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Dear Ms Dickson,

REVIEW OF PRICES FOR NSW OFFICE OF WATER

I refer to our telephone conversation regarding the Murray Darling Basin Authority's (MDBA) contribution to our review of prices for the Water Administration Ministerial Corporation (the 2010 review).

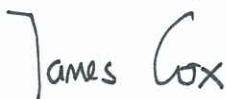
I note that MDBA provided a submission to the 2010 review and to the Review of Rural Water Charging Systems in 2012, which provided a breakdown of MDBA's costs and the allocation to NSW. In addition, MDBA has attended IPART's public hearings for each of these reviews.

In our conversation you undertook to provide any information we require for future reviews. Thank you for this commitment.

The findings of the 2010 review referred only to the user share of MDBA expenditure and the fact that NSW Office of Water's submission did not demonstrate the principle of 'impactor pays' to increase the value of the user share.

I hope this addresses your concerns. If you have any queries please contact Lucy Garnier.

Yours sincerely



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and Full Time Member