026-08-31 19:16:35	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa’s energy crisis and attract private capital. Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households.	TC	retired
	2026-09-01 07:50:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good morning, all, Thank you for allowing my voice, This is insane! we are being squeezed for every penny we have. South African was once the envy of the world with it low cost, abundant Electricity, however now we are the laughingstock. We should go back to basics, root out corruption, nepotism, bad management.	Fred	employed individual
	2026-09-01 10:18:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support fixed tariffs. Our investment in solar should not be punished	Ryan	employed individual
	2026-09-01 10:28:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am an ex Eskom Employee Years ago when Sola heating was the rage and luxury Eskom was Giving an incentive discount for you to install a system . Now the situation is Drastic they want you to pay a tax so somebody can get rich	Eric	retired
	2026-09-01 11:31:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Kirsty	business owner
	2026-09-01 16:49:45	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is unable to provide a reliable service to South Africans and the proposed bill is now forcing us to pay for something that is either not provided or provided so irregularly so as to be of no use. Consumers do not have to pay anything to Telkom for telephone lines despite houses having links, so why should they pay for electricity connections?	Claire	employed individual

	2026-09-01 17:48:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leslie	retired
	2026-09-02 06:21:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	
	2026-09-02 10:40:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawie	employed individual
	2026-09-02 10:57:55	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	retired
	2026-09-02 14:04:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-02 16:31:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a household relying fully on municipal grid electricity without solar, I object to paying higher fixed monthly charges or carrying the burden of lost municipal revenue.	Jacqui	retired
	2026-09-03 06:35:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David Schalk	retired
	2026-09-04 13:12:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	"Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Nicole	self-employed
	2026-09-06 09:07:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anne	
	2026-09-06 13:46:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lizette	employed individual
	2026-09-08 09:53:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ridiculous - now we, the tax payers, once again are being slaughtered - fix the damn corruption and get rid of all the illegal connections - and make them pay their fair share - we are already subsidizing all the damn crooks who have illegal connections and the crooks in the government and Eskom who steal all the money. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens and discourages private decarbonisation. Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	winnie	
	2026-09-09 00:16:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair to charge consumers for services they do not receive from government, but from natural sunlight. Citizens who go off-grid reduce pressure on the national grid and increase available capacity for Eskom. Government should therefore consider incentivising consumers for investing in solar energy rather than charging them while they contribute to solving the energy crisis in the country.	Moate	employed individual
	2026-09-09 06:20:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ons betaal al klaar geweldig baie vir bitter min. Dis sonkraag waarvoor jy reeds "betaal" het in terme van oprigting en aankoop van toerustinng. Dis net verdere belasting van individue wat eintlik lading verlig van die grid.	Elmarie	retired
	2026-09-09 09:34:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gawie	retired
	2026-09-11 15:27:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pensioner and cannot afford these extra charges	Elza	retired
	2026-09-11 15:33:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwen	employed individual
	2026-09-11 15:35:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dirk	retired
	2026-09-11 15:38:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gilium	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 15:42:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheryl	retired
	2026-09-11 17:07:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nothing but extortion. We cannot go on like this!	Colin	retired
	2026-09-11 17:11:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Antonie	
	2026-09-11 17:15:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should compete in the open market. We are a democratic country with a free economy. These tariffs and regulations and monopolies are unconstitutional!	Lize	
	2026-09-11 17:15:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government//Eskom again wanting the consumers to pay for the corruption, overstaffing at Eskom.	Lynne	retired
	2026-09-11 17:20:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is absolutely sick, how much further do they want to milk us, the cash cow will soon run dry.	Chris	retired
	2026-09-11 17:38:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Suzie	self-employed
	2026-09-11 17:46:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Points to Demand in my Public Submission: Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	HARRY	retired
	2026-09-11 17:47:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wesley	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:48:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	More and more avenues are being found to make poor and middleclass citizen just pay more and more taxes, as it is already a hard living way for all . Stop taxing the citizens for your inability to recognise that you can not lead this country.	Lynette	retired
	2026-09-11 18:34:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	
	2026-09-11 18:52:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object in full	Luke	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:54:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pensioners get no discount, only higher tariffs.	Carol	retired
	2026-09-11 19:10:35	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Naomi Diedericks	employed individual
	2026-09-11 19:28:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jasper	
	2026-09-11 19:42:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mpumelelo	
	2026-09-11 19:55:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Salma	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:03:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morne	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:09:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jimmy	retired
	2026-09-11 20:22:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mehroon Nisa	retired
	2026-09-11 20:26:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rehan	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:32:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	employed individual
	2026-09-11 20:38:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It seems as if ordinary household electricity consumers will be paying higher tariff to cover businesses that use more electricity at a cheaper price. This is grossly unfair that the ordinary person on the street will be paying higher tariffs to cover the shortfall of businesses getting cheaper electricity. This is totally unacceptable.	Marilyn	retired
	2026-09-11 20:56:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This same issue has been brought up over and over again. When will the government HEAR. They know that the solution is to privatise energy to invite competition and actually that goes for EVERY State Owned Enterprise. It will encourage innovative cost effective service which will not only help the consumer but also job creation.	Tracy	

	2026-09-11 20:56:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anthony	retired
	2026-09-11 21:12:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was happy for residential properties to go solar and alleviate the pressure on them when they could not supply sufficient electricity to meet the demand. Now they want to penalize those who spent a lot of money installing solar to assist Eskom What a crooked State Owned Business!!!!	Barry	retired
	2026-09-11 21:14:00	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Especially for retirees this is a heavy burden to carry..	Herbert	retired
	2026-09-11 21:34:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SHIRAZ	retired
	2026-09-11 22:13:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roxanne	
	2026-09-12 02:22:35	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-12 05:01:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They broke it and now want us to pay to keep funding their incompetence and theft	Charles	
	2026-09-12 05:51:54	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Griet	retired
	2026-09-12 06:12:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 06:30:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cost of electricity is already very high, and rate increases are far higher than should be allowed. Consumers are already struggling to keep the lights on.	Gabbi	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:33:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Philip	
	2026-09-12 06:38:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has passed on decades of gross inefficiency and corruption to consumers. It is time to restructure Eskom's bloated and overpaid staff to be more efficient and to pass on savings to consumers. Greater competition in electricity generation and distribution must take place urgently. South African consumers are financially exhausted and cannot continue to fund inefficiency and corruption.	Michael	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:38:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another form of tax.	Willem	
	2026-09-12 06:40:35	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:56:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is not sustainable and we live in a free capitalised country	Shawn	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:56:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Fix Eskom from within and keep the prices low and more people will use it. Don't penalise solar users. They are helping you meet your power demands. The more you fleece consumers, the less they will use it and you will hamper growth in the country.	Shelley	self-employed
	2026-09-12 06:57:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It will become inaffordable for me to have electricity in the home	Visva	employed individual
	2026-09-12 07:00:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Heather	business owner
	2026-09-12 07:07:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital. The government should be encouraging more consumers to go the solar route. Maybe give subsidies to people who go this route so that households are predominantly solar-powered and businesses can take advantage of a more reliable electricity supply.	Janine	retired
	2026-09-12 07:28:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost of Eskom power is already high, particularly for low income households. The rationale for passing the burden onto domestic customers is flawed as the biggest consumers, such as data centres, are swallowing supply at discount rates that is being cross subsidised by domestic tariffs. The heavy commercial users make sufficient profits to pay their own way.	Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 07:34:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carol	retired
	2026-09-12 07:41:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kamrudien	retired
	2026-09-12 08:00:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-12 08:09:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Herbert	retired
	2026-09-12 08:11:03	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:15:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	By allowing large consumers to bypass municipal electricity supply, it is likely that the municipalities will hike prices to captive consumers. in order to make up for lost revenue. Consumers are already overburdened by high electricity charges and cannot afford to pay more. Municipalities may actually face collapse unless they hike prices, so this is a very badly thought out plan. Captive consumers must be protected, and a plan made to assist municipalities with finances. Do not pass this law	Hillary	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:18:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Normal house holds can simply not afford the tariff increases.	Lelania	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:32:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another tariff increase from Escom even though they are bragging about a 20 billion profit. Yet ordinary citizens are feeling the brunt of this increase every other month!!! I have a gas heater and gas stove and still my bill is astronomical.	Ruth	retired
	2026-09-12 08:34:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abdul Hamid	retired
	2026-09-12 08:40:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a perverse engineering of laws to cover up for governance and foresight failures. It is treasonous and anti-poor. This legislation undermines the outcomes of the National Democratic Revolution.	Henning	
	2026-09-12 08:40:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government of the day should rather start at its own front door and lead by example. The fat cats in government should be down sized dramatically to start balancing this very unequal equation. It is a disgrace to the country that they be allowed to have everything for free. I'm a pensioner by no fault on my side and have pre-paid electricity, but I struggle each month to recharge my pre-paid account. All of this chaos started with the first so called "democratic" elections in 1994 where the notion of stealing and being corrupt to the core entered the society, whether rich or not. Instead of planning ahead people thought that everything came for free as if there was no tomorrow. Now that the country is on the verge of almost collapse, the leaders still do what they've been doing since 1994, thinking that all can be made to go away with their nice speeches, drastic measures and lehislation, etc. Typical ostrich syndrome of sticking its head in the sand and then all will be fine	Christa	retired
	2026-09-12 08:42:54	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With a world wide energy crisis which affects 3rd world countries hugely local councils and Eskom should invest in green solar energy installations that would meet demands and create jobs! Government is totally asleep when it comes to long term solutions that have to include large scale and domestic Solar controlled by councils which would increase revenue	Gillian	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:44:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As usual this government is intent on theft.	Douglas	retired
	2026-09-12 08:46:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Continual rates, water and electricity increases are driving residential home owners closer to insolvency. Eskom and the government will eventually kill the cash cow, i.e. responsible rate paying home owners. There will be a time when 40% will become 20%, unable to support the other 60 to 80% that depend on insufficient taxpayer funded handouts.	Edward	retired
	2026-09-12 08:51:13	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		clive	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:52:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection	Cairey	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:56:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Pensioners with fixed incomes will be affected the most	Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 09:02:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alison	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:04:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having had 'rented' solar panels installed on my tiled roof, this proved a TOTAL DISASTER. My roof was ruined by a very bad installation and for almost two years I had several cretestone ceilings where the panels had been installed, totally ruined, with rain pouring into several rooms & half my roof had to be retiled. I was then requested to pay a fortune to have them removed. So now, as an elderly pensioner, I am back to having to pay extremely high electrically rates. There should be a reduction in electricity rates rather than escalation!!!	Jill	retired
	2026-09-12 09:09:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Due to the incompetence and the bad management by the Board and senior staff of Eskom, we the consumer suffered power / electricity load shedding and price hikes not ever seen before in the world. Corruption and theft was and possible still is the main activity at Eskom with all its different branches (check news reports). Because of this people and business had to start providing their own electricity to survive. Now the income of Eskom is so low that they must look at other resources from which they can still steal. Stop this nonsense and start working to earn a honest income to make a living! Get yourself back as a trustworthy service provider at reasonable and affordable prices. Don't kill the goose with the golden egg!	Philip	
	2026-09-12 09:22:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a pesioner always paying my bills on time, but my monthly bills are rising while my pension does not. Through my monthly bills I am already subsidising Pikitup, City Power and City of Joburg for services at a rate which may be appropriate for households with multiple residents but for single occupier is absurd and financially crippling. Rates should not be calculated on 'averages' or 'departmental needs' but on customers actual usage.	Philip	retired
	2026-09-12 09:24:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is from God and the government cannot penalize people who uses clean energy as source.In my province the municipality is charging high on electricity and I will support any initiative to stop this bad treatment from the municipality	Maruping	unemployed individual

	2026-09-12 09:25:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ratepayers already paying for the debt of Soweto and other areas. Fix that first and get non paying users to pay.	Kim	
	2026-09-12 09:30:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alan	retired
	2026-09-12 09:35:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		At	
	2026-09-12 09:39:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	retired
	2026-09-12 09:48:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Caroline	retired
	2026-09-12 09:54:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom need to explore alternatives instead of burdening existing tax and electricity payers	Daniel	
	2026-09-12 10:00:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities rely heavily on electricity surpluses from large commercial users to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services. Allowing high-paying users to buy power directly from private traders risks leaving municipal distribution entities with insolvent revenue models and stranded captive households.	Deborah	employed individual
	2026-09-12 10:04:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 10:33:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	retired
	2026-09-12 11:02:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adele	employed individual
	2026-09-12 11:09:37	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities are already milking private households and this will give them just another tool to do so.	Johan	retired
	2026-09-12 11:09:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sharon	
	2026-09-12 11:11:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	https://dearsouthafrica.co.za/electricity-transformation-paper/summary/#1738150189975-5d0623dc-47dc31d9-c3be5520-25434efa-277d	Joey	
	2026-09-12 11:14:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Alexandra	retired
	2026-09-12 11:35:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penny	retired
	2026-09-12 11:44:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		patrick	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:16:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-12 12:21:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Global retail electricity prices/kWh (as per AI) SA Pretoria 600kWh/m R3.50, $ 0.21; $0.56ppp Global average $0.17 Asia $ 0.084 India* IN. Rupee 7.25, $0.08; $0.36ppp *subsidized prices and lower operational costs Europe (Germany, Denmark&Belgium** €0.38; $ 0.44; $?.??ppp **primarily due to taxes and renewable surcharges So, SA prices already are higher than the world average Some other innovative solution is needed than burdening the man in the street in order to increase international competativeness	Hermann	retired
	2026-09-12 12:25:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	retired
	2026-09-12 12:32:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ivan	retired
	2026-09-12 12:45:39	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phillip	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:06:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sally	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:13:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maureen	retired
	2026-09-12 13:21:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My Electricity Usage is R540 .... But Im Paying R2500 a MONTH ! Service Charge R304 Networkcharge R1227 = R1535 FIXED COSTS VAT R316 This is Robbery I really try Cut down on Costs !!!! If I go Solar---- I still have to Pay the Fixed COSTS !!!!	RICHARD	
	2026-09-12 13:25:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Don't we pay enough for electricity already? The more we pay the more the economy and ordinary people will suffer. Just increasing the bill is no solution, somewhere in government there must be someone with enough brains for a better plan. If not, it's time to vote them out.	Gys	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:46:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This whole debacle was self inflicted. No one would have switched to solar if electricity had remained viable and dependable. Incompetence and greed have come home to roost	Robert	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:50:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No to un-just tariffs for all. (sort out corrupt and dysfunctional municipalities and illegal usage first) , yes to transparency regarding balanced tariffs. Laws should protect all consumers and should be transparent .	Michèle	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:49:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to being penalised for not installing solar.	Diana	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:53:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Enough is enough! We are not a “campfire” country where each community only cares about their own little camp! We are South Africans who have walked a heavy road -a “long road to freedom” - so don’t expect us to give up at this point to be enslaved by Eskom’s ineffective management of their affairs. Electricity production exists for the benefit of the people not the people for the benefit of the institution! Let’s get the facts right and play by the rules God gave us: “ do unto others as you would have them do unto you”.	Linda	
	2026-09-12 14:54:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Gottfried	
	2026-09-12 15:03:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willis	retired
	2026-09-12 15:04:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You could NOT provide enough electricity and we were forced alternative ways...now you want to tax us because of your incompetence to provide electricity..start cutting the staffs salaries and the chiefs too... then you will be able to balance your credit sheets...with a profit!!!!	Martie	retired
	2026-09-12 15:14:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a 76 year old pensioner I spent a sizeable chunk of my pension savings to protect myself during load shedding. I certainly did not want to fall and break my hip stumbling around in the dark looking for a torch (the possibility of this happening was brought home to me when I had a bad fall - fortunately I didn’t break anything and was able to get up though I was very sore for quite a while!) Another very real concern was that at my age with the whole neighbourhood in darkness - with the times this would occur being published for all criminals to see - I was extremely vulnerable! I am on B prepaid power snd already pay a service fee of R210 a month - this effectively doubles the amount I psy for power as I only use about 80 kWh a month from the grid! As a pensioner pn my own i simply cannot afford the proposed tariffs and would be force to sell my home of over 20 years where I had hoped to live out my life snd enjoy my little garden and move! I feel it is very unfair that for the very little strain that I place on the grid i should be force to subsidise the heavy users who do strain the grid. The proposed charges would equate to something in the region on R15 a kWh !!	Kathy	
	2026-09-12 15:32:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Marlize	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:06:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		GABRIELE	retired
	2026-09-12 16:16:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have just received my newest ESKOM account, there are so much Charges; Service & Admin, Network Capacity, Generation Capacity, Ancillary Service, Network Demand, Energy Charge & VAT.....Pre 1994 there was only 2 charges. ANC government is just out to milk the poor SA citizens , they search in every nook & cranny to TAX and drain citizens out of a decent living. Whoever heard of SUN TAX.... DOES the ANC own the UNIVERSE?/	Veronica	retired

	2026-09-12 16:21:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Keep pricing low, sell extra/surplus electricity to other countries to enable optimal operation of eskom !	Trevor	retired
	2026-09-12 16:25:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		TONY	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:37:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We just cannot afford to pay for electricity. Why must we be penalized for municipal failure??	Sarah	self-employed
	2026-09-12 16:44:03	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthinus	
	2026-09-12 16:54:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-12 17:12:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is already outrageously expensive	carmen	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:19:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Solution: 1. Publish transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. 2. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. 3. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Quintin	Non-profit
	2026-09-12 17:25:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fundamentally hopelessly flawed blurring and confusing of honest household municipal connections, consumption, solar solutions and small businesses consumption with that of corporate and industrial consumption, mismanagement and abuse….and the market needs that are more complex than this simplistic and unfair “solution”.. back to the drawing board please!!..	Robert	retired
	2026-09-12 17:30:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It's time Eskom stopped funding its incompetence through just raising electricity tariffs by as much as it suits them. It's not as though we can move to another supplier - Eskom has captive consumers who have no choice. Our only defence is to use less electricity - so prices are just raised further. There is no regard for affordability, nor for inflation-based increases. It's time Eskom started plugging the holes caused by their own incompetence and stopped just increasing prices.	Annie	retired
	2026-09-12 17:40:55	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is an unfair burden on the general electricity consumer, as it penalises those who are already struggling. Just because they do not have the finances for solar. Their reliance on electricity is being impacted. Eskom must act fairly and not abuse their monopoly on an electricity by users who rely on it and cannot obtain alternative means of power to live.	John	
	2026-09-12 18:00:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am 75 years old and all I have to say is that the people that put up theses increases will one day get old too and they don’t pay for electricity as the tax payers do and they live for free but they must remember the children children will one day cause them when there children can’t afford it. And that is another recipe for increasing of crime.	Rashid	retired
	2026-09-12 18:19:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ginger	retired
	2026-09-12 18:21:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	retired
	2026-09-12 18:52:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	
	2026-09-12 19:04:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moate	employed individual
	2026-09-12 21:07:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lydia Abel	retired
	2026-09-12 21:10:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neall	retired
	2026-09-12 21:43:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	retired
	2026-09-12 21:57:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	business owner
	2026-09-12 23:48:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is criminal to expect tax paying citizen who already struggle to make ends meet to carry a heavier burden.	Estelle	
	2026-09-13 01:00:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1: Mandatory Fixed Network Charges on Solar & Low-Volume Users ("Anti-Free Riding")	Gerrit	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:24:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	? Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Clare	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:34:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Abdul Rahim	
	2026-09-13 05:48:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Having a small solar setup to backup computer power supply for work during power outages and keeping the refridgerator running to keep food from spoiling should not be penalised as it is just being prudent. The price of electricity is already too high and adding set charges will make people cancel altogether	Teija	self-employed
	2026-09-13 05:54:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand that NERSA place strict statutory caps on fixed network and capacity charges to prevent utilities from penalising private renewable investments. Insist on a tiered tariff model that credits grid-tied rooftop solar owners for daytime energy injection, offsetting fixed network costs rather than imposing flat availability taxes. Require an independent socio-economic impact assessment on how fixed monthly fees affect low-income and energy-conserving households.Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Susan	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:04:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chrissy	
	2026-09-13 06:13:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposal does nothing for the average South African resident except threaten higher prices for electricity - hardly a result anyone would want from creating competition - how counterintuitive.	Colin	self-employed
	2026-09-13 06:29:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yolandie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:33:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying crippling rates for electricity while the City of Tshwane battles frequent power failures. Shifting an even higher burden onto regular consumers while large businesses can go elsewhere is unethical.	Salomé	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:58:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I oppose this mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs.	Noel	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:07:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. I require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. I oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Theda	
	2026-09-13 07:27:18	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop sucking us dry!	Dorian	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:35:18	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Gareth	
	2026-09-13 07:45:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop driving the lower and middle class to the gutter.	Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:48:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This tarrifs is a daylught robbery some of us not working and we have to pay a lot of money with less units if I buy R100 electricity I get 6.9 units sometimes 4.6 as an unemployed where can I get money to buy electricity everyday solar system I think is the best and will be much cheaper and residents can leave better Eskom is robbing people they must stop this . Thank you.s	Nonkosi Christina	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:56:18	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a B4 municipality consumer, the combination of net-billing, cost-reflective tariffs, municipal surcharges, and imbalance penalties will raise my monthly budget whether I have solar or not. Cost-reflectivity before auditing municipal losses means I pay for inefficiency. Net-billing at avoided cost only destroys solar viability. SAWEM will allow traders to take commercial customers leaving residents with a tariff spiral. No Household Impact Assessment was published. I request: (1) no cost-reflective increase until loss audit, (2) retain net-metering for <30kVA or fair export credit, (3) Universal Service Fund to protect B4 municipalities, (4) publish price forecast and extend deadline.	Marilyne	employed individual
	2026-09-13 07:56:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Typically forcing the little people to carry the can for those on the gravy train.	Mark	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 07:59:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rashaad	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:08:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	IT IS SHOCKING TO THINK THAT THOSE WHO CANNOT AFFORD SOLAR POWER ARE TO BE PENALISED WITH HIGHER TARIFFS! STOP THIS MADNESS!!!!	Jacquie	employed individual

