

NOTICE

Inquiry into Developer Contributions to the Water Corporation

The Treasurer of Western Australia has requested the Economic Regulation Authority to conduct an inquiry into the Water Corporation's developer charges.

Mr Lyndon Rowe, the Authority's Chairman, said that the Authority, in accordance with the terms of reference of the inquiry, will examine and make recommendations on the most appropriate charging mechanisms for all of the Water Corporation's developer charges and the level of headworks charges that should apply from July 2008, or as soon as possible thereafter. In doing so the Authority is required to consider the general principles underpinning developer charges and the approaches used across government businesses in Western Australia, as well as the approaches applied by regulators in other jurisdictions.

The Authority will shortly publish an issues paper to help interested parties understand the matters under review and to facilitate public comment and debate. The issues paper, and information on how to make a submission to the Authority, will be published on the Authority's [web site](#).

"I encourage all those with an interest to participate in the inquiry by making a submission", Mr Rowe said.

After considering the responses to the issues paper, the Authority will publish a draft report in March 2008 for further public consultation. The final report for the inquiry is due to be delivered to the State Government by 30 June 2008, after which the Government will have 28 days to table the report in Parliament.

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