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NOTICE

Inquiry into Water Resource Management and Planning Charges

CONSULTANT REPORT DESCRIBING THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER'S PROCESSES

The Economic Regulation Authority today published the report of a description of the Department of Water's processes. The process mapping was carried out by Quantum Management Consulting and Assurance, as part of the Authority's inquiry into water resource management and planning charges.

The focus of the process mapping was on the processes by which the Department of Water carries out its activities of licensing, allocation planning, environmental water planning, water metering, groundwater and surface water assessment, water measurement and information, urban water management, and water source protection.

A copy of the consultant's report is available on the Authority's [website](#).

The mapping of processes is the first stage in determining the efficient costs incurred by the Department in activities that could be subject to cost recovery. Over the next few months, the Authority will further investigate the effectiveness and cost efficiency of these Department of Water activities.

The Department of Water will soon provide its estimates of efficient costs to the Authority, which the Authority will assess against its own findings and comments made in submissions. The Authority intends to produce a second draft report in July 2010, setting out proposed fees and charges, for further public consultation.

The final report for the inquiry is due to be delivered to the Treasurer by 29 October 2010. The Treasurer will then have 28 days to table the final report in Parliament.

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