

## People Power needed to drop power bills

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If your blood pressure rises when you open your power bills, we need your story.

The Queensland Electricity Users Network is encouraging residents and businesses throughout Queensland to post their power bill stories on the QEUN website <a href="https://www.qeun.com.au">www.qeun.com.au</a>

"Power bills are at unsustainable levels and must fall substantially," said QEUN Coordinator Jennifer Brownie.

The time to have your say on the Draft 2018-**19** electricity prices set by the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) ends on 9<sup>th</sup> April.

"The QCA ran workshops to explain their Draft prices but it meant finding 2 hours in the middle of a working day to attend their workshops."

"People simply can't afford that time away from work."

"That's why we are giving them the opportunity to tell their power bill story by posting a couple of sentences on the QEUN website."

"We are asking people and businesses to tell us how rising power bills are affecting them," Ms Brownie said.

"There is no certainty that the Queensland Competition Authority's proposed reduction of 2.3% for household power bills, 4.3% for business power bills or a freeze on irrigator's power bills will happen in 2018-19."

"Last year there was at least a 5% difference between the Draft and Final electricity prices announced by the Queensland Competition Authority."

"If the same happens again this year, power bills will rise in 2018-19."

"People power is needed to keep the pressure on to drop power bills."

The power bill stories will be included in the QEUN's submission to the Queensland Competition Authority and can be posted on the QEUN website until 9<sup>th</sup> April.

To hear what others are saying about the impact of rising power bills visit www.geun.com.au