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KOTA KINABALU: Assistant Trade and Industry Minister Azhar Matussin said he had contacted Sabah Electricity Sdn Bhd (SESB) to find out about its decision on the 1Borneo power cut issue.

“Yes, I contacted SESB this afternoon and they have confirmed that they have not made a final decision on it,” he said.

He added that he had pleaded with SESB to consider further reducing the first payment of the installments from RM5 million to RM3 million.

“Bear in mind that the negotiation was not on the total outstanding amount but the first payment of the installment,” he reminded.

He said this meant that once 1Borneo had paid the first payment, SESB would reconnect the electricity power, referring to the air-conditioner.

Electricity supply to the mall was disconnected on July 11 (Wednesday) following 1Borneo management’s failure to settle the arrears to SESB totaling RM8.7 million.

However, only the air-conditioners were not functioning, while lights at the common area were still switched on.