

Cloncurry Shire Council submission on electricity prices

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- Cloncurry Shire Council supports the Uniform Tariff Scheme to be continued, and would strongly encourage the QCA to support regional and remote electricity consumers, by creating downward movement on electricity prices.
- The QLD network charge should be based on Ergon Eastern standard costs, creating a slight buffer to actual costs in the South East, and reducing the overall cost of the CSO to the State Government.
- QCA to encourage and support Ergon to create a flexible operating environment to ensure opportune demand growth, resulting in better network utilisation, and to also promote support for new mining and large commercial projects by having a 'honeymoon' period, where network charges are reduced to create an incentive for these projects to start in regional areas.
- CSC supports renewable policies that create outcomes that make sense for the efficiency of the network, having the potential to reduce operating costs or delay capital expenditure.