Facilitating Electric Vehicles on the Network

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Essential Energy's Corporate Strategy



Facilitate Electric Vehicle Adoption

- Support efficient charging infrastructure roll out
- > Work with Charge Point Operators
- > Advocate for locations that are valuable for customers
- > Avoid costly network upgrades

Technology and Innovation

- > Conduct trials to test different styles of chargers
- > Streamline connections for new applications
- > Use dynamic solutions to increase the number of charging stations using the existing network



AC vs DC charging on the Network



AC charging - 'Destination Charger'

- > Can be attached to existing assets like power poles
- > Appropriate for home and business scenarios
- > Can be installed by any qualified electrician
- > Can use existing electrical installation
- > Removes congestion at rapid chargers



DC charging - 'Rapid Charger'

- > Standalone asset requiring dedicated land
- Commercial scale connection
- > Needs to be installed by an Accredited Service Provider
- > Network upgrades may be required
- > Highly controllable load type



Finding the right locations

Estimated Network Capacity Map



Accessing existing capacity

- > Use map to find possible cost-effective charging locations
- Indicative of available distribution substation capacity
- Colour-coded for ease of use when identifying substation capacity
- Less constrained substations may not require new network asset construction

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Pole-mounted chargers



Cost Effective

- Easiest and cheapest kerbside option
- Our poles are almost everywhere
- Avoid disruptive civil works
- Electricity is already at the asset

Site suitability



- Essential Energy can identify the ideal poles
- Customer friendly preferred locations
- Easy access to shopping and restaurants
- Located near tourism activities



Joint-use agreement

- CPOs enter joint-use agreement with Essential Energy
- CPOs own, operate and maintain charger
- Asset access is leased from Essential Energy
- Defines the nitty gritty details





DC Rapid Chargers | Load Duration Curve

12-month Load Duration Curve of a DC Rapid Charger



> Load Duration Curve (LDC) illustrates asset utilisation

- > Typical commercial site shown is above 150 kVA for 22% of a year
- DC rapid charger shown is above 150 kVA for just 0.188% of a year – just 16 hours
- Increasing asset utilisation provides better value for Electric Vehicle charging businesses and for ongoing maintenance
- > Asset utilisation will increase as more cars hit the road



Dynamic Connection Agreements (DCA)

DC Rapid Charger Load Duration Curve 500 kVA Transformer

- > Tool to avoid network upgrade
- > More sites and more plugs
- > Cheaper deployment
- > Negligible impact on EV drivers
- > Avoid costly network augmentation
- Increase asset utilisation
- > Encourage use of renewables
- > Contribute to reduced customer costs



Percentage (%) of Time Exceeding Load



Any questions?



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