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Submission: I oppose the application by Mid Coast Council for a special rate variation (SRV). We do not have an elected council, we will in September. Until these elected Councillors, who will be responsible for administrating the additional funds, are able to assess the need for funding, present a plan to ratepayers and be held accountable for its implementation to voters, no variation should be entertained. The Administrator will be long gone, as may be the acting general manager by the time this increase is implemented (if it is) leaving no accountability for any applicants for the SRV. Please reject the application or defer it until it is endorsed by elected Councillors.