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**THE ELECTRICITY OUTAGES AFFECTING FAR WEST NSW IN OCTOBER
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In October 2024 as you know we had power outage and mine lasted 27 hours the first time and I lost everything in my freezer and fridge, I am raising grand children and live on a pension and family payment, it was an absolute nightmare when it all happened and I struggled to buy more food as I had only been shopping the day before, this should never have happened to us and then we were offered \$200 to sweeten us up to which bought food but not what we lost. The power went off and on for 10 days for hours at a time and I worried so many times about the electrical appliances coping with all this off and on business. It saddens me to think that nobody gave a crap about Broken Hill, so many families here struggle to feed their families with the price of food, not just here but we were made to feel inferior to big cities. thank you for reading this.