



## BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY / BEAUFORT-WES MUNISIPALITEIT

### NOTICE: IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2024/25 ELECTRICITY TARIFF INCREASE

On Friday, 28 June 2024, the High Court of South Africa in Pretoria ruled that the National Energy Regulator of South Africa's (Nersa) practice of considering municipalities' applications for electricity tariff increases without the required cost of supply studies is unlawful.

The cost of supply study of Beaufort West Municipality expired, and therefore it was excluded from the 66 municipalities allowed to implement their electricity tariff increases for the 2024/25 financial year. The remaining 179 municipalities were required by this court order to maintain their 2023/24 electricity tariffs, despite the expected 12.72% increase in the cost of Eskom Bulk purchases. Subsequently, Nersa has decided to appeal the court order regarding tariff hikes for the 2024/25 financial year. This appeal suspends the operation and execution of the High Court ruling pending the outcome of the application.

As a result, NERSA's decisions currently remain in effect, and distributors can proceed with implementing the Nersa approved tariffs while the appeal is ongoing. However, the implementation of Nersa-approved 2024/25 tariffs will be subject to standard electricity distribution license conditions, with specific requirements including:

- Submission of the Cost of Supply study within two months, to be audited by Nersa by 30 September 2024.
- Submission of an audited Financial Report by the municipality reflecting the impact of the Cost of Supply-based tariffs on customers, as well as the licensee's sustainability and that of the local economy, also by 30 September 2024.

The new electricity tariffs are set to come into effect on July 4, 2024, with an average increase of 12.5% across different categories.

<b>1. DOMESTIC - CREDIT 1 &amp; 3 PHASE &gt;20A [1.1A]</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	296.95
Per 5 Amp or Part (min 30A) (R/A/m)	68.89
Low Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	210.93
High Demand Enemy Rate (c/kWh)	305.30

<b>2. DOMESTIC – PREPAID, 1 &amp; 3 PHASE =20A</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariffs blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic charge per month (R/month)	296.95
Per 5 Amp or part thereof (min 30A) (R/A/m)	68.45
Low demand energy Rate (c/kWh)	210.93
High demand energy Rate (c/kWh)	305.30



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<b>3. DOMESTIC - PREPAID, 1 &amp; 3 PHASE &gt;/=20A (1.1C)</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Low Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)	320.13
Low Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh	<b>324.51</b>
High Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)	<b>353.15</b>
High Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh (c/kWh)	<b>357.98</b>

<b>4. DOMESTIC - INDIGENT, PREPAID =20A [1.2 INDIGENT]</b>	<b>2024/25 NEW</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>		<b>c/kWh</b>
Low Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)		226.65
Low Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh	New	324.51
High Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)		238.43
High Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh (c/kWh)	New	357.98

<b>5. MAXIMUM DEMAND USERS LV (2.1)</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	1,789.07
Per kVA Notified Demand (R/A/m)	170.03
Per kVA Demand (minimum 25kVA) (R/A/m)	226.60
Low Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	150.67
High Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	241.29

<b>6. MAXIMUM DEMAND USERS MV [2.1A]</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	4,557.63
Per kVA Notified Demand (R/A/m)	156.79
Per kVA Demand (minimum 25kVA) (R/A/m)	209.07
Low Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	139.02
High Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	222.64



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<b>7. SMALL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL - CREDIT METER (INCL. MUNICIPAL WATER PUMPS) &gt;60A [2.21]</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge Per month (R/month)	720.99
Per 5 Amp or Part thereof (Minimum 30A) (R/A/m)	158.31
Low Demand Energy Rate: 0-450kWh (c/kWh)	214.26
Low Demand Energy Rate >450kWh (c/kWh)	215.63
High Demand Energy Rate 0-450kWh (c/kWh)	268.32
High Demand Energy Rate >450kWh (c/kWh)	270.04

<b>8. SMALL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL - PREPAID (INCL. MUNICIPAL WATER PUMPS) &gt;=20A [2.2A]</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	716.39
Per 5 Amp or Part thereof (Minimum 30A) (R/A/m)	157.61
Low Demand Energy Rate: 0-450kWh (c/kWh)	212.73
Low Demand Energy Rate >450kWh (c/kWh)	215.63
High Demand Energy Rate 0-450kWh (c/kWh)	266.40
High Demand Energy Rate >450kWh (c/kWh)	270.04

<b>9. SMALL COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL PREPAID (INCL. MUNICIPAL WATER PUMP) &gt;=20A</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Low Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)	359.77
Low Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh (c/kWh)	362.08
High Demand Energy Charge: 0-450 kWh (c/kWh)	391.53
High Demand Energy Charge: >450kWh (c/kWh)	394.05

<b>10. ALL PUBLIC LIGHTS (MUNICIPAL AND PRIVATE) [4.1]</b>	<b>2024/25 APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Maintenance Charge: ≤150 Watt (c/Lum/month)	128.78
Maintenance Charge: >150 Watt (c/Lum/month)	154.99



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Low Demand Energy Rate (c/kWh)	243.78
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<b>11. AVAILABILITY CHARGES</b> [6]	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Charge per vacant serviced stand per month	397.99

<b>12. DOMESTIC TIME OF USE 1 &amp; 3 PHASE</b> [7]	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	300.96
Per 5 Amp or Part thereof (Minimum 15A) (R/A/m)	69.84
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Peak	
Low Season	222.33
High Season	628.23
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Standard	
Low Season	161.09
High Season	208.31
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Off-peak	
Low Season	111.63
High Season	124.95

<b>13. SMALL COMMERCIAL TIME OF USE 1 &amp; 3 PHASE</b> [7.11]	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Levy per month (R/month)	763.54
Per 5 Amp or Part thereof (Minimum 30A) (R/A/m)	151.65
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Peak	
Low Season	222.33
High Season	628.23
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Standard	
Low Season	161.09

<b>HIGH SEASON</b>	<b>208.31</b>
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Off-peak	
Low Season	111.63
High Season	124.95



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<b>14. UNMETERED USAGE (TELKOM)</b> <b>[8]</b>	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Fixed Charge per month (R/month)	3,063.70

<b>15. LARGE MV - (MEDIUM VOLTAGE 11-22KV), TOU</b> <b>[10.1]</b>	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	<b>6,731.15</b>
Per KV Notified Demand (kVA)	<b>144.48</b>
Perk.VA DEMAND (minimum 100 kVA)	<b>192.68</b>
Reactive Energy Charge (c/kv arh)	<b>5.70</b>
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Peak	
Low Season	<b>211.87</b>
High Season	<b>585.72</b>
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Standard	
Low Season	<b>155.11</b>
High Season	<b>198.65</b>
Energy Charge (c/kWh ): Off-peak	
Low Season	<b>109.52</b>
High Season	<b>134.58</b>

<b>16. LARGE LV - (LOW VOLTAGE 400V), TOU [10.21]</b>	<b>2024/25</b> <b>APPROVED</b>
<b>Tariff Blocks</b>	<b>c/kWh</b>
Basic Charge per month (R/month)	2,017.60
Per KV Notified Demand (kVA)	154.58
Per kVA DEMAND (minimum 100 kVA)	206.04
Reactive Energy Charge ( c/ kvarh)	5.70
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Peak	
Low Season	221.64
High Season	613.59
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Standard	
Low Season	162.51
High Season	208.10
Energy Charge (c/kWh): Off-peak	
Low Season	114.73



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High Season	140.99
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