

# MEDIA RELEASE

## 2007/08 NSW WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE – PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT

The Minister for Water, Hon Phillip Costa MP has released the 2007/2008 NSW Water Supply and Sewerage Performance Monitoring Report. The report provides a summary of Council's performance as compared to Other NSW Council's.

Council is very pleased with its performance for the 2007/2008 year:

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	Statewide Median	Riverina Water
Typical Residential Bill (\$ per assessment – Water Supply)	\$370	\$335
Chemical Water Quality Compliance – Water Supply		100%
Microbiological Water Quality Compliance		100%
Water Quality Complaints (per 1000 properties)	3	4
Average Annual Residential Water Supplied – Coastal & Inland (KI)	230	327
Return on Assets	0.0%	3.9%
Operating Cost (OMA) per property	\$300 / property	\$283 / property
Operating Cost (OMA) per kilolitre	100c/kl	53c/kl
Management Cost (OMA) per property	\$118 / property	\$81 / property
Revenue from Usage	71%	76%
* Best-Practice Management Compliance (%)		90%
Typical Developer Charges	\$4,300 / ET	\$3,400 / ET
Residential Water Usage Charge	130c /kl	78c/kl and 90c/kl

\* Best Practice Management consists of six criteria:

1. Strategic Business Planning
2. Best Practice Pricing and Development Charges
3. Water Conservation
4. Drought Management
5. Performance Reporting
6. Integrated Water Cycle Management (IWCM)

Council has 90% compliance with the six criteria with (IWCM) only partly completed.

Council's Chairman Clr Rod Kendall said that this strongly supports that Riverina Water is a very effective and efficient stand alone water utility. This was also supported in the Report of the Independent Inquiry into Secure and Sustainable Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Services for Non Metropolitan NSW that was released earlier in the year.

Clr Kendall also said that it was a great reflection of the contribution that staff make to the operating efficiency of our business.

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