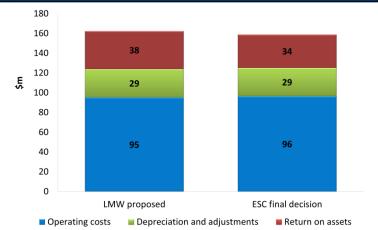


# Regional Water Price Review Lower Murray Water: Final decision outcomes for 2013-14 to 2017-18

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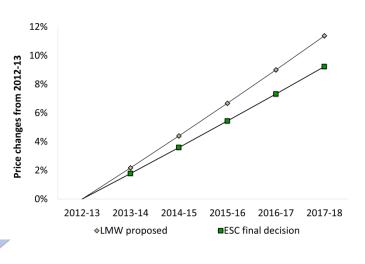
### Breakdown of costs\*

The ESC's final decision has approved a reduction of Lower Murray Water's costs of 2.1% (or \$3 million) over the five years from 2013-14.



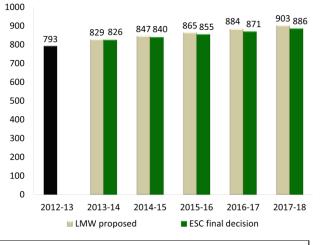
#### **Prices**\*

The ESC's final decision has approved an increase in average prices of 9.2% over the five years from 2013-14.



## Indicative household bills (owner-occupier)\*\*

The ESC's final decision has approved that over the next five years, indicative Lower Murray Water(urban) household bills would be reduced by \$51\*.



\*Indicative bills are based on consumption for owner-occupier households.

\*\* Household bills are presented in 2013-14 prices.

All numbers presented here are in 2012-13 dollars and do not include future inflation, with the exception of household bills.

For further details on this business' pricing decision please visit www.esc.vic.gov.au.

Average household bill (\$2013-14)



#### Key Final Decision Outcomes

#### Expenditure

#### **Operating Expenditure**

- The final approved operating expenditure by the Commission is \$96.4 million.
- This is \$1.2 million (1.3 per cent) higher than the proposed expenditure of \$95.2 million.

#### Capital Expenditure

- Lower Murray Water (Urban) proposed capital expenditure of \$55.3 million.
- The Commission's final decision approved capital expenditure of \$53.9 million.
- This is \$1.4 million (2.5 per cent) lower than the proposed expenditure by the water business.

#### Tariffs

#### Retail Water Tariffs

- Lower Murray Water (Urban) proposed to maintain their existing two-part tariffs for residential customers

   a fixed service charge and a single variable charge.
- In its final decision, the Commission has approved the price structure of residential and non-residential retail water tariffs proposed by Lower Murray Water (Urban).

#### Recycled Water Tariffs

- Lower Murray Water (Urban) proposed to maintain a two part tariff structure a fixed component and a variable component for residential and non-residential sewerage tariffs.
- The Commission has approved Lower Murray Water (Urban)'s proposal to maintain existing tariff structures for residential and non-residential sewerage services in its final decision.