

FACT SHEET

Hunter Water price review

Have your say

19 June 2015

IPART will start a review of prices that Hunter Water Corporation (Hunter Water) can charge for its water, sewerage, stormwater and other services, once we receive Hunter Water's pricing proposal. Hunter Water is due to provide its pricing proposal to IPART by 30 June 2015.

IPART's review will occur over a period of 12 months, with new prices to apply from 1 July 2016.

During IPART's review, there will be several opportunities for members of the public and other stakeholders to have their say on Hunter Water's prices - as outlined below.

At the request of Hunter Water, we have agreed to bring forward the timing of Hunter Water's price review by one year. This will allow us to conduct the price reviews of Hunter Water and Sydney Water Corporation at the same time.

Subscribing to IPART's review of Hunter Water's prices

You can subscribe to IPART's review, which will mean you will be advised when documents relevant to the review are released and when we are calling for stakeholder submissions. To subscribe to a review, visit our home page and select "subscribe for updates" located at the bottom of "Latest News".

Have your say on Hunter Water's proposal & IPART's Issues Paper

We expect to receive Hunter Water's pricing proposal by **30 June 2015**. Soon after we receive Hunter Water's pricing proposal, we will make it publicly available on our website.

We will then release an Issues Paper on **7 September 2015**. This will summarise Hunter Water's pricing proposal and highlight key issues for stakeholder comment.

Submissions from the public and other stakeholders in response to Hunter Water's pricing proposal and IPART's Issues Paper will be accepted until **5 October 2015**.

We would prefer to receive submissions electronically via our online submission form:

<www.ipart.nsw.gov.au/Home/Consumer_Information/Lodge_a_submission>

You can also send comments by fax to (02) 9290 2061, or by mail to:

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Haymarket Post Shop NSW 1240

Unless they are identified as confidential, we plan to put all submissions on our website soon after the closing date for submissions.

If you would like further information on making a submission, IPART's submission policy is available on our website: www.ipart.nsw.gov.au.

Further opportunities to have your say

Stakeholders will have a further opportunity to present their views at our public hearing on **2 November 2015**.

We will also be seeking written submissions to our Draft Report and Determination of Hunter Water's prices, which is scheduled to be released in **March 2016**.

IPART will release its Final Report and Determination of Hunter Water's prices in **June 2016**.

The timetable for IPART's review of Hunter Water's prices

Table 1 Timetable for Hunter Water's 2015-16 price review

Activity	Time
Hunter Water's pricing proposal due	30 June 2015
IPART releases Issues Paper	7 September 2015
Submissions in response to Issues Paper due	5 October 2015
Public Hearing	2 November 2015
IPART releases Draft Report and Determination	March 2016
Submissions in response to the Draft Report due	April 2016
IPART releases Final Report and Determination	June 2016
New prices take effect	1 July 2016