



PRESENTATION ON ELECTRIC VEHICLES TO:  
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## Agenda

The impact of market projections on electricity demand

Potential ways of handling this added demand

Tariffs appropriate to different charging types

The advent of bidirectional charging

The impact of housing type and tenure



## The big picture

### EVs and the energy transition

- 14 million cars, 6 million other road vehicles
  - Consuming ~32 billion litres of petrol and diesel each year.
- Road transport contributes about 15% of Australia's CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.
- Transition this fuel load to electric, it would look like ~95TWh/annum, off a base today of ~240TWh.
  - ~20% increase in electrical energy requirements from the cars, **plus**
  - ~20% increase in electrical energy requirements from the other vehicles
- Hydrogen? Yes, for some of the bigger vehicles, but electricity will be used to source the hydrogen.





## How long will it take?



The car makers are announcing end dates for the production of internal combustion engines. The speed of the transition locally will be a function of government policy.....

2030

- Assume 50% of new car sales are EV, and transition of trucks and buses is getting started.
- This will add about 3% to overall electrical energy use.
- Norway hit this sales volume mark last year, with negligible overall grid impacts.

2040

- Assume trucks and buses follow 5 years behind cars, and 90% of new car sales are EV by 2040.
- This will add about 20% to overall electrical energy use.



# EV charging and probable network impacts



## Low power AC (2 – 11 kW)

### Majority of total energy (> 90%)

Low peak demand

Millions of locations - every home

**Risk of temporal concentration.**

### The challenge:

Peak demand management.

### Solution:

Many, many ways to address it.

Consumer buy-in will be key.



## High power DC (50 – 350 kW)

### Minority of total energy (< 10%)

Less locations, like petrol stations

Temporally distributed.

**Localised high peak demand**

### The challenge:

Tariff design.

### Solution:

Tariff reform, policy direction, subsidy.

Probably a mixture.





## Managing the pricing – in public



Tariff structures vary widely by DNSP.

For the purposes of this presentation:

Demand and capacity charges means, ‘a portion of the bill based on peak demand’

***Energy-only tariff*** means, ‘a tariff structure without demand or capacity charges’

Most jurisdictions provide the ability to choose ***energy only tariffs*** for small to medium consumers



## Managing the pricing – in public



### Victoria\*

Powercor  
United  
Citipower  
Ausnet  
Jemena

### NSW

Ausgrid  
Essential  
Endeavour

### Queensland

Ergon  
Energex

### WA

Western Power  
Horizon

### ACT

Evoenergy

### NT

Power and Water

### Tasmania

Tasnetworks

### South Australia

SAPN

New connections below 160MWh/annum can opt out of demand charges

New connections below 100MWh/annum can opt out of demand charges

New connections below 120KVA can opt out of demand charges

New connections are assigned to demand or capacity based billing



## Managing the pricing – in public



### **High utilisation sites:**

160MWh/annum is about 670 charging sessions per month. At this level, demand and capacity charges don't typically pose a commercial problem for public EV charging operators.

### **Low utilisation sites:**

For a site delivering 50 charging sessions per month, capacity charges can add \$3-\$4 to the cost of each delivered kWh.... the equivalent of adding ~\$10 per litre to the price of petrol.

The EVC is working with many people on this issue. Our members include both the charging station operators and the DNSPs.



## Managing the load - domestic



Typical starting point for analysis is, 'what if everyone plugs in at the same time?'

**14 million cars x 7kW charging = 98GW (~3 times current NEM peak demand)**

This leads very quickly to:

- “The sky is falling!”
- “We must rush to regulate this new technology!”
- “We should create and enforce unique Australian standards in this space!”

The reality is not so dire....



## Managing the load - domestic



Looking at overall seasonal peak demand.

