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1.Hayi Eskom, hayi

- 1. According to my best of knowledge and understanding, Eskom is a well respected and trusted brand that is quickly turning into a much disliked and unwanted entity, much like the apartheid South Africa.
- 2. With or without electricity in my life I find it difficult to let my trust and faith be wasted on something that always demands so much and never reaches it's full potential.
- 3. I don't mind living without electricity from Eskom, but I also know just how tough life can be without electricity from Eskom. This realization and lesson I have excelled in like all other South Africans.
- 4. Eskom, I have learned my lesson. I need to stop pouring money on you and start getting creative from nothing. Should I get back to stone age, if there ever was one?

2.In my community in Khayelitha, we all know that raising of electricity costs wont change anything. It seems only Eskom doesn't know that, but is an SOE with people getting paid every month with our tax.

Eskom keeps doing the same thing, the same way, expecting different results. For example, asking for electricity hike again in.

Life elokshini is unbearable already, with the many social challenges and inherited poverty for us to come to NERSA hearings to say the same things that we say every year.

- 3. Eskom must not get a hike in tariff. Eskom must start implementing the many solutions put on the table by communities, such as:
 - 1. Charging a flat rate to households, except for industry . What would this look like? Can it be looked at?
 - 2. Investing in Renewable Energy (development of local technology and a lifetime of employment for technicians, mathematicians and other trades)
 - 3. Doing away with coal, whether it's cheap coal or expensive coal. We don't have another Earth.
 - 4. Nuclear, coal seem to pop up in energy conversations. For some reason these seem to be very fashionable with South African government. Can we change this, please! We (myself and all other South Africans) are not making profit from it and we don't have a second pair of lungs.
 - 5. Open up creativity platforms for our youth and adults to make into fashion inventions and creative thinking through agriculture and land availability for trees and indigenous plants (people who have land are very creative)
 - 6. Light in the dark is a huge challenge across the world (night, winter, rainy days) Less carbon emissions would allow for wonders of nature to explode in their natural glory.

- Eskom's ever rising costs and continued use of coal, squizing in of little nuke here and there is robbing us (people) our planet and all hard earned wages that could be spent on other needs. Now we have to go to hospitals because Eskom failed to implement strict measures when it comes to choosing clean energy (such as renewables).
 - 7. Prayer is also a form of energy. If Eskom would like to know more, please feel free to contact me. I am available anytime, any day.
- I say this because it seems all the educated people running this SOE and all government officials involved and all businesses involved are not presenting anything different. We as the public are gaining only loss (this is happening in South Africa, in broad daylight, by educated people, and elected politicians). And, I think has become normal across all other SOE's.