

# Network Capital Contributions Policy

## Information for developers

### What are capital contributions?

Capital contributions are payments that may be required for new or upgraded connections to Power and Water's electricity network. The purpose of these contributions is to ensure that costs for a customer's new or upgraded connection are paid for by that customer and not shared by everyone connected to the network.

The Utilities Commission has approved a revised Network Capital Contributions Policy to apply from 1 July 2014.

### Developers

A developer is a person or a corporation who arranges connection services for a network user or the power servicing requirement of a development to allow the provision of connection services to expected future network users. A development includes subdivisions, multi-dwelling developments, amalgamations or rezoning/specific use developments.

### Payment of a capital contribution

For all developments, the developer will be responsible for meeting the following costs:

- All connection assets dedicated to the development, from the point of the connection to the shared network. Connection assets are gifted to Power and Water and maintained and operated by Power and Water.
- Network costs associated with the provision of the connection, including design certification, contract inspection and final connection and commissioning costs.

Power and Water will fund the augmentation of upstream shared assets if it has been allowed for within Power and Water's network planning horizon.

Subject to approval by Power and Water, a network user may elect to make a capital contribution in the form of contributed assets, a financial payment or a combination of both. Power and Water may, under certain circumstances, require a prudential guarantee from developers.

### More information

For more information, please refer to the Network Capital Contributions Policy and FAQs found on Power and Water's website at [powerwater.com.au](http://powerwater.com.au).