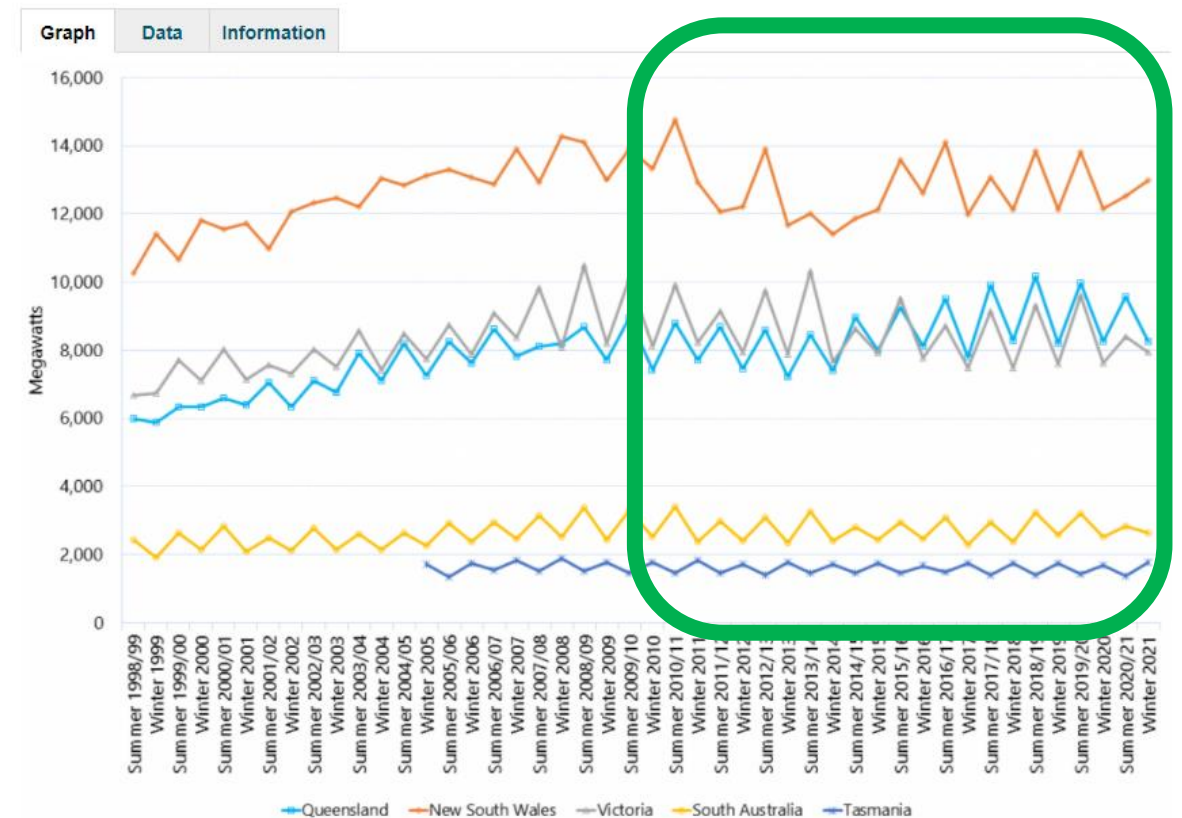
Peak demand has not kept up with population growth.

900,000 split system AC units per year.

Load is highly temporally concentrated.

Not much impact over the last 10 years

### Seasonal peak demand - regions



<https://www.aer.gov.au/wholesale-markets/wholesale-statistics/seasonal-peak-demand-regions>



## Managing the load - domestic



### Potential solutions:

Controlled loads

ToU tariffs (and Solar FiT)

Consumer-in-the-loop DR

Orchestration of chargers

Orchestration of cars

### Challenges:

Consumer acceptance

Cost to deploy

Cost to operate

Interference between methods

Technical aspects

### The smart move today?

Run trials

Gather actual usage data

Test approaches

**Hold off new regulation  
until we've learned more.**



## If we need to build out the network, what will it cost?



### **+10% in the RAB:**

\$20B transmission, \$80B distribution

10% increase is \$10B over 20 years.  
*Assume the petrol stations stay open*

~\$500m network build cost per year

**~\$20 cost per person per year.**

### **Fuel use:**

~\$50B per annum in petrol and diesel

Replace with 95TWh of electricity.  
*Price it at an average of 20c/kWh*

~\$19B per annum cost in electricity.

**~\$1240 saving per person per year**



## Bi-directional charging



Typical starting point for analysis is the polar opposite to the 'sky is falling' proposition:

