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Ms Lucy Garnier
Executive Director Local Government.
Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal
PO Box K35
Haymarket Post Shop NSW 1240

Dear Ms Garnier

Notification Letter – 2016/17 Special Rate Variation Application

Please accept this letter as Lismore City Council notification that it intends to make a special rate variation application to IPART for application from 1 July 2016. The following preliminary is provided:

Type of Special Variation Application:
Section 508(2)

Percentage increase in 2016/17:
3.6% (Part A – 1.8% for rate peg and Part B – 1.8% for Biodiversity Management Strategy implementation)

Increase will be permanent or temporary:
Permanent

Purpose of the special variation:
Part A – 1.8% for rate peg will be used to part fund the broad range of works and services Council provides on a recurrent basis.
Part B – 1.8% will be used to part fund the implementation of Council's adopted Biodiversity Management Strategy. The Biodiversity Management Strategy is a guiding document that details a range of management activities and incentives used to manage Lismore's high-value biodiversity while ensuring the preservation of productive agricultural land.

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Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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