

# A Western Power perspective

## Pricing reform and vulnerable customers



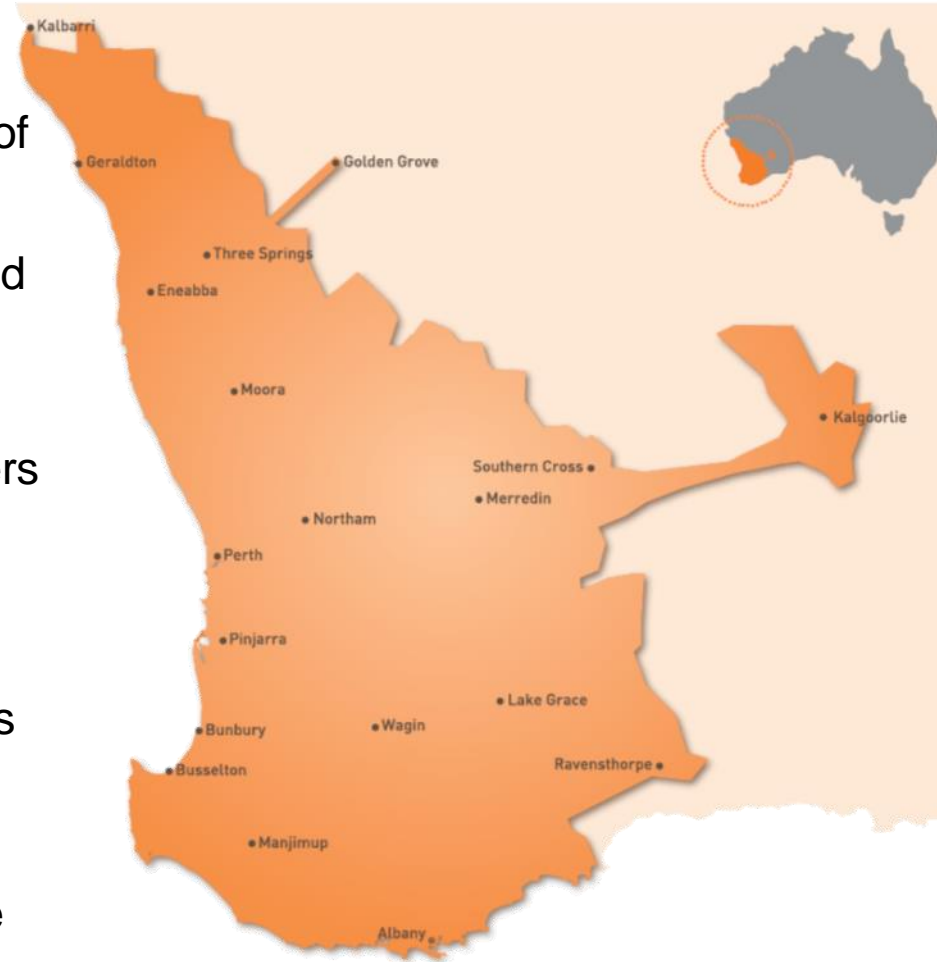
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# Today's presentation

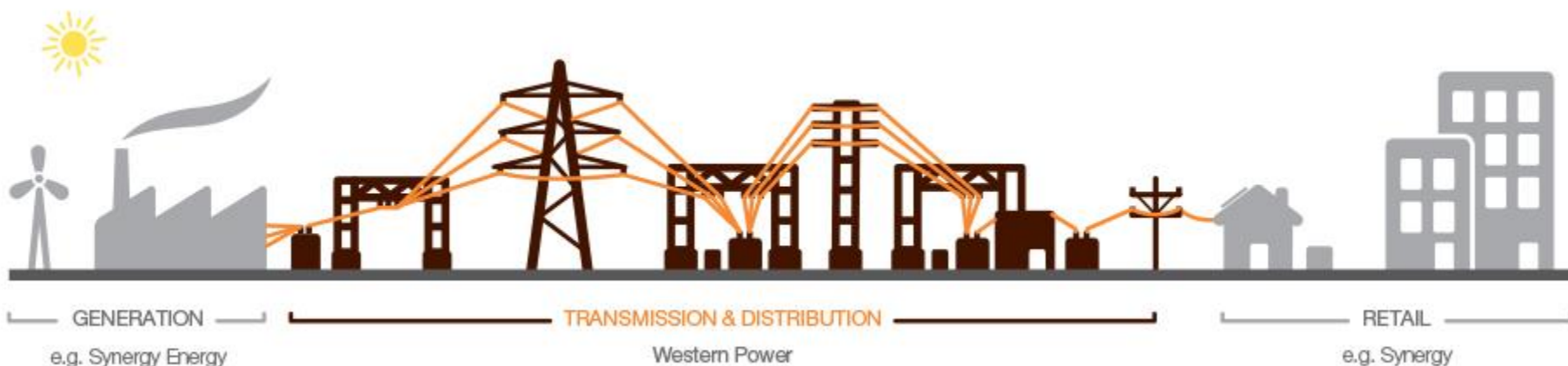
- ❖ Western Power's role
- ❖ Opportunities and challenges for electricity networks, stakeholders and customers

