

Review of prices for Sydney Desalination Plant Pty Ltd from 1 July 2017

Invitation for submissions

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) is conducting a review of the prices that Sydney Desalination Plant Pty Ltd (SDP) can charge its customers for non-rainfall dependent drinking water.

In this review, IPART will set prices to apply from 1 July 2017. IPART determines SDP's prices in accordance with a standing Ministerial reference under section 52 of the *Water Industry Competition Act 2006* (NSW).

IPART is concurrently reviewing the methodology paper it published in 2012 setting out its approaches to an energy adjustment mechanism and an efficiency adjustment mechanism for SDP.

IPART has released an Issues Paper, which provides relevant background information and identifies key issues for these reviews. SDP will submit a pricing proposal in response to this Issues Paper by 24 October 2016. The Issues Papers and SDP's pricing proposal will be available on the IPART website at www.ipart.nsw.gov.au, or by calling Maria Tortura on (02) 9290 8478.

Interested parties will have the opportunity to provide submissions to IPART's Issues Paper, as well as SDP's pricing proposal, by no later than 11 November 2016. Information regarding the process of lodging submissions is available on the IPART website.

IPART will hold a public hearing for both reviews on 8 December 2016 in Sydney. Details will be made available on the IPART website closer to the date.

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