



INDEPENDENT PRICING AND REGULATORY TRIBUNAL  
OF NEW SOUTH WALES

## **Notification of the Public Hearing for the 2005 Review of Bulk Water Prices**

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) is conducting a review under Section 11(1) of the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Act 1992 to determine maximum prices that can be charged by State Water Corporation and the Water Administration Ministerial Corporation for the provision and supply of bulk water from 1 July 2005.

As part of its consultation the Tribunal will conduct a public hearing in Sydney prior to the Tribunal making its determination.

Date: **Friday, 20 May 2005**

Time: **9.30am - 2pm**

Venue: **The Lyceum Theatre  
Wesley Centre  
220 Pitt St  
Sydney**

The hearing will address key issues for the review through presentations from agencies and key stakeholders. Further information regarding the structure for the day is attached.

To advise if you will be attending the hearing, please contact Catherine Reiche on 9290 8472 or [catherine\\_reiche@ipart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:catherine_reiche@ipart.nsw.gov.au) by Friday, 13 May 2005. Any questions about the hearing and review should be directed to Michael Seery on 9290 8421, or [michael\\_seery@ipart.nsw.gov.au](mailto:michael_seery@ipart.nsw.gov.au).

## Format of the Hearing

The Chairman of the Tribunal, Dr Michael Keating, will chair proceedings on the day and following a short introduction, invited agencies and key stakeholders will make presentations. Following each presentation, members of the Tribunal's Secretariat or the Tribunal may ask questions of the presenter. Questions can only be put to presenters by Tribunal or its Secretariat. Questions will not be invited from the floor or from other presenters.

The Tribunal has decided to set prices for both State Water and DIPNR for the 2005/06 year on or around 1 July 2005 and to defer consideration of the longer term pricing proposals of both organisations until the latter part of 2005 extending into 2006. The presentations at the hearing should focus on the key issues for the 2005/06 year, with issues for the longer term price path to be addressed as part of the next review process.

Each agency or stakeholder submission is available on the Tribunal's website together with relevant consultants' reports ([www.ipart.nsw.gov.au](http://www.ipart.nsw.gov.au)).

## Agenda

The attached agenda outlines the session times. Morning tea will be provided, although lunch will not.

Time	Presenter	Presentation Time	Question Time
9.30am	Opening comments from Tribunal Chairman	10mins	
9.40am	State Water Corporation	40mins	20mins
10.40am	Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources	30mins	20mins
11.30am	<b>MORNING TEA (30 mins)</b>		
12.00pm	NSW Irrigators' Council	30mins	15mins
12.45pm	Environment Groups	30mins	15mins
1.30pm	Tribunal Concluding Remarks	10mins	
1.40pm	<b>CLOSE</b>		