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GAS ACT 1997

(Schedule 2)

Maximum prices for the sale and supply of natural gas to prescribed customers

I, PATRICK CONLON, Minister for Energy, by this notice, pursuant to clause 2 of Schedule 2 of the Gas Act 1997, revoke all previous notices published in the *South Australian Government Gazette* pursuant to the repealed section 33 of the Gas Act 1997 and fix the maximum prices for the sale and supply of natural gas to prescribed customers, as set out in the Schedule to this notice.

The various maximum prices apply according to the geographical region in which the prescribed small customer's supply site is located and according to whether the gas is being consumed for a small business purpose or residential purpose, as set out in the Schedule to this notice.

The application of this notice is limited to the following classes of prescribed customers:

- (a) prescribed small customers that are supplied gas under a default contract; and
- (b) prescribed small customers that are supplied gas under a small customer contract with Origin Energy Retail Ltd.

For the purposes of this notice:

"default contract" means a contract entered into between a customer and a gas retailer pursuant to section 34B of the Gas Act 1997;

"prescribed customer" has the same meaning as used in Schedule 2 of the Gas Act 1997;

"prescribed small customer" means a prescribed customer that at a single site during the previous financial year actually consumed less than one terajoule of gas;

"residential purpose" means the gas supplied to a supply site is not principally consumed for the purposes of business;

"small customer contract" means a contract entered into between a small customer and Origin Energy Retail Limited pursuant to, either, clause 4A of the Origin Energy Retail Limited licence to retail gas, or section 34A of the Gas Act; and

"small business purpose" means the gas supplied to a supply site is principally consumed for the purposes of business (whether or not for profit).

SCHEDULE

Maximum Prices for the sale and supply of natural gas to prescribed customers

METROPOLITAN AREA

Areas of the State of South Australia other than Mount Gambier, Port Pirie, Whyalla, Riverland and Murray Bridge but including Barossa and Peterborough.

These maximum prices are applicable to all meter readings or estimates from 28 July 2004 and are to be applied *pro rata* to the number of days in the billing period from 28 July 2004. All prices below are maximum per quarter prices.

Residential

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a residential purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$31.34
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 4 500 megajoules:	1.6944 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.0911 cents for each megajoule

Small Business

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a small business purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$63.03
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 25 000 megajoules:	1.1974 cents for each megajoule
for the next 65 000 megajoules:	1.1730 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	0.8494 cents for each megajoule

MOUNT GAMBIER

The areas within Post Code areas 5277, 5280, 5290

These maximum prices are applicable to all meter readings or estimates from 28 July 2004 and are to be applied *pro rata* to the number of days in the billing period from 28 July 2004. All prices below are maximum per quarter prices.

Residential

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a residential purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$31.34
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 4 500 megajoules:	1.8499 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.4120 cents for each megajoule

Small Business

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a small business purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$63.03
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 25 000 megajoules:	1.1225 cents for each megajoule
for the next 65 000 megajoules:	1.0996 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	0.8718 cents for each megajoule

PORT PIRIE

Post Code area 5540

These maximum prices are applicable to all meter readings or estimates from 28 July 2004 and are to be applied *pro rata* to the number of days in the billing period from 28 July 2004. All prices below are maximum per quarter prices.

Residential

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a residential purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$31.34
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 4 500 megajoules:	1.7470 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.1527 cents for each megajoule

Small Business

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a small business purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$63.03
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 25 000 megajoules:	1.3856 cents for each megajoule
for the next 65 000 megajoules:	1.3574 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	0.9642 cents for each megajoule

WHYALLA

The areas within Post Code areas 5600, 5608, 5609

These maximum prices are applicable to all meter readings or estimates from 28 July 2004 and are to be applied *pro rata* to the number of days in the billing period from 28 July 2004. All prices below are maximum per quarter prices.

Residential

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a residential purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$31.34
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 4 500 megajoules:	1.7395 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.3363 cents for each megajoule

Small Business

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a small business purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$63.03
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 25 000 megajoules:	1.4537 cents for each megajoule
for the next 65 000 megajoules:	1.4240 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.2910 cents for each megajoule

RIVERLAND AND MURRAY BRIDGE

The areas within Post Code areas 5253, 5342, 5343, 5344

These maximum prices are applicable to all meter readings or estimates from 28 July 2004 and are to be applied *pro rata* to the number of days in the billing period from 28 July 2004. All prices below are maximum per quarter prices.

Residential

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a residential purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$31.34
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 4 500 megajoules:	1.6894 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	1.3363 cents for each megajoule

Small Business

For gas supplied from 28 July 2004 for a small business purpose the following charges, which are exclusive of GST, apply.	
Supply Charge per quarter:	\$42.87
Consumption during the quarter:	
for the first 25 000 megajoules:	1.2354 cents for each megajoule
for the next 65 000 megajoules:	1.0946 cents for each megajoule
and for each additional megajoule thereafter:	0.7451 cents for each megajoule

NOTE: These quarterly consumption bands for small business are to be adjusted proportionately for monthly billing periods. "GST" means the tax imposed by the A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Commonwealth).

Dated 23 July 2004.

PATRICK CONLON, Minister for Energy