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LAND DEVELOPMENT INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTIGATIONS

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Mr C Reid  
Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW  
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Dear Mr Reid

## Review of Metropolitan Water Agency Prices - Issues Paper

I note the submission by Wyong Council regarding development charges, and most particularly the matter of the 15% discount.

I urge the Tribunal not to accede to this request and that the discount apply, as the same reasons for it applying in the first place still exists. Viz; Wyong have not and do not use the recommended occupancy rates.

To suggest that this is compounding cross-subsidisation, which does not exist in the first place because of the intent of the Guidelines, is a complete mis-representation of the facts.

I am aware from conversation with officers of Wyong other than Mr Grantham, that the reason is not widely known. I suggest that the reason be pointed out to them again and that the General Manager of Wyong Council be required to acknowledge the reason.

Yours sincerely



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