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**THE ELECTRICITY OUTAGES AFFECTING FAR WEST NSW IN OCTOBER  
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We are second generation on Kitcho which my Farther drew as a Soldier Setler ballot in 1946. Power lines were constructed to service our area in 1983 - 84, to service us with rural power witch was a game changer for the whole district & very reliable. But as the system ages & reliable supply we seem to be getting disruptions to the system usually at very inconvenient times eg. Shearing, Heat wave, Days without power- food wastage etc. We usually use our old diesel back up when we are home to start it, but it does not go to the woolshed to keep Stock water pumps going or Shearing. I think something for discussion, the cost of keeping power to these isolated places I don't think is very profitable for the suppliers. How would turning all of us back to GO ALONE power work. As we all paid around \$30,000k for house connections & \$10,000k for woolshed connections back in 1984, all the costs for going alone Power should be on the NSW Government or the Power suppliers We paid back then. It would be cheaper for them.