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Your submission for this review:

Dear Ipart, Yes I have read thoroughly through, the long and tedious "Review of prices for land valuation services provided by the Valuer General to councils", and all I can say is what a ridiculous mess of IPART pandering up to the NSW VG, [REDACTED]. As I have said before IPART is a toothless tiger, last year my general rates increased 51% and also my local council "Clarence Valley Council" I had no right of appeal, and also they discriminated against the ratepayers, by changing the differential rate in the dollar, in different areas in the Shire. The rating system, where the councils have to use the "unimproved capital value of the property" and then apply their own differential rate..... I say is a stupid capitalistic system that should be changed, as each residential rated property receives the same services in the shire, and therefore should pay equal rates, not more on a property worth 2 million \$ compared to a \$500,000 property. (check out my attached pic, re the [REDACTED] property at [REDACTED] imagine the LAND TAX on that, and the exorbitant general rates for that small block property !?!) Another example is vehicles in NSW are rated on their weight on the road, not their value !!! How would that be if they charged you rates or rego on \$250,000 RAM vehicle ????, compared to a \$52,000 Ford.....would be capitalistic, wouldn't it. So in my opinion your pandering up to a stupid archaic NSW gov rating system. Get over it, the reason primary reason the Valuer General assesses the unimproved value of all NSW properties is for the gross LAND TAX it charges, which makes the Government trillions. And now they have the hide to charge councils a fee for the values (UCV), when actually I can get them all for free off the valuer's general's, web site. I'd say the Valuer's General is [REDACTED] to charge the councils a fee, when they actually use the UCV for their main rip off of LAND TAX !!! By my calculations I worked out that if every resident in Clarence Valley paid the same general rate of \$1395, the council would still achieve the same total general rate income, instead of discriminating and using different differential rates, making some resident with the same UCV of say \$600,000, some paying \$1450 in some area and others paying \$1660, how's that for council's discrimination !! So IPART now has the choice whether or not it supports this whole archaic system, designed by the NSW government and the NSW Valuer Generals office. And this discrimination created by them. Cheers T [REDACTED] Hudson [REDACTED]

