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A. Submission of Protest From
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Review of bulk
Water charges for
State Water Corpora

It has come to our notice that I PART. is recommending to increase our abstraction charges for ground water "in the Peel Valley" to \$10-17/mgh for the total entitlement even though under the new water sharing plan we are only able to pump 17% to 20% of our entitlements. Not only is this charges is up 300% to 400% but you are recommending that we are charged for water that we can not pump, how would like to be charged for say petrol you do not use, food you do not buy or electricity or gas that you do not use. you people live at times in another world, you collect your money each week no matter what the weather is doing droughts ect or the markets for our wool, beef, lamb, fruit & veg's you keep this up we will not only be wearing foreign clothes but most of our food will be coming in from overseas.

2. NSW STATE WATER & NSW office of water did not supply the water underground, no infrastructure was built to supply, manage or control the water underground it stay underground it does not pop back up and flow down into the Murray/DARLING Rivers. If anything the water goes deeper into underground aquifers are recharged from places like New Guinea.

We were granted a licences many years ago for our

Wells. We have to find the correct location, dig and fit our pumps and pump the water at no cost to the government. We can understand the government building and maintaining dams like Chaffey Dam and the relative charges for the management maintenance and delivery of water. But this water has been pumped from underground for over 100 years if this charges increase goes ahead it will put the viability of ~~irrigation~~ out of the question. you might be able to advise us how else we can make a living, you may be able to offer us a job in your office instead of going to Social Security

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