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Mr Phil Hennessy Chair Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority (trading as Seqwater) 240 Margaret Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Hennessy

Rural Pricing Direction Notice (No 01) 2011.

We, the responsible Ministers, direct the Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority, trading as Seqwater to comply with the attached Rural Pricing Direction Notice (No 01) 2011 in setting rural irrigation water prices for Seqwater water supply schemes from 1 July 2011.

This direction is given under section 1013D of the *Water Act 2000* and, under subsection 1013D(3) of the Act, a copy of the direction will be gazetted within 21 days of this letter.

Please direct any enquiries to Ms Gayle Leaver, Acting General Manager, Water Reform of the Queensland Water Commission on telephone 3405 3550.

Yours sincerely

STEPHEN ROBERTSON MP Minister for Energy and Water Utilities ANDREW FRASER MP
Treasurer and
Minister for State Development and
Trade

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Water Act 2000 RURAL PRICING DIRECTION NOTICE (No 01) 2011

Short Title

1. This notice may be cited as the Rural Pricing Direction Notice (No 01) 2011.

Minister's and Treasurer's power to give joint direction to a new water entity [s.1013D of the Water Act 2000]

- 2. The Minister for Energy and Water Utilities and the Treasurer are empowered under the Water Act 2000 to give a joint direction notice to a new water entity that has been established under s.6 of the South East Queensland Water (Restructuring) Act 2007. The Queensland Bulk Water Supply Authority, trading as Seqwater (Seqwater) is a new water entity.
- 3. In setting rural irrigation water prices for the water supply schemes identified in paragraph 4, Sequater is directed to comply with the following:
 - a) for 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, the price paths which applied under the Rural Water Pricing Direction Notice (No. 1) 2006 are taken to be applied, with annual CPI adjustments to the 2010-11 prices*; and
 - b) for 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, the price paths are taken to be those referred to above in paragraph (a), adjusted for Consumer Price Index (CPI)*.
- 4. This direction notice applies to the following water supply schemes:
 - i. Central Lockyer Valley;
 - ii. Lower Lockyer Valley;
 - ifi. Logan River:
 - iv. Warrill Valley; and
 - v. Mary River (Upper Section).
- 5. This direction notice is effective as from 1 July 2011, being the day after the Rural Water Pricing Direction Notice (No. 1) 2006 ceases to have effect under s.75(3) of the South East Queensland Water (Restructuring) Act 2007.
- 6. This direction notice continues until 30 June 2013, unless its application is ended earlier under a direction given under s.1013D of the Water Act 2000.
- * The annual rural water price adjustment is to be based on the official All Brisbane Series March Quarter Consumer Price Index for the preceding 12 months.

ENDNOTES

- Published in the Gazette on [insert date].
- 2. Not required to be laid before the Legislative Assembly.
- 3. The administering agency is the Department of Environment and Resource Management.