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Your electricity bill will look significantly different from April onwards after Eskom's 2024/25 regulator-approved tariff came into effect on Monday. Electricity will now cost 12.74% more, thanks to the latest tariff increase.

"Our conversations with customers are increasingly about the immediate and long-term savings that solar offers. What we know is that the savings on the monthly electricity bill pays for the majority of the repayment on a Solar Loan as an example. After five years, when the loan is paid off, those solar panels are generating significant amounts of free electricity and making a real difference to household budgets," he said.

Studies show that most households run their geyser at around 60 to 70 degrees Celsius. Keeping the geyser running continuously at the high temperature consumes a significant amount of electricity.

"If you can reduce the temperature on those appliances, you could bring down your electricity bill. You can also try use them more effectively by timing your geyser heating closer to when you need hot water and waiting for a full load before you run your washing machine or dishwasher," Du Plessis advised.

"There's a threshold when electricity becomes much more expensive. As soon as you go over that 600kWh mark, you're really going to feel the impact of this electricity tariff," Du Plessis warned.

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