



## City of Canada Bay Council

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Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal  
PO Box Q290  
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Dear Members of the Tribunal,

**RE: Energy Australia Proposal to Increase Public Lighting Prices**

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission in response to the proposal from Energy Australia to increase pricing for public lighting by 27% plus CPI over the next 37 months.

For the City of Canada Bay this represents a substantial increase that has not been budgeted for. This increase will have a considerable impact on our Council and our ability to provide anticipated levels of service to our community. Managing increases that are significantly above CPI are extremely difficult considering rate pegging restrictions.

The City of Canada Bay Council is one of 29 Councils in the Sydney Region participating in the Street Lighting Improvement Program and concurs with the points made in the joint technical submission made to IPART. This letter confirms our support for the content of the submission.

Therefore on behalf of the City of Canada Bay Council I urge IPART to reject Energy Australia's revised pricing proposal as it would significantly be overcharging councils.

Yours faithfully

Tony McNamara  
Acting General Manager