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Mr James Cox PSM  
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**RE: Submission for 2012 Sydney Catchment Authority, Draft Price Determination**

Dear Mr Cox

Please find following Wingecarribee Shire Council's comments and submission on the Sydney Catchment Authority's draft price determination for 2012.

Item 8.3, page 90 – Forecast Sales to Local Councils

Sydney Catchment Authority forecast water sale to Wingecarribee Shire Council as shown in Table 8.4 is based on information provided to Sydney Catchment authority by Council during the consultation process. However, the actual consumption for 2011/12 is trending toward 3490ML and our best conservative revised estimates for the subsequent years are as follows:

	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
Forecast sales to WSC IN ML	3490	3700	3750	3800	3850

We submit that above consumption figures and recent more accurate figures submitted by the other two Councils be used for the final price determination.

The rationale for our forecast is:

- The actual average consumption from July 2009 to date is 3540 ML/per annum,
- The actual consumption for 2011/12 is trending towards 3490ML, and;
- The population growth forecast for the water supply area is 1.3% per annum.

Item 9 page 92 – Pricing Decisions for Sydney Catchment Authority’s Water Service

Subjected to fine tuning of price based on more accurate consumption forecasts as outline above, Wingecarribee Shire Council is generally happy and concur’s with IPART’s draft charges to local Council’s outlined in Table 9.1 and Table 9.3 and the methodology used to arrive at those charges.

A copy of this submission has been forwarded to Sydney Catchment Authority and the other two councils for their information. If you have any queries regarding this submission, please contact our Asset Manager, Selva Selvaratnam on telephone 4868 0826.

Yours sincerely,



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Goulburn Mulwaree Councils