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HBPCT Media Release

Register Now to Receive Your 2024 Power Dividend

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A power dividend payment of \$260 will be paid in 2024 from Hawke's Bay Power Consumers' Trust (HBPCT) to all power consumers in Hawke's Bay who are connected to Unison Networks Limited (UNL).

HBPCT Chair, Kirsten Westwood says, "Eligible power account holders in Napier and Hastings will receive a \$260 dividend, after tax, directly into their accounts - just make sure you're registered for direct credit to receive it."

The online registration portal opened today, 18 October, at www.hbpct.co.nz. Power consumers who register before 5pm, Monday 18 November 2024 can expect to receive dividend payments from Monday 25 November 2024. Any registrations received after 18 November will be paid on later dates.

"We urge all power consumers, even those already registered, to log into the portal and confirm their bank and address details are up to date. If you haven't registered yet, or if your details have changed in the last 12 months, it's important to provide the correct information to ensure you receive your payment," said Ms Westwood.

Over the next week every account holder will be contacted direct by email, text or post with instructions on how to register or check their registered details, as well as receiving their unique 6-digit code. To register for direct credit, consumers will need their:

- Unique 6-digit code (sent by email, text or post)
- ICP Number (found on your power bill)
- Bank account details

"Trustees are pleased to announce the 2024 payment is \$260. We hope that the dividend comes as a welcome cash injection to Hawke's Bay households just before the end of the year."



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“I would like to encourage consumers to look out for their whānau and friends who may need help registering for direct credit, so they receive the dividend they’re owed,” said Ms Westwood.

The cut-off date for determining who is eligible for a payment was 30 September 2024. All those power consumers in Hawke’s Bay who are connected to Unison’s electricity network on that date will receive one payment per connection, with a maximum of three payments for any one customer.

All information, including frequently asked questions, are available on the Trust website at www.hbpct.co.nz. For those who can’t get online, information and support to register is available on 0800 535 738.

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Notes to the Editor:

At its annual public meeting on 31 July, the Hawke’s Bay Power Consumers’ Trust (HBPCT) announced they had received a \$17.25 million dividend payment from UNL. This payment brings the total direct financial benefit consumers have received from Trust ownership since 1999 to around \$267.25 million.