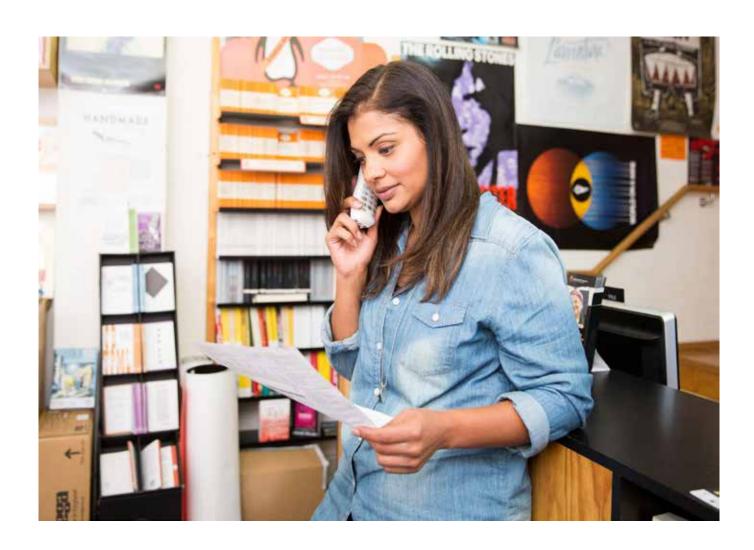






Fix a problem or complain about your energy service









Problems you might have with your retailer

- You think you were charged too much
- The retailer did **not** help you when you told them it was hard to pay your bill
- Your electricity or gas was cut off and
 you think it was a mistake.

Retailer means the company that you pay for your electricity or gas.

How to fix the problem



1. Look at your electricity or gas bill

- find the retailer's phone number
- you might need your account number.



2. Call your retailer

Tell them the problem and what you want them to do.

If they can **not** fix the problem straight away, ask to speak to their manager.



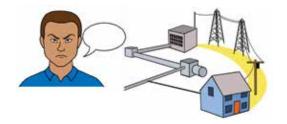
Write down

- the person's name
- the date and time you called
- what you talked about.

If you get a reference number, write the number down.

If you still can **not** fix the problem contact the Energy Ombudsman in your state or territory.

Look at page 9 for contact information.



Problems you might have with your distributor

- You might have a problem with your meter.
- Your electricity or gas stops working.
- The supply is bad. For example, your lights go dim a lot.
- There is a fault or emergency. For example, an electricity pole is down.

Distributor means the company that runs the electricity and gas systems.

For example

- the electricity poles
- wires
- gas pipes
- meters.

How to fix the problem



1. Look at your electricity or gas bill

- find the distributor's phone number
- you might need your meter number.



2. Call your distributor

Tell them the problem.

If they can **not** fix the problem straight away, ask to speak to their manager.



Write down

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Problems you might have with energy salespeople

- You said no to a salesperson and they did not listen.
- The salesperson would not leave when you asked them to.
- No one told you that you had10 business days to change your mind.

A salesperson or salespeople from an electricity or gas retailer might

- call you
- knock on your door
- tell you about different electricity or gas offers.

How to fix the problem



Look at your electricity or gas bill.
 You might need your account number.



2. Call the retailer.

Tell them the problem. For example, you did not say yes to a new offer.

If they can **not** fix the problem straight away, ask to speak to their manager.



Write down

- the person's name
- the date and time you called
- what you talked about.

If you get a reference number, write the number down.

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Do you think the salesperson was not honest?

You can complain.

Contact the

- Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC)
- Fair trading agency in your state or territory.



You can find contact information on the website www.energymadeasy.gov.au



Energy Ombudsman information

The Energy Ombudsman

- helps to fix problems
- is free.



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