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Submission: I wish to lodge an objection to the application by Mid-Coast Council for a Special Rate Variation for the following reasons. The Council is currently under the control of an Administrator following the amalgamation of Great Lakes, Taree & Gloucester Councils. During the amalgamation process the NSW Government undertook that there would be no rate rises by the newly amalgamated Councils for (I think) 3 years. I don't believe the question of a Special Rate Variation should be considered while the Council is controlled by the Administrator. I don't believe the Administrator has adequately explained the urgency for the SRV. The first elections for the new Mid-Coast Council are due to be held soon in September (less than 3 months). I therefore think the matter of the SRV should be deferred until after the Council elections so it can be considered by the newly elected Mid-Coast Council.