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To Whom it May Concern

The recent application to IPART to increase the rates in Ballina Shire is causing concern amongst ratepayers.

The public consultation on the process was insufficient to gain public opinion and therefore the correct procedure has not been followed. This is very disturbing to ratepayers who recently elected Councillors on trust and ability.

The increase to the rates proposed is substantial and will cause hardship and difficulty for many ratepayers.

Yours faithfully

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