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To: EPR

Subject: Submission to Inquiry into Energy Prices

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I write this submission to inform the Inquiry on how rising energy bills are affecting me. Currently, the price of power is causing financial stress along with other rising costs.

We should not be paying such high prices. Our power bills have been increasing, despite the fact that we live in a hydro-powered State. We have not changed anything in relation to usage, other than try to reduce our use to combat the high power prices.

We also installed Solar Panels and the feed in rate is pathetic. By trying to save money, we are effectively being penalised.

As we struggle to afford cost of living, the price of electricity is a major drain on our budget.

Please look into the reasons why Energy prices are so high in Tasmania and what can be done to reduce this cost to consumers.

Enough is enough.

Sincerely,

Jaisen Mahne