

Appendix A Format for submissions

Question No.	Question	Response
Q1.	Do you agree that the current arrangements for accessing retail tariff plan data and connection data mean that consumers face higher-than-necessary transaction costs identifying electricity-related offers available to them? Please give reasons with your answer.	Yes.
Q2.	Do you agree that a Code amendment would lower consumers' transaction costs more quickly than would market forces? Please give reasons with your answer.	Yes – enabling a faster decision making process will reduce costs.
Q3.	Under alternative 1 do you have any comments or suggestions about all retailers being required to provide retail tariff plan information to ConsumerNZ, and having to provide that same retail tariff plan information to any person who requested it?	We understand the rationale for proposing Alternative 1 and support this initiative if it is the most expedient to implement. We would like to ensure the information could be provided to other parties in a timeframe commensurate to the supply of information to ConsumerNZ.
Q4.	Under alternative 2 do you have any comments or suggestions about retailers being required to publish information about their generally available retail tariff plans on their websites?	This is a preferable situation to alternative 1 as it will remove the request and respond time associated with approaching each retailer independently.
Q5.	Under alternative 2 do you have any comments or suggestions about the requirement to supply retail tariff plan information using standardised file formats and structures?	Having information in a standardised format is preferred from a comparison standpoint as it will enable comparisons without having to account for PPD's, Acquisition Credits etc.
Q6.	Under both alternatives do you have any comments or suggestions about making publicly available the connection data held in the registry that is set out in appendix D?	It would be beneficial to have access to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • transfer files (NT, CS etc.) so a switch can be monitored. • address information pertaining to an ICP so agents can electronically verify an ICP and registry recorded address to the consumer's invoice.

Q7.	Do you agree that the objectives of the proposed alternatives are appropriate and consistent with the Authority's statutory objective? Please give reasons if you disagree.	Yes
Q8.	Do you agree that the connection data which the Authority proposes to make publicly available is not personal information?	Yes
Q9.	If you disagree, please give reasons and suggest a way to address the privacy issue(s) you have identified.	
Q10.	Do you agree with the assessment of gross benefits, costs and net benefits? If not, please explain your reasoning.	
Q11.	Do you have any comments or suggestions about whether the additional gross benefits of alternative 2 outweigh its additional costs vis-à-vis alternative 1? Please give reasons with your answer.	
Q12.	Do you agree that both of the proposed alternatives are preferable to other options? If not, please explain your preferred option in terms consistent with the Authority's statutory objective.	Yes
Q13.	Do you agree with the Authority's assessment that the proposed Code amendment for each of the proposed alternatives meets the requirements of Section 32 of the Act? Please give reasons if you do not.	
Q14.	Do you agree with the Authority's assessment of the two proposed alternative options against the Code amendment principles? Please give reasons if you do not.	