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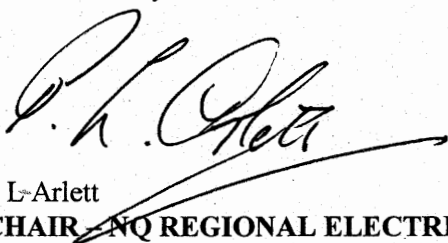
Dear Mr Hall

I note your Authority have engaged consultants to provide forecasts of demand in Queensland over the next five years. Our Council discussed this matter at its' recent meeting.

There it was pointed out that obviously most of the emphasis of the survey would be on the large coastal areas with dense populations but that smaller regional centres should not be neglected. In particular, Mt Isa, on an isolated supply, is experiencing substantial expansion which if continued, and there is every indication it will, then there could be significant supply problems.

We would be obliged if you would suggest to your consultants there are several such centres in the West that should not be neglected.

Yours sincerely



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CHAIR, NQ REGIONAL ELECTRICITY COUNCIL