# Who we are

- ❖ State Government-owned corporation that builds, maintains and operates electricity network throughout majority of south Western Australia
- ❖ Governed by an independent Board and reports to Minister for Energy, as owner's representative
- ❖ Serving more than one million customers across a network area of 254,920 km<sup>2</sup>
- ❖ Customer-orientated organisation that provides a safe, reliable and affordable electricity supply to Western Australians
- ❖ Provides an essential service through transmission and distribution of electricity across our vast infrastructure of poles, wires, substations and depots



# What we do



Generators make electricity at power plants.

The network grid is made up of transmission and distribution assets.

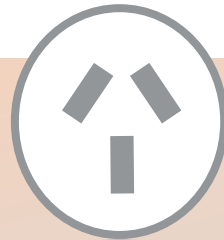
The network enables electricity to flow from generators to consumers.

Retailers issue accounts to collect revenue for the whole supply chain.

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Connecting people  
with electricity  
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safety



reliability



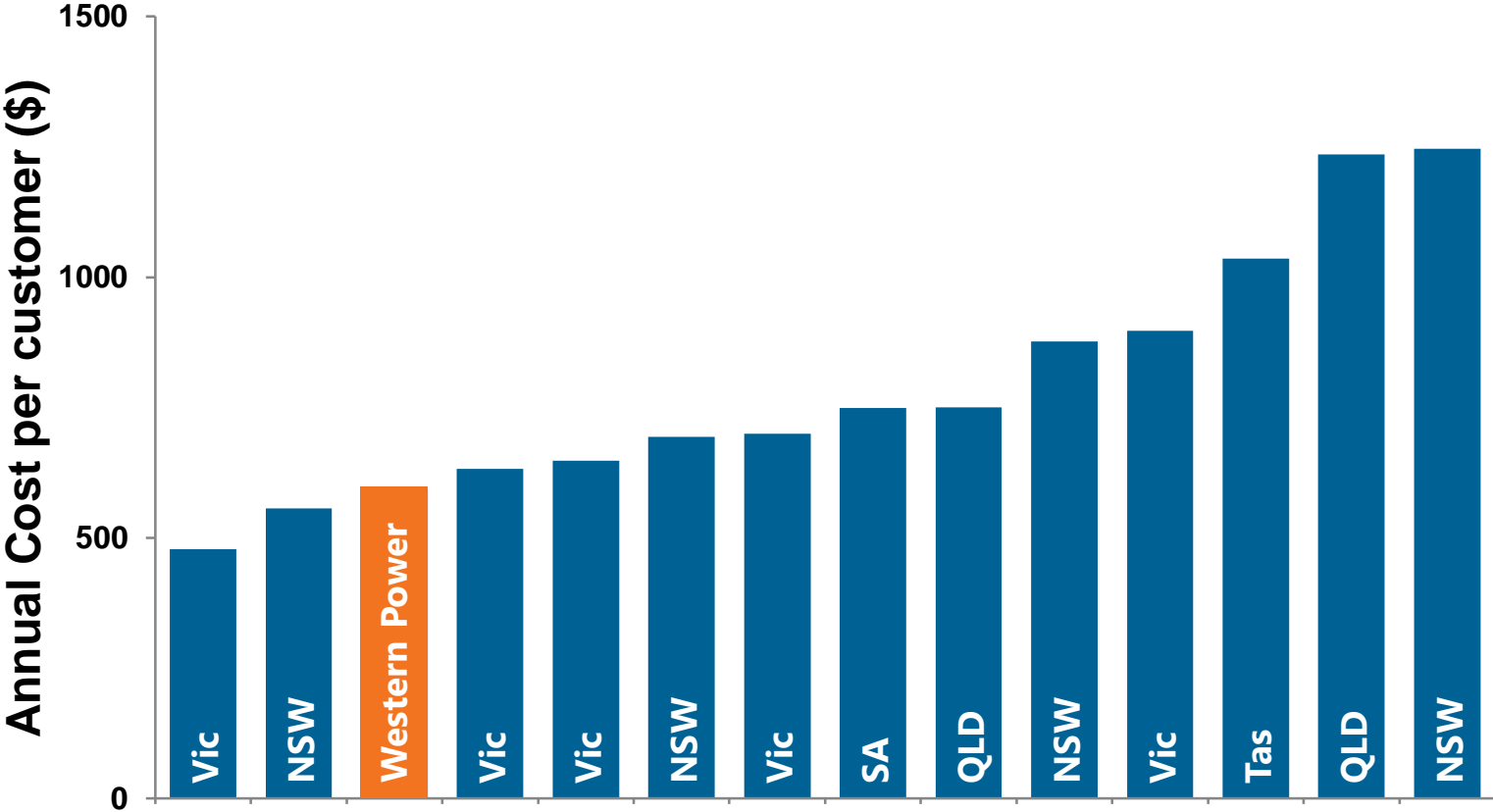
affordability

**Focused on our customers**

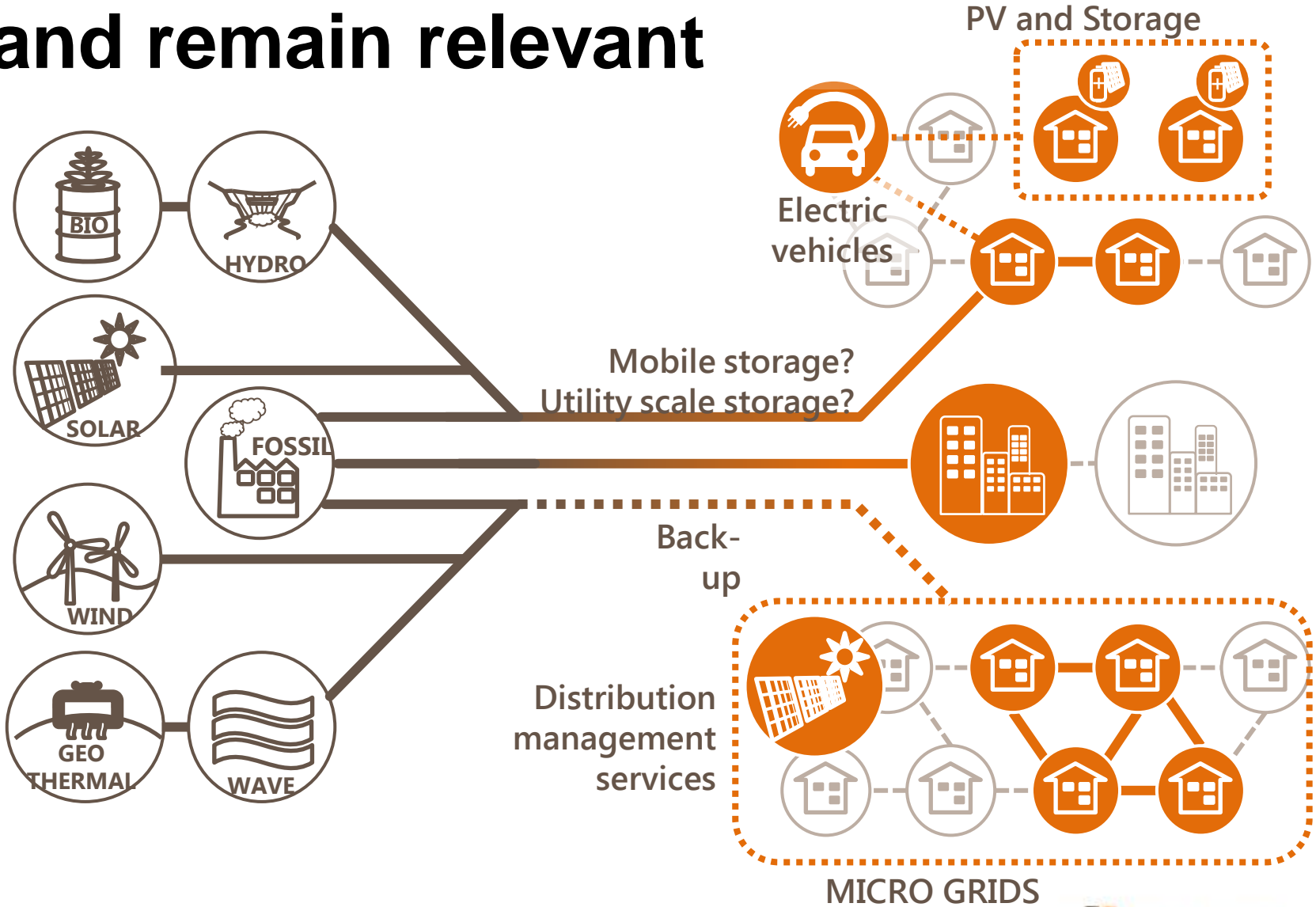
# Opportunities and Challenges



# Network cost comparison



# The network must evolve and remain relevant





# Western Power and Tariffs

- ❖ WP supports tariffs that are cost reflective
- ❖ Send clear signals to customers
- ❖ Ensure appropriate allocation / sharing of costs
- ❖ Improve utilisation of the network, and
- ❖ Ultimately reduce the cost to supply electricity



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