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To: General Electricity Address
Cc: Tony Menna; Mendo Joncevski; Dalrymple Electorate Office
Subject: Inclining Block Tariff Proposals

Mr Gary Henry,
Dear Sir,

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I have become aware of the ENERGEX proposal for 'inclining block tariffs' to be introduced as of 1st July 2012.

With the base set at a consumption of 5000kwh it can be assumed that most domestic customers will remain within this block.

I understand that the cost of electricity to consumers in the ERGON energy area of distribution and retail does not reflect the cost of energy supplied.

I would therefore assume that there will be further increases under the new tariff system for consumers in the ERGON energy areas of responsibility.

My submission is as follows:

- a) That the present tariff 33, (interruptable supply) be maintained.
- b) That the requirement for 'hard wiring' be removed from this tariff structure. ERGON have already approved this for pool pumps.
- c) That the restrictions on the ability to change back to the block tariff when interruptable tariff is not available for suitable appliances be removed.

Our reasons for this are based on the cooperation between Kentucky Light and Power and General Electric in the USA whereby GE appliances are signalled by the retailer to use lower rates in off peak periods. These appliances are fitted with a manual override should the consumer wish to use them in peak periods.

The reasons stated by KLP are as follows:

- 1) Unloading of the grid in peak periods,
- 2) The removal of the inconvenience to consumers should they have the necessity to use appliances in peak periods.
- 3) That this methodology, in conjunction with consumer education, would reduce the need for heavier transmission grids by evening out power peaks.
- 4) That the requirement for new power generators be lessened.

Our company, Power Trading Technology, has a patented device which would allow such a changeover be carried out in a seamless manner. This changeover is initiated by the distributor/retailer at their convenience by the energisation/de-energisation of the interruptable tariff.

This would allow the distributors/retailers to smooth out demand and more accurately ascertain their requirements when purchasing block power from the generators.

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