

Hello Jamie ,

I am responding to the proposed PSO resurrection which our contact in Energia informed us about earlier in the week .

We have suffered enormous increases in Electricity costs over the last number of years with % increase in Nov 05 and Nov 06 being over 40% each year . There were more increases in 2007 with additional charges on the bill for ‘ Supplier Capacity Charge ‘ , ‘ Imperfections Charge ‘ and ‘ Market Operator Charge ‘ adding almost 14% to our bill ..

You are now asking us to sustain a resurrection of the PSO levy which had previously been scrapped . We are also being hit with heavy increases in TUOS and DUOS charges of 17% and 6% respectively in addition to the increased commodity costs of carbon and gas .

We along with many other Manufacturing Companies in this country have suffered huge increases in overhead costs in the last twelve months , including oil which has risen by 80% and Gas which has risen by 70% . Electricity has now risen ( given our latest bill ) by 64%

Energy is a huge cost for us every week and will soon reach 50,000 euro a week The proposed increases will cripple Irish Manufacturing Business even further and given these difficult economic conditions that is simply unacceptable . We employ over 420 here in Naas which in turn contributes hugely to the towns economy .

How can you possibly justify this proposed resurrection of the PSO Levy ?

Regards ,  
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