

# Water Plan 3

## Proposed Tariffs & Pricing



“ Our prices are not designed to deliver profits, we aim to meet our service obligations and develop our infrastructure to meet customer demand. ”

Murray Jackson Managing Director  
Westernport Water

Our prices and tariffs proposed in our DRAFT Water Plan 3 (WP3) are set to ensure we recover the cost of operating our business. Our plan is submitted to the Essential Services Commission, the pricing regulator who review and if deemed appropriate, will authorise Westernport Water to start charging as per the plan from 1 July 2013. Please note all WP3 prices exclude annual inflation.

### Price changes for water use

As proposed in our DRAFT Water Plan 3, the current Inclining Block Tariff (IBT) will be replaced by a Capped Water Usage charge as supported by Westernport Water customers.

A capped water use charge of \$1.75 per kilolitre (KL) for both residential and commercial customers will be charged as the *variable charge*

### Proposed tariff increases 2013-2018

Proposed price increases (*excluding annual inflation*) to be applied to all the access and usage charges for water, recycled water and sewer will be 2% every year until the end of the Water Plan in 2018.

### Residential Tariffs

| Residential Tariffs     | Current 2012-2013   | Proposed (rounded & excludes annual inflation) |           |           |           |           |
|-------------------------|---------------------|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                         |                     | 2013-2014                                      | 2014-2015 | 2015-2016 | 2016-2017 | 2017-2018 |
| Water Access Charge     | \$365.62            | \$360  | \$367     | \$375     | \$383     | \$391     |
| Sewer Access Charge     | \$555.57            | \$560  | \$571     | \$582     | 4593      | \$604     |
| Water Use charge per kl | IBT Tier 1 \$1.4916 | \$1.75   | \$1.79    | \$1.82    | \$1.86    | \$1.90    |
|                         | IBT Tier 2 \$1.7870 |  |           |           |           |           |
|                         | IBT Tier 3 \$2.3015 |  |           |           |           |           |

### Vacant land tariff

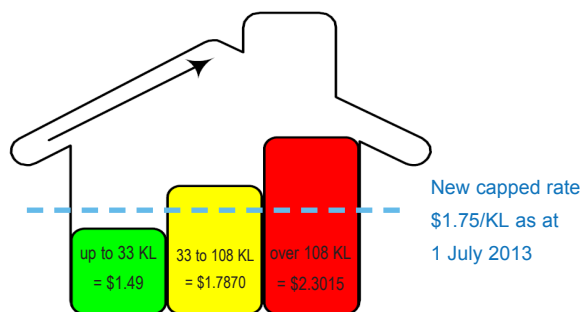
Westernport Water will be continuing with the initiative proposed in Water Plan 2 of charging unconnected vacant land customers at 50% of the fixed charges.

### Recycled water tariff

A fixed fee of \$25 per annum will be charged to cover the expenses required to provide Class A recycled water, only payable by customers who can access this renewable water source.

### Where do I find more information?

Further detailed information regarding the new capped water usage rate and other tariffs can be found in section 10 of our DRAFT Water Plan 3 document.



Prices for IBT rounded & quoted as at 1 July 2012

### Fixed charges

Your fixed *water and wastewater access* charges on your bill are developed to ensure that sufficient revenue is generated to cover the fixed costs of operating our corporation, as well supporting our investments to meet future demand.