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Energy Pricing: Impacts on Consumers

In 2009-10 gas tariffs increased by an average of 7%, while electricity prices increased by a total of 18.25%. Consistent and significant increases in energy prices over a number of years has resulted in increased financial strain for many Western Australian households, particularly those living on low or fixed incomes.

The burden of energy poverty – manifesting itself through accumulating debt and disconnection, or forced under consumption – has significant impacts on vulnerable households, and inevitably the services engaged in assisting them.

This much you know... but how much do you know about WHY energy pricing has become such a significant cost of living issue in recent years?

- Why are prices going up?
- What makes up the cost of energy and how are prices set?
- What tariff and concession reforms are being investigated to assist more vulnerable consumers stay connected in the future?
- What does all this mean for your organisation and your clients?

Guest Presenters:

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