	2026-09-13 08:09:03	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jerry	retired
	2026-09-13 08:09:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Trevor	self-employed
	2026-09-13 08:12:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The current price of electricity is already very high and additional tariffs would make it completely unaffordable. Even if I had solar installed, the grid is unstable and could not support everyone hence the loadshedding. Mismanagement is the reason Eskom is in their current predicament and giving them additional funding to mismanage is not going to solve the problem.	Lauren	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:28:39	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vivienne	retired
	2026-09-13 08:38:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dave	employed individual
	2026-09-13 08:41:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Open Letter / Public Submission To: The Department of Electricity and Energy Subject: Public Objection to Proposed Fixed Grid Tariffs and Solar Cost-Shifting Reforms I am writing to formally submit my opposition to the proposed electricity tariff restructuring and grid-use fee framework. Energy policies must balance system maintenance with fairness, innovation, and consumer protection. The current trajectory threatens to penalize clean energy investments while failing to protect vulnerable households. I urge the Department to address three critical priorities: Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalize private capital and rooftop solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Households and businesses that invest their own resources to reduce strain on the national grid should be incentivized, not burdened with penalty charges designed to suppress self-generation. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities and local distributors from hiking retail tariffs on non-solar homes to compensate for lost revenue caused by industrial off-grid defection. Disincentivizing energy independence for some must not lead to artificial price hikes for captive consumers who cannot afford solar installations. Ensure Transparency First: Guarantee that wholesale market reforms and transmission network cost allocations do not leave everyday households footing the bill for legacy grid infrastructure and expansion costs. Tariff structures must be unbundled transparently, reflecting true operational costs rather than arbitrary cost-recovery margins. Whether a household generates its own power or purchases every kilowatt-hour directly from the local municipality, these regulatory decisions directly impact monthly living expenses. Energy policy must encourage private resilience while keeping electricity affordable for all.	Alan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:11:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Tichard	retired
	2026-09-13 09:30:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The minister and everyone making decisions remain short sighted land stuck in the past. Instead of learning from other nations e.g Europe, where there is a non punitive private/ public partnership on green energy , they choose to penalise instead of co-operate. Customer feeding back to the grid , being reimbursed fairly helps everyone. In the end, I really didn't want to install my own solar plant. We were forced to due to their mismanagement (a nicer word to use than corruption)	Manish	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:36:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	retired
	2026-09-13 09:36:14	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Brian	business owner
	2026-09-13 09:56:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-13 09:58:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacquie	
	2026-09-13 09:59:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	retired
	2026-09-13 10:29:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vib	self-employed
	2026-09-13 10:32:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jill	retired
	2026-09-13 10:52:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying too much for all services, when will this end?	Johann	retired
	2026-09-13 10:58:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shaun	retired
	2026-09-13 10:59:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	retired
	2026-09-13 11:21:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired
	2026-09-13 11:30:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No, I do not support the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper, because mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. Captive Consumer Protections & Two-Tiered Tariff Risks: What the Policy Proposes: The policy introduces a dual market structure dividing consumers into “Eligible Customers” and “Captive Customers.” Only large commercial and industrial consumers exceeding a specified demand threshold (e.g., 1 MW) will initially have the legal right to purchase directly on the open wholesale market or contract with private traders. All residential households and smaller commercial entities will remain “captive” to incumbent municipal or Eskom distribution retail tariffs. The Underlying Risk: Allowing the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. Points to Demand: * Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. * Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. * Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums. The “Captive Ratepayer Trap” and Municipal Insolvency: Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Daniel	self-employed
	2026-09-13 11:35:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is clear that, ultimately, ESKOM owning transmission and generation capacity (functional or not), will justify the general public to pay for such even if not drawing any service (ie bills with zero service delivery). If a medical doctor invests in some expensive equipment, society as a whole does not owe him/her any payment unless the equipment is used, so why should ESKOM be any different. ESKOM is a company, like all others. ESKOM does no longer serve the national purpose it once did - there are many alternatives. Hence, ESKOM SHOULD BE ALOWED TO GO BROKE, LIKE ANY OTHER POORLY MANAGED COMPANY. Of note: the average annual pay at ESKOM (about R1.1 million) exceeds the average salary of the wealthiest country in Europe - Luxembourg salaries average are Euro 55000 annually, that is R990k. Yet in that country, services work, problems are fixed within a day or two, by staff, not external contractors. If ESKOM is allowed to go broke, South Africa will benefit greatly , as efficient private companies are wiling and capable to fill the gap! Just need legislative foresight, which is similarly totally absent in South African leadership. Under socialist rule, South Arica will be the ONLY country in the world (that I am aware of - please correct me if I am wrong) that punishes residents for installing renewable energy. Cry my beloved country.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-13 11:45:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Doug	retired
	2026-09-13 12:15:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annika	retired
	2026-09-13 12:31:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner I can not afford any additional charges over and above the normal annual increases in tarrifs	Deon	retired
	2026-09-13 12:40:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Toni	
	2026-09-13 12:41:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jazz	
	2026-09-13 12:43:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:09:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why can't South Africa's government solve the issue? What is the issue - $$$$. South Africa's government should invest in renewable energy. We have sun, heaps of it! We have wind - very powerful. We have the ocean and its tides. Instead of passing the buck onto everyday citizens, why do the country leaders DO SOMETHING FOR THE PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY? Electricity could be very affordable to every household; we need our leaders who make the decisions to change their thinking to a whole new energy source that is sustainable and serves every South African people.	Cherene Henderson	self-employed
	2026-09-13 13:11:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already paying too much. Eskom making their inefficiency our problem	Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-09-13 14:09:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	UNAFFORDABLE - We already paid, and will pay further for incompetence of government and Escom, failing to provide affordable electricity. Fair market and private competition is resrticted, we not benefitting with afforability improvements. We become passive participants of killing SA's economy.	CJ	retired
	2026-09-13 14:21:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vernon	retired
	2026-09-13 14:26:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	

	2026-09-13 14:33:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JEAN	retired
	2026-09-13 14:48:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 14:53:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	At first Eskom promoted Solar panels to unburden the grid! Now the customers that have Solar getting penalised for having Solar! The non Solar customer are now also burdened with higher tariffs because of declining customer base. They should get a loyalty refund for supporting Eskom! Another thieving scheme from Government!!!	E	retired
	2026-09-13 14:53:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is a public service and should NOT be used to fleece helpless consumers. Eskom was hollowed out mercilessly by government cadres without any repercussions. Now it is using tariffs to claw back what was stolen at the expense of consumers while pretending to be financially recovering from years of corruption. Eskom is not doing well, just enriching itself from abnormal tariffs billed to consumers while claiming a good balance sheet. It's a total deception.	Ingrid	self-employed
	2026-09-13 14:57:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should consumer pick up the cost of government's incompetence. Eskom should be privatized.	Gerhard	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:02:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the consumer who pays on time be punished with excess tariffs and fines when the ANC is offering free electricity to indigents. The local municipalities need to stop stealing the money and pay Eskom	Pamela	retired
	2026-09-13 15:51:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is the private consumer becoming the victim for all the bad decisions, fraud and corruption that Eskom is responsible for.?	Tom	
	2026-09-13 16:00:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 16:01:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will the government stop making the citizen pay for the corruption, maladministration, incompetence and blatant theft that has been instituted by them and their cadres. They destroy and we have to suffer and pay, enough is enough.	Kenneth	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:05:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yashvent	retired
	2026-09-13 16:05:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Charlotte	retired
	2026-09-13 16:49:05	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Disa	employed individual
	2026-09-13 16:54:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	retired
	2026-09-13 17:29:55	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I'll be a captive! Not fear to public	Willemien	self-employed
	2026-09-13 17:54:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Keith	retired
	2026-09-13 18:30:08	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mushtaq	retired
	2026-09-13 18:31:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Retired	Carol	retired
	2026-09-13 18:36:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Nita	retired
	2026-09-13 18:47:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Donald	retired
	2026-09-13 19:15:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner and ratepayer I cannot accept that I have to subsidize solar customers while not being able to afford to go solar myself and face the financially prohibitive consequences. It's a no-win situation all round.	Phyllis	retired
	2026-09-13 20:06:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is time for the energy market to freed from the suffocation of the inefficient and overpriced Eskom control. The separation of the grid into a new market orientated entity is a first and important step.	Alan	retired
	2026-09-13 20:12:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-13 20:18:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catharina	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 20:26:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carli	
	2026-09-13 20:39:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johanna Florida	employed individual
	2026-09-13 20:41:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marietjie	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:46:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Andrew	employed individual
	2026-09-13 21:52:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How do government expect us to survive. We must fit the bill for mismanagement of funds. The tariffs have been increasing with high percentage with added fees. It does not make sense. They don't care about the people and electricity should be privatized and not be part of the government pool	Salomey	employed individual
	2026-09-13 23:26:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will affect middle and lower income users to the point where it will become unaffordable to use municipal electricity unless you have enough resources to remove yourself from the grid entirely- hardly possible in most areas. OR, the ordinary household will have to resort to using gas to cook with and only use hot water for showering a few times a week. It is surely immoral, and possibly unconstitutional, for industry and commercial users to profit at the expense of the ordinary citizen .	Tony	retired
	2026-09-14 03:01:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pat	retired
	2026-09-14 06:13:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patricia	retired
	2026-09-14 06:34:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Guy	
	2026-09-14 06:44:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Mandy	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 07:25:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:33:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerard	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:34:00	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liesl	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:35:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	
	2026-09-14 07:39:54	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rosemary	
	2026-09-14 07:49:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We can barely afford the current rates and levies, with a sudden price hike, municipalities risk losing even more money as people have their power cut due to debts piling up.	Ash	
	2026-09-14 07:57:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nasreen	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:59:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Abdurahman	
	2026-09-14 08:03:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Increasing costs to already stretched captive households to cover for inefficiencies in the system	Rosemary	

	2026-09-14 08:07:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this Bill is passed - it will force the regular consumers to go Solar and Escom will loose more revenue in the long run	Dave	
	2026-09-14 08:09:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashika	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:16:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heleen	
	2026-09-14 08:20:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carina	
	2026-09-14 08:28:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harold	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:33:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is already so expensive, we can't afford continued price hikes.	Yolanda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:42:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. If I cannot afford solar, what makes you think I can afford higher and higher tariffs? Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Plan better for the future. It's on you as government to take responsibility for planning correctly. It's not the responsibility of the consumer to make sure your pockets are filled. You should be able to generate electricity at affordable prices for everyone. You are putting so much strain on us with everything being so expensive already.	Nicholaas	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:43:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom het verbruikers geforseer om eie planne te maak toe beurtkrag ingestel was. Noudat beurtkrag nie meer toegepas word nie behoort diegene wat kapitaal bestee het op sonkrag, toegelaat te word om voortaan op verbruik te spaar en so die kapitaal te verhaal.	Frederick	retired
	2026-09-14 08:44:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Totally ridiculous in an already collapsing economy and the man on the street experiencing great difficulty to put food on the table.	Beverley	
	2026-09-14 08:45:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why do we have to pay for ineffective municipalities and corrupt officials to feed their pockets. The fixed electricity payment prior to buying usable units is already a burden that we as pensioners cannot afford and now you want to invrease it even more. Absolutely rediculous	Johannes	retired
	2026-09-14 09:08:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		C	
	2026-09-14 09:08:15	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	
	2026-09-14 09:09:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	
	2026-09-14 09:10:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amanda	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:15:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dianne	retired
	2026-09-14 09:16:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am not sure why we are still in a place where we need to rely on electricity from coal or whichever way they are producing electricity. Durban in particular could generate electricity from the sea. Why is nobody coming up with these ideas. Either they lack the brain power, or it is a strategy to keep people in poverty and reap the wealth for themselves. In my opinion, the latter applies.	Junai	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:17:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Latitia	retired
	2026-09-14 09:28:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are pensioners and are already paying high municipal and electrical rates YET our area is often without electricity and our municipal services unrendered. How do they expect us to now also pay up for their deficit because they squandered all the funds due to incompetence and corruption. WHO is protecting US? My husband was in the military for 42 years. He has given his LIFE for our country and this is how we are repaid in our golden years. Disgraceful	Jenny	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:40:14	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I DONT FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL THE INFORMATION BUT IS THEY NOW WANT TO PROPOSE FEES FOR THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THIS AFFECTS MY POCKET THEN I REALLY CANNOT AFFORD THIS. THEY ARE CRAZY	patricia	retired
	2026-09-14 09:41:39	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dries	retired
	2026-09-14 09:42:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Heather	retired
	2026-09-14 09:43:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicole	
	2026-09-14 09:44:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sophie	retired
	2026-09-14 09:45:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:00:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	
	2026-09-14 10:00:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Object: Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses.	Mpho	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:03:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have solar as I cannot afford the cost to acquire it, even when held captive by loadshedding. My household does its best to use electricity sparingly, especially due to the above inflation price increases as the cost is high - now I'm forced to pay a connection fee on top of the electricity I use which is 50% of my monthly usage. This is highly disgusting that I'm forced to pay so much when I do not benefit from free sun power, and so many households get free electricity that I must now cover...	Gareth	
	2026-09-14 10:05:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxpayers should not be paying for the mistakes made by government's mismanagement of ESKOM and the supply of electricity - one of our national assets. If there are cheaper alternatives, then the whole grid should be moving towards that while keeping a robust back-up supply in Eskom. Any excess capacity should be sold to our neighbours who are experiencing an energy deficit. Make sure the grid is maintained and lease it to any independent power producers who make use of it. Legislate that independent power producers are always linked to the main grid.	Roy	
	2026-09-14 10:18:24	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should consumers carry the burden? Ordinary households and small businesses will remain “captive” to municipal distribution grids, risking higher tariffs to cover municipal revenue deficits and legacy cross-subsidies.	Derick	
	2026-09-14 10:18:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		S	retired
	2026-09-14 10:20:00	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am suffering already with financial burdens of water & electricity as it is, I cannot afford anymore increases in anything. They must rather focus on the people that overload the sub stations by stealing electricity, focus on having those people arrested for that. Us that pay our accounts monthly have to suffer the consequences for these thieves. Leave the laws as it is & concentrate in fixed the city's roads, lights, etc instead. People pay a fortune to go off grid because of the high fees nowadays just to have power, why make them pay more now because of solar that they paid for. In that case then eskom has to pay for people to get solar instead if they want to enforce a high penalty monthly fee.	Marlie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:28:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We are experiencing high electricity pricing. A fixed connection fees acts as a punitive "solar tax." This penalizes us who invested our own money to ease pressure on the strained national grid to help ease load shedding. Eskom needs to eradicate corruption, downsize staffing and lower electricity prices	PETER	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:29:41	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Randolf	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:58:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edwin	
	2026-09-14 11:02:54	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		john	
	2026-09-14 11:05:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Itis unfair and wrong to allow the largest, highest-paying electricity users to exit municipal supply. This creates a two-tiered energy economy. As high-volume users migrate to competitive private contracts, the fixed costs of maintaining legacy municipal networks and state-owned infrastructure will be concentrated onto captive residential households, driving up standard retail tariffs. In other words the ordinary, hardworking South Africans will be penalized with unaffordable tarrifs while the big rich companies get cheap rates Its just plain wrong	Joan	retired
	2026-09-14 11:10:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are the biggest scammers trying to extort money from ordinary people already battling to make a living with high food and fuel prices!	Keith	retired
	2026-09-14 11:18:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The paying consumers have been obedient and constructive and now are being punished . There are too many free loaders and maybe we need to look at what the nonexecutive board members of Eskom are being paid - I believe an annual increase from 5 million a year to 29 million ??? i s this true ? not acceptable !!!!	Sue	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:25:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residents have opted for Solar for two reasons: - To overcome Eskom's inability to provide consistent power - To reduce the exorbitant cost of electricity charged by Eskom To now levy a charge on residents who have solved their electricity problems at their own cost is totally unjustified and is tantamount to theft.	Sydney	retired
	2026-09-14 11:33:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The homeowner is being run into the ground	Shaun	
	2026-09-14 11:36:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LUNGILE	

	2026-09-14 11:40:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to find other funding alternatives and not punish those who paid costly fees to install solar (because of Eskom's inability to supply consistent electricity supply) as well as those consumers who now are captive to their incidental price hikes & creative methods to create income. As a consumer you're dammed if you don't and your dammed if you do. Seems like Eskom needs senior management who are capable of thinking ahead - in other words know how to set future strategy as its sadly lacking! They should have known to plan for the reduction in electricity use as businesses and consumers were forced to find alternatives during the load-shedding era!	Sandy	
	2026-09-14 11:41:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-14 11:45:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They should rather adopt tiered tariff use and charge more based on the time of day and charge levies to large industries	Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:25:35	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	employed individual
	2026-09-14 12:28:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anita	retired
	2026-09-14 12:30:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-09-14 12:35:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rendani	retired
	2026-09-14 12:41:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I support reforms that improve the reliability, affordability and sustainability of South Africa's electricity system. However, I am concerned that the proposed market changes could shift additional financial burdens onto ordinary residential consumers. In particular, I request that the Department: 1. Protect households that invest in solar. Residential consumers who reduce their dependence on the grid through private investment in renewable energy should not be subjected to disproportionate fixed charges that undermine the financial benefit of that investment. 2. Protect consumers who cannot afford solar. Market reforms should not result in households without alternative energy sources carrying an increasing share of municipal distribution costs as higher-consumption customers reduce their grid usage or purchase electricity elsewhere. 3. Ensure that tariffs remain fair and transparent. Any fixed, capacity or network charges should be demonstrably cost-reflective, reasonable and subject to proper regulatory scrutiny. Electricity-market reform is necessary, but it should not unintentionally penalise either households that invest in their own generation or those who cannot afford to do so. I respectfully request that you take these consumer-protection concerns into account before the policy is finalised.	Myra	retired
	2026-09-14 12:49:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The fixed charges are already a rip off and should be abolished.	Graham	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 12:59:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-14 13:27:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will you ever learn that "two wrongs don't make it right" Eskom? Now you want us to pay for your own "sins"!!!??? You're the only company in the world asking consumers to use your product as little as possible! When they do so, you now want to punish us for being far better at your job than you can ever dream to be by generating our own electricity. We're not going to accept this injustice and will try our best to stop you from stealing from us, the innocent consumer. I'm looking forward to the day I can affords to rid myself of the games you ESKOM play at rate payers expense.	Leon	business owner
	2026-09-14 13:48:14	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lance	retired
	2026-09-14 13:58:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If ESKOM were doing what they were supposed to be doing (providing electricity) no-one would have had solar panels. All the solar panels must have helped ESKOM keeping the lights on in the last year, so why should the people who kept the entity afloat, be punished?	Anélia	retired
	2026-09-14 14:01:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LINDA	retired
	2026-09-14 14:01:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	retired
	2026-09-14 14:08:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why government failures are to pass to consumers.? Innovation is because of incompetence and let those with abilities prosper at available markets.	Reuben Monkwe	retired
	2026-09-14 14:08:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired
	2026-09-14 14:29:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		G.	
	2026-09-14 14:32:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		R	
	2026-09-14 14:38:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-14 14:39:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	
	2026-09-14 14:44:30	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peggy	
	2026-09-14 14:48:34	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tania	retired
	2026-09-14 15:16:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost of electricity is ballooning every year. People are voting with their investments to invest in solar, and now the same revenue is expected to be sourced from a decreased customer base. If people want to go off grid and escape the high fixed rates being set up they must be free to do so. Those who dont have solar and are dependant on the grid for power must pay a fair rate and not an exorbitant one. Taxes for other services by greedy municipalities should not be gleaned from power payments.	Daniel	employed individual
	2026-09-14 15:25:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People that want to go off the grid must be free to do so without being charged extra fees/exorbitant fees. People that don't have or want to use solar and are dependant on the grid for power should be able to pay a fair rate - not ballooned/ exorbitant fees. It's not ok if people get punished - those that use solar and also the ones without. fair rates need to be applied for everyone Monies collected also need to be used to keep the infrastructure maintained, not abused and wasted by municipalities.	Tanja	
	2026-09-14 15:31:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	Non-profit
	2026-09-14 15:35:11	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed electricity sector market transformation position paper must be stopped if we are ever to be a free democratic country. This proposal is madness.	Irene	retired
	2026-09-14 16:28:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-14 16:40:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:40:43	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eben	
	2026-09-14 17:25:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a retired person with a very small income, having to bear the loss of income to municipalities by people using alternative electricity systems will make it increasingly impossible for the poorer users to access electricity. Modern technology has made it virtually impossible for an individual to survive without electricity.	godfrey	retired
	2026-09-14 18:35:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Debbie	employed individual
	2026-09-14 18:59:59	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Antoinette	
	2026-09-14 19:15:40	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marise	employed individual
	2026-09-14 20:23:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ordinary people should not be made to pay very high electricity rates	Donovan	retired
	2026-09-14 21:01:16	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gideon	retired
	2026-09-14 21:52:02	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why will some be allowed to have cheaper electricity, such as big companies? Why do some not pay for electricity and water? Eskom did not produce enough electricity, now the users must be penalized. This socialism does not work anywhere. Why do the state want to control everything when it wastes a lot of money and is not effective. Why is the gov so concerned with outcome rather than giving everybody the same standing and rewarding those who work hard? Socialism and communism has never and will never work anywhere. Let everybody pay for the electricity they use without some getting it cheaper and others getting it for free. Give the jobs and contracts to those who can do the work and not based on the persons skin color.	Alma	
	2026-09-14 22:23:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Simple..enough is enough..cost of electricity is way too high already..we will lose our houses as we cannot afford power..pathetic way forward	Donald	employed individual

