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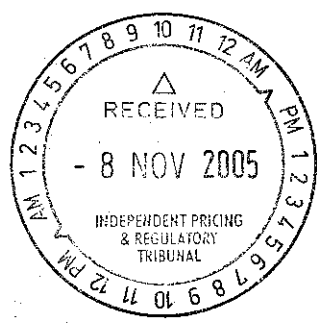
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Dear Mr Cox

I refer to your letter of 6 September 2005 (your reference: 03/14) concerning billing of irrigation corporation conveyance licence entitlements in the Murrumbidgee Valley under IPART's 2005/2006 Bulk Water Price Determination.

It is agreed that conveyance entitlements for Murrumbidgee Irrigation Ltd and Colleambally Irrigation Ltd should not be billed bulk water charges in 2004/2005 and 2005/2006. State Water Corporation has been advised not to bill these entitlements for the Department of Natural Resources' water resource management component of the charges.

It also agreed that this matter would be best considered as part of the 2006/2007 determination process. In terms of equitable pricing and elimination of cross subsidies, I believe it would be desirable for determination to make provision to charge these entitlements on the same basis that other licence holder conveyance entitlements are charged.

Should you have any further enquiries regarding this matter, please contact the Department's Principal Policy Analyst, Mr Rick Rundle, who is located in the Parramatta office, on telephone 02 9895 7445.

Yours sincerely

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**ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL**