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Less than one week for Mt Isa to have their say on rising electricity prices

Businesses in Mt Isa have less than one week to voice their opinion on the impact of rising electricity prices.

Coordinator of the Queensland Electricity Users Network (QEUN) Jennifer Brownie is encouraging a wide range of Mt Isa businesses to complete a brief survey by **Sunday 15th October**.

“We specifically chose Mt Isa as we believe the survey will allow businesses either directly or indirectly dependent on the mining industry to have a strong voice on rising electricity prices.”

“The survey is a first for regional Queensland and it’s a rare opportunity for businesses in Mt Isa to have their opinions heard by key energy policy makers such as the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission.”

“All individual responses to the survey are aggregated allowing a business to voice an opinion without being identified,” Ms Brownie said.

The electricity survey can be completed online via the website www.qeun.com.au or by calling (07) 4031 2970 to arrange a time to complete over the telephone.

Over 700 businesses in regional Queensland have completed the survey; 63 from Mt Isa, 220 from Mareeba, 193 from the Whitsundays and 208 from the Warwick/Stanthorpe council areas. The target is 200 business surveys from each of the four council areas.

The number of surveys received from each council area is updated daily on the QEUN website www.qeun.com.au.

“Whether you are a business directly dependent on the mining industry or one that services the Mt Isa general community such as a cafe, hotel, health professional or sporting club, we would be grateful for less than 10 minutes of your time to help paint a picture of how rising electricity prices are affecting Mt Isa,” Ms Brownie said.

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