	2026-09-15 05:23:38	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verno	
	2026-09-15 06:50:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	self-employed
	2026-09-15 08:45:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They want to penalize paying citizens for the poor management of Eskom. If they manage better they would not be in a situation where they asked us to consider solar power just to turn around a few years later and threaten us with extra tax..... You cannot tax people on the energy of the sun. When will you start to tax us on rainfall. Fokken stupid.	Wessie	
	2026-09-15 10:12:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	retired
	2026-09-15 10:22:55	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:33:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom incuritch the public to put up solar they even paid people who did. Now that they don't make money to steal they want to punish basicly whites they have the solars. Just want to now the people in settlement that have solar for geysers are they also have to pay. Sepose they will throw the poor people card again. But they must remember theirs thousands of white poor people al though they don't acknowledge it.	Lina	retired
	2026-09-15 10:38:18	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The burden for all of these 'new' proposed charges cannot always fall onto the individual lower and middle market/residents. Eventually these resources will dry up!	Liz	
	2026-09-15 11:31:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No increase in fixed charges for residential consumers. Electricity tariffs for consumers to be increased in line with gazetted CPI figures.	Peter	retired
	2026-09-15 11:53:55	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is only going to put more strain on an already strained and broken middle and working class households. This has great knock on effects into the wider economy, effectively reducing people's spending power. This will have dire consequences for many small to medium sized businesses. These are already under enormous stain and are the backbone of any and every economy.	Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-15 12:20:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Phumlani	employed individual
	2026-09-15 12:45:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthienus	retired
	2026-09-15 12:58:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am on a state pension of R2 400 , living alone with quite a struggle and cannot afford to cope with anymore increases.	Runganathan	retired
	2026-09-15 15:23:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is not right for Eskom, and the municipalities to try to force more payments out of us, after having failed us in the first place. Solar users have saved the government millions, similar to what another coal power station would have cost. And most solar use is because of the erratic power supply and frequent failures. They should be thanking solar users, not squeezing more money out of them!	Alison	
	2026-09-15 15:33:01	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheryl	retired
	2026-09-15 15:33:47	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The audacity of the Department of Energy to set up the consumer (solar or dependent on the grid) for even more price hikes is unbelievable, especially after years of economic damage done by loadshedding and corruption. Healthy competition is supposed to benefit the consumer, not cripple it. It is due to massive government corruption, huge government salaries, poorly maintained infrastructure and a government with weak policies that has failed its people leaving them without employment, that South Africa sits in this economic situation. Change the leaders. Insist on integrity and substance in what politician and governments say, not window dressing statements. Furthermore industry - often owned by the wealthy - should not be favoured in the electrical tariffs it receives compared with the average household. And if we are trying encourage people to work from home, how is this tariff that will hit captive consumers the hardest, not going to damage small home based industries and lower employment even more. Furthermore, why are solar users penalised - for thinking ahead?	Matthew	
	2026-09-15 16:30:32	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Russel	retired
	2026-09-15 16:51:46	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Helen	retired
	2026-09-15 16:57:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another of the residents having to pay for bad management of the municipal budgets.	Rob	employed individual
	2026-09-15 17:34:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Thank you Dear South Africa. Without this watchdog monitoring the doings of this Government, we, the public, would be forever ignorant. Bless you.	Robert	retired
	2026-09-15 20:43:22	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Sue	
	2026-09-15 23:10:57	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elsabe	retired
	2026-09-16 05:09:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann	retired
	2026-09-16 07:18:12	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Emile	employed individual
	2026-09-16 07:34:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laetitia	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:23:37	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this is the governments outlook, then Eskom should be fined everytime there is no electricity supply.	marc	self-employed
	2026-09-16 09:12:42	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the freaking corruption and stealing and there will be enough money from normal operations instead of implementing legal theft onto the consumer. It's disgusting! The more revenue won't do anything it's just more money for comrades to steal sis!	Nicole	employed individual
	2026-09-16 10:11:50	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities should be barred from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. I am a pensioner. Enough is enough!	Justina	retired
	2026-09-16 10:32:13	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-09-16 12:40:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	employed individual
	2026-09-16 20:38:04	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity costs have become unaffordable.	Rod	retired
	2026-09-17 07:00:33	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The captive consumer simply cannot continue pay and pay ad nauseum. As it is we are stretched to the limit!	Nicky	retired
	2026-09-17 07:16:25	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner with a fixed income I strongly oppose this proposal. I cannot afford private solar in the first place, which means I will be trapped on a municipal grid that's already struggling to maintain basic infrastructure It is entirely unjust to allow big businesses to escape the public grid while passing the resulting financial shortfalls onto struggling residents. Our rates and taxes increase every single year. Forcing ordinary households and vulnerable citizens to subsidize corporations is completely wrong and economically destructive. This plan must be rejected. The grid must remain fair and affordable for everyone—not just the few who can afford to bypass it.	Gerhard	retired
	2026-09-17 08:16:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Judy	
	2026-09-17 10:47:49	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We must not allow bulk buyers to get such a significantly lower rate that municipalities are forced to squeeze those with the least expendable income.	Hannes	
	2026-09-17 10:53:36	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Large industrial and commercial users exceeding demand thresholds (e.g., 1 MW) will be allowed to exit municipal supply to buy cheaper wholesale or private power. This strips municipalities of high-margin corporate revenue used to cross-subsidise indigent households and basic services, leaving captive residential ratepayers to shoulder skyrocketing local tariffs and degraded grid maintenance.	Tarryn	employed individual
	2026-09-17 11:17:17	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Just another way to penalise the ones actually paying for services	Alfred	retired
	2026-09-17 11:33:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to being held financially captive - its already barely affordable.	Lilith	self-employed
	2026-09-17 14:45:21	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Please draw up a binding transition document that lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring that retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege.	Henk	retired
	2026-09-17 18:28:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Warren	employed individual
	2026-09-17 19:07:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Courtney	employed individual
	2026-09-17 19:54:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronica	retired

	2026-09-17 22:36:14	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cally	self-employed
	2026-09-18 09:26:10	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This proposed type of reform is aimed at destroying the very livelihood of residents who are no longer in a position to tighten their belts so to speak because we no longer have a belt to tighten. You seem hell bent on taking away the little income we still have left. You should rethink and reform your incompetent economic brain. Stop this economic bullying of those who still have the integrity to pay you for electricity. You are creating and promoting a culture of non payment because you are pricing basic essential electricity out if the market way beyond consumers capacity to pay .	Martin	retired
	2026-09-18 09:31:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		G.L.	
	2026-09-18 11:31:51	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sorry. As a ratepayer that already pays exorbitant electricity tariffs I am not going to foot the bill for this proposed SAWEM scheme. Why should us ratepayers pick up Eskom's deficit because large industry, and wealthy people decide to get their electricity from private traders. Please consider the middle class and working class majority here, why punish the very people who keep you going? It's counterintuitive, and will just lead to more people going off grid, and Eskom losing even more revenue.	Michael	student
	2026-09-18 12:09:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	
	2026-09-18 13:53:20	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		verna	employed individual
	2026-09-18 14:42:28	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sheila	retired
	2026-09-18 16:07:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sindi	employed individual
	2026-09-19 06:11:52	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is a non-solution. The money will dry up eventually leaving us all in the dark.	Bronwyn	retired
	2026-09-19 08:01:13	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Managi	retired
	2026-09-20 06:39:44	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Makhotso	business owner
	2026-09-20 07:12:56	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is given freely by Yahweh, no one has a right to charge us from harnessing energy from it. This is purely a satanic agenda that seeks to enslave people.	Matimba	employed individual
	2026-09-20 08:33:48	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a consumer the idea of more charges on top of the idea of charging for the sun, which is owned by no one is ludicrous. As a normal electricity user we are already feeling the effect of exorbitant charges from a monopolised industry. Both Eskom and municipalities who is mismanaged wants to burden the normal consumer to the point where no one will be able to afford paying their fees, slowly pushing us back to the dark ages.	Olivia.	employed individual
	2026-09-20 16:23:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Diane	retired
	2026-09-20 16:35:53	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tara	unemployed individual
	2026-09-21 23:07:23	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just the latest in a long line of underhanded governmental ploys to force us to pay over the odds for Eskom's desultory service. They have no right to force us to support Eskom if we choose to use solar to supply ourselves instead. If they want us to use Eskom, they should put their energy into reforming it into something more than a ground down government cash cow kept alive on life support at the expense of ordinary South Africans.	Jeffrey	
	2026-09-23 07:56:37	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Monopolies are counter to the well-being of the economy and the environment	Katherine	
	2026-09-23 08:36:58	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-09-23 16:48:09	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As an Eskom direct consumer I find that The charges before usage are punitive and exorbitant. Those charges need to be reduced.	Jeffrey	retired
	2026-09-24 14:45:19	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. The "Sun Tax" is ludicrous, no one owns the Sun. Consumers were forced to turn solar power because of Eskoms own operational inadequacies and corrupt management. That is not the South African taxpayers' responsibility.	Shah-Alem	employed individual
	2026-09-26 06:35:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		gert	retired
	2026-09-26 17:21:29	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marthinus	
	2026-09-27 15:26:06	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jade	
	2026-09-28 05:29:07	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zelda	
	2026-10-06 14:07:31	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Solar energy started to be used due to Escoms poor performance and minucipalities not paying their bills. Now you want to make them pay for it! Stop your incompatance+	Johanna	employed individual
	2026-10-09 17:03:27	No I do not	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot charge for free energy. It’s absolutely absurd	Kim	employed individual
	2026-08-27 13:45:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The other major concern for me would be grid congestion. If people don’t have to pay for power per unit used, usage is going to increase and we will sit with the initial problem of not enough power again.	Sonja	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:21:12	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lazarus	employed individual
	2026-09-14 17:09:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christelle	self-employed
	2026-09-11 21:46:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raymond	retired
	2026-09-13 06:20:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Yvonne	retired
	2026-09-13 09:19:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathy	retired
	2026-08-26 15:06:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	
	2026-08-26 15:40:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		chris	retired
	2026-08-26 15:42:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Cheril	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:49:59	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chantel	employed individual
	2026-08-26 15:54:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	retired
	2026-08-26 16:11:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Albert	retired
	2026-08-26 16:22:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piere	self-employed
	2026-08-26 16:28:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nerine	retired
	2026-08-26 17:17:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another attack on private initiative after Eskom being saved from a total disaster by private installations	Andre	retired
	2026-08-26 18:10:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	
	2026-08-26 18:17:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	business owner

	2026-08-26 18:28:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Good for some bad for others	douglas	retired
	2026-08-26 18:37:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nikki	
	2026-08-26 18:47:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lauren	
	2026-08-26 18:57:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every paragraph on the proposals reaks of greed, once again. Out to screw the consumer. All their cookie jars are empty.	Dee	retired
	2026-08-26 19:41:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to adding any more charges for the consumers. Consumers and household are under extreme financial pressures, and we cannot carry any more costs. The solar systems installed are already very expensive and was done out of necessity, not for convenience.	Craig	employed individual
	2026-08-26 20:06:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jen	
	2026-08-26 20:53:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meryl	retired
	2026-08-27 00:15:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to the proposal to "discourage free riding" by imposing mandatory fixed monthly capacity and network charges on homes with solar. We invested private savings to keep the lights on during load shedding when the State could not. This is a penalty on self-reliance. It creates a captive ratepayer trap where big business can buy cheaper power directly while ordinary households are forced to pay more to cover municipal shortfalls. This will kill the solar industry, hurt jobs, and make electricity unaffordable. Remove this punitive principle. - Umhlanga	Theresa	retired
	2026-08-27 02:30:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacobus	employed individual
	2026-08-27 05:22:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:01:16	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need to spend money above all our rates and taxes and PAYE just to have water , electricity and refuge removal. We should not pay for the incompentency and corruption of the goverment any further.	Hugo	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:06:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I understand correctly, which I may not, I am against power becoming owned by a few rich people and not managed by the state. Yes we are tired of state capture and state corruption but that is what we need to fix. The gap between rich and poor will widen even further if we keep allowing the right to own all the property, water, intelligence and power, until not even middle-class people can afford to buy property or run their own businesses. So I support state run basic services and focusing on abolishing theft and corruption, rather than corporate takeover where the rich get richer and the poor get poorer.	Merran	
	2026-08-27 07:14:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity prices are currently high, if the government charge for the solar power they will manipulate the prices. Currently there's no law that allows for solar pricing. The government is greedy and corrupt	Portia	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:20:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sunil	self-employed
	2026-08-27 07:21:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom was producing enough electricity and everything was maintained properly us as consumers would not have been forced to look for alternative measures to support our electricity.	Adrian	retired
	2026-08-27 07:23:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Harris	retired
	2026-08-27 07:29:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will be just another failed ANC Government policy. The only reason why ESKOM is looking so reliable over the past 2-3 years is because such a big percentage of the South African population (businesses & residence) was forced to make their own plans (as usual) and spend huge amounts of hard-earned money to be able to continue having energy. This has made ESKOM look good and that they are running things properly. If they were to "withdraw" all privately owned solar and other systems off the grid, our electricity supply would collapse again. So how can the Government even consider charging solar users a levy for having invested and using solar power - where in the World would this happen?? Again, just inventing another way of extracting monies from the poor South African tax-payer	Glen	retired
	2026-08-27 07:33:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brenda	retired
	2026-08-27 07:35:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lucas	employed individual
	2026-08-27 08:43:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We pay far to much for eletricity as it is! They offered no help for my solar installation and I did it because of load shedding which the government was solely responsible for!!! Now they want us to pay again!!	Paddy	retired
	2026-08-27 08:47:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unacceptable infringement on normal persons income becomes an ever present fear.	David	retired
	2026-08-27 08:59:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Can government guarantee a constant reliable source of power. If not it has no right to presume those that have gone off grid would be able to tap into a supposed , non guaranteed source of supply from ESKOM. We are not(supposed to be) a socialist state. Let Democracy govern, not some half baked politicians who are just party puppets. Let the people have their say, then we will see.	Quentin	retired
	2026-08-27 09:10:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Steve	
	2026-08-27 09:49:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johan	self-employed
	2026-08-27 10:14:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tinus	
	2026-08-27 10:22:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ben	retired
	2026-08-27 10:42:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andy	retired
	2026-08-27 11:09:23	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gustav	retired
	2026-08-27 11:22:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a residential electricity consumer, we utilised our own private funds in investing in solar, mainly because of incompetency of and corruption of government. Now they still want our contributions, and further want to monopolise the market, having free will to implement absurd policies.	Deenesh	employed individual
	2026-08-27 11:26:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA tax payers " built " Eskom ..and has been " bailing out " Eskom...unacceptable " Nersa " increases (SA tax payers are paying for Nersa who has weilded their " power " ...against the SA consumers / tax payers...Eskom should provide electricity power to consumers directly/ and or via Munipalities who should pay Eskom regularly honoured...it is unacceptable that consumers are being double taxed..	Eldrid	
	2026-08-27 11:28:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Wayne	business owner
	2026-08-27 11:31:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is only due to Eskom and the States incompetence, lack of proper maintenance and thieving that people have been forced to install very expensive systems to keep their lights on! Now they want them to pay added taxes. No doubt as they want to continue to "dip" into the coffers!!!!	Sharon	retired
	2026-08-27 11:36:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fritz	retired
	2026-08-27 11:51:05	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Price fixing by Government to penalize individuals that proactively solved their problems as encouraged by government just to become the punching bag of government incompetence, fraud and disregard. This cannot be legal when the government misappropriation was the first real issue that still is not having any consequences.	Jaco	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:13:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 12:18:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My main concern is market manipulation and prices where government has failed the consumer again and again. Although there is a requirement for network maintenance, consumers have had to look after themselves due to corruption and looting by incompetent ministers. Government should open electricity provision to private companies and move away from state captured infrastructure where no value or competence is provided. Network maintenance can and should be paid by putting the right people in place within the institution and paying them for the job being done, not over and above for the position being held.	Dujon	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:18:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is highway robbery. Is this another way to feed the pockets of the corrupt individuals. Why must the residents suffer for incompetence? Thankyou ANC for messing up our beautiful country.	Silvan	retired
	2026-08-27 12:19:29	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	employed individual
	2026-08-27 12:23:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has failed the country for 30 or more years. Brought the economy to its knees and caused billions of rands of loss for many entrepreneurs due to loadshedding which lead to businesses forced to close . S A citizens can no longer afford to pay exorbitant prices for electricity. These prices place massive burdens on low income groups, elderly and younger generations needing to go on their own.	Carol	self-employed
	2026-08-27 12:42:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Inevitable . Lure you in with incentives and now due to Eskom incompetence and corruption they pounce. This is fraud on a grand scale . No racism involved as it hits everyone black or white who has solar panels .	Andrew	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:17:42	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miranda	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 13:19:58	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gene	retired
	2026-08-27 13:22:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This has become a regime to force people to pay extra levies for solar panels, that is unacceptable,, where is the free market system? We must choose what source of power we want without penalties from a regime, in the USA you can install solar panels as long as it is done by certified installers and they don't get billed for less grid usage.	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 13:26:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is already overpriced and unreliable - why the changes - just another scam!!	Errol	retired
	2026-08-27 13:33:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why should the hard working , tax paying member of society have to pay for the inefficiency of the government . Government allowed for the degradation of the power grid in SA , People suffered . They then payed for their own systems to overcome the loadshedding and power outages . Now government want to tax them . I believe this is pure theft . It is actually quite unbelievable to be honest . Criminals in charge ! Disgusting !	Brenda	retired
	2026-08-27 13:43:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-08-27 13:47:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot pay for when Eskom failed. They were encouraging people to instal solar panels now the same people want to punish the consumer for helping when they couldn't keep the lights on. Market pricing will be devastating for the normal household. Electricity is expensive now without it being subjected to the private sector. It is a disaster waiting to happen.	Sean	
	2026-08-27 13:54:59	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		JH	retired
	2026-08-27 13:58:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wynand	retired
	2026-08-27 14:52:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moleboheng	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:55:20	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The constant assault on ordinary citizens by the government is outrageous.	Val	employed individual
	2026-08-27 14:59:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Veronica	
	2026-08-27 15:00:35	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should all pay for what we consume which is why we have been given meters and had no choice but to except them being installed. I will not agree to paying a fixed fee for the infrastructure because that is part of the reason wny we pay taxes. In addition, why should people be penalized for being energy efficient!!! This discussion around our use of energy is not about being energy efficient but more about money for Eskom. My view is that eskom needs to be audited and restructed first before any changes are made to our energy bills because Eskom is managed very poorly.	Faried	employed individual
	2026-08-27 15:05:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lloyd	retired
	2026-08-27 15:14:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Wai	retired
	2026-08-27 15:17:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Justin	business owner
	2026-08-27 15:19:42	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Penny	retired
	2026-08-27 15:43:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens are being taxed too much already.	Amanda Jane	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:12:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-08-27 16:24:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	the electricity market must be deregulated - power prices will then come down.	Ronald	employed individual
	2026-08-27 16:51:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sipho	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:06:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shunmugam Perumal	retired
	2026-08-27 19:11:25	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Chris	business owner
	2026-08-27 21:54:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bronwyn	retired
	2026-08-27 21:56:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	employed individual
	2026-08-28 02:00:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have spend money out of my own pocket to ensure electricity for my self as incompetent and corrupt management let us down. High Escom bills was killing our income and we made a plan and now we have to be taxed because of the above. Over time we lost electrical household equipment and loss in products that had to be refrigerated and now we need to be penalised again. Is it another way to generate income to be stolen again. This is not acceptable. Refund me at market price for my solar and then I might agree to be taxed	Peet	employed individual
	2026-08-28 02:02:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zolile	
	2026-08-28 04:52:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Lizelle	
	2026-08-28 05:34:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	People are spending their own money to supply electricity because the government is unable to supply this, now by them doing this it is relief to the grid of the municipality and in many instances are putting power back into the grid but yet will now be penalised because of it. Where is the protection for the consumer and the constitution to protect end users? As it is Eskom is “raping” the consumer with fees because they are incapable of managing, this is just yet another way for them to add to the funds that they can mis-manage	Estelle	employed individual
	2026-08-28 05:52:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanne-Louise	self-employed
	2026-08-28 06:24:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I want to help generate a little bit of electricity. For me it is not fair that only the 1MW plus producers can get advantage of supplying to the grid. As a small to medium sized businesses I also want to take advantage of supplying energy to a sector and in doing so also make my business viable.	Louis	business owner
	2026-08-28 06:30:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The hole idee with solar is to make it cheaper for me now I must get penalized for it.	Jacobus	
	2026-08-28 06:41:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Niel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:12:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yollandé	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:34:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Heinrich	employed individual
	2026-08-28 07:49:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zubeida	retired
	2026-08-28 08:01:47	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If private citizens disconnect their photovoltaic systems from the grid, Escom cannot provide the power required by the shortfall. It is therefore ridiculous that Eskom cannot supply sufficient power and when privat citizens fill the void they are punished.	Nicci	
	2026-08-28 08:02:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matt	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:10:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support the proposed changes to the legislation. Consumers have already been forced to spend enormous amounts of money to secure a stable and reliable electricity supply because the government and Eskom failed to provide one. For years, South Africans experienced load shedding and ongoing problems with the electricity infrastructure. As consumers, we had no choice but to find our own solutions. Many people invested heavily in solar systems, batteries, inverters and other alternative power solutions simply so that they could continue living and working normally. These solutions were not free. They were an additional financial burden placed on consumers because the basic service we were paying for was not reliable. It is therefore extremely frustrating that the government now wants to change the legislation in a way that could allow them to financially benefit from the very solutions consumers were forced to invest in because of their failure to provide a stable electricity supply. If the government wanted to ensure a consistent income from Eskom and electricity supply, the focus should have been on maintaining and upgrading the existing infrastructure, employing qualified and competent people, and ensuring that Eskom was properly managed. Had this been done, South Africans would not have been subjected to years of continuous load shedding and would not have had to spend their own money to keep the lights on. As consumers, we have become accustomed to having to “make a plan” whenever the government fails to deliver. But making a plan comes at a cost. We already pay extremely high taxes, while inflation and the cost of living continue to rise. Despite this, it seems that consumers are continually being expected to pay more and more. There has to be a point where the government recognises that consumers cannot simply be treated as an endless source of additional revenue. We should not be financially penalised for taking responsibility and investing our own money to secure a basic service that the government failed to provide reliably in the first place.	Lisa	employed individual

