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My view on energy prices:

- 1) My parents and my generation have paid for our hydro-electricity system. Why is is not free now?
- 2) I am happy to pay for repairs and maintenance.
- 3) I am not happy to pay for enhancements to the system (eg pumped hydro) that benefit Aurora not me.
- 4) If I am to be charged extra for "enhancements" then I should be reimbursed (with interest) once the profits from interstate sales come in.
- 5) I am being ripped off by a system which in designed to make money for Aurora with no benefit to me.
- 6) I will vote for any Party offering relief from this cartel-like behaviour .

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