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Mr Warwick Anderson
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Dear Mr Anderson,

As a concerned resident of the ACT I have a few concerns regarding the regulators recommendation about ACTEWAGL pricing.
1. If we have the cheapest electricity prices in the Australia why does ACTEW AGL have to reduce its process so much?
2. How can you say the decision has to be implemented from June 2014?
   It is now 2015 – with any cut the organization needs time to adjust.
   a. How will redundancies affect the bottom line as with such cuts there could be quite a number of redundancies?
3. What will be the effect on safety of the network with such cuts?
4. What will be the effect on response times?
5. What will be the effect on ACTEWAGL trying to support renewable energy programs in the region?
6. Canberra is a fast growing area with new suburbs being built – what will be the effect on these?
7. What will be the effect on replacement of older poles etc?
8. Is the model that the AER used to determine the cuts the right model, does it cater for Canberra’s situation?

Overall such cuts do not make sense in light of the fact that we have a very efficient responsive service here in Canberra. Do we put this service at risk just to save a few pennies?

Yours Sincerely

Wayne King
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