	2026-08-28 09:10:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jackie	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:01:30	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mr Minister, please excuse me for saying so, but Eskom is a bully, if it cannot have its way as a monopolistic entity it bullies everyone into submission with some kind of penalties. If Eskom is unable to provide what it should be providing and as a result honourable, hard working citizens explored ways to bypass the "bully" how can the "bully" just continue to penalise such citizens with monetary penalties even if they ARE STILL NOT IN A POSITION to provide the country with electricity. The "bully" is therefore forcing us citizens to submit to its inability to provide of what they should be providing., but are unable to. Please read the last sentence again, does this make sense to any rational mind? I submit that it CLEARLY DOES NOT. Therefore, kindly consider other ways for the "bully" to survive, since I am certainly not prepared to do so.	Tertius	self-employed
	2026-08-28 11:18:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No I do not Market Power & Price Manipulation Mr Minister, please excuse me for saying so, but Eskom is a bully, if it cannot have its way as a monopolistic entity it bullies everyone into submission with some kind of penalties. If Eskom is unable to provide what it should be providing and as a result honourable, hard working citizens explored ways to bypass the "bully" how can the "bully" just continue to penalise such citizens with monetary penalties even if they ARE STILL NOT IN A POSITION to provide the country with electricity. The "bully" is therefore forcing us citizens to submit to its inability to provide of what they should be providing., but are unable to. Please read the last sentence again, does this make sense to any rational mind? I submit that it CLEARLY DOES NOT. Therefore, kindly consider other ways for the "bully" to survive, since I am certainly not prepared to do so. What SUPPORTERS Say (The Case for Market	Owen	unemployed individual
	2026-08-28 11:18:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	THIS IS JUST ANOTHER WAY TO EXTRACTN MONEY FROM SOUTH AFRICANS TO FUND THEIR LAVISH LIFESTYLES AND MORE LOOTING. THE GOVERNMENT IS DESPERATE.	Astrid	retired
	2026-08-28 11:54:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I strongly object to any law, regulation, or tariff that requires members of the public to continue paying for an electricity grid that the state has failed to maintain, protect, or reliably provide. Where government failure has resulted in prolonged energy insecurity and the collapse of reliable supply, citizens have been forced—at their own expense—to invest in alternative energy solutions simply to maintain basic services and economic activity. It is fundamentally unfair for the state to create or permit this failure, compel the public to carry the financial burden of finding alternatives, and then seek to impose additional charges for continued access to a system that it has failed to provide adequately. Government cannot reasonably expect the public to finance both the replacement of a failed service and the continued revenue stream of that same failed system. Such an approach places an unjust and disproportionate burden on citizens who have already paid for the infrastructure through taxation and electricity charges. The principle is simply that a government that fails to provide an essential public service should not be permitted to penalise citizens for taking reasonable steps to provide that service for themselves.	Carin	
	2026-08-28 11:55:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Piet	self-employed
	2026-08-28 12:15:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miranda	retired
	2026-08-28 12:18:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Matts	retired
	2026-08-28 14:52:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am not prepared to foot the bill for Municipal revenue shortfalls.	Eva	retired
	2026-08-28 16:57:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarel	retired
	2026-08-28 17:42:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-08-28 18:03:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jalo	self-employed
	2026-08-28 18:06:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	I DO NOT SUPPORT THE AMENDMENT . ESKOM ARE DESTROYING SOUTH AFRICAS SMALL BUSINESSES WITH THEIR EXSTRAORDINARY HIGH ELECTRICITY TARIFFS AND ARE TO BE BLAMED FOR MILLIONS OF LOST JOBS AS A RESULT OF THAT. IT IS FURTHERMORE A KNOWN FACT THAT THEY ARE CORRUPT. SO, YET AGAIN NO, I DO NOT SUPPORT CORRUPTION.	NCOLAAS GERHARDUS	business owner
	2026-08-28 18:38:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Stanley	retired
	2026-08-28 23:21:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Raghnee	retired
	2026-08-29 03:00:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Market power and price manipulaion. Corruption as usual while others connect their electricity cables and draw power illegally, while the honest taxpayer must pay more.	Teresa	self-employed
	2026-08-29 03:50:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I can see the need for recovering connection fees. It’s the same with water. But these connection fees must also apply to businesses. It’s wrong to have private individual ratepayers subsidising businesses - on connection fees and tariffs.	Ian	business owner
	2026-08-29 03:51:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is now used as a weapon too keep the unfit rich and let the people carry the weight of paying extravagant prices when we already struggle just to feed ourselves. Eskom proposed we move to solar when they couldn't provide electricity and now they are scared more of us will switch and they will lose money. Sounds like more corruption.	Erika	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 06:43:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abbie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:56:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Juanita	unemployed individual
	2026-08-29 07:15:16	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Every has become expensive for ordinary citizens to explore other revenues to make ends meet. Electricity had been increasing endlessly and it's high time that it should be reduced by at least 50 percent. Those who used their hard earned money to install solar should be left in peace because when the battery dies, no subsidy to buy another one.	Vincent Jabulani	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:38:59	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kathryn	retired
	2026-08-29 07:44:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Milking the residents. To me it's concerning that there must be a fixed charge. This is all about money and friends who get tenders. There is so must burden currently on the ratepayers.	Salome	retired
	2026-08-29 08:53:20	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angela	employed individual
	2026-08-29 09:55:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Devinia	self-employed
	2026-08-29 10:00:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to stop their criminal employees from stealing and looting and not put their financial shortfall on the already paying consumer. There are also millions of unpaid debt that they must collect.	Marks	employed individual
	2026-08-29 11:51:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A free market model encourages competition and proper service. The fact that load shedding is due to ANC corruption and mismanagement should not be another "tax" on over burdened households. Eskom management have given themselves steep remuneration increases which are far above inflation. This is again another model to disaster.	Frans	retired
	2026-08-29 14:34:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Allan	self-employed
	2026-08-29 15:41:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elizabeth Dorothy	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:30:34	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Camila	employed individual
	2026-08-29 18:54:35	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shane	employed individual
	2026-08-29 19:16:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom could not deliver ....South African households were FORCED to invest into alternative solutions. Escom or the City Council did not contribute a cent towards our solar investments to solve our energy situation. Go find the Guptas and collect your money there !	Schalk	retired
	2026-08-29 22:24:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lin	retired
	2026-08-29 22:35:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Danielle	self-employed
	2026-08-29 22:48:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Luisa	employed individual
	2026-08-29 23:21:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Don	employed individual
	2026-08-30 06:24:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Companies need to bear the real and full cost of their operations- why are ordinary citizens expected to subsidize them?	Kerry	employed individual
	2026-08-30 07:41:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why are honest ratepayers, who followed Eskom's request, all those years ago, to assist and reduce home electricity consumption, now being illegally targeted for more ANC theft. What about all the people/households and municipalities that don't pay anything for electricity, they should be targeted! We are now being punished for ANC incompetence, Cadre deployment and massive government endorsed theft.	Jeremy	
	2026-08-30 08:57:02	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonelle	

	2026-08-30 09:04:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Before implementing further market reforms, government should demonstrate clearly how the proposals will reduce electricity costs, protect low-income households including pensioners , strengthen municipal distribution networks and guarantee long-term energy security. I therefore call for the proposed reforms to be rejected in their current form and for meaningful public consultation before any further changes are implemented.	Debbie	employed individual
	2026-08-30 09:09:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Francesco	
	2026-08-30 10:05:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom lost the loyalty of the country and lead to the collapse of multiple business and families. We believed in 2010 when we were told that by 2017 load shedding would end . But what happened. People had to fend for themselves to survive even though covid. Now that you see your tiny energy surplus that is a result of all those solar users, dead businesses and dead homes missing from your grid Instead of working with us you choose to persecute us for surviving without you despite never lowering the price of electricity Till to day some homes choose to live of fire wood because of what load shedding did to them	Kevin	self-employed
	2026-08-30 11:36:25	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nokuthula	
	2026-08-30 13:44:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandate severe, legally enforceable financial penalties and license cancellations for participants found guilty of collusive bidding, capacity withholding, or market manipulation.	Tshepo	employed individual
	2026-08-30 14:03:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired
	2026-08-30 19:13:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sue	retired
	2026-08-31 08:11:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We consumers should be reimbursed for the power we feed into the grid. As happens elsewhere.	Duncan	retired
	2026-08-31 10:20:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Renêe	employed individual
	2026-08-31 10:26:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government is riding on the back of state capture to penalize those who found a solution to Governments inefficiencies!	Pieter	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:17:29	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We would not be in this position if it were not for bad management and corruption under the ANC leadership. We the consumer were forced into having to invest in solar as Eskom could not supply and now you want to keep on taxing us with additional so called fixed costs. Recover funds from the guilty parties and problem solved. Competition in any industry is key to progress and a prosperous future.	Eric	retired
	2026-08-31 11:32:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think it's ridiculous for the government to tax us on the power from the sun. We were forced to take big money and throw it at solar because Eskom couldn't keep the lights on. As we were always the ones paying and carrying the majority of non paying customers. Now they want to punish us for not relying on them because they are useless. All SOE have fallen to rack and ruin under the cANCer that is destroying our country	Lynn	retired
	2026-08-31 13:39:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Wimpie	self-employed
	2026-08-31 18:25:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jamie-lee	student
	2026-08-31 19:20:08	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I don't agree because it's not fair for households.	nasiphi	self-employed
	2026-08-31 19:24:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity is expensive how will we afford it when it's increased?	Patrick	retired
	2026-08-31 19:27:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Can we have affordable electricity, people who have Solar must not affect negatively	Patrick	retired
	2026-09-01 10:20:45	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	this smacks of more animal farm , i spent my capital on solar to reduce costs and to give me power when eskom messes up, are they goning topay me for the electricity i now feed into the grid, when they give it away to reluctant municipalties that dont pay? no here to and no further the goverment and eskom must go	Martin	
	2026-09-01 10:41:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deirdre	retired
	2026-09-01 17:18:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jocelyn	employed individual
	2026-09-02 06:19:58	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Giacomo	
	2026-09-02 10:25:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nick	employed individual
	2026-09-02 17:48:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The cost of electricity has escalated to unaffordable amounts. We as pensioners are struggling to put food on the table leave alone exorbitant prices for electricity. Start at the top remove cadre deployment. Review the bloated salaries paid for no worth of return. Investigate corruption and fire all corrupt members. Make sure to forfeit all their stolen money and material things. Cut down salaries. Employ skilled workers of all races. Disconnect all illegal connections.	Bev	retired
	2026-09-03 10:21:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They are absolute money-grabbers. Eskom contributes in no way to the country's economic problems. Were it not for private solar, Eskom would have been just another struggling state-owned entity. Financial Highlights (FY2026)Group Profit After Tax: R30.3 billion (more than double the restated R14.0 billion from the previous year). Revenue: R354.7 billion, representing a 4.1% increase driven by a 12.74% tariff hike. EBITDA: R108.6 billion, climbing 10.9%. Sales Volumes: Down 6.2% to 178 TWh due to lower demand and alternative energy adoption.	Jag	
	2026-09-03 11:16:08	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pieter	
	2026-09-03 14:36:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government must just give people the break, they started the crisis if people found solution let them be. We were not aware with other options until Eskom create unemployment by continuously collapsing electricity that it destroys the small business. Destroyed our household appliances, geysers and gates motor. If people are tired of inconvenience and throwing food away. It seems like Government/ Eskom enjoys people's frustrations and misery, what kind of government is that? Let people have option and is not everyone who will afford Solar. You will still have money, stop this greediness.	Busisiwe	
	2026-09-04 14:04:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The main reason why people are using solar is to reduce electricity costs. I don't understand why eskom wants to dictate what people do in their own houses You'll be paying for what you're using so why more, for the sun? Ridiculous! And daylight robbery.	Nomthandazo	retired
	2026-09-04 14:47:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paddy	retired
	2026-09-05 10:34:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frank	
	2026-09-05 11:28:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		André	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 15:20:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zandereen	self-employed
	2026-09-06 16:03:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object to this Electricity Transformation Paper. Opening a wholesale market is not the same as protecting households. Large users will be allowed to buy cheaper power directly. Ordinary families and small businesses stay captive on municipal grids and will be left to fund the leftover costs, the old subsidies, and the failing municipal books. Worse, the paper treats rooftop solar as "free-riding." People who spent their own money to keep the lights on during load-shedding now face high, unavoidable fixed grid charges even when they draw almost nothing. That punishes self-reliance and stretches payback periods. Until there are hard caps on fixed charges, a clear path for households to get market choice, and a funded plan so municipalities do not collapse, this reform shifts risk onto the people least able to carry it. Competition without protection is just a two-tier electricity system.	Jaime	self-employed
	2026-09-06 19:30:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sonja	unemployed individual
	2026-09-07 12:20:12	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is and absolute JOKE!!!! The requested a couple of years ago please don't use so much power now that we do now it is a problem. What does out Rates and Taxes pay for. Is that not for service delivery and infrastructure. Do you know how many people will just invest a bit more and tell ESKOM to please remove there connection then completely. I will be one of them. SO rather get some money in every month than just Pissing off even more people and loosing even more Millions due to being Greedy and Stupid. We just showed them with Etolls we will not PAY!!! Our area is so bad if we don't have solar we will be without power probably about 200 days a year. We are in WARD25. Every time it rains the power is off. We also have so much cable theft in the area, and nothing is done about it.	Donavan	self-employed
	2026-09-07 14:18:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government cannot guarantee a sustainable uninterrupted electricity supply and now that we have made alternative arrangements they want to penalise us.	Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-08 15:31:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel that ESKOM executives are concerned that the days of continued looting will come to an end Furthermore, if NERSA was not so biased against consumers we would be paying a lot less for our electricity. Do they represent consumers or are they protecting ESKOM?	Peter	retired
	2026-09-08 21:20:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why tax us on a capital expense of our own because SA can't deliver electricity. If you did your job, we would've bought solar in the first place.	Johannes	

	2026-09-09 17:53:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Walter	business owner
	2026-09-10 01:32:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Ending Monopolies and Unlocking Private Investment: Decades of Eskom's single-buyer monopoly led to catastrophic load shedding, debt bailouts, and stifled innovation. Establishing the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) allows private generators, renewable energy developers, and traders to compete directly, deploying private capital to build generation capacity without burdening national taxpayers.	Jappie	employed individual
	2026-09-11 05:48:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Abuse of tax payers	Debbie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 16:28:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner, I used savings to install SOLAR to give me some certainty of power supply. I am not completely off-grid and do purchase a minimum per month. I do not see that I should be penalised because I produce power to avoid the effects of load shedding.	Brian	retired
	2026-09-11 16:37:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-09-11 17:13:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SUSANNA/ SHEHADIE	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:20:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	retired
	2026-09-11 17:36:12	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Patrick	retired
	2026-09-11 17:36:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot ask the people to go off the grid and compensate them and when they did you want to tax them for doing just that While non payer's are still milking the system with illegal connections the argument won't stand in court	Charles	retired
	2026-09-11 17:54:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Délene	retired
	2026-09-11 18:16:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jacques	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 18:35:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government encouraged private solar with tav incentives. This saved government from its own ineptitude. Then they build income structures to fund over the top salaries of incapable people. The proposal will actively force private solar owners. Then they loose more contributors to the grid. Effectively they will end with people on the grid that survive on cross subsidies. In effect they will continue to destroy the financial model	Hendrik	retired
	2026-09-11 18:38:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andre	employed individual
	2026-09-11 18:42:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need competition in the market like more than one store to buy your monthly groceries!	Jan	retired
	2026-09-11 18:52:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Glenville	
	2026-09-11 19:18:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If they vould tax the air we breath they would	N L	
	2026-09-11 19:48:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johann André	retired
	2026-09-11 20:22:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has already charged us over the last few years with loadshedding whilst we continued paying, mismanaged facilities, incompetent managers over the last 20 or so years.	Jonathan	retired
	2026-09-11 21:27:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sam	employed individual
	2026-09-11 21:32:20	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		jerome	
	2026-09-11 22:12:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Izak	retired
	2026-09-11 22:23:25	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eugene	retired
	2026-09-11 22:39:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Electricity prices had escalated only due to incompetent management at ESKOM. Now they expect the customer to bear the brunt. As pensioner I just cannot afford any more price hikes. Will have to revert back to candles	Dawid	retired
	2026-09-11 23:18:45	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Moleboheng	employed individual
	2026-09-11 23:20:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 00:58:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So Eksdom thinks it can control the sun? It's like the CEO of Eksdom saying he had built a rocket that will fly to the sun. I'm telling him it will burn up on the trip and he tells me that Eksdom is clever enough because they will fly at night.	Cherie	retired
	2026-09-12 00:59:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isabel	retired
	2026-09-12 04:23:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun doesn't belong to anyone, are you guys going to start charging for the air that we breed as well?	Adelino	self-employed
	2026-09-12 05:42:02	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households can barely survive in this country already with all the extra charges we have to keep feeding the ANC's theft and corruption. Eskom musn't be ridiculous! Something's gotta give...	Christelle	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:00:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free market and competition in the electricity sector will help to stabilise the power struggle. Eskom should not be in the position to manipulate the price and the way consumers use a product. As is, the paying customer gets penalised for their own inability to provide electricity with good business practices.	Anel	self-employed
	2026-09-12 07:18:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. It is unfair and unethical to treat the community as cash cows with the policy explicitly intending to target grid-connected solar and partial-defection users under an "anti-free-riding" principle, shifting tariff structures from volumetric consumption (units used) to high, unavoidable fixed monthly connection fees.	Mpho	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:02:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roberta	retired
	2026-09-12 08:09:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Genoeg gesteel en dit is nou tyd dat die diewe in toom gehou word	Johan	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:11:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I have a strong feeling that this is yet another devious move to garner in more money to cover up the bald fact that Escom is being badly managed. There is a dishonesty here that I oppose strongly.	Kerry	retired
	2026-09-12 08:27:47	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do more to stop illegal connections. Like all businesses, work and stay within your budget, Eskom, and cut all the overspending on salaries and bonuses to executives.	Ann	retired
	2026-09-12 08:34:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Zaheda	employed individual
	2026-09-12 08:38:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bev	retired
	2026-09-12 08:53:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Berick Mcosheni	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:56:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deborah	retired
	2026-09-12 09:25:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The only reason people needed/wanted solar power, is because of the failure of Eskom...! Why must we pay again, because of Eskom's appalling failures over the years. Sick and tired of this sickening duplicity...!!!	Clive	
	2026-09-12 09:41:01	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Isabel	self-employed
	2026-09-12 09:43:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As had happened so often in the past. The burden of the inability/mismanagement/corruption of the government is pushed onto the citizens of South Africa. We say enough is enough	Hennie	retired
	2026-09-12 10:05:35	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed measures are anti-competitive, they penalise those who cannot afford to implement alternative energy solutions, and they penalise those who have taken the initiative to implement their own solutions to an unreliable public provider. The entire proposal smacks of self-serving and retributive action against those who having been failed by Eskom are now no longer dependent on the service provider. Eskom should rather focus on creating a competitive product which will make their services more attractive than independent options and draw users back to them	Anton	self-employed

	2026-09-12 10:13:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-09-12 10:17:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ilne	retired
	2026-09-12 10:17:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 10:19:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Private capital was injected by households to bail Eskom out during the crisis. I will not support back-end market abuse. The City of Johannesburg is a “failed” micro-state so not particularly concerned about the city and its finances. The less all Citizens are manipulated into service failure abuse and reliance the better.	Mike	business owner
	2026-09-12 10:22:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe that the suns rays is God given and no one can asked to pay for it. If Eskom is scared that the people want solar and not using their gritt its their problem	Elmarie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 10:23:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Price manipulation by Eskom to hide their inefficiency and poor management	David Schalk	retired
	2026-09-12 10:24:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	retired
	2026-09-12 10:29:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	That is what we can expect from an outdated ideology to bring in the democratic revolution to nail the middle class to pay for their pass failtures! Nothing had changed to fix Escom properly so privatise it I think it is the only solution! Look at SAL same story! Everything been planed to work towards the democratic revolution for the ANC goverment!!	Theuns	
	2026-09-12 10:34:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I demand that the Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Require municipal electricity distribution entities to ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. I demand a transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Leigh	
	2026-09-12 10:45:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Darrel	retired
	2026-09-12 10:48:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eziel	retired
	2026-09-12 10:48:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sarel	retired
	2026-09-12 10:58:45	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Free market principles should dictate...ineffective muncipalities for too long have ridden the energy wave.	Michael	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:09:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Johannes	business owner
	2026-09-12 11:56:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am concerned that this approach will further lead to municipal decay and leave ordinary citizens fitting the bill while big corps have cheaper power. Electricity is a basic need not a commodity to be weaponized.	Craig	employed individual
	2026-09-12 13:27:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Denise	self-employed
	2026-09-12 13:37:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		CONNIE	business owner
	2026-09-12 13:44:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	business owner
	2026-09-12 14:18:23	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Power hunger dictators are not welcome here.	Michelle	self-employed
	2026-09-12 14:31:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Verna	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 14:33:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The position paper is in its entirety protecting the interest of business and putting the strain on poor consumers, in fact businesses uses more but pay less which renders the approach bias towards the rich and unfair to the poor consumers	Tshepho	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:39:47	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am a lawabiding citizen but I refuse to be bullied by incompetent people to rob the innocent and needy	David	business owner
	2026-09-12 16:03:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerald	retired
	2026-09-12 17:00:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is ridiculous that residents are expected to fund the excesses of this bloated government utility. Eskom, like most SOE's, over employ at ridiculously high remuneration packages, and massive inefficiencies. Their BEE coal contracts also need to be revised.	Robert	retired
	2026-09-12 17:12:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allow other energy suppliers to operate. Eskom failed dismally	Hellen	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:42:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-12 17:56:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thana	retired
	2026-09-12 19:12:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If this entity were a private company the senior management would’ve fired, or it would have to declare bankruptcy. This is just another attempt for ANC appointees to feather their own pockets.	Chris	employed individual
	2026-09-12 20:37:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carina	
	2026-09-12 22:10:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Absolute rediculous	Hugo	business owner
	2026-09-12 22:40:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed direction by Eskom is exorbitant and clearly not in the interest of the consumer , completely off balance to blatantly pursue extortion of house owners	Johannes	retired
	2026-09-13 02:43:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Perpetual increase in electricity prices are unbearable and unpreccedented.	Joseph	employed individual
	2026-09-13 05:32:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	God created the sun ... who gave you the right to penalize people for using what God gave freely. The Lord rebuke you.	Paul	
	2026-09-13 06:52:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tamane	employed individual
	2026-09-13 06:52:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Financial Impact: While protecting the electricity line item on paper, this leaves municipalities with severe revenue shortfalls to cover salaries and other services. To avoid insolvency, municipalities are aggressively raising property rates, water, and sanitation tariffs instead. This has already forced total municipal bills for properties up significantly, squeezing net operating margins for landlords.	Nomfundo	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:05:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brett	
	2026-09-13 07:12:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenny	business owner
	2026-09-13 08:10:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorane	
	2026-09-13 08:10:27	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sandy	retired
	2026-09-13 08:39:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What the Policy Proposes: Eskom Generation will participate in the South African Wholesale Electricity Market (SAWEM) as a legally separate commercial entity competing against independent power producers (IPPs). To prevent the abuse of market power—such as economic withholding (bidding at artificially inflated rates) or physical withholding (restricting supply to force price spikes)—the policy relies on transitional “vesting contracts,” NERSA bid oversight, and a Market Surveillance Unit (MSU). The Underlying Risk: Because Eskom Generation continues to control the vast majority of national baseload generating capacity, market surveillance alone may be inadequate to prevent pricing distortions. In unbundled spot markets worldwide, dominant generators and speculative trading desks have exploited dispatch rules to artificially inflate clearing prices, costs that are ultimately passed down to retail consumers.	Colin	
	2026-09-13 08:44:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pamela	retired
	2026-09-13 08:57:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom tarrifs are unaffordable. Eskom has become an unefficient big bloted corupt organisation. They caused their own demise. They should not be allowed to force the public to pay for their self created mess. Adapt or die.	Koos	

