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The Chairman
IPART
Sydney

Price Fixing Review Issues Paper

Dear Sir,

Could you please take the following into account during your deliberations July 2006 - June 2009

1. Fix WS charges so that the Service Charge is CPI adjusted. All other costs (to achieve needed revenues) to be met from the Water Cost per KL
2. Ensure that MAX funding is available for Hunter Connection, Mardi-Margrove Connection, and Box supplies. The latter remains long term problematical even tho short term tests look OK.
3. Arrange economic incentives to recycle the 30MLD cost from the Kincumber STW.
4. Fix WS & Sgc charges for ALL properties including those termed "exempt". Thus fixtures such as "Sewerage Meter Hire Charge" will be unnecessary and the "Water Meter Hire Charge" will not be discriminatory.
5. Get a non-political Water Authority in place. Then when Level 3 Storage Vol. is reached as in October ⁽²⁰⁰⁵⁾ they will be applied. This short term political expediency will not over rule long term W.S. possibilities.

Yours faithfully