

I believe there is an Ofgem consultation underway, until 2 April 2012, on the future of domestic energy price tariffs.

Please accept this email as a submission to that consultation.

The current pricing is a standing charge plus unit rate; or a higher rate for x units followed by a lower rate for subsequent units.

What is needed instead is a simple unit price. This would be more transparent.

Energy suppliers would include their overheads in the unit price, like any other business. Consumers would be able to find out much more easily which supplier is the cheapest. Consumers would also be able to read their meter, do a simple calculation, and know how much they have spent.