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Subject: Aurora incompetence

Hello, I understand due to a lack of prudent management, Aurora, believe they need to invest around \$380M in their network.

I am keen to know where this investment is required, is it mainly in the Dunedin network?

I live in Queenstown and don't wish to contribute to the investment needed in Dunedin, by a Dunedin City Council owned Company.

Rather than force the customers to pay for past management incompetence, why haven't other options been investigated?

An obvious option would be forcing Aurora to sell the network supplied via the Transpower Frankton Grid Exit Point, to another party, and use those funds to pay for the investment in other areas.

Powernet supply customers from this same GXP, and can clearly run a network in a prudent manner, perhaps you could encourage an agreement between them?

Allowing Aurora to continue to own assets, they have clearly been negligent in the operation of, while passing the financial burden onto their customers is wrong.

Aurora should be made to fund this investment through the sale of some of their assets rather than just relying on the poor customers connected to their network.

Best regards Malcolm James

