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The Q'Land Competition Authority,
Dear Sirs,

I am very disappointed to find that anyone connected with control of water pricing & distribution could propose such a possible price increase in the cost of water for the Mt Laream Township; we can not afford that cost. Mt Laream previously had its own water scheme from a large lagoon; when the cement co. came to the area they required water from the Gladstone scheme & a Government department suggested the make a branch connection to feed our scheme from their reservoir, we still had to chlorinate this raw water; now all the water to here is treated in Gladstone. We may have to revert back to the original scheme & add filtration.

I think water should be treated like some services, letter postage & electricity charges and as in law we are all equal.

Through the time of drought we were encouraged to conserve water & did so, now the water authority can't sell enough water to pay their way & we are ~~being~~ being penalised because of this.

yours Faithfully,

Dudge Barram

