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More surveys on rising powers bills urgently needed

The call has gone out for more businesses to complete a survey on how rising power bills are impacting on them.

Over 500 businesses in regional Queensland have completed a survey on how a doubling of electricity costs, including a rise of up to 20 percent in the last two years, is impacting on them.

Coordinator of the Queensland Electricity Users Network (QEUN) Jennifer Brownie is urging more businesses in the Southern Downs, Mt Isa and the Whitsunday regional council areas to help the QEUN achieve the target of 800 businesses.

To date the total number of surveys completed is: Southern Downs 108, Whitsundays 89, Mt Isa 51, Mareeba 219 plus 22 surveys from other areas in regional Queensland.

“To assist businesses we are providing the option of completing the survey online or by telephone.”

“Meeting the 800 target would provide a strong voice from regional business therefore we are offering to complete the survey by telephone up to 7.00pm at night,” Ms Brownie said.

The online survey is accessed via the website www.qeun.com.au or call (07) 4031 2970 to complete over the telephone.

Responses are being sought from a wide range of businesses including farmers, tourism and mining through to those servicing the general community such as butchers, bakers, hairdressers, accountants, health professionals, hotels, cafes and supermarkets.

All individual responses to the survey are aggregated allowing a business to voice an opinion without being identified.

We urge all types of businesses to complete the survey by 30th September on www.qeun.com.au or call (07) 4031 2970 to complete over the telephone.

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