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Queensland Competition Authority  
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Dear Sir / Madam,

**RE:- DRAFT REPORT INTO WATER PRICING EFFECTING MT LARCOM**

I believe the increases proposed in your draft report are unfair and unacceptable to the residents of Mt Larcom and I list below some of the important points.

1. Current charges are \$263.91 for 375 kl of water, under your proposal we will be paying \$4,011.66 for 375 kl of water. The dearest water in the state was at Agnes Waters at \$2.80 kl (AEC Group Report) therefore we will be charged more than 4 time this rate.
2. It is not the fault of the Mt Larcom residents that it is at the very end of the water network from the Awoonga Dam.
3. The suggested water price will stop any further development in this part of the shire and this price is simply not affordable.
4. The water supply was upgraded when Queensland Cement East End Mine was opened and the Residents of Mt Larcom benefited. Why is this being taken away through unaffordable prices.
5. Queensland Cement paid for the main from Yarwun so are being charged again. Isn't this double dipping.

The state Government needs to be called to account for the activities of the Queensland Competition Authority. This treatment of the Mt Larcom residents will not be tolerated. We are not second class citizens.

Yours faithfully



Russell Moore  
Concerned Mt Larcom Resident