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Submission: As per section 10(4)(f) of the Water Industry Competition Act, 2006, the Minister must consider matters relevant to the public interest. I, Robert Burness, of Piggabeen, NSW, hereby object to the proposed sewerage treatment plant for the Cobaki Estate Development. I list my reasons for my objection below:

1. Generations of my family have lived in this area for over 100 years and I am concerned about the significant negative impact this infrastructure will have on the value of our property and neighbouring properties.
2. The effect on our farm animals and the creek that runs through the property will be demonstrable due to peak storage overflow which will almost certainly end up in Piggabeen creek, damaging the environment.
3. The traffic noise and pollution generated by the building of the sewerage plant will affect residents in the area by blocking roads, noisy machinery and air pollution.
4. The smell - sewerage always smells, especially when a southerly wind is blowing.
5. There is no value to Piggabeen and Cobaki existing residents as there is no allowance for them to be connected to the sewer now or in the future.
6. It is inevitable that some parts of Piggabeen Valley will and should be developed for tourism/accommodation/recreation purposes and the proposed sewer will de value this.
7. It would be better to use/swap the proposed land for open space from within the Cobaki development and put the sewer works there. It would be better located within the existing Leda development away from Piggabeen creeks sensitive environment - if the sewer is so environmentally friendly as suggested, why not put it in the original development?? It is of no benefit to existing Piggabeen and Cobakai residents.