



The Scottish Parliament

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Dear Mr Hunt

**Open consultation letter: Income Adjusting Event for the Beaulieu –
Denny Public enquiry**

I am contacting you regarding the above open consultation and with particular reference to the questions you posed. As you know the plans by SHETL with regard to the Beaulieu/ Denny transmission line have attracted considerable public interest within the Highland area. Having read SHETL's proposals for permitting expenditure to account for the public enquiry costs for 2006/07 and the forecast costs for 2007/08 I wish to register my strong opposition to the "Income Adjusting Event" requested.

I consider these proposals to be an attack on democracy. Irrespective of the public being for or against the Beaulieu/ Denny transmission line, they have a right to express their views and I am totally astounded and astonished with this proposal. There is a basic human right involved in this and Scottish and Southern Energy are putting an impediment in the way of public expression and participation.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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