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## Feedback from user:

The client and staff are comfortable and happy with the heating. The system is silent, maintenance free and once winter comes only needs to be set and forgotten.

## **DE-VI Conclusion:**

While the actual heated floor area is approximately 129m² this is also open to the front of the shop and a further part of the showroom giving a total area in excess of 200m² which is heated.

The shop has a large window area along the front, a high stud inside with no insulation and walls are concrete block with no insulation. As this is a retail outlet a constant opening of the doors is also a daily occurrence resulting in further heat loss.

Using the actual energy records from the power account we have found the average cost for heating over the winter months is \$190.00 per month or \$6.34 per day. To operate 15.06kW of heating with a unit rate of 15.22 cents would cost \$2.29 per hour uncontrolled. From this we can see that the heating is operating for approximately 2.76 hours each 24-hour period.

This site proving that electricity and under floor heating with the correct controllers can provide efficient heating with a great comfort level. We can also see that the operating costs are low and often less than that offer by other fuels with a cheaper unit rate.

For further comparisons and actual running cost of under floor heating please read our case study on the West Harbour home in Auckland.

