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## **Helping to power the green transition one smart EV charger at a time**

Charging your electric vehicle is about to get cheaper and could also help reduce carbon emissions thanks to a new partnership between Electric Kiwi and the local leaders in smart EV charging, Evnex.

The switch to electric vehicles is one of the most significant – but challenging – aspects of the green transition. EVs will become the norm in our low carbon future, so smart charging solutions are vital to ensure we're powering them efficiently and effectively, for drivers as well as the planet.

That's why we're stoked to be working with Evnex to give Electric Kiwi customers money off their new installed smart EV charger, the option of an interest-free payment plan to pay off the rest, as well as access to our [MoveMaster](#) power plan which offers cheap off-peak day rates and half-price overnight rates (from 11pm to 7am). Everyone also has access to our famous free Hour of Power, too.

"Electric vehicles are becoming more popular, but as Kiwis gradually switch from petrol to electric, this is going to put more pressure on our energy infrastructure and potentially even create larger or additional peak demand periods as owners charge them," said Electric Kiwi CEO Luke Blincoe.

"Innovative companies like Evnex are across all this, which is why they've designed their technology to help reduce the carbon footprint of New Zealand's growing fleet of electric vehicles, because the greater the peak demand, the more dirty power generation is currently required to meet it.

"Money off the Evnex installed charger is a nice bonus for our customers, but we're especially proud that we can make life easier for EV owners by providing a payment plan to pay off the remaining balance of their charger over 12 months, with the cost simply added to their energy bills. This is going to make charging even more accessible and even more affordable thanks to our low power prices overnight."

The Evnex smart charger means that customers can power their EV at times where power is more likely to be generated from cleaner energy sources, with the bonus of knowing they're paying cheap prices, too.

### **So, what's the deal?**

Electric Kiwi customers can get \$150 off the purchase price of their installed Evnex smart charger, as well as the option to pay off the remaining balance over 12 months via an interest free payment plan. This will be added to their EK bills. Though, they can pay the total price upfront if they wish.

Evnex manages the installation of charging devices. The total price is determined by property type and installation cost. Prices start from \$2,295 (Inc GST) for a smart charger and standard installation.

Current EV owners, or anyone interested in getting one, can all the details [here](#).

Ed Harvey, CEO and Founder of Evnex, says that if smart charging is kept simple and accessible, it could influence even greater uptake of EVs.

“We’re looking forward to working with Electric Kiwi to help power the efficient transition to EVs. Smart charging will future-proof New Zealand’s electricity network, as well as help support lower emissions,” he said.

“Now, Electric Kiwi’s customers can more easily lower their charging costs while helping to positively impact the environment.”

The team at Electric Kiwi is currently working on several other projects to help Kiwis make smart technology-based decisions to support the transition to renewable energy, at the same time as reducing their power bills.

Mr Blincoe added: “We want to deliver real-world, practical solutions to genuinely support the energy transition, rather than just talking about doing green things. And we do so with a mind to saving our customers money, too. These two things are at the heart of everything we do. They do not need to be mutually exclusive.

“That’s why we’re incredibly proud of this partnership with Evnex because we’re working with a likeminded business that shares our mission of meaningful action rather than platitudes,” he said.