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Power for the People!!

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It has been some months since I wrote an article – mainly because most of our news was Covid related and for most people this is a topic that was preferably not expanded on.

The latest storm we had mid-June brought to mind the need to keep our trees trimmed, especially those near power lines. I received lots of praise from various sources for our lines people who were out in that weather getting the power back on for us. We are very grateful for their sterling work. Our trust office had a tree bordering the car park and road come crashing down across the entrance, and that looked extremely sturdy before its fall!! So, it's not always the trees near lines that are the problem.

The company has managed well in keeping our lights on as staff levels at one stage were reduced by 30% due to Covid. Well done to them!!

On another positive note, the company's first graduate Sophia Chen has now graduated through the First Foundation Scholarship programme where she studied biomedical engineering and science degree (majoring in psychology and computer science) at the University of Auckland. Sophia lives in Pokeno and worked at Counties Energy during her holiday periods. Well done Sophia from us all.