	2026-09-13 09:01:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	
	2026-09-13 09:04:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is simply unacceptable’	Angus	employed individual
	2026-09-13 09:16:44	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The end result of this is that we will simply cut off all electrical supply from our homes. Completely remove all connections to municipal power and go back to the gas and candle age with bankkrupt municipalities.	William	retired
	2026-09-13 09:45:05	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A government controlled infrastructure in South Africa has always abused tax payers while failing to deliver on basic services. This bill gives licence for more abuse of taxpayers.	Tracey	retired
	2026-09-13 09:51:29	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Catherine	self-employed
	2026-09-13 09:54:25	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-13 10:14:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Inez	
	2026-09-13 10:18:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noeline	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:40:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just unbearable and unjust! My solar is putting power back into the grid!	Anton	retired
	2026-09-13 10:52:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rodney	retired
	2026-09-13 11:12:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Susan	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 11:14:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-13 11:34:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As it is elect is to expensive now that i installed solar i must be penalized	Jacobus	
	2026-09-13 11:47:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Janet	employed individual
	2026-09-13 12:35:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-09-13 13:32:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop die skelms om verder te steel	CAESAR ENTRES	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 13:40:35	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lynnette	unemployed individual
	2026-09-13 14:11:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I reject the proposed Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper in its entirety. This policy is not reform—it is exploitation. The government seeks control, and unfair policies that strip citizens of free will. It is a corrupt attempt to penalise households for solving a problem the state itself failed to fix. It is simply another way for government to be corrupt and steal money from ordinary citizens. We needed solar because the government could not provide reliable electricity. Families invested their own money to secure power when the grid collapsed. Now, instead of supporting self-reliance, the government wants to punish those who made alternative plans with punitive fixed grid fees and capacity charges. I specifically reject: 1. The Sun Tax: unavoidable monthly levies on solar households, penalising private capital and discouraging clean energy adoption. 2. Tariff hikes that trap non-solar households as captive consumers, forced to subsidise industrial defection and municipal mismanagement. 3. Market unbundling that allows large mines and factories to bypass municipalities, leaving ordinary homes to carry the financial burden. 4. The erosion of household budgets through unavoidable fixed charges, regardless of consumption. 5. The lack of transparency in wholesale reforms, which risks leaving everyday citizens footing the bill for failing infrastructure. This Position Paper is an overreach. It discourages clean energy, undermines private investment, and traps households in spiralling costs. It is fundamentally unjust to penalise citizens for taking initiative when government failed to deliver electricity in the first place. I therefore call on the Department of Electricity and Energy to: 1. Stop the Sun Tax and protect private solar investment. 2. Protect captive consumers from unfair tariff hikes. 3. Ensure transparency so reforms do not burden ordinary households. The government has become a burden, seeking only to extract money and consolidate power. Citizens do not need more bureaucracy and penalties—we need fair, transparent policies that protect households and encourage clean energy adoption.	Jade	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:01:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The reason we don’t have enough electricity it not Eskom or solar panels. It’s the huge international conglomerates who each consume more than the whole of the rest of SA electricity in one day. Amazon International companies: Huge number use South Africa for electricity supply. I list the companies from across the globe , Fir many there main presence/facility in South Africa SA Main location for companies from abroad Amazon / AWS	F	
	2026-09-13 16:17:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Jeff	business owner
	2026-09-13 17:02:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom failed the country to supply a consistent basic need and requirement. so, i made a plan to improve and sustain myself and to become self-reliant. Because they failed. They are raping the market and it's time for us all to become self-reliant. Their manipulation must stop as must their raping of our basic rights be stopped.	Grearson	employed individual
	2026-09-13 17:15:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Walter	retired
	2026-09-13 17:32:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Busisiwe	retired
	2026-09-13 18:57:23	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Edwin	self-employed
	2026-09-13 20:01:58	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gail	retired
	2026-09-13 20:06:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dina	retired
	2026-09-13 20:47:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rose	retired
	2026-09-13 21:12:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	retired
	2026-09-13 21:15:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is all going to lead to increased costs of electricity Regardless of whether you have solar or not	JOE	retired
	2026-09-13 23:11:17	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If Eskom stops paying it's staff and top management exorbitant increases bonuses and brag about it that money can be used to lower the tariffs and give the poorest of the poor a reduction in price eg pensioners and shed dwellers that have to resort to illegal connections to make ends meet. All eskom dues is collect money and stuff it into increases. Solar is taking over because it pays for itself thanks to the one thing Edkom cannot steel nor can the government is the Sun. And if everyone could afford to go off grid then eskom will sit with its finger up it's ass and maybe then they will realize it's them that drive people to go for alternative power connections . ESKOM IS ITS OWN ENEMY AND ALWAYS DRAINING HARD WORKING PEOPLE FOR MORE MONEY BY PUSHING UP TARRIFFS AND FINDING WAYS TO GET MONEY. I BET THEY ALL OFF GRID.	Elizabeth	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 00:10:23	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Maneo	retired
	2026-09-14 05:15:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot continue tolerating tariffs going up but no service is given to us. This is unacceptable you are bleeding us dry	Mavoreen	employed individual
	2026-09-14 05:15:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		L	
	2026-09-14 06:19:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Belinda	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:57:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Manipulating the pricing is unjust, making the citizens of south africa poorer is not what government should be doing. Other contries reward going green and reducing emissions. Making citizens that use the least to subsidies corporations that consume the most is not feasible at all.	Henry	employed individual

	2026-09-14 07:03:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The price of electricity needs to be at a "reasonable" rate, we cannot afford the steep hikes! Just because of the sheer incompetence of Eskom. Privatize eskom in its entirety!!!	Ingrid	retired
	2026-09-14 07:08:53	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bruce	retired
	2026-09-14 07:09:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lucas	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:14:38	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tish	retired
	2026-09-14 07:31:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Thembinkosi Patrick	retired
	2026-09-14 07:35:20	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The electricity price is stretching pensioners beyond their income. People are starting to have to choose between food and electricity.	Lesley	retired
	2026-09-14 07:43:58	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader	why is the honest rate payer always having more complex and higher rates passed onto the everyday person. This is unfair as everyday people are struggling daily on all the higher costs passed.	Estelle	retired
	2026-09-14 07:45:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Disincentivizes free market control of prices and traps consumers. Anti-competitive.	Steve	
	2026-09-14 07:47:44	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ferdie	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:51:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carl	business owner
	2026-09-14 07:53:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must I as an already overtaxed ratepayer, overcharged electricity consumer, have to pay more, because i managed to work my way into a situation where i no longer needed to rely on a shockingly poor service that we have a fundamental requirement, to earn the money to pay for this overpriced service? we need electricity to protect ourselves from a useless police force, we need electricity to protect our families, our lively hoods, and now, we have to pay more because some joker who has my tax payer money, who ALSO HAS SOLAR, who will definitely argue this rule doesn't apply to them, gets to dictate prices. are we a democracy in a free market? does not look like it. We as South Africans are tired of paying for the $%%& ups of a company and government that just squanders our tax money and then just goes.. "oops, we need more money" while the gravy drips from their mouths. everyone has forgotten what Mandela said, if the ANC does not hold true, then you must fight them, just like the government of old.	andre	
	2026-09-14 08:04:16	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Not a viable solution. The poor will not be able to afford the increase. Get rid of the free riders and install a competent local government.	Rodney	
	2026-09-14 08:13:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Until Eskom and the government come up with an open policy regarding solar installations how can we support and / or object. We do not have any idea as to the way forward with the government.	Steve	retired
	2026-09-14 08:16:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:23:56	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:27:29	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jason	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:27:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SHANE	
	2026-09-14 08:27:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hendrik-Louis	self-employed
	2026-09-14 08:36:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mariana	retired
	2026-09-14 08:54:40	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Markus	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:55:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ryan	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:56:12	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Sanet	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:01:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		ruben	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:02:27	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		R	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 09:10:25	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		annette	retired
	2026-09-14 09:43:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	employed individual
	2026-09-14 09:49:32	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about the pensioner , younger generation when the salaries does not allow them to own property. Rental is sky high and if the electricity keeps going up , how does one survice	Andal Nalini	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:09:37	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ebrahim	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:12:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Consumer should not be held ransom by the Inefficient Monopoly.	Gary	self-employed
	2026-09-14 10:15:54	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Kobie	business owner
	2026-09-14 10:22:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	retired
	2026-09-14 10:38:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Victor	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:45:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Aziza	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:43:08	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Once again the ratepayer will have to shoulder the burden of inefficient government	Donald	retired
	2026-09-14 12:13:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should work for the people and NOT push us into a disaster that is Escom through legislation. I was down for 36 hours last week. We should be able to determine WHICH provider and Which services we need from them at all times.	Lawrence	retired
	2026-09-14 12:33:59	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Philip	retired
	2026-09-14 13:27:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		larry	self-employed
	2026-09-14 13:40:27	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Reggie	retired
	2026-09-14 13:48:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are probably paying far above market price for power. Us pensioners can not keep up with all the price increases.	MARIE ANTOINETTE	retired
	2026-09-14 13:55:44	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	ELSA	business owner
	2026-09-14 14:16:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are about to begin constructing data hubs and AI data factories. These will put a renewed demand on Eskom supply and will help fill any shortfalls in demand for Eskom electricity. Use this opportunity to reduce the debt at Eskom by fast tracking data hubs in SA - we could export this facility to all of Africa - huge opportunity!! If Eskom is worried about declining demand, don't just escalate prices to the faithful customers remaining - generate some new demand and spread the cost load. You may even be able to reduce the cost per KWh going forward. Fast tracking data hubs and AI infrastructure will kill many birds with one stone.	Roy	
	2026-09-14 14:27:55	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Danie	

	2026-09-14 14:54:24	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joyce	retired
	2026-09-14 14:55:33	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miranda	
	2026-09-14 15:01:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Shirley	retired
	2026-09-14 15:55:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roscoe	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:25:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are a captive audience to all these actions - retired persons with fixed incomes - every year there is a new charge - There are municipal amounts owing in the millions - Pull the amounts owing to Eskom	Joan	retired
	2026-09-14 16:51:05	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You cannot continue to put the burden of the cost on this onto the normal man in the street who already cannot cope with all the increasing prices of everything at the cost of big business who will get away with this. How does this make common logical sense?	Sharon	
	2026-09-14 18:16:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government does not understand economics. Socialism DOES NOT WORK! Politics is way too important to leave it to stupud politicians.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-14 20:02:14	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		JC	self-employed
	2026-09-14 21:09:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Charles	retired
	2026-09-14 21:14:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marita	
	2026-09-14 22:16:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gudrun	self-employed
	2026-09-14 22:41:58	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Amy	employed individual
	2026-09-14 23:01:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Esther	retired
	2026-09-14 23:52:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Paul	self-employed
	2026-09-15 00:21:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lerato	self-employed
	2026-09-15 05:23:45	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lakash	employed individual
	2026-09-15 05:59:23	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rubanadhan	retired
	2026-09-15 06:35:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Frans	retired
	2026-09-15 06:40:51	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jenny	
	2026-09-15 06:43:48	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fanie	retired
	2026-09-15 07:05:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Magda	retired
	2026-09-15 07:23:27	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop stealing	Willem	business owner
	2026-09-15 08:32:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Any annual or regular price tariff implemented and forced upon consumers is unfair and abusive while Eskom executives award themselves massive salaries. Already many us cannot pay for services or keep up with inflation so it appears to be a sad situation for burdened consumers going forward with no reprieve.	Mark	retired
	2026-09-15 08:38:43	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Thornton	business owner
	2026-09-15 09:15:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kate	retired
	2026-09-15 09:23:31	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Linda	self-employed
	2026-09-15 09:34:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Oleksandr	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:36:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The idea to propose a 'Sun Tax' is unacceptable, and is exploiting our people for financial gain at our expense. Competition, in this instance, by way of solar panel options, is a natural incentive in business, and offers people choices. Imposing a Sun Tax is wrong and sinful, and can never be accepted.	Kevin	retired
	2026-09-15 09:51:02	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The idea to propose a 'Sun Tax' is unacceptable, unfair and discriminating against people who have invested their own hard-earned money in alternative energy solutions when ESKOM could not provide the services during load shedding. It is exploiting our people for financial gain at our expense. Competition and freedom of choice to choose to provide for yourself and in cleaner energy should be an incentive and people should NEVER be punished by imposing a Sun Tax.	Dirk	business owner
	2026-09-15 09:53:42	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Miranda	employed individual
	2026-09-15 09:56:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sounds complicated. Change the current management team to those who knows what's going on, but outrageous price increases is not the way.	Shaun	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:16:29	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is quite absurd and unacceptable that Escom considers this new charge for those who are unable to afford Solar energy for their homes. Escom should realise why consumers are using solar energy in the first place and then should not penalise those who do not use solar energy. To be clear, those making use of Escom generated power are real supporters ! Why punish them with higher costs ? Get your production efficiencies sorted out, trim your bloated staff complement and get competitive.	mark	self-employed
	2026-09-15 10:33:30	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	SA needs new players in the energy market. Eskom has held the country to ransom for too long now. It is a very clumsy and overstaffed business and needs a total overhaul. This country can never afford that. Allow new role players from overseas to invest, not only financially but with competent staff to ensure their companies are run properly. You cannot keep fleecing the honest rate payer citizens.	Cos	retired
	2026-09-15 15:33:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	
	2026-09-15 15:38:39	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A "Sun Tax" on Private Capital and Rooftop Solar: Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Dan	retired
	2026-09-15 21:58:13	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Morjina	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 07:11:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ian	
	2026-09-16 07:24:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nokubonga	employed individual
	2026-09-16 08:12:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We are already struggling to survive with all the rising prices throughout all sectors. The price of electricity is already high, and the cost of living is a struggle to maintain. If a fixed grid charge is added, it can and will affect everybody negatively. There will be even less money for everything else, and my personal opinion is that I would rather go with less electricity than with less food. We can always use other ways to get around. I mean, Why not just dump the electricity system alltogether and just go over to other alternatives if it becomes too expensive.	Frik	employed individual
	2026-09-16 09:15:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has already monopolised the market. Consumers have no choice but to pay their exhorbitant tariffs. I totally disagree with any fixed costs for solar users. They installed panels at their own cost when Eskom could not produce enough electricity and now they're being punished. This seriously doesn't make any sense. We need more private companies to come in and compete with Eskom. That is the only way a consumer can make a choice on which supplier to use. There should be fair competition like any other industry.	Cathy	retired
	2026-09-16 10:58:28	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Carmen	employed individual
	2026-09-16 12:21:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-09-16 12:46:30	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriano	employed individual

	2026-09-17 07:40:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-09-17 09:55:52	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Eva	employed individual
	2026-09-17 09:59:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vince	employed individual
	2026-09-17 23:15:50	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Its so dumb!	Nicolla	employed individual
	2026-09-18 09:47:36	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Elaine	employed individual
	2026-09-18 10:30:19	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashley	
	2026-09-18 10:42:26	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		M	
	2026-09-18 12:52:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		henrica	retired
	2026-09-18 15:29:07	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neliswa	unemployed individual
	2026-09-18 16:26:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Colleen	self-employed
	2026-09-18 17:01:49	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		douglas	retired
	2026-09-19 06:45:57	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Fred	retired
	2026-09-19 10:46:46	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom does not generate the solar power, nor did they buy it in. And there is NO receipt where they bought the sun from God. Furthermore they invested nothing in infrastructure regarding our solar.	Daniel	
	2026-09-19 11:47:41	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	In 2009, when load shedding srarted to be common, and roof solar power wasr growing, i forecasted a "loss of revenue levy" charged to all types of used power resources, other than Eskom, from solar electricity and hot water, wind for water pumping in farms, mini hydro power, etc., to be inforced to all users of energy. The levy woud be based for every kW generated and used. Whe have reached that forecast, wit solar electric power generation, what will follow? And what about the unproportionl Eskom power price increases? Already stated to cover to compensate for lower sales, higher costs. Now they want more. You and I are not in the position to claim compensation from Eskom, in relation to our finantial losses when power was unavailable. Is power shedding really gone? It' not called Eskom power shedding. It has been pushe at municipal level, with different names, like "power load distribuition plan", power distribuition strategy, etc. While Eskom shines efficiency, with a high portion of diesel generated power, at highly inflated costs.	Walter	retired
	2026-09-19 17:08:15	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It’s expensive enough , it’s been taxed and VATed . No need to punish people for reducing the over demand Eskom can’t supply.	Jacques	self-employed
	2026-09-20 07:35:59	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanne	retired
	2026-09-20 10:12:06	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hildah	employed individual
	2026-09-20 10:50:27	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mia	
	2026-09-20 14:38:00	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No comment	Stella	retired
	2026-09-21 05:28:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	the government or eskom is trying to act like God buy charging for the solar, no one owns the sun and therefore they do not have the right to charge residence for finding a better option, which is solar. they should rather use the budget wisely and come up with solutions on how to decrease electricity prices to aid house holds that are struggling financially. they should also fight corruption within eskom and city power	Lebogang	employed individual
	2026-09-21 11:10:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nature is free to use, in a wise and responsible manner, of course. To leverage control over private home owners using a free resource is pure ANC arrogance and madness! Who do they think they are? .. They forget that they are civil servants. They forget that they must find workable yet affordable solutions to their poor management. All they want is everyone to live off their 'Child' or 'Poverty' grant. Why? Also, pure madness! :(	Jean	
	2026-09-21 14:33:22	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is a huge capital layout to get solar. I should not be punished for it.	Jolanda	business owner
	2026-09-22 00:54:09	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Liezl	self-employed
	2026-09-27 11:58:21	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You did not do maintenance and now everything is falling apart. you don’t care for any people in S A, and you only want to make yourself rich. There is more people in the streets begging that in the old regime. You don’t have the right to take money from the people that have solars as the sun was made by our God and He gave it to us for free. He will judge you one day also for doing all the wrongs you are doing to the people He put you in charge of in this country.	Eureka	retired
	2026-09-28 06:25:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martie	
	2026-09-29 08:38:10	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Martha	retired
	2026-10-02 14:05:02	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Myra	
	2026-10-06 08:37:03	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kenneth	self-employed
	2026-10-06 13:44:45	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pam	retired
	2026-10-08 13:38:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is not yours to make a profit from, the sun belongs to God, and he gives it to us freely!	Margaret	retired
	2026-10-19 19:03:04	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Prise manipulation. If the government want to control the sun next thing will be the rainwater from your house roof.	anton	
	2026-10-19 21:23:11	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Die son verskaf verniet sy sonskyn. Kliente betaal vir Al die sonkragpanele. Hoe kan enige iemand belasting daarop eis AS ESKOM sy werk korrek gedoen het, en die mense gestraf is wat so steel, sou niemand van sonpanele gebruik gemaak het nie.	A	retired
	2026-10-28 06:22:18	No I do not	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lorraine	
	2026-09-12 11:29:24	No I do not	Other	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When will we be charged for oxygen ? Thai and government is going to fuck everyone over no matter what we do! This is beyond unfair. I disagree with all they do and say and this just another example of how the pillage of the people and raping the country continues.	Cristine	
	2026-08-26 15:06:22	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This new bill will affect the public, allowing escalated pricing, and unfair tariffs to homeowners using the initiative to supply power where the state is incapable.	Ken	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 15:10:35	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They just want more and more money i maen if you put solar in its yours you paid for it not them if they pay for it yes but if they dont ,sorry NO.	Jakkals	retired
	2026-08-26 16:02:30	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Malan Hefer	retired
	2026-08-26 18:56:08	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we always pay for department's non ability to run what is their responsibility!! Years of corruption sticking its ugly head out!	Lorraine	retired
	2026-08-26 20:17:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	You are only to be charged with what you use, it is Highway robbery to impose a levy on the inafechingsy of the Municipal Electrical Department or Eskom's dues to supply an interupted supply due to poor maintenance of the networks. If a person or business sees the need to supplement thier power requirements as a guarantee to constant power for thier requirements it should not be penalty to them. Ex Eskom Employee.	Edward	retired
	2026-08-26 20:34:06	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	High Cost to consumers.	Rika	self-employed

