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Mr Thomas G Parry Chairman **IPART of NSW** PO Box Q **290** QVB Post Office NSW 1230

Dear Mr Parry

At the recent Riverina Group Council Meeting of the Country Women's Association of NSW, a Group Councillor requested a submission be formulated by the Riverina Group regarding Regulated Retail Prices for Electricity for **2004**, which was subsequently passed by the Group Council.

Please find attached the submission and the relevant points of concern regarding the current Regulated Retail Prices for Electricity determined by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW in December 2000.

We trust that in the review process conducted by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal that consideration will be given to the points raised in the submission of the Riverina Group of CWA.

Yours sincerely

(Mrs) Jan L Brill

Riverina Group Secretary

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- Requesting "Electricity Charges" for Churches, Fire Sheds, Scout Halls, Community Halls etc., in small Rural Villages and Towns be changed from a "Business Rate" to a "Rural Residential Rate."
- These small communities find it difficult to fundraise, and when most of the funds go towards Electricity Charges, there is not a lot of money left for maintenance.
- These premises are used for non-profit activities, and are certainly not "Businesses."
 We realise they are also not Residences.
- Consideration could be given to set a new category for non-profit organisations.

Riverina Group of the Country Women's Association of New South Wales.