THIRD ROUND CONSULTATION - ISSUES ARISING

[This note records issues identified, and views expressed, by stakeholders present at the meeting. The Authority is yet to form any opinion on these issues and views. As appropriate, issues will be addressed in the Authority's reports].

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Pricing Framework

Tariff Structures

• A low Part B charge will reduce water use efficiency.

Operating Expenditure

Non-direct costs

• Non-direct costs are high and add considerably to water prices and irrigators questioned whether the percentage of overhead costs has increased.

Labour, Material and Contractor Costs

Question raised whether SunWater had met the efficiency targets agreed in 2005.

Prices

- Irrigators in the Kelsey Creek Water Board argued that the past capital contribution should be recognised and that prices should be lower to reflect this.
- Have prices take into account the Resource Operations Plans that is soon to be finalised ?
- What would happen to recommended prices if the 5 and 10 year historical water use assumption used to maintain revenues were to change substantially in 5 years time?