

RURAL COMMUNITIES — RETICULATED POWER SUPPLY

Petition

HON NIGEL HALLETT (South West) [10.03 am]: I present a petition on behalf of Hon Robyn McSweeney containing 880 signatures, which is couched in the following terms —

To the President and Members of the Legislative Council of the Parliament of Western Australia in Parliament assembled.

We, the undersigned residents of Western Australia condemn the current discrimination against rural communities, such as Windy Harbour, who cannot access reticulated electricity from the interconnected grid for residential, public and industrial needs. This double standard treats Western Australians inequitably and is unnecessary at a time of great State prosperity.

Your petitioners therefore respectfully request the Legislative Council Public Affairs Committee investigate the social equity and community service obligation of extending reticulated power to rural communities such as Windy Harbour.

And your petitioners as in duty bound, will ever pray.

[See paper 3616.]