

<u>Industry-first calculator helps businesses</u> <u>understand rising energy costs</u>

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npower Business Solutions (nBS), one of the UK's largest energy suppliers to the business market, has launched a new Energy Cost Calculator to help organisations understand how rising non-commodity costs – the policy, network and system charges that fund the UK's electricity infrastructure – could affect their energy invoices.

nBS designed the industry-first digital tool amid concerns revealed in its <u>Business Energy Tracker 2025</u>, which explored how energy costs and policy developments are affecting large UK businesses. The report found that energy remains the top business risk for the fourth consecutive year, with 79% of organisations expecting their energy invoices to rise over the next 12 months.

With non-commodity costs set to increase significantly over the next five years to support the government's Clean Power 2030 mission, nBS's Energy Cost Calculator will provide organisations with a snapshot of the rises they could be facing, based on their business sector and annual energy consumption.

Developed using data from nBS's Optimisation Desk, the tool is supported by a team of experts who help organisations manage costs through energy efficiency, demand management and on-site generation. The Optimisation Desk also produces regular resources explaining non-commodity costs and the factors that are driving their increase.

Anthony Ainsworth, Chief Operating Officer at nBS, said: "Rising non-commodity costs are one of the most considerable pressures facing UK businesses. These charges already account for a significant share of most energy invoices, and nBS estimates they could rise to as much as 75% of a customer's total bill by the start of the next decade.

"These costs simply can't be ignored. They're growing faster than the cost of energy itself and will play a major role in shaping business budgets over the coming years. Figures from our latest Business Energy Tracker revealed that, while many businesses support the government's clean power plans and understand the benefits it can bring, 97% of organisations are concerned about the cost impact of the low-carbon transition.

"In 60 seconds, our new Energy Cost Calculator gives organisations a clear, data-driven picture of how these changes could affect them, to help them take control and manage the impact. I would encourage all



energy leaders to use it, as it can also help support net zero strategies now and in the future."

The Energy Cost Calculator is available now

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