	2026-08-26 21:38:45	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	From previous experience this will lead to more BBBEE tenderprenuring with more corruption by the ANC comrades.	Bruce	self-employed
	2026-08-26 21:48:24	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think that the government should thank the people & even incentives them for taking up the initiative to install solar-power. THIS HELPS EVERYBODY, THE COUNTY, THE TREES THAT ARE SAVED & THE AMOUNT OF COAL SAVED. Why now penalize the people that are HELPING!!!!!	Corne	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 07:25:33	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not support this. People have spent their money to assist Eskom.	David	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:46:18	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This regulation is a "poison-pill" trick to soothe citizens into supporting an atrocity. While everyone wants monopolies to end, the regulation deftly hides the "poison" namely VICIOUS action against all grid-connected properties with solar power, regardless of how little grid power you pull. This is a Penalty on Private Initiative: Citizens who spent private capital to solve the state's energy crisis which persisted for more than a decade, will now face steep baseline connection taxes to subsidise legacy grid infrastructure. That content is unconstitutional and the technique of using something completely different, demonopolizing Eskom, as "sugar" to get people to swallow the "poison pill" in this regulation, is an unconstitutional method. This regulatory PROCESS as a whole will just, after spending a lot of resources to get it passed, be challenged in court the first time a penalty is levied. Just separate the two issues, transformation and Eskom's power to levy fines on solar, in two bills like honesty requires, and then get the REAL response from citizens rather than being sued for dishonesty.	Wynand	business owner
	2026-08-27 08:24:32	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Apart from agreeing with the objections listed above, I want to point out that Eskom initially encouraged, and subsidised, measures to reduce the load on the system, such as solar water heating system, and heat pump systems. The current proposal makes as if there is no commensurate benefit to the system from all the solar systems later installed - without receiving subsidies from Eskom. I these had been subsidised Eskom would have leg to stand on for their proposal, but a proposal that does not credit the investments made by users that has public benefit, is morally unjustified.	Peter	
	2026-08-27 08:30:22	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My concern is for sectional title units that is unable to be disconnected from the grid and individual owners that will have to fork out heavy fees as owners and have no joice. We are already paying higher fees as we have to use 3rd party prepaid suppliers and may not use Coj prepaid. Another fee will be to expensive as many are already not affording the fees as is. O hear every day that owners can't afford to use tumble dryer and geysers to be switched off as it is just too expensive.	Heidi	self-employed
	2026-08-27 09:50:50	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Taxing homeowners who had NO ALTERNATIVE other that to install home solar systems, at great expense (with after Tax money), to maintain a decent standard of living after ESKOM/Power Stations/Government failed to supply power during years of load shedding is, quite frankly ludicrous and passing the buck and negating responsibility. THE FACT OF THE MATTER is that if there were no power outages and load shedding, then private homeowners did not need to install solar. So read this and then explain to me who is at fault in this instance??? It fairly obvious it is not the taxpayer who is at fault.	Andre	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:09:03	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is just another Money making machine for the gov to steal more money. Other muncipal services does not use this sly method of collecting money. Eskom and the government is losing more and more money with people installing solar, taking about 10-15 years to recoup the investment. Now you want to "TAX" them again because they use eskom as a backup, ie the original investment will never be paid off. I DO NOT SUPPORT THIS MONEY MAKING BILL !	Andre	retired
	2026-08-27 10:20:32	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I consider this new idea to be nothing more than Hi-way robbery! When there was no electricity, people went to a lot of expense to install solar power which prevented a total collapse of the electrical system as we knew it. Now, the aim is to punish those people who did so. This is totally not fair!	Sally-Ann	retired
	2026-08-27 11:06:15	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Another scheme for the anc and their friends and families to continue stealing. There is no benefit to the country only to themselves Get rid of these looters By time we took these corrupt people down for once and for all in order to save this country A question, when the anc have been over thrown, will everything that they have changed be able to be set back as it was?	James	retired
	2026-08-27 11:23:20	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	To state the obvious, there would have been NO need for private individuals to invest in their own solar electricity generation if the state had not allowed Eskom to degenerate, causing major electrical shortages, euphemistically called "load-shedding" Also to state the obvious, Eskom now appears to be congratulating itself for the fact that "load-shedding" appears to be something of the past, whereas it is common knowledge that this is precisely because private individuals have been forced to look after themselves. There are other countries which have encouraged private investment into electrical generation, and in addition, have allowed excess electricity to be fed back into the grid. Besides a number of other reasons why South Africans have emigrated, this will end up being another reason to consider leaving the country. In conclusion, should this solar taxation become a reality, I would very strongly consider upgrading my existing system, and getting off the grid completely.	Bernhard	retired
	2026-08-27 12:30:02	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom dropped the ball with the Load Shedding, so people made alternative arrangements & now they are upset & want to penalise people. It's like Checkers imposing a penalty for us shopping at Pick 'n Pay when they didn't have the product in stock..	Dawn	self-employed
	2026-08-27 13:29:35	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If it was not for the incompetence of the ANC leaded government and municipalities, we as consumers would all be still using 24/7 Escom elect. It is because of them we had to go over to solar. Five yrs later the grid collapse again and then what? If you enforce this law, we will disconnect from ESCOM.	Dirk	retired
	2026-08-27 13:41:34	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I disagree with the proposed additional tax on private solar installations. The reason Eskom needs more income is because its expenses and debt are too high. But a large part of that problem comes from years of mismanagement, theft, corruption and financial losses. These losses are well documented, yet very little of the money appears to have been recovered. Instead, those losses have become part of Eskom's debt, which consumers are now expected to help pay for. At the same time, I have seen very little meaningful effort to reduce Eskom's cost base. The workforce and salary bill remain substantial, while the solution repeatedly seems to be finding ways to collect more money from consumers. Many of us installed solar using our own after-tax money because Eskom could not provide a reliable electricity supply. In doing so, we reduced our dependence on Eskom and reduced the amount of electricity we buy from the grid. It does not seem fair that because we took responsibility for our own electricity needs, we should now be charged an additional tax to make up for the revenue Eskom has lost. Before asking solar users to pay more, Eskom should first show that it has done everything possible to cut unnecessary costs, recover stolen money and address the financial problems that created its debt in the first place.	Peter	
	2026-08-27 14:23:10	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	government mismanages services, forcing citizens to look to alternative methods, so government adds more tax to cover the shortfall that they created. splitting eskom just creates more cost centres that more people can steal from. Parasitic politicians are a class of people that are completely irrelevant and the entire political class should be disbanded. it's 2026 and governments should be completely obsolete.	marc	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 15:11:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I hereby formally object to and reject any policy, tariff structure, levy, charge or regulatory mechanism arising from the Electricity Sector Market Transformation Position Paper that would penalise, financially disincentivise or disproportionately burden households and businesses because they have privately invested in rooftop solar, battery storage or other distributed electricity-generation technologies. South Africans invested their own after-tax income, savings and borrowed capital in solar generation largely because the public electricity system became increasingly expensive and unreliable. These citizens did not cause the electricity crisis. They responded to it. They reduced their demand on the electricity network. They financed their own generation capacity. They purchased and installed equipment at their own cost. They assumed the financial and technological risk. They reduced their reliance on Eskom. They reduced exposure to load shedding. They reduced electricity consumption from the grid. And, in many cases, they remain connected to the grid and continue paying for electricity and network services when those services are actually used. It is therefore deeply concerning that the proposed policy expressly advances an “anti-free-riding” principle and contemplates increasing the proportion of electricity-system costs recovered through fixed network and capacity charges. I reject the characterisation of a privately funded solar customer as a “free rider” without compelling evidence demonstrating precisely what costs that customer imposes on the network, what costs that customer saves the network, and why the proposed charges are proportionate to the actual services provided. A customer who has reduced their consumption of publicly supplied electricity is not automatically a free rider. If Government considers that grid-connected customers must contribute toward unavoidable network costs, then those costs must be transparently identified, objectively calculated and fairly allocated. The Department must therefore publish the evidence, methodology and cost model supporting this policy. In particular, I request a clear answer to the following: What precise network costs are imposed by a household with rooftop solar compared with an equivalent household without solar? What costs are saved by reduced grid consumption? How have these costs and savings been calculated? Why should a consumer who has privately financed electricity-generation capacity be financially penalised for reducing consumption from the public grid? What less restrictive pricing mechanisms were considered? Why should the fixed component of electricity tariffs be increased rather than addressing the underlying inefficiencies, losses, debt, corruption, procurement failures and operational costs within the electricity value chain? What independent economic impact assessment has been conducted on the effect of the proposed tariff structure on household solar investment? What assessment has been made of the constitutional right to property under section 25? What assessment has been made under section 36 concerning proportionality and less restrictive means? How does the proposal comply with section 195 of the Constitution, particularly the requirements of efficient, economic and effective use of public resources, accountability, transparency and responsiveness to public needs? How does the proposal advance, rather than undermine, the constitutional environmental objectives contained in section 24? What consideration has been given to South Africa's applicable international-law obligations concerning property, environmental sustainability, human dignity, adequate living conditions and access to essential services? Most importantly: Government must not be permitted to create a financial incentive for citizens to remain dependent upon an electricity system from which they have legitimately attempted to become less dependent. If the electricity network genuinely requires a fair contribution toward unavoidable network infrastructure, then charge consumers transparently for the network service actually provided. Do not disguise revenue recovery as an “anti-free-riding” measure. Do not punish citizens for reducing consumption. Do not retrospectively undermine the economic assumptions upon which private citizens invested their own capital. Do not convert an electricity market reform into a mechanism for protecting declining utility revenues at the expense of consumers who have invested in alternative generation. The South African Constitution binds the State and requires that public administration be efficient, economic, effective, accountable, transparent and responsive to people's needs: https://www.justice.gov.za/legislation/constitution/chp02.html I therefore call upon the Department to: WITHDRAW any proposal that imposes disproportionate or punitive charges upon privately funded distributed generation; CONDUCT AND PUBLISH A FULL REGULATORY, ECONOMIC AND CONSTITUTIONAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT; PUBLISH THE ACTUAL NETWORK-COST EVIDENCE ON WHICH THE “FREE-RIDING” CLAIM IS BASED; PROTECT EXISTING AND FUTURE PRIVATE INVESTMENT IN RENEWABLE ENERGY; ENSURE THAT TARIFFS REFLECT ACTUAL COSTS RATHER THAN REPLACE LOST REVENUE; and GUARANTEE THAT SOUTH AFRICANS WHO INVEST IN THEIR OWN ELECTRICITY GENERATION ARE NOT FINANCIALLY PUNISHED FOR DOING SO. I formally object to the proposed policy in its present form and request that this objection be recorded as part of the official public-comment process and considered in full before any final policy or regulatory instrument is adopted. I do not consent to the imposition of any arbitrary, punitive or disproportionate charge upon privately owned renewable-energy assets or upon consumers solely because they have reduced their dependence upon publicly supplied electricity. The State cannot reasonably expect citizens to spend their own money solving a crisis created by the failure of the public electricity system and then seek to penalise those same citizens when their investment succeeds	Cheri	employed individual

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	2026-08-27 15:42:05	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bradley	
	2026-08-27 15:55:27	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 18:33:16	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner that invested in solar I consider it unethical to tax me. Blatant theft!	Meyer	retired
	2026-08-27 19:21:28	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses who are already and still suffocating irrespective of of having solarpanels the breather is very not so visible. For how long should we continue subsidizing these criminals calling ourselves middle class while we are of poor citizens.	Noma	employed individual
	2026-08-27 19:54:25	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What about consumers who are on prepaid electricity? They already pay surcharges/admin fees. Then top it with this new tax. They'll pay more in tax than the electricity they consume. Municipalities have already shown that they cannot manage money, people cannot rely on the grid given its instability, and now when people solve the problem they did not cause, they are being penalised. It's rubbish. Just because the state is without funds for whatever reason be it corruption or mismanagement of funds, why should the people pay for it. Employ better people that actually know what they are doing and who do it with integrity. At this rate, it's better to go entirely off the grid and run of solar and generator.	Audrey	employed individual
	2026-08-27 20:19:24	No I do not	Other		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The electricity commission or ESKOM as it is not know was deliberately conglomerated in order to control the price of electricity as a lever in the economy of South Africa. Operating Eskom at no-profit no-loss basis, kept electricity prices very low and attracted international operations to South Africa, attracted by cheap energy prices. Privatising the system operator will not make electricity cheaper, there is no organisation that can produce electricity cheaper than Eskom. The current independent producers, without an exception, all sell electricity to Eskom more expensive than the price Eskom is selling to the public. This is a move supported by private individuals wanting to make money in the energy space, none of this is in the interest of the country or the public.	Mthokozisi	business owner
	2026-08-28 07:57:28	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government urged residents to use less elecricity and is directly responsible for people moving to solar. They even subsidised certain users, now just to tax them, even those who are completely off grit? Buch of cleptocrats.	Alex	self-employed
	2026-08-28 08:16:07	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If I buy a loaf of bread once a week from the baker, instead of once a day, should I now be penalised by the baker for having had to bake bread every day?	Martin	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:27:37	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our RSA president asked all consumers to assist Eskom and to install solars. He even given us a TAX rebate if we do so.	Rinus	retired
	2026-08-28 11:01:05	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How is it possible that the government is able to continue with there poor and insufficient service delivery , force the public to adjust to methods them self to counter this unacceptable service and then force the citizens to still feeding the bill . This have two objections , 1. To make criminals out of the public. 2. To extort money from the public. They are no better than the Extortion mafia render SA lawless. SA government is an kleptomaniac government that stole from the public and can not behave them self from that.	Sarel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 11:15:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If every household is paying the same standard rates for having municipal electricity, I support matter. If only solar households and renewable energy businesses are penalized, I am against it and personaly I will go off-grid.	Michiel	retired
	2026-08-28 12:15:12	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposition, or the planned "fixed chargers" for rooftop solar that is beyond the Municipal / Eskom supply box is totally and completely absurd. But forgive me a bit of digression if I may! The fact that Eskom gives free ride to majority of Municipalities, keeps supplying Electricity apparently without regard for the ever increasing debt burden. In my municipality of Moqhaka the estimated arears to Eskom is greater than R2billion, this despite the Municipality charges its consumers / customers a full rate of Electricity charges + Block and consumptive increases when certain thresholds are met! Nil payment/s for years, at least 6 (Six) agreements were breached or never made applicable by Eskom or the Moqhaka Municipality. In essence then Eskom is complicit and active proponent of "Free Loading" allowing unpaid electricity to be delivered and or consumed. This raises an interesting legal question; 1) Is the fact that Moqhaka and many, many other Municipalities in South Africa are "purveying stolen", illegally obtained electricity and the possible criminality involved therein? 2) Fraud and Theft and or by False pretenses, is or should be the and ONLY major concern. 3) Eskom has repeatedly stated, as far as I am aware that "grid feed into" from such consumers would not generate any payment and would be classified "free power generation" Thank you very much "into kamahala" for free! 4) The announcement of Minister Ramokgopa, yesterday published by Moneyweb, that Eskom needs protection from competition is as above is totally and completely absurd! 5) Finally, recent statistics published from Eskom's own figures that present power generation and consumption thereof is equivalent to 2006 - twenty years ago! And still the Eskom as an organisation, complete with new Board, new Minister etcetera have still accepted or are denying that that Eskom without a real financial business plan, "business rescue" if you will is doomed to collapse.	anton	self-employed

	2026-08-28 16:53:56	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Since before 2019 we have had no water,electricity or both off at same time. No sewerage for a whole year due to one broken Municipal pipe which they would not let us fix. One month we had 27consecutive days with no water and no access to water tankers. It has cost us thousands in buying water. Even though I had 5 surgeries in two years I still had to bucket bath and wash my hair in a bucket. After one operation doctors told me it was too risky to go home from hospital because of possibility of infection. I had to go to Humana by ambulance and a huge amount of money which the medical Aid would not pay. If we did not have the water and sewerage problems we would not have had to put ourselves in debt and pay off thousands. Because of this and because of our ages (I am 78 years old) we had to try and find money to give ourselves solar to survive. Therefore installed solar. The Municipality was notified. There was usually no notice and power would go off sometimes for days. I would be left sitting with candles and not be able to cook, open our gate or arm our security alarm. This is ongoing weekly. Lack of Managerial management, lack of supervision, workers deliberately making sure they returned for overtime pay fixing the same places every time. No progress at all . It is now 2026 and the last few weeks no water and electricity.For these reasons I strongly object.	Rosemary	retired
	2026-08-28 17:29:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is bordering extortion. The government cannot reliably provide electricity and so the people take it into their own hands, providing relief to the grid and so benefits the government. Whilst the rest of the world's citizens are applauded and rewarded for switching over to solar. We South Africans are punished.	Joel	employed individual
	2026-08-28 17:36:53	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Derek	retired
	2026-08-28 19:54:37	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	YOU are ALL a bunch of THIEVES - who have no clue to FIX anything. You know how to BREAK- You will have your day in JAIL - I cannot wait-. You are fools to think when People dont Buy your service - that to increase costs HELPS- ANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thieves ANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thievesANC - are Criminals- ANC are thieves - ESKOM - Are Criminals - Eskom are thieves You Fools - with your Hands out all your Lives. You dont deserve to LEAD anything - because you are so Stupid	Rob	self-employed
	2026-08-29 06:04:29	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Given the global warming problem and the urgent need to reduce/stop use of fossil fuels, the public should be encouraged, not discouraged, to install as much renewable energy (solar) as possible. The introduction of any proposed charges for such installations will have a very negative effect on this and will also affect the transition to electric vehicles that would be partly charged by the residential solar energy thereby reducing future diesel and petrol consumption. It would be positive to require the installation of a related size of batteries with the installed solar panels to smooth the effect that day/night fluctuations would have on the electricity grid.	Richard	retired
	2026-08-29 06:19:58	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Citizens invest in solar systems to avoid the shortfall and failure from the department/state to provide us with electricity or do the necessary repairs when needed with our tax money and now you want to come and make even more money out of citizens and STILL not fix the issues i.e. load-shedding, substations blowing up, etc.	Maggie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 06:55:47	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Geraldine	
	2026-08-29 10:49:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This measure is simply an attempt to compensate for government's inadequacy. Rather than subsidising their own revenue problems they should encourage households to be self sufficient by applying a consistent standard domestic rate based entirely on consumption and compensate for lost revenue by reducing their own overheads and costs	Rob	retired
	2026-08-29 15:43:21	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gary	retired
	2026-08-29 15:56:37	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It seems that Electrical Supply Authorities are EXEMPT from Anti-monopoly, anti competition, etc laws. This law will strengthen Electricity Suppliers' ability to penalize people looking for cheaper or more reliable electricity sources, EVEN if they are totally disconnected from the grid. There is one municipality already charging fees fir people who are. NOT CONNECTED TO THE GRID AT ALL.	Eamon	retired
	2026-08-29 21:01:58	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	With all the alleged stealing of money and Eskom not doing maintenance on the grid, we spend money on releasing the stain on the Eskom power supply and now, because of that, we are going to be taxed AGAIN. As pensioners, we have paid tax upon tax all our lives, saved and worked hard only to be taxed yet again. Just give us a break.	Candy	retired
	2026-08-30 12:29:04	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is ridiculous!! Effectively trapping consumers into having to buy from Eskom, making it impossible to transition to off-grid!!	Brett	business owner
	2026-08-30 16:11:50	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Too much corruption and guilty parties getting away without repaying misappropriated or stolen funds. Stop the corruption, recover the funds, send guilty parties actually to jail, and stop charging consumers to make up for the stolen funds. There is no need to charge consumers due to poor internal financial controls. Just more and more money will be stolen.	Dietrich	retired
	2026-08-30 20:14:32	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom need to have competitive and price of electricity is very high. We are unemployed as well plus cost of living is too high. Support: Market competition, Eskom unbundling, and open wholesale trading are essential to solve South Africa's energy crisis and attract private capital.	Sifiso	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 07:40:54	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Government should encourage the population to go green. It should in fact offer incentives for the population to go with green energy.	Liesl	employed individual
	2026-08-31 08:06:56	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	....IVE GOT TWO WORDS FOR FOR YOU. 1 starts with an F and the other with a Y... how can you do this actually?? maybe you , as the racist communist , should stop stealing and start fixing and maintaining infrastructure.. due to YOUR NEGLIGENCE AND CORRUPTION , you now want to tax citizens for alleviating the crisis!!! consumers and businesses are putting back KWH's into the grid , but yet , black racist wants more!!!! why dont you tax ALL THE PLACES IN ALEXANDRA WITH SOLAR GEYSERS TOO , YOU DUMB F&CK!!! you CANNOT tax and the sun which GOD ALMIGHTY CREATED!!!! I REFUSE AND AND SO WILL THE REST OF THE PEOPLE WHO HAS SOLAR POWER!!! I SUGGESTT YOU READ PROVERBS 26:4-7 that is if you can read and understand scripture!!!! i pity you actually... i wonder if your kids look up to you and say , wow!!!im so proud of my father for being a communist thief?...	PIETER	
	2026-08-31 08:19:09	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	WHAT HAVE THEY DONE WITH THE FIXED ELECTRICITY SERVICE CHARGE THAT THEY HAVE BEEN TAKING FOR MANY YEARS NOW, NOT TO MENTION THE FIXED WATER SERVICE CHARGE THAT WE HAVE BEEN PAYING FOR * OR MORE YEARS AS WELL!!	Sarah	unemployed individual
	2026-08-31 10:03:49	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am completely off the grid on my farm. Eskom submitted the final account which I paid. Eskom has acknowledged that I have been dis connected. I don't see why I should pay a sun tax after spending over half a million of my own money to set up my solar system.	Nick	retired
	2026-08-31 12:13:10	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can government tax people what God is providing. Since when is government in charge of the sun/environment and have the right to do this. It does not belong to them. It belong to God.	Gertruida	
	2026-08-31 13:29:52	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I believe that were duped as consumers. At the height of loadshedding, the government was encouraging us to go solar. They were even willing subsidize the initiative without sharing information of how this will affect us in future. They kept critical information from the consumers when they couldn't handle loadshedding. Now that the grid is stable, they're coming with all sorts of tricks to penalize solar users. They withheld information and they must take responsibility for it.	Nomhle Constance	employed individual
	2026-09-01 10:34:40	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jurgen	
	2026-09-01 12:22:24	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		chris	retired
	2026-09-01 15:36:05	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ANC had their 30 years plus to attempt to provide electricity. They failed. This charges are theft.	Morne	employed individual
	2026-09-01 21:30:05	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not agree that people that use solar energy should pay a penalty for using solar energy. Consumers should only be charge for the units that they use. Why should the people pay for something that they did not use. Eskom and municipalities cannot provide constant services for consumers, lack of maintenance causes consumers to suffer when there is power outage because of poor maintenance. Now the minister wants consumers to pay because they choose alternative solutions to ensure that they have electricity at all times. THIS IS VERY UNFAIR. When proper service are providing we do not mind to pay. Consumers are expected to pay high electricity cost for poor service. Not fair.	Esther	retired
	2026-09-02 15:33:50	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	U suck us emty,leave the solar alone!	Lodie	
	2026-09-04 04:01:33	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Extortion to tax people on using the sun, by using their own funds for their own infrastructure. Its gvt fault people resorted to solar, pricing and stability.	Abdullah	self-employed
	2026-09-04 16:07:29	No I do not	Other		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Fuck	unemployed individual
	2026-09-05 09:03:09	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Free market principals are evaded. City council only plan to increase tariffs to fill their own pockets. Get rid of the high earners doing nothing and earning big packages and the revenue can be applied to the maintenance of grids and new renewable resources	Gert	retired
	2026-09-05 18:08:20	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we be taxed if we had the-means to install solar electricity to be financialy better off? The sun does not belong to anybody, it is free for anyone to use! Being self-employed at 58yr, without any pension, this is what i did to make life cheaper for myself.	Hannelize	self-employed
	2026-09-07 03:52:13	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Deirdre	retired
	2026-09-07 12:38:02	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom has been mis managed and therefore failed and fallen into disrepair and cannot provide electricity to the country as a whole. As a result, the price of electricity has become unaffordable, and the payers are subsidizing the non-payers. Now the Municipalities are trying to recover some of these funds by taxing those who can afford solar, who are moving away from Eskom because it has become unaffordable. this is not a sustainable solution and completely unfair to expect people to pay a tax on a product that they have already paid tax in installing.	Kerry	employed individual
	2026-09-09 15:46:00	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Nr 1. waarom het die regering toegelaat dat almal wat sonkrag wou insit, 'n bedrag van R15 000 te ontvang. Dis ongehoord en was dus 'n foefie! Nr 2. Die son skyn oor elke mens! Van wanner af is julle bokant GOD VERHEWE! Nr 3. Is ons nou verantwoordelik vir die swak administrasie en diefstal waaroor ons geen seggenskap het nie? Nr 4. Die sonpanele en die ander toerusting is ons eie en HOE DURF U ONS DAAROP BELAS? Sny julle krag af, dan weet ons om selfs 'n groter belegging te maak met solar en generators. Dis volgende. Ons gaan NIE JULLE MISADMINISTRASIE VERDER SUBSIDIEËR NIE!!!	Johann	retired
	2026-09-09 18:34:24	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	My observation is that the paper refelects ideology and protection of the status quo. The first point is that the unbundling of Eskom results in 3 entities controled by one holding company. Is this properly independent? Probably not. The second point is that while one can understand the need to provide suitable income for peak period power usage when solar fitted entities are low users of power during the day, different types of users need to be treated differently. The main case in point is complexes or other multiple occupied properties where some have solar some do not. It does not make sense to apply a unifrom penalty to these types of properties. One wonders if a property strategic analysis has been done or whether this paper is the result of political rhetoric. A full analysis would reveal the numerous categories of power users and the extent to which they pay for their power. It is all very well to protect the vulnerable but what is the proportion of that category that actually paya for its power? Much more needs to be done to fully understand the complexities facing power propvision in the future, and defining options on how to manage and charge for it.	Digby	
	2026-09-11 14:17:21	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can you charge us for sun energy that was given to us free from God. I had to save hard and long to get solar because I cannot keep up with the raising electricity costs.	Elaine	self-employed

