



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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# **New RACT Fuel Saver app to help put more money in your pocket this Christmas**

The RACT's brand new Fuel Saver app could help you save money this Christmas.

Officially launched today, Fuel Saver gives users the power to find the best fuel prices in Tasmania.

RACT Reward members will be able to save even more at United Service Stations, such as the brand new Brighton service centre, where RACT Rewards members will be able to fill up for just 93.9 cents per litre.

RACT Chief Member Experience Officer Stacey Pennicott, said Fuel Saver was a game changer.

"Fuel Saver puts the power back in the hands of motorists," Ms Pennicott said.

"We have already seen that real-time fuel pricing works and the Fuel Saver app will only help deliver fairer prices for more Tasmanians. It's time to download the app and fill up the car now before Christmas to take advantage of the low prices.

"Despite increases in the wholesale price for unleaded and diesel in the past month, retail prices have remained steady.

"Our calculations show that so far in December, Tasmanians have not been overcharged a cent for unleaded fuel. In comparison, motorists were ripped off almost \$570,000 for unleaded last month.

"It's a similar story for diesel, with motorists overcharged around \$445,000 so far this month compared to \$1.7 million last month.

"While there is still more to do, this is proof that real-time fuel pricing is having an impact at the bowser. The RACT has been campaigning for fairer fuel prices and our work is paying off. When people can make informed choices and shop around it helps drive down prices and drivers all benefit."

Ms Pennicott said Fuel Saver uses data collected through the Real Time Fuel Price Reporting Code of Practice introduced in September.

"The app and website also provide additional functionality for members who can view discounted member fuel prices at United fuel locations. For instance, United's new Brighton store opening today

has the cheapest fuel in the state at 99.9 cents per litre, with RACT Rewards members paying just 93.9 cents per litre.”

Other benefits of RACT Fuel Saver include:

- Capabilities to search for fuel by suburb or postcode
- Ability to filter by fuel type and view fuel retailer locations on a map or toggle to a list view
- Tap on desired fuel retailer to see up to date prices for all fuel types
- A red tick to indicate the cheapest price in any given area
- Provides distances and directions to your selected fuel retailer