

With the inquiry to out back pricing we currently run a bakery supplying fresh produce to our community but can not compete with the darwin prices outback stores recieve hansom freight benefits from perkins shipping small business recieves nothing our total cost of production 20% is freight cost we employ and train aboriginal people and recieve no subsidy our produce contains no preservatives is fresh daily with the financial situation as it is we will need to increase pricing just to meet the bank repayments the power charges are 22.5cents per kw hr currently being charged if we are to compete then we need a freight subsidy with decent tax breaks if the current situation continues we will have no option but to place our employees on a casual basis or lay them off this is heartbreaking as these workers are friends and neighbours not just numbers they also have costs and families to feed as a small community this is very sad to all concerned cheers