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WHAT

WUA MidCo Pty Ltd (WUA) has applied for a network operator's licence and a retail supplier's licence, under the *Water Industry Competition Act 2006* (NSW) (the WIC Act).

The applications are for the existing Kooragang Industrial Water Scheme (KIWS) which provides recycled water to Orica, an industrial customer at Kooragang Island, in the Newcastle local government area.

IPART is seeking comments from stakeholders as part of our assessment of WUA's applications.



WHERE

The proposed area of operations is in the Newcastle local government area and is identified on the attached map.



WHO

More information about WUA, including its experience, technical and organisational capacity can be found in [section 6](#) of the applications.



HOW

The applications are for the existing KIWS which provides recycled water to Orica, an industrial customer.

Treated effluent is sourced from the Shortland Wastewater Treatment Works

operated by Hunter Water, for the production of recycled water at the Advanced Water Treatment Plant in Mayfield West.

The scheme is limited to the existing water industry infrastructure and we understand that it does not require further development consent.

If granted, the network operator's licence would authorise WUA to operate and maintain the water industry infrastructure. The retail supplier's licence would authorise WUA to provide retail services for drinking water and recycled water to Orica. WUA have contracted Suez Water Pty Ltd, who holds an existing network operator's licence and a retail supplier's licence, to undertake the services.



WHEN

The submissions period is now open and will close on 30 January 2019.



WHY

A network operator's licence, if granted, would authorise WUA, and any nominated authorised persons, to construct, maintain and operate water industry infrastructure, in the area specified.

A retail supplier's licence, if granted, would authorise WUA to provide retail services for the KIWS in the area specified.

These activities cannot be undertaken without a network operator's licence and a retail supplier's licence.



WHAT NEXT

Information about the applications is available on our [website](#).

Tell us what you think about the applications, by using the [Have your say link](#) on our website.

General information including information about WUA's details, insurance, and WUA's statement on how it fulfils the licensing principles can be found in [section 3](#) and [appendix 3](#) of the applications.

Network operator information, including descriptions of the infrastructure and a

process flow diagram is available in [section 4](#) and [appendix 4](#) of the applications.

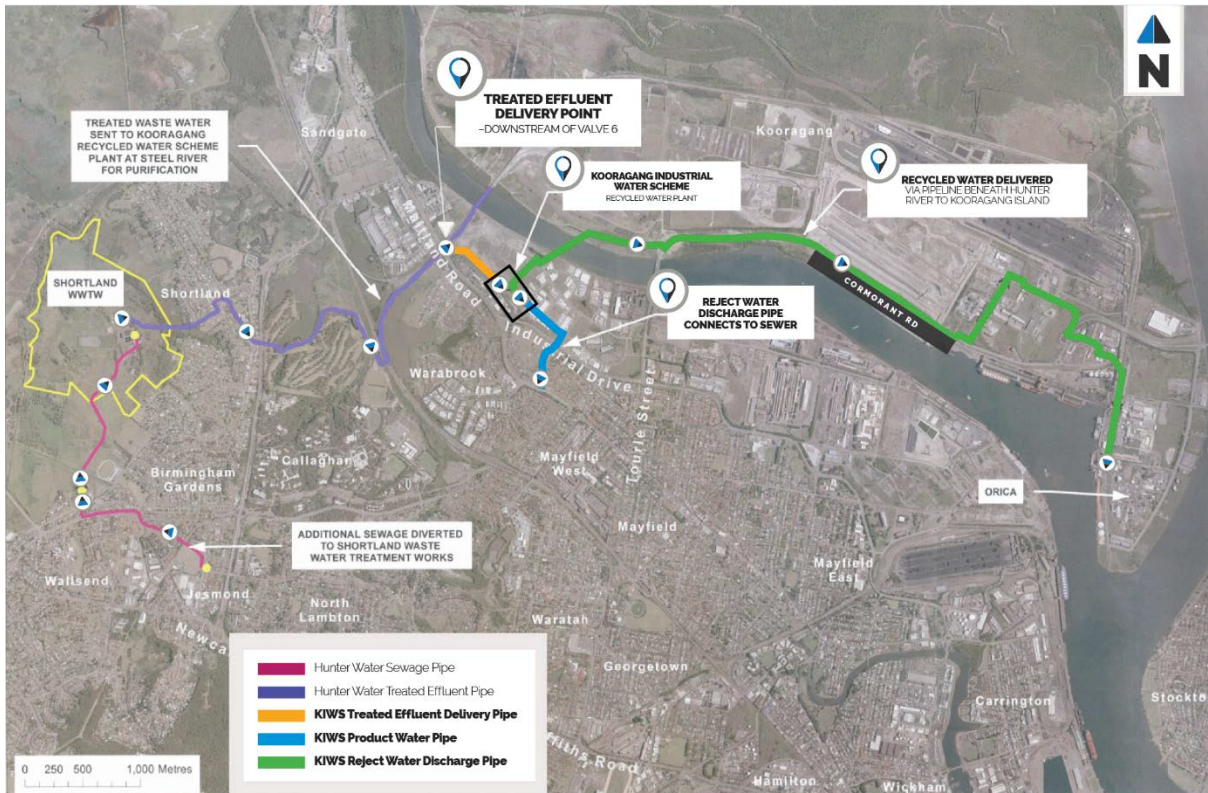
Information on the WUA's capacity as a retail supplier can be found in [section 5](#) and [appendix 5](#) of the applications.

Information on the WUA's experience and systems can be found in [section 6](#) and [appendix 6](#) of the applications.

IPART will consider the applications, and how it meets the licensing criteria and principles of the WIC Act. We will also consider all stakeholder submissions. Our report to the Minister will summarise our assessment of WUA's applications and any submissions.

Application for network operator & retailer supplier licence

WUA MIDCO MAP OF AREA | NETWORK OPERATOR KOORAGANG INDUSTRIAL WATER SCHEME



The location of the proposed infrastructure by WUA MidCo Pty Ltd is the existing infrastructure in the area of operations under the licence 16_038 held by Suez Water Pty Ltd.