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Policy Council – Energy Policy

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To sursis Propositions 1, 2 and 4, and to direct the Policy Council to

- A. consider the implications of having only one energy source (i.e. electricity), on Guernsey's energy diversity, security of supply and economy;
- B. evaluate the implications and costs for local commerce, industry, the States and domestic users of oil and gas, of having to switch to electricity for their energy requirements;
- C. evaluate the full infrastructure cost implications of replacing winter day energy outputs, presently provided by oil and gas, by electricity as the only energy source;
- D. consider the implications of effectively creating an electricity energy monopoly;
- E. consult with all energy suppliers on the short to medium term implications of the proposed energy policy on the long term viability of their operations.

and to incorporate the results of the foregoing into its Report on Energy Policy, and to lay its Report as amended before the States by no later than March 2009.

Explanatory Note

The Energy Policy Report and its proposals are premised on a long term strategy of electricity, however generated, being the only source of energy for Guernsey in future. By this sursis, those responsible for preparation of the Report are directed to consider the financial and economic implications of adopting such a policy, and also to consider the importance of maintaining a secure, diverse, and robust supply of energy sources, not only of electricity, but also of alternative energy sources, and to report back in due course with a more comprehensive evaluation of the long term implications of the proposed energy policy.