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Good morning. It appears I may be too late to make submissions concerning fuel pricing in New Zealand, but my purpose is to request that the Commission investigate thoroughly the price differential between 91 and 95 octane petrol. Currently it is ~11c/litre.

Most petrol engine car users use 91 octane, but for those of us who drive vehicles with high compression motors, or have been advised by mechanics to use the higher grade fuel, 95 octane is a must.

From memory - records of fuel pricing over the past 5+ years are not readily available - the differential used to be as little as 4c/litre, but I cannot state that as a fact. Some two years ago, I seem to recall the difference being 7c/litre, but that margin was increased.

Why have the fuel companies raised that differential to its present level?

Thank you Evan

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