

**PSO Levy 2017/2018 - Published: 2/Jun/2017 - Response Deadline: 30/Jun/2017**

Dear Grainne Black,

Re.: My objection to the increase of the PSO levy 2017/2018.

I think the proposals to increase the PSO levy by 40% for domestic users, is totally excessive.

This is unbearable for many people who are struggling to make ends meet. These people do not realize what is financed by the PSO levy, because the explanation for it is hidden away in small letters on the back of their ESB bill.

For domestic customers, it will represent a rise from €11.90 per two-month energy bill to €16.54, which is a 40% increase.

Nearly 25% of the levy goes to support wind energy. I am all for renewable energy sources and alternative energy industries but these industries have to be financially viable.

I think it is unfair to ask the general public and businesses to shoulder the cost of providing what are uneconomic alternative energy sources.

Yours sincerely

Mary Crumlish

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