



Office of the Sark Electricity Price Control Commissioner

SUMMARY OF ELECTRICITY PRICE CONTROL ORDER

For the period 1st of October 2025 – 30th of September 2027

1. On the 26th and 27th of August 2025, Sark Electricity Limited (“SEL”) increased its unit price by 132% from 49 p/kwh to 113.6 p/kwh, effective from the 1st of September 2025.
2. This increase included a “Legal Levy” of 40 p/kwh to challenge a recent decision by Chief Pleas to compulsory purchase SEL, and a “Consultation Levy” of 20 p/kwh for professional services to respond to consultations from my office.
3. On the 16th of September 2025, I determined that the unit price charged by SEL was neither fair nor reasonable, and today I have made a price control order which limits the price which SEL can charge. This price control order specifies the following limits:
 - A maximum unit price of 52 p/kwh,
 - Maximum monthly metering charges of £3.43 for a single-phase meter and £4.65 for a three-phase meter, and
 - A maximum monthly standby charge for “own-generators” of £5/kw.
4. This price control order will last for two years but can be varied at any time if circumstances change.
5. The maximum unit price of 52 p/kwh can also be varied on a monthly basis to take account of changes in fuel prices, consumption, or “other revenues” obtained by SEL. It can also be varied annually for inflation and, at any time, for capital expenditure on replacement assets.
6. The reduction in metering charges from £10 to £3.43 per month equates to a saving in the unit price of c3p/kwh. Therefore, effectively consumers will pay 49 p/kwh from today, which was the tariff back in August 2025.
7. SEL has not been allowed to continue to charge the Legal Levy of 40 p/kwh referred to above. This is because I do not consider the costs associated with a legal challenge of a government decision to be necessary for the continued supply of electricity.
8. SEL has also not been allowed to continue to charge the Consultation Levy of 20 p/kwh referred to above. This is because the price control order already includes an allowance for responding to consultations. Remarkably however, SEL did not respond to either of the two consultations by my office in September 2025. Yet, if SEL includes this levy in September bills, and consumers pay it, I estimate that SEL would collect £23,000.