**14 million cars x 50kWh available in the batteries = 700 GWh**

**Enough to feed the whole NEM at peak load for 16 hours.**

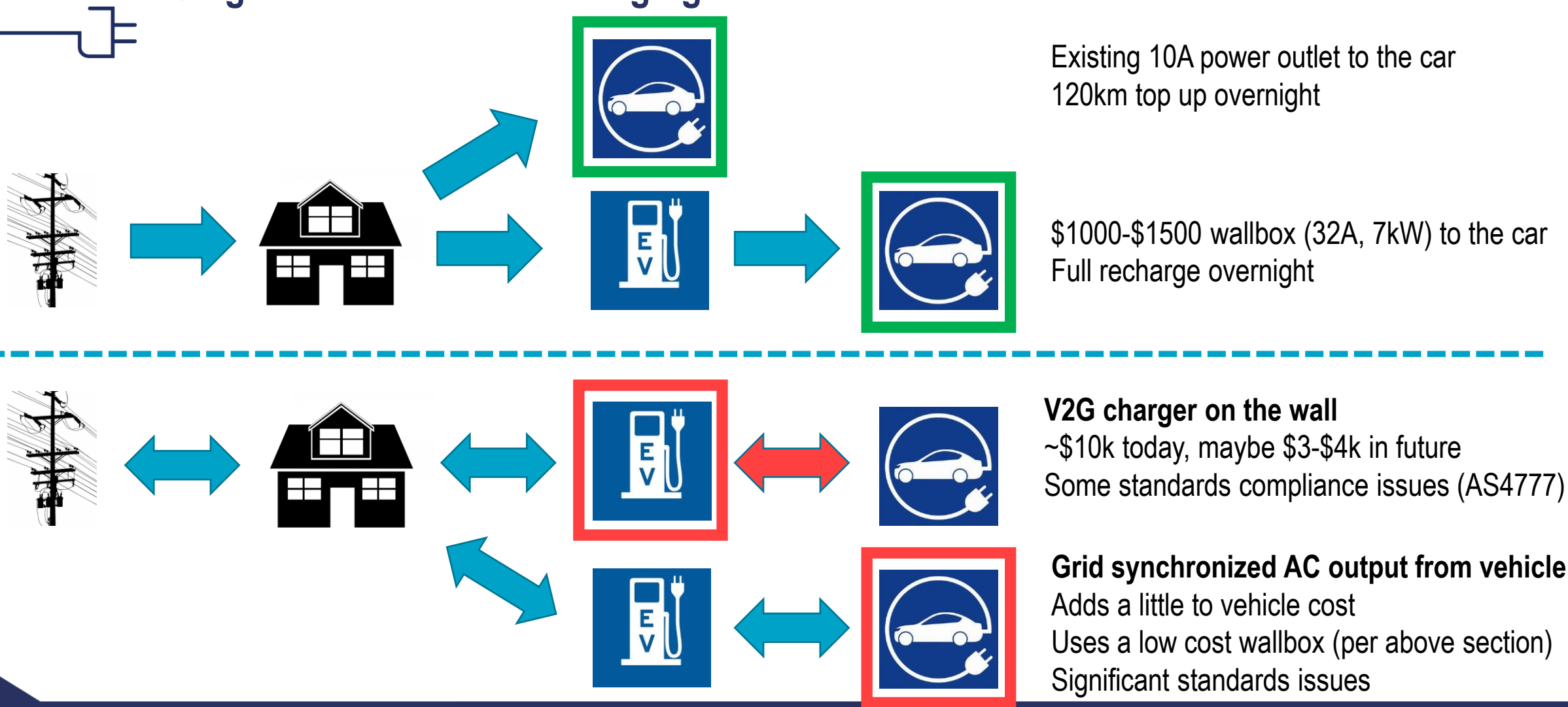
**About double the storage capacity of snowy 2.0**

On the face of it, extremely useful... But needs a little bit of unpacking on the 'how'.

Exporting energy to the grid is more complex to achieve than scheduling charging.



## Single vs bi-directional charging





## Deploying at-home charging by building type

	Standalone home Parking in driveway or garage (~70%)	Terrace house or similar Parking on-street (~10%)	Apartment Parking in the building (~20%)
Owner	<p>Easy.</p> <p>\$2k to install a 7-11kW charger</p> <p>\$0 to use existing powerpoint.</p>	<p>Hard and varies by jurisdiction.</p> <p>Kerbside charging just starting to be explored in Australia, ~\$5k-\$6k.</p>	<p>Hard.</p> <p>Significant work going into the NCC to make this easier in future</p>
Renter	<p>Easy if ~120km/day is enough.</p> <p>\$0 to use existing powerpoint.</p> <p>Landlords' permission needed if faster charging is required.</p>	<p><b>Risk of extension leads across footpaths.</b></p> <p>Very hard.</p> <p>Split incentive problem.</p>	<p><b>Risk of a specific segment of consumers being disadvantaged</b></p> <p>Very hard.</p> <p>Split incentive problem.</p>



## What does victory look like from the electrical perspective?



**+40% *overall* generation**



**Minimise network increase**



**Charging available at  
home and on the move**