



Board Meeting Overview

Date: Friday 19 April 2013

Time: 8:30 am

Venue: Newhaven

Present: Chairman Trevor Nink

Managing Director, Murray Jackson

Members: Geoff Coleman, John Duscher, Carol Pagnon,

Barbara Wagstaff, Guy Wilson-Browne

Apologies: Roland Lindell

In attendance: GM Operations, Steven Porter

GM Business Services, Kylie White

Customer Services Manager, Sadie Warkotsch

GM Risk & Regulation, Peter Winterburn

Executive Assistant, Christine Hammond

Administration Coordinator, Taylor Hammond

Board Approvals:

- The Board reviewed and resolved to adopt the Board Performance Review Report. Recommendations and suggestions from this review are being finalised and will be actioned over coming months.
- The Board reviewed the Department of Environment and Primary Industries, DEPI, Quarterly financial return and approved its submission.
- After discussion on the Corporation Environmental Management System, it was resolved to maintain the current approach without seeking formal accreditation

- It was resolved that the Board approve the revised Board Charter after the revision to the Committee structure late last year and the updating of recent regulatory and legislative changes
- The Board resolved to adopt the revised Committee Charters as follows:
 - Audit & Risk Committee Charter
 - Remuneration & Governance Committee Charter
 - Project Control Committee Charter
- The Board resolved to exercise a 1 x 2 year option included in the Maintenance Service contract with Terra Firma, extending it through to 30 June 2015.

Board Reports:

In addition to the standard reports, the Board received and noted the following:-

- There has been only very limited rainfall in the Candowie catchment area over the last month and, until the winter rains arrive, it is prudent for consumers to take care in their use of water. The May Board meeting is to consider whether the addition of water from the bore field and the Bass River pump has been sufficient to remove the need for possible water restrictions.
- Reports were received on the major civil works programs
 1. Work on the Candowie dam, spillway and outlet tower is proceeding expeditiously.
 2. Raising of the Grantville to Glen Alvie road over the Tennent Creek inlet to Candowie is well advanced, including extra work necessary to strengthen the sub-base
- Westernport Water is in final discussions with the Essential Services Commission on the draft Water Plan 3 for the next five years. The timetable to finalise the 2013/2014 Corporate Plan has been extended for the water industry.
- The Board received a report and discussed the alternative methods to introduce the smooth billing change expected for the new financial year. Final details are being determined and will be tested with the Customer Consultative Panel.

General Discussion:

It was observed from the operational statistics presented at the meeting that key performance indicators for our water supply, waste treatment, waste disposal and customer service were tracking favourably. It was pleasing to note that last summer sales of recycled water grew significantly from the prior year.

The Board Meeting closed at 2:48 pm.