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Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal
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Dear Tribunal

REVIEW OF PRICES FOR THE WATER ADMINISTRATION MINISTERIAL
CORPORATION

The Department of Primary Industries – Water (DPI Water) lodged its submission with IPART on 11 September 2015 for the current review of prices to apply from 1 July 2016.

Hunter Water has held a number of discussions with DPI Water in recent months to resolve a specific matter related to the double counting of water extracted from the Williams River at the Balickera Pump Station and the Grahamstown Dam. Those discussions were ongoing at the date that DPI Water lodged its submission to IPART.

Hunter Water appreciates the following commitment in the DPI Water submission (pages 123 and 200):

DPI Water proposes potential changes to licenses held by Hunter Water Corporation. Negotiations are currently in progress to address potential double counting of water taken from the Williams River and transferred to Grahamstown Dam. These negotiations may result in the creation of a new licence category, major utility (Grahamstown) (unregulated river).

Hunter Water intends to continue these negotiations with DPI Water with the aim of finalising an approach that resolves the specific issue of doubling counting of entitlement volumes before the end of 2015.

Yours sincerely

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