

## Spark up for property call

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ONE of the state's most powerful lobby groups has called for privatisation of government-owned power generation and electricity retailing.

The NSW Urban Taskforce has said the \$20 billion power sale could help take pressure off the state's housing crisis.

Taskforce chief executive officer **Aaron Gadiel** said yesterday NSW had a growing population and the supply of affordable housing was falling well short of what was needed.

He said the \$20 billion that could be raised through electricity privatisation should be ploughed back into urban infrastructure.

"A large-scale government investment in new motorways, new train services, new schools and health facilities will make it easier for more affordable housing to be developed," Mr **Gadiel** said.

The NSW Urban Taskforce is an industry group that represents the state's developers, builders and property financiers.

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