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Queensland Competition Authority

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Dr M Roberts Chairman Queensland Competition Authority GPO Box 2257 BRISBANE OLD 4001

Dear Dr Roberts

## Long-term Regulatory Framework for SEQ Water Entities

Thank you for the opportunity to register Sunshine Coast Council's interest in development of the long-term regulatory framework for South East Queensland distribution and retail water and sewerage businesses.

Elements of a long-term regulatory framework should continue to balance the financial sustainability of the distribution and retail entities and the interests of customers. The framework should recognise participating councils and distribution entities role in determining infrastructure charges. This will facilitate equitable application of user pays principles and price signals that promote development in appropriate areas and timeframes.

Sunshine Coast Council looks forward to participating in consultation on the long-term regulatory framework and nominates Mr Simon Crock as the contact officer for the review.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Turner
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Sunshine Coast Regional Council