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Dear Greg

Updated 2008-13 Water Plan

Please find enclosed the updated GWMWater 2008-13 Water Plan.

The updating of the Water Plan was foreshadowed when the 'interim' Water Plan was lodged in October 2007. The updated 2008-13 Water Plan was to be lodged when an understanding was reached on how the \$248 Million 'funding gap' for the WMPP was to be financed.

The updated 2008-13 Water Plan has assumed that \$223 Million of the \$248 Million 'funding gap' will be met from additional government contributions. The remaining \$25 Million is to be met by GWMWater customers and this contribution is reflected in the revenue requirement and the proposed real price increase of 3.4% in years 2 to 5. The pricing proposals for year 1 are as presented in the 'interim' Water Plan.

Other changes to be made include;

- The removal of Murrayville water quality improvements to reflect the position established with the Murrayville community,
- The inclusion of the funded component of WMPP fire plug installation, and
- A revision of the demand forecast to better reflect anticipated supply capability.

This 'updated' 2008-13 Water Plan will be used as the basis of GWMWater consultation program for the remainder of the 2008 Water Price Review.

Yours sincerely

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