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## **HBPCT Media Release**

### **First Round of 2024 Power Dividend Payments to be Made to Those Registered**

25 November 2024

A payment of \$260 will be made to Napier and Hastings power account holders who have registered their details for the 2024 Hawke's Bay Power Consumers' Trust dividend.

This year's dividend payment will soon arrive in the nominated bank accounts of power consumers in Hawke's Bay who were connected to electricity distributor Unison Networks Limited (UNL) on 30 September 2024.

The registration portal has been open online at [www.hbpct.co.nz](http://www.hbpct.co.nz) since 18 October. Power consumers registered by Monday 18 November will receive payment direct to their nominated account from Monday 25 November 2024.

HBPCT Chair, Kirsten Westwood says "Power consumers who register for their power dividend from today will still receive their dividend payment, but it will not be made in the first round of payments due from 25 November."

"If you haven't yet registered, or if your bank account or address details have changed in the past 12 months, you will need to register your correct information to receive payment."

Every eligible power account holder has now been 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



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“We also ask that you please look out for whānau and friends who may need help with the registration process. We don’t want anyone to miss out on the \$260 they are entitled to,” said Ms Westwood.

All information, including frequently asked questions, is available on the Trust website at [www.hbpct.co.nz](http://www.hbpct.co.nz). For those who can’t get online, information and support to register is available on Free Phone 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.