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Compare costs with website

HAMILTON people can now compare prices of electricity and gas deals, including green energy deals, and switch providers, through a new free website service.

The creators of the service, Switchselect.com, stress that they cannot guarantee savings to consumers but claim that by comparing the different deals on their website, people should be able to find one that can save them money.

Co-founder Steven Glover said the website was set up after the deregulation of the Australian energy market,

which was intended to introduce competition among companies and ensure a better deal for consumers.

"To keep the service free for customers, we get a small fee from any switching that happens. It's the same fee for all power companies," he said.

"We have absolutely no bias. We are impartial. We clearly don't mind who you switch to.

"We just want consumers to feel happy and get a better deal."

For further information check www.switchselect.com or 1800 279 482.