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Bronwyn Christie Electricity Commission

By email to info@electricitycommission.govt.nz

Dear Bronwyn

Nominations for Transmission Pricing Technical Group

- 1. On 20th February 2009 the Electricity Commission requested nominations for a new Transmission Pricing Technical Group¹ to advise and assist with its Transmission Pricing Review Project.
- 2. Some member's of the Major Electricity Users' Group (MEUG) are likely to make nominations of staff members from those company's. MEUG supports those nominations.
- 3. In addition MEUG nominate Dr Brent Layton for the Transmission Pricing Technical Group. Dr Layton has extensive experience in the energy sector, the electricity sector, transmission services and transmission pricing methodologies in particular. Dr Layton was chair of the Transmission Working Group, has been a director on Transpower and provided many entities, including the Commission and MEUG, with economic and commercial advice on a range of matters including transmission pricing.
- 4. In nominating Dr Layton we also request the Commission reimburse Dr Layton for the time he spends on the Transmission Pricing Technical Group if he is appointed. MEUG does not have the ability to make a financial commitment to cover the cost for Dr Layton over the expected two year work programme of the Transmission Pricing Technical Group.

Yours sincerely

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¹ Refer http://www.electricitycommission.govt.nz/advisorygroups/pjtteam/tptg/index.html