



Power bills and the end of JobKeeper

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The Queensland Electricity Users Network is carrying out a survey to understand how business power bills and the Cairns regional economy will be impacted once JobKeeper ends on 28 March.

“JobKeeper has helped businesses recover from COVID19, injecting millions of dollars each week into the economy”, said Jennifer Brownie, Coordinator of the Queensland Electricity Users Network (QEUN).

“However, the end of JobKeeper will mean some businesses will have less money available to pay for essential business expenses such as electricity.”

“Not much is known about how businesses and the Cairns regional economy will cope with power bills once JobKeeper ends.”

“It’s not just tourism businesses or tourism dependent economies that will be impacted by the end of JobKeeper,” Ms Brownie said.

To understand the impact on businesses and the Cairns regional economy, the QEUN is asking all types of businesses, including farming businesses, to complete a brief 2 minute survey.

The survey is looking for responses from a wide range of businesses regardless of whether the business had staff on JobKeeper or not.

Please click here to complete the survey: www.qeun.com.au

The survey closes on Monday 5 April 2021.

Your assistance will be much appreciated.