	2026-09-11 15:13:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The ANC 'inherrited' a stable well organised and functional country. I refuse to finance their so called initiatives to 'resurrect' structures that they have destroyed.	Braam	retired
	2026-09-11 19:35:03	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I helped you during the electrical shortage crises and you even offered a tax rebate on solar installations, so penalizing solar installation is unfair.	David	
	2026-09-11 20:15:25	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	When I installed solar it was promoted by government and the municipality has not commented to my enquiry 3years down the line. The sun's rays are free, will we be taxed on breathing fresh air as well? High time Eskom is privatised and the overpaid and under-performing officials are fired.	Gerrit	
	2026-09-11 21:12:40	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This is their usual process to fill their own pocket.	Errol	retired
	2026-09-11 22:09:06	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		graeme	retired
	2026-09-12 06:06:27	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom.should not thabe the monopoly on electricity. They keep on increasing the tariffs. It.is absolutely ridiculous that we have to oay for the corruption	Dirk	employed individual
	2026-09-12 06:11:47	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Consumers are fed up with paying taxes and more taxes and getting poor service or no services at all!	Hannie	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 08:32:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom should be unbundled as soon as possible, but the " overpaid board" , reduce unnecessary managers and cut out unnecessary staff...to be ensure that effective and efficiently is the business practice...SA consumers has bailed out Eskom plus we the SA citizens are over taxed with above inflation tariffs...dismantle Nersa who is an unnecessary " board " funded by SA citizens...this cannot go on , as we are paying too much for Electricity.....200/300 % more than in 1994.....when Eskom was a world leader and run like a business....a State owned Entity....	Eldrid	
	2026-09-12 11:05:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom caused the problem of load shedding due their stealing and corruption so that the families could take over control They then pushed solar onto us. Now that they are splitting escom between the anc families, they want total control PAY BACK AL THE FUNDS STOLEN AND ARREST THE CRIMINALS EVERYONE FROM THE TOP OF THE COUNTRY DOWN	James	retired
	2026-09-12 13:06:28	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear policy makers - We see through the facade. You have been fleecing the SA public with charges for electricity to finance a corrupt cabal of evil, avoiding coal, supplying electricity by burning more expensive diesel, murdering the economy with self imposed, truly unnecessary and unjustified load shedding (which was an ATTACK on the citizens of SA) and you seek to do more of the same with flowery language to hide it. Get you OWN HOUSE IN ORDER before you try to rape the citizens of SA financially. Curtail the organised CRIME and CORRUPTION in the electricity sector. For goodness sake you have the whole government apparatus at your disposal! Invest in COAL, it's in our earth, and burn it efficiently, don't just try fleece the public anymore. Your actions are not lost in a mirage, they are seen by us Sincerely, Steve G (patriot)	Steve G	employed individual
	2026-09-12 17:16:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Allow me to buy electricity from any independent provider or state provider as I can buy fibre. Stop trying to make me pay for services I don't receive.	Klaus	
	2026-09-13 00:20:45	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Escom cannot produce enpugh electricity. It has broken the world record for longest time to complete and the most expensive power station i.e Kusile. Why not allow S.Afican's to assist by feeding their excess electricity created by solar back into the grid at a reduced tarrif? This is good business for developed countries i.e Germany. They have far less sun hours than S.Africa .All who have solar are very happy . Their capital outlay is covered in a few years plus they get money back for assisting the grid. Little thought of new power stations! A win, win situation.	Hilda	retired
	2026-09-13 00:53:25	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The basic problem is unreliable supply. Solutions are :- alternative sources of supply and claims or no pay policy against conventional suppliers (ESKOM and the Municipalities), for their inability to deliver. Solar power or own generator power may become the only economically viable sources of power if the conventional sources get worse.	Austenh	retired
	2026-09-13 06:27:09	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must stop making their corruption the problem of the consumer! For how many years Eskom has a problem with loadshedding ect, pushing the electricity increase from 2007 to 900%!! Now you have to pay for the sun also because they're going to loose out on paid customers now! How unethical this is to tax you for generating your own electricity as Eskom had many years to solve the problem of generating electricity for South Africa but charging unfair prices for electricity and wanting to tax you putting sun panels on your roof! Those taxes must be stop as the sun do not belong to any person to make a unlawful law! Stop Eskom!	Casper	self-employed
	2026-09-13 07:10:13	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	From past experience and almost daily proposals, new laws, regulations and whatever, the ordinary citizen must necessarily come to the conclusion that whenever such proposals surface, there is always some hidden agenda. Electricity consumers are paying premium plus rates while Eskom boasts with a profit of billions. Something does not add up. Then there are the obvious differential tariffs being levied on local consumption which equally does not add up and due to the lack of transparency cannot be readily investigated. Sun panels and infrastructure costs the consumer who chooses this method - due to Eskom high tariffs - are installed at high costs. The government does not own the sunlight, not the rain water and air that people breathe and cannot seek to tax this basic need by forcing levies and fees on consumers. No, any new proposal I reject as it has always been proven to aim at fleecing the consumer more and more.	Nico	
	2026-09-13 07:17:37	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	REVOLT !!!	Arthur	retired
	2026-09-13 07:22:33	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	REVOLT !!!	Susan	retired
	2026-09-13 09:02:41	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	What I do on my property has nothing to do with this corrupt & greedy government & municipality's ! They have stollen enough from the people of SA & should go dig in there hidden stolen accounts to pay for the crap they have caused with there racist, communist & arrogant mindsets!	Shane	employed individual
	2026-09-13 14:37:03	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear South Africa, 1)To put this proposed this Amendment into Perspective, know from whence it comes, or more accurately from whom, Minister of Electricity and Energy Kgosientsho Ramokgopa was linked to a multi-billion rand smart electricity meter tender controversy during his tenure as the Mayor of Tshwane from 2010 to 2016! 2) The PEU Smart Meter ScandalThe Deal: Under Ramokgopa's leadership, the City of Tshwane entered into a contract with PEU Capital Partners to install smart electricity meters. 3)www.sakeliga.org.za/insight/sakeliga-warns-about-ramokgopa-in-light-of-electricity-meter-tender-scandal-that-cost-taxpayers-billions), 3.1) Additional references [2] (https://mybroadband.co.za/news/investing/485231-south-africas-new-electricity-ministers-skeletons.html) 3.2) The Cost: Civil organization Sakeliga and other groups challenged the contract in court, pointing out that the city could run the project much cheaper itself, but instead paid massive commissions (19.5 cents per rand of electricity sold) and saddled the municipality with hundreds of millions in irregular costs and a R2-billion debt burden. 3.3) NB! but instead paid massive commissions (19.5 cents per rand of electricity sold), (The favoured ANC acolytes, Cadre Deployee and Tripartite Alliance "partners" link in with Prof William Gumede's unchallenged assertion that BEE etcetera is "Daylight Robbery and part of an ANC's criminal enterprise", the favoured ones within the ANC NEC etcetera!) 3.4) The so-called Tender was eventually declared invalid, the caveat is or was, the Vast Amounts of Monies paid to PEU never recovered by all accounts! 4) Minister of Electricity and Energy Kgosientsho Ramokgopa, was despite serious questions about his Competence / Incompetence promoted from Mayor of Tshwane to Ramaphosa's Cabinet, which critics call Musical Chairs, questionable effectivity is "rewarded"! Forgive the digression of above, now to the Eskom's Management, arrogance, no other word applies. ESKOM situation at 13 September 2026! 1) The recent surge in Eskom's executive salaries and worker bonuses has sparked intense public backlash, coming right after massive South African government financial interventions. Critics point out that Eskom's reported "recovery" and profitability are largely a statistical mirage, considering the power utility relied heavily on a R64 billion taxpayer-funded debt relief package to offset what would have otherwise been a multi-billion-rand loss. 2) Eskom board fees increased from R5.9 million to R22.4 million in 5 years, By Newsday as published on 28 August 2026. 3) Now a copy and paste job, see below! Eskom promised to cut costs to make electricity more affordable, but the people managing the company increased their own pay by 277% over 5 years. This was revealed by Eskom's annual reports over the last five years, which showed the fees paid to non-executive directors. Eskom explained that its non-executive directors receive a fixed monthly fee, guided by its shareholder, the government. The non-executive directors of the board are also reimbursed for expenses incurred in fulfilling their duties. In 2021, the total remuneration for non-executive directors on the Eskom board was R5.945 million. It declined to R5.274 million in 2022. On 1 October 2022, former Public Enterprises Minister Pravin Gordhan reconstituted the Eskom board to restore governance, operational stability, and strategic direction. "The new Eskom board brings broad experience, expertise and skills that will provide stability and strategic direction to the entity," Gordhan said. The new Eskom board was tasked with addressing loadshedding issues, procurement, eliminating corruption, and ensuring a reliable energy supply. Mteto Nyati was appointed as the chairman of the Eskom board on 1 November 2023, succeeding Mpho Makwana. Between the 2022 and 2025 financial years, the total remuneration for non-executive directors increased significantly. In 2022, the directors were paid R5.3 million. This increased to R7.9 million in 2023 and to R12.2 million in 2024. The biggest increase came in the 2025 financial year, when payments to non-executive directors rose to R22.4 million. This means that over the last four years, remuneration for Eskom's board members has increased from R5.3 million to R22.4 million. Go figure then that illegal intrusion into the populations use of electricity is vital to feed their insatiable appetite for the "Rich Life"! 4) South Africans as per meme or two, have vicariously described the ANC Tripartite Alliance ELITE as Hyenas, opportunist feeders of South African "pestilence". 5) The ESKOM Management power-grab is typical of an organisation that is above the Law, and is a deliberate strategy to re-assert its Monopolistic function at all costs, despite the clear and present danger it presents to the SA Economy, unemployment and potential civil unrest, ala an Arab Type Spring", "let them eat cake' from the French Revolution. 6) That Eskom is reliant on a questionable Minister Kgosientsho Ramokgopa, who by the way with his many recent announcement/s is direct conflict with a GNU Cabinet Decision, Ramaphosa's admonishments aside! 7) Dear South Africa, your intro clearly highlighted the FACT that ESKOM does not have the Legal Power to introduce "levies" on individuals or companies, 8) This has however empowered opportunistic bankrupt Municipalities (ANC mostly) to charge Electricity Consumers a fixed monthly Levy! Also blatantly Illegal and extortion and or intimidation. Criminal offense/s.	anton	self-employed
	2026-09-13 15:11:02	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Wesley	employed individual
	2026-09-13 15:23:23	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I am making this statement based on what I feel about this subject. I don't feel there is a energy shortage. I feel it is manufactured. One you should never penalize anyone from trying to get around this strong hold. I just drove 2000 miles through the mountains and saw just how capable someone or something is. They are highly capable of getting energy to places in need. Those grids walked through mountains up hills through the tickets and trees. Something I do now realize. People are forced do things they would not ordinarily do just be able to survive. Their are basic human needs and Thankfully we have made great improvements on the comforts that make life more pleasant. Let's make life more pleasant and stop the Manufacturered crisis. We share this place. Our admission ticket to earth is our entitlement.	Lori	self-employed
	2026-09-13 19:02:07	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eeish!!!	Clive	retired
	2026-09-14 06:22:44	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	1. Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. 2. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. 3. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure.	Gaye	employed individual
	2026-09-14 11:14:43	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Cost of power currently unaffordable and unreliable too much illegal connection very bad billing and collection system plus consumer that invested in solar also paid vat for material and labour creating jobs and revenue to fiscas	Nadarajan	retired
	2026-09-14 14:18:44	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		john	retired
	2026-09-14 15:25:07	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Households are struggling and individuals are finding putting food on the table extremely challenging. Corruption in all areas of this country has been the cause of the issues we are dealing with now, and to further penalize the people that have not left the country yet, is not going to benefit anyone. Eskom needs to take responsibility and do something on their side for a change. Collaborate with others to bring this country back up to speed so that we can rebuild. If we do not work together as a country to get things sorted, we will be like Zimbabwe. There is no more space for corruption and lining pockets.	Hayley	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 18:54:36	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a SOC and we are forced as a country to buy services from them. The UNBUNDELING is just an excuse to motivate fixed charges. Can any company that is mismanaged now claim fixed charges because they are bankrupt? Next will be the municipalities adding their own margin to ensure higher revenue, just to "loose" it to their own pockets. How much will the fixed charges be for the townships and who will collect? They can't even manage normal day to day usage.	Philip	retired
	2026-09-14 22:35:14	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Loadshedding was introduced by Eskom, which forced business and households to look for alternate was of surviving or failing. While business collapsed, households are held at ransom to pay additional for diesel and petrol to run generators extra. Or residents needed to pay for investors to store power for when loadshedding started. Eskom created their own tool to make their bed. Residents had no choice but to find alternative methods, Eskom must accept it!	Kevin	employed individual
	2026-09-15 08:29:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	This will put an increased financial burden on ordinary households and small businesses.	Michele	

	2026-09-15 09:22:41	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a single working mother I have been and continue to be crushed by the outrageous price hikes. The country at large is suffering enough. As minister you should be assisting the people of this country to suffer less not more.	Juliekha	employed individual
	2026-09-15 22:03:47	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Residential consumers cannot bare the offset of industries bypassing municipal tariffs. Powe generation must become privincial, regional and metro generated, owned and supplied. Municipal area grid can be acquired by municipalities.	Alf	
	2026-09-16 07:02:18	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No one owns the sun Therefore goverment shoukd be grateful to people using solar power to take stress off our very badly maintained electricity stations. If people did not invest in solar, we woukd still be suffering loadshedding. If governentvwants to charge people for solar power, then the government must bare the cost of installing and maintaining, and repairs and cleaning the solar panels. If people have installed solar , its because they had plenty units on there electricity units, but with loadshedding the power was not available even when paid upfront. Government could not supply, so therefore, there should be no fixed charge only a usage charge. This corrupt thieving government, has no right to steal more cash from people. No no no. To charging solar users more when they are using less	Janine	unemployed individual
	2026-09-16 07:14:21	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	So now Eskom and Municipalities want to play God??????? The Sun does not belong to the State, Eskom or Municipalties, it is a gift from God to the world, they do not have the right to make consumers pay for something given by God to all the Earth. Normal citizens and pensioners cannot afford Solar Systems. People who has it already paid through their teeth to have it and only because government are inadequate to provide honest taxpayers from electricity. Now playing God and want to go the Comunist way of making people pay for freedom.?????	Amanda	retired
	2026-09-16 07:15:24	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	retired
	2026-09-16 10:09:02	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to steal our money. My solar is none of your concern, my money paid for it!	Bernedette	retired
	2026-09-16 14:43:18	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Our stupid government will choke us till there is nothing left to choke. They do not care about us pensioners who don't earn thousands. The more they can pocket the richer they get	Alec	retired
	2026-09-17 10:31:47	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar power generation for the individual, comes at the individuals cost. All the infrastructre has been paid for by the individual there is no cost to eskom, so there is no Cost for them to recupe. The Sun is Free and natural, if we used Eskoms infrastructure for our Solar Generation I understand a surcharge, but NOT IF THEY HAVE HAD NO INPUT .	Sonja	self-employed
	2026-09-17 17:47:52	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Individuals shouldn't have to pay for Eskom's inability to provide. Consumers pay for what they use thats the definition of being a consumer. If you start charging other industries with my electricity bill they would have a serious problem with that NOW that people starting providing for themselves becuase Eskom couldn't why do they and I have to pay your funds of insufficiency and zero confidence. If you want to make money save by efficiency not by price hikes and tax.	BJM	
	2026-09-20 08:14:04	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	employed individual
	2026-09-28 06:28:42	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why must we pay for solar if the sun is free .due to eskoms high prices .we put solar panels to keep cost down now they want to tax is on it .no we can't allow that	Terrence	unemployed individual
	2026-09-28 16:05:18	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We really cannot continue to be raped by Eskom	Greta	employed individual
	2026-09-28 16:39:28	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I think that this law is underlying communist. People are forced to remain bound to the city council by way of imposing fixed charges for using solar and been a captured consumer . This is also a violation of the bill of rights. We can't refer to this bill as been democratic in nature. If the people who can afford to install solar and be removed off the grid, it allows people who are dependent on the grid to have more electricity and it will reduce Load Reduction and Shedding. But it now proves to be true, we who are paying for our services are actually funding the non-payers. Government knows that if the payers move off the grid the council will collapse.	Ursula	self-employed
	2026-09-29 08:38:28	No I do not	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christa	retired
	2026-09-30 08:57:02	No I do not	Other		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		victor	
	2026-08-26 15:32:49	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leandre	employed individual
	2026-08-27 17:12:39	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Phumzile	unemployed individual
	2026-09-01 12:19:00	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicol	
	2026-09-13 02:02:56	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Nick	self-employed
	2026-09-14 18:36:20	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gillian	retired
	2026-09-18 15:52:23	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	ESKOM has messed up the economy of South Africa in a huge way. This has resulted in small businesses closing down, loss of jobs and cost of living spiraling out of control They have stolen, sabotaged and wasted money on failed or delayed work. Then the legitimate taxpayer is expected to pay for this.	Desmond	retired
	2026-10-08 11:03:51	No I do not	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrew	retired
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	2026-08-25 15:58:54	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jonathan	retired
	2026-08-27 10:54:58	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dawn	retired
	2026-08-27 21:01:58	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Freddy	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:07:16	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claudette	unemployed individual
	2026-08-30 15:09:12	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gavin	retired
	2026-08-30 20:15:41	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kay	retired
	2026-09-07 12:01:33	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		James	retired
	2026-09-07 20:47:14	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Yatish	retired
	2026-09-13 08:33:38	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leslie	self-employed
	2026-09-17 12:09:20	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop this crap!!! Under the ANC/GNU ELECTRICITY PRICES increased by 1000% Data centers are being favored with preferential lower rates, while these data centers, not only threatened to bleed the electricity grid, but also put a strain on availability of freshwater! The personal gain of some of the members of Parliament is now becoming not only unacceptable but extremely disgusting! The larger support of the GNU comes from the lower income groups in South Africa! It is disgusting that these people are suffering the most!	Lizette	
	2026-10-12 08:43:32	Yes I do	Market Power & Price Manipulation		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Tertia	employed individual
	2026-08-25 19:23:13	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marilyn	
	2026-08-26 17:52:44	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MR M G	retired
	2026-08-27 08:02:55	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Regular visit of community electricity in infrastructure not only, if there problem or report.	Sicelo Muziwandile	employed individual
	2026-08-27 10:12:22	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Sorry to say, let all these rich people who have put up panels etc pay for their folly. Look at the big picture. Sunlight may be free and clean but everything around panels is dirty and expensive. Have you ever seen a lithium mine? How much ore has to be mined to make a panel, a battery? Etc. etc. For a country like SA the best option is and will be traditional coal fired power stations. We are a poor country with a few rich spots. Give poor people cheap electricity and clean water and they will prosper. Rich guys are virtue-signaling and are only outsourcing pollution to China and India. Power stations could be financed with share issues on the JSE, and be built by those old guys in safari suits and combs in their socks.	Rene	retired
	2026-08-27 10:20:08	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Salomie	

