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Mr Lyndon Rowe
Economic Regulation Authority
197 St. George's Terrace
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Dear Mr Rowe

On behalf of the Shire of Dundas and in response to the ERA's draft report published on 30 June 2005, I wish to make the following submission.

In our opinion the ERA's report does not take account of numerous beneficial factors relating to the mining industry and the communities who will benefit from a project such as this.

The project will provide quality water to meet ever-increasing demand levels in a timescale that suits all of our aspirations. It brings about security of supply and the additional benefit to the community of Norseman (due to the local siting of a pumping station) with a take-off from the gas supply pipeline as well as the water pipeline. The additional benefits of this are obvious.

The project will create jobs during the duration of the project and will undoubtedly lead to further long term benefits and ultimately the local economy will receive a necessary boost.

The report is short-sighted and lacks the necessary vision to enable the growth of our State. United Utilities Australia should be supported in this venture, they are a reputable company who will invest their own time and money to prove the viability of this strategic necessity – you must turn your decision and support this project.

Yours faithfully

Kim Hastie
Chief Executive Officer