



GreenPower

What is GreenPower?

GreenPower is a government accreditation for clean, renewable energy sourced from the sun, wind, water and waste. GreenPower sets stringent environmental and reporting standards for renewable energy products offered by electricity suppliers to households and businesses across Australia.



GreenPower Accreditation Logo

Reducing greenhouse pollution, GreenPower is purchased on your behalf by your electricity company. By making the change to GreenPower you are investing in a cleaner, brighter future and the more households that invest in GreenPower the greater the benefit for our environment.

Why choose GreenPower?

Australian households generate almost one-fifth of Australia's greenhouse pollution through everyday activities such as transport and household energy use with the average household emitting around 8 tonnes of greenhouse pollution each year. This is a result of most households sourcing their electricity from burning coal and other fossil fuels.

Australians produce more greenhouse gases per person than any other nation in the world. The majority of greenhouse gas emissions come from electricity generated by burning coal, which emits carbon dioxide. Electricity is the most greenhouse intensive form of energy production and contributes to over 38% of the greenhouse gas problem across Australia.

In Australia we are already experiencing the effects of global warming, from sweltering heat to rising seas, and severe drought throughout the nation. By choosing accredited Green Power you can have up to 100% of your household's energy usage generated from renewable sources!



How does it work?

When you buy Green Power your electricity company purchases energy from renewable sources and feeds it into the National Grid Network. This increases the amount of renewable electricity in the grid, reducing the need for electricity derived from the burning of fossil fuels.

How do you sign up for GreenPower?

Simply contact your preferred energy service provider and ask them about their GreenPower accredited products. Make sure you confirm the amount of energy you are purchasing which is GreenPower, preferably 100%, by sighting the GreenPower Logo.

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References & Further Resources

The Watershed Sustainability resource Centre, 218 King Street Newtown
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www.greenpower.gov.au

This is the home page for the GreenPower program

www.greenelectricitywatch.org.au

This web site provides objective and useful and up to date comparisons of GreenPower accredited products from a range of energy service providers.