	2026-08-27 10:58:54	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Gerald	business owner
	2026-08-28 13:49:20	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Monopoly of electricity prices must stop	Corrie	retired
	2026-08-29 13:43:01	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	If you have solar and batteries you have a choice, pay the capacity tax or go off grid. The electricity supplier has to reserve capacity for you when you want it which may be very occasionally, so how do they cover the cost of maintaining the physical infrastructure when you are a low kWhr user? This is not just a South Africa problem, it has existed elsewhere for a very long time for people using the utility for standby power only. As noted, people not consuming are not paying any standing costs which must be recovered through other users, thus pushing up their costs. If you think this is unfair, go off grid with no external connection to anyone else and maintaining your own backup supply for when the sun doesn't shine or your demand exceeds your production.	Eric	retired
	2026-09-07 07:52:25	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fear of change is how progress is stopped. When we face a challenge we deal with it. We fix it. Sitting and hoping is not going to move us out of our problems, taking action will. It is well know that competition and the free-market system is the way to improve any economy. People come up with ideas and implementation of the ideas revives decay and death. The fear of the unknown is only there to stop you from taking action. We are a courageous people. The laws and rules stop us from being the light we once were shining brightly in the world.	Charmaine	
	2026-09-12 08:22:11	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vivienne	retired
	2026-09-12 09:26:44	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Fixed rates	Anton	retired
	2026-09-12 12:30:49	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jennifer	employed individual
	2026-09-12 15:27:08	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mandisa	self-employed
	2026-09-14 09:28:32	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Noelene	retired
	2026-09-15 09:43:44	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		SMIT	
	2026-09-26 07:12:24	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Then we have the choice of who delivers what we pay for	Kirsten	employed individual
	2026-10-21 07:45:05	Yes I do	No concern, I Support the paper		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Nkosingiphile	employed individual
	2026-08-26 06:56:35	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	Eskom when installed 45 years ago,promised that all line rentals and fixed charges would go to nil after the lines capital cost had been recuperated.Never occurred and we are now feeling the wrath of a socialist energy producer.What lies.	Marius	business owner
	2026-08-26 16:55:00	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Krish	retired
	2026-08-26 17:02:12	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	employed individual
	2026-08-26 19:22:20	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	If government would refund me for the costs incurred to install the solar installation, then we can talk about additional tariffs.	Helena	retired
	2026-08-26 19:50:00	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Hannes	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:16:48	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Mandatory fixed solar charges, captive consumer price hikes, and municipal revenue losses will hurt ordinary households and small businesses. What about pensioners who have limited resources and rely on a fixed income.	Sean	retired
	2026-08-27 12:31:54	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Rob	retired
	2026-08-27 12:49:56	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Joshua	business owner
	2026-08-27 16:12:29	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The proposed fixed charge for residences with solar power is the proposed thanks we are being given for bailing Eskom out, not only with the taxes we pay but also for load shedding with a further penalty for doing. It is unacceptable.	Desmond	retired
	2026-08-28 07:58:31	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is unfair that solar users have to pay penalty fees (inflated fixed pricing) due to Eskom shortcoming in design of supply to grid over many decades. Solar was adopted by many out of pure desperation.	Clint	employed individual
	2026-08-28 10:44:50	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The corrupt government have raped the economy and the fiscus and now want to steal still further cash to sustain their corrupt practice. I they tax the solar users the solar independent population will disconnect from the grid and the proposed tax will be lost through consumers not trusting the authorities to invent yet another way of taxing people who want to keep their standard of living without being forced into government-generated elictricity outages and business down-time.	Clive	retired
	2026-08-28 10:48:43	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		eddie	retired
	2026-08-28 19:32:42	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Mark	self-employed
	2026-08-28 21:18:18	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jean	employed individual
	2026-08-29 07:08:39	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christopher	employed individual
	2026-08-29 12:00:50	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vickhal	employed individual
	2026-08-30 10:13:09	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jeanette	retired
	2026-08-31 07:43:49	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Dieter	employed individual
	2026-08-31 11:20:39	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Bhekinkosi	employed individual
	2026-08-31 13:30:23	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	business owner
	2026-08-31 21:01:31	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	There is a serious lack of accountability in government. As a result, local municipalities may continue increasing fixed electricity charges to cover their expenses. This places an unfair financial burden on middle-class consumers who already pay their accounts. The real solution is to ensure that everyone pays for the electricity they consume. In many areas, utility bills remain unpaid, electricity is stolen through illegal connections, and non-payment is allowed to continue without consequences. This is one of the biggest challenges facing local government, yet many municipalities appear unwilling to address it properly. Instead of repeatedly charging paying customers more, municipalities must improve revenue collection, deal firmly with illegal connections, reduce electricity theft, and apply the same rules fairly to everyone.	Jan	employed individual
	2026-09-02 15:54:27	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michiel	business owner
	2026-09-02 16:21:54	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do feal south africa needs to modernize and support green energy and not penalise it. We have to start changing as eskom overheads is too high. Too many years off overpaying for electricity and forcing us to use less. Now we are getting punished when we look for other solutions. Not our fault they now have too much electricity, its too expensive to use	Frits	employed individual
	2026-09-02 16:52:37	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As a pensioner I would like that there be a fixed amount to be paid monthly or (flat rate for consumers) , workers pay ie R300 per month and pensioners payR150 per month. This way there will be no bypassing of meters ,stealing of cables and non payments. People do not necessary want free electricity ; they want affordable tariffs. I do not believe anyone can reject this. I think it is a burden the government can carry for its citizens.	Jeffrey	retired
	2026-09-02 21:48:32	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-05 11:59:36	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ashley	
	2026-09-07 07:08:42	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	A freemarket system is a better solution in South Africa.	Grete	retired
	2026-09-07 08:11:47	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Neal	retired
	2026-09-07 12:06:45	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	
	2026-09-07 14:12:47	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stop trying to make money from nothing. You do not own the sun. God does. Nobody wants you, nobody loves you. Please get a real job.	Paul	employed individual

	2026-09-07 16:14:57	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We were forced to get our own power as the municipality and Eskom could not provide - so we invested in the planet and to reduce our own cost, which can be done in a free market. A fixed cost for something we already installed and paid for, does indicate that someone wants to cash in on issues they created themselves. Charge a rate on installation if necessary, but not backdate.	Francois	employed individual
	2026-09-10 14:57:54	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom needs to go. 900% in rease since 2008. I find no joy in Eskom and there poor service delivery and super high rates. Bring on the competition	Hendrik	employed individual
	2026-09-11 17:12:40	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		MARK	unemployed individual
	2026-09-11 22:52:02	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The sun is a natural resource. If anyone has an issue with me using the energy it produces, let them block it from producing the energy.	Phuti	
	2026-09-12 06:50:51	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michael	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:27:05	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Iemrahn	
	2026-09-12 08:28:43	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	They usually do as they like. You cant trust them. Im 100% off grid. What will the consequences be.? You cant trust them. Households will be held captive and extreme price hikes will follow. Exactly what ithey currently do. Not trustworthy!!!!!	Esther	retired
	2026-09-12 08:43:32	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	unemployed individual
	2026-09-12 09:12:18	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Richard	employed individual
	2026-09-12 09:22:56	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It is directly due to Eskom's blackouts that I was obligated to install solar panels. Now they want to punish me. Now that Eskom electricity is reliable my solar installation saves me money and partially offsets the huge cost increases. Again, I'm being punished.	Ivor	retired
	2026-09-12 12:08:19	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-09-12 13:34:56	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No fixed charges.	Gareth	employed individual
	2026-09-12 14:11:30	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We just can't win. The government must allow the private sector to run the grid by investing in the private sector. I suppose the private does not want to give lazy government officials kick backs.	Suzette	self-employed
	2026-09-12 15:17:20	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Johanna	retired
	2026-09-12 15:39:49	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-09-13 05:02:43	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	How can we be penalised after years of loadshedding where we were forced to invest in solar and batteries?	Simon	retired
	2026-09-13 08:29:45	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Barry	
	2026-09-13 09:41:16	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	1)Eskom should be unbridled and privatized to create competition in a free market situation, mainly to obviate the corruption and waste of money, thereby reducing cost and improving supply to consumers. 2) The government should not be allowed to charge any organization or individual for anything they dont produce. Therefore no tax on solar or water harvesting and very low rates on municipal property tax where a property is not providing services to the property.	Allan	business owner
	2026-09-13 11:50:14	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Commercial / Industrial Large Power User		Wilhelm	business owner
	2026-09-13 12:41:06	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	retired
	2026-09-14 06:52:51	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The minister of energy, Gwede Mantashe, decreed that Eskom will meet the demands of South Africa in terms of electricity generation. Eskom disobeyed that decree - a very serious crime. Thus all resulting actions are squarely to be blamed on Eskom and its in subornation.	Paul	employed individual
	2026-09-14 07:29:07	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Municipalities must reduce their costs like any other private business must do to survive . They cannot stand in the way of development and of people that need electricity for survival i.e. people on oxygen for life support. Salaries of the counsellors, the mayor must reduce and increases based on performance. The same should apply to the Municipal manager and his personnel. These people are all over paid and under qualified. Theft bribery and corruption should be acted against. Most municipal infra structure are not maintained anyway by the city or town councils and the private sector must take over.	Johannes Jacobus	retired
	2026-09-14 09:55:16	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brendon	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:10:42	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		philip	employed individual
	2026-09-14 10:48:22	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ganasen	retired
	2026-09-14 11:48:12	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is punishing clients who installed Solar. During load-shedding, they begged us to install Solar and cut down usage. We took money out of our own pockets, and now they want to punish those who helped them. Eskom is abusing its power over the consumer. They have a broken system that allows criminals to steal prepaid vouchers. They pay their staff, on average R1million per year. It's insane. Rather focus on fixing the rot inside Eskom. Solar customers must be left alone.	Sean	business owner
	2026-09-14 16:08:10	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Brennan	student
	2026-09-14 16:40:02	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Meshack	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 23:12:31	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	It doesn't make sense to balance out their books at the expense of the people who assisted them to get the grid back during the pandemic of loadsheding.	Happy	retired
	2026-09-15 15:38:43	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ethan	employed individual
	2026-09-15 21:07:26	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Solar Users to still pay high connection /fixed fees to subsidise non paying clients	Marius	employed individual
	2026-09-17 06:57:55	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graeme	retired
	2026-09-17 17:11:17	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Open to having various electricity suppliers as Eskom tariffs and annual increases are becoming steep	Natasha	
	2026-09-25 18:51:18	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Graham	retired
	2026-09-30 09:19:40	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Neither the municipalities nor Eskom assisted solar users financially to install their systems. If i don't use it, I don't pay for it. The government cannot tax the sun. Next they would want to tax the air that we breath.	Jacques	employed individual
	2026-10-20 20:04:02	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Schalk	
	2026-10-21 22:32:50	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Melanie	retired
	2026-10-26 16:13:36	Yes I do	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willie	retired
	2026-08-26 16:56:59	Yes I do	All of the above	Grid Congestion & Transmission Delays	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Angie	unemployed individual
	2026-08-26 21:35:02	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mannie	employed individual
	2026-08-26 23:00:55	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Will the revenue from the fixed tariffs be used to maintain and keep the system functional just like what happened leading up to the load shedding requiring this intervention? I seriously doubt it. Will refunds be paid for system downtime? The state must stop treating citizens as a cash cow and focus on value-add service delivery.	Ronaldo	
	2026-08-27 05:53:04	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The government is wrong to want to penalise consumers who had to step up and help themselves, using their hard earned taxed savings to provide themselves with electricity where the government had failed. This is tantamount to rewarding failure	Phindiwe	unemployed individual

	2026-08-27 09:00:28	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Yet again private individuals who have paid to solve problems caused by poor governance and corruption are being taxed. Without private investment in solar the grid would have collapsed. Our taxes have been used to feed corrupt officials or have been wasted by poor management and lack of foresight. I strongly object to the proposal to increase connectivity fees.	Hilary	retired
	2026-08-27 11:29:07	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom is a mess caused by their own failures to manage there accounts , regular scheduled maintenances and budgets forcing the consumer to pay off their debts. Now they want to penalizes consumers that used their own hard earned money which they already get taxed on, pay rates & taxes, fuel levies ect, for not using enough! Everybody already pays levies on their utility bills for water & electricity. Eskom should be ashamed of themselves.	Daleen	
	2026-08-31 08:15:54	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		Charl	
	2026-09-09 16:16:16	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Andrea	retired
	2026-09-13 13:12:54	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We need new people in government, as if right now. What we do, is the same thing over and over and expect different results. It doesn't work like that. We know that government ultimate goal is to rule and reign I et people that doesn't belong to them. We are sleeping with the enemy and then we are shocked when he wants to take over. Why is it that they have a problem when they (government/Eskom) same thing ...can't provide and people make other means, it is a problem. This is supposed to be a government FOR the people BY the people. Yet they only hike prices in the interests of letting people need them so they can control people. satan himself is the government. When will S.A. stand up and rise up and set trends for the world to follow. It was just like Telkom, where they had no competition. When all the people with skills leave the country, when will we create competition so the bullying can stop!!!!!	Agnes	employed individual
	2026-09-14 06:00:15	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We should only pay for what we use. Escom must assist in growing the economy with cheaper electricity and make their money by better managing what they have. This includes collecting all the outstanding monies owed to them.	Bertu	
	2026-09-14 11:09:22	Yes I do	All of the above	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Connie	retired
	2026-08-27 04:54:51	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Demand a binding, published transition roadmap that progressively lowers the eligibility threshold, ensuring retail market choice is expanded to ordinary households and SMMEs rather than remaining an exclusive corporate privilege. Require NERSA to implement mandatory tariff-parity benchmarks ensuring captive customer tariffs do not exceed wholesale-plus-efficient-delivery benchmark prices. Oppose any mechanism that uses captive household tariffs to recover stranded costs or uncompetitive legacy contract premiums.	Kevin	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:50:28	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	We are in this mess, once again because of the ANC's inexhaustible incompetence with regard to managing anything wholesome and good. We the taxpayers should never have been put in this situation. The incompetence, (or very good planning) , of the ANC has generated billions of rands in various tax revenues, due to the people having to protect themselves , and their businesses with solar. Now the ANC wants to tax the people for the infrastructure that they forced us to purchase, and that they have already taxed us on. No commercial organisation would ever get away with this "Market manipulation". Only a Gangtser state can.	Marc	business owner
	2026-08-27 10:21:11	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Riek	self-employed
	2026-08-28 07:34:05	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Retha	employed individual
	2026-08-28 22:35:59	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Malesela	employed individual
	2026-09-08 12:14:58	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Abraham	employed individual
	2026-09-09 01:36:51	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Chris	
	2026-09-12 11:50:42	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Stability in the supply market is of the essence !!!?!?	John	retired
	2026-09-13 19:55:18	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	After the last NERSA hike of 18% I am barely able to keep the lights on. I use gas to cook and I've got a 5kW system with 2 solar panels but I still pay R2850/month for electricity. I think that if Escom supplied my rooftop solar they would have been able to charge me, but this pensioner did it out of his OWN pocket. Escom is in a death spiral. Less people buying from them and they hike the prices. Even more people go to solar and they sell even less. Stop the corruption and clean house. Most customers will never return as you have proven that you are NOT reliable nor honest.	Pieter	retired
	2026-09-25 18:13:03	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Vasco	employed individual
	2026-09-28 17:18:12	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Claire	
	2026-10-21 10:55:57	Yes I do	All of the above	Market Power & Price Manipulation	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Karen	employed individual
	2026-08-27 07:13:41	Yes I do	All of the above	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		cobus	retired
	2026-08-27 16:44:27	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Pen	self-employed
	2026-08-27 17:31:28	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		GC	unemployed individual
	2026-08-27 18:53:03	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Seems like the Eskom electricity sector has already tipped over the edge, continuous reduction in paying customers and an increase in illegal electricity use.	Enrico	employed individual
	2026-09-14 16:32:53	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Beverley	employed individual
	2026-09-17 02:21:53	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Kamo	employed individual
	2026-09-28 10:19:33	Yes I do	All of the above	Municipal Financial Collapse	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Local municipalities rely heavily on the profit margins generated from bulk electricity sales to industrial and commercial clients to cross-subsidise indigent households, free basic electricity (FBE), and municipal service delivery. If large customers bypass local councils to purchase from private traders, municipal distribution revenues could collapse, accelerating local government insolvency and worsening service delivery failures across towns and cities.	Chrissie	business owner
	2026-08-28 11:55:20	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I feel this is just an easy way to grab more money from honest folk who are trying their best to improve things in our country instead of ensuring that the supply of electricity is more carefully managed by fully qualified personnel, infrastructure is maintained and protected and that all illegal connections are removed! I understand that there are extremely poor folk who struggle to pay for electricity but there are many more who are perfectly able but just choose not to! Go after them for goodness sake!	Morna	retired
	2026-08-28 13:38:16	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Lawrence	employed individual
	2026-08-29 21:27:22	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government or Eskom or Municipalities should rather consider purchasing excess electricity from solar producers or offer discounts on grid tie in costs, to encourage private investment in solar instead of penalising it. Domestic solar is cheap compared with other electricity providers.	Ian	self-employed
	2026-08-31 17:34:41	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Christo	self-employed
	2026-09-01 09:55:39	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	
	2026-09-01 10:37:25	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jang Choob	student
	2026-09-02 20:36:03	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaap	
	2026-09-06 22:30:46	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Callie	
	2026-09-08 09:46:27	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Annelize	self-employed
	2026-09-08 11:55:01	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Mari	retired
	2026-09-12 04:32:35	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)	The electricity market should be opened up to allow competition however that should not come at a cost to home owners and SMEs. Get municipalities to pay over what is outstanding and they should be forced to pay their electrical needs so that Eskom doesn't have huge outstanding revenue from them.	Clint	business owner
	2026-09-12 08:05:29	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Robert	retired
	2026-09-12 09:57:55	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Michelle	business owner
	2026-09-13 07:10:44	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		P	business owner

	2026-09-13 09:17:05	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	As South African citizens, we are already struggling to keep up with the ever-increasing cost of food, fuel, school fees, water tariffs, and just about everything else. Now electricity costs continue to increase year after year. Enough is enough. Ordinary South Africans simply cannot afford to keep carrying the burden of endless increases. Government is supposed to serve and protect its people—not make life harder for them. We deserve accountability, responsible leadership, and a government that puts its citizens first. There is a reason countries like Switzerland consistently rank among the best in the world: strong institutions, accountability, and a focus on the wellbeing of their people. South Africans deserve better. ?? #ANCmustfall #SouthAfrica #EnoughIsEnough #Accountability #SouthAfricansDeserveBetter	Charles	employed individual
	2026-09-13 10:55:52	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I object strongley to the fixed Charges & Solar Penalties. In most European Countries you get encouraged and sponsored to have Solar Power Systems installed. So to meet the 2030 deadline for the Earth warming , signed by most countries, "International rules" . Europeans get a fixed % of the costs of the Solar installation and refunded after you have the system installed. It helps We in South Africa get penaliesed for doing good and keeping the sinking Ship (Eskom) afloat. Department of Electricity and Energy: Stop the "Sun Tax": Do not penalise private capital and solar investments with punitive fixed grid fees. Protect Captive Consumers: Bar municipalities from hiking tariffs on non-solar homes to cover lost revenue from industrial and off-grid defection. Transparency First: Ensure wholesale market reforms do not leave everyday households footing the bill for grid infrastructure. Help to do the correct thing by encouraging the people of South Africa to have a Solar System installed without adding new tariffs.	Horst	retired
	2026-09-13 20:17:03	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Roger	retired
	2026-09-14 07:30:45	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Dear Sirs, I object to fees that penalise solar power users. People have added solar because 1) they needed to provide electricity due to an unreliable supply, i.e., loadshedding and 2) to offset above-inflation increases in the cost of electricity. They should not be punished with exorbitant fees for doing so. Furthermore, those producing excess electricity from their household or business solar systems should be permitted to sell it back to the grid. I support the unbundling of the energy market, including generation and distribution. Additional renewable energy in the form of solar and wind (as well as wave energy and geothermal, where possible) should be added wherever possible as this is now typically the cheapest form of electricity and also assists in off-setting our carbon emissions, which is extremely critical and urgent. By the same token, aging coal-fired power stations should be taken offline as soon as possible. I am also opposed to any further above-inflation increases in electricity tariffs. South Africans have already been unduly punished with above-inflation increases for many years now and, in fact, the price of electricity has increased 937% between 2007 and 2024, which is SIX TIMES the rate of inflation. This has to stop. The emphasis going forward needs to be on creating a free market for energy in order to foster the creation of reliable and AFFORDABLE power for everyone.	Mark	self-employed
	2026-09-14 07:57:19	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Unlike Europe, we seem to be doing the opposite. Customers are actually rewarded for using solar or alternative power sources. In Mzansi, one is charged for actually trying not to rely on the unreliable Eskom.	Tokologo	employed individual
	2026-09-14 08:40:39	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Marius	retired
	2026-09-14 09:00:11	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		John	
	2026-09-14 10:14:44	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Sherman	unemployed individual
	2026-09-14 10:31:53	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We cannot continue paying SOE's for poor work performance and financial mismanagement	Alma	employed individual
	2026-09-15 10:18:56	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		David	retired
	2026-09-15 12:57:03	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Do not penalize pensioners who have invested a lot of money in installing solar power.We should not be burdened with municipal maladministration.	Dilip	retired
	2026-09-16 08:26:17	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		michael	
	2026-09-17 13:42:35	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Leon	retired
	2026-09-17 19:42:46	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Energy Sector Professional / Engineer		Hugo	
	2026-09-18 15:21:10	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Jaques	employed individual
	2026-09-19 16:35:27	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Umr	employed individual
	2026-09-27 05:12:37	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Laurie	business owner
	2026-09-28 10:02:59	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Anton	
	2026-10-06 08:29:34	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Winnie	
	2026-10-08 23:33:09	Yes I do	All of the above	Fixed Charges & Solar Penalties	Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Peter	retired
	2026-08-27 08:37:59	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Government should victimise peoples choice of solar usage	cheryl	
	2026-08-27 09:59:00	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Independent Power Producer (IPP) / Energy Trader		johan	self-employed
	2026-08-28 13:44:26	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	I do not have an issue in principle with the proposals but experience with municipalities is a point of concern. The grid needs build out and the municipal systems updating so having to pay for the upkeep and updating is to everyone benefit. My system is designed to support our household and not to go off grid, a far more expensive route where the payback period can be very long.	Rudd	self-employed
	2026-09-08 12:45:22	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom must face other/ outside competition.Much too cosy as is.	Antonius	retired
	2026-09-11 17:14:17	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Teresa	retired
	2026-09-13 07:47:12	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Eskom was mismanaged and lack of planning and maintenance has resulted in where we are. Total greed will destroy the rest . No deeper understanding of working with others and finding solutions.	Avryl	retired
	2026-09-14 08:25:43	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nicholaas	self-employed
	2026-09-14 11:58:26	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	We as solar panel users saved your butt for future load shedding now you want to penalize us for that. You should be grateful .	Brian	retired
	2026-09-14 17:32:59	Yes I do	Captive Consumer Tariff Protection		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Ted	
	2026-08-27 09:40:10	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	The Department of Electricity and Energy, National Treasury, and SALGA must establish a ring-fenced National Municipal Transition Mechanism before large commercial users are permitted to bypass municipal distribution accounts. Municipal electricity distribution entities must ring-fence network maintenance budgets into dedicated accounts to prevent tariff revenue from being diverted into general municipal administrative expenses. A transparent resolution framework for historical municipal bulk electricity debt that does not penalise paying ratepayers through inflated local tariffs.	Natalie	employed individual
	2026-08-29 13:14:43	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Naledi	self-employed
	2026-09-12 08:12:05	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		LLANDAFF	business owner
	2026-09-14 17:20:33	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Millions of households and businesses invested private savings into rooftop solar and batteries to keep their lights on when the state failed to do so. Replacing consumption-based billing with mandatory, high fixed monthly network charges penalises energy-conscious citizens, extends solar payback periods, and discourages private decarbonisation.	Antonio	retired
	2026-09-15 09:20:31	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Willem	self-employed
	2026-10-08 08:06:42	Yes I do	Municipal Financial Collapse		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Belinda	self-employed
	2026-08-29 11:52:54	Yes I do	NTCSA Conflicts of Interest		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Adriaan	retired
	2026-08-29 13:00:10	Yes I do	Other		Energy Sector Professional / Engineer	Ideallly ESCOM should be semi-privatized. However, the grid cannot suffer, because people are generating a portion of their electricity privately. It adds costs to the grid and to the system, which is kept running night and day.	Werner	student

	2026-08-29 19:56:30	Yes I do	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	No solar tarriff or any govt/iinstitution, may charge for a God given power	Hester	retired
	2026-09-13 20:22:51	Yes I do	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Giulia	
	2026-09-14 19:33:14	Yes I do	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer		Nell	
	2026-10-07 07:58:05	Yes I do	Other		Residential Electricity Consumer / Ratepayer	Why is government so greedy. Why not encourage solar power so that like other countries, unlike South Africa, forward thinking has the solar guys feed their extra electricity to the grid to help support the grid. There by getting credits. To help & benefit all, not greed...	Wayne	employed individual
	2026-10-20 16:16:59	Yes I do	Other		Small / Medium Business Owner (SMME)		Sean	