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Newsletter to Barossa Infrastructure Customers

BIL Water Prices for 2011/12 Water year

SA Water has advised significant increases in their charges to Barossa Infrastructure Ltd under the Water Transport Contract. These were a 9.4% increase in the cost of electricity and a 5.4% increase in the infrastructure component of the charge. The BIL customer contract provides that water prices are increased in proportion to these increases. The result is a price increase in the Premium Water supply charge of 7%. The new prices are shown below.

Although it is of little comfort to customers, this compares well with SA Water prices that have increased 10% to \$2.75/kL for their Tier 2 price. This is compared with your total BIL charge for water, including the levy, increasing by 4.5% to \$1.15/kL.

The revised prices from 1 October 2011 are:

Premium Water	73 cents per kilolitre	Spot	118 cents per kilolitre
Off peak	93 cents per kilolitre	Excess water	365 cents per kilolitre
Not taken	49 cents per kilolitre		

Water Use in 2010/11

Barossa Infrastructure is concerned at the low water usage this year due to high rainfall. This has an impact on cash flow. It is important accounts are paid on schedule to enable your company to meet its bank commitments.

Many customers have advised they have surplus water. This cannot be traded as there is no demand for unused water. If you have a means of storing this water it is suggested that this be implemented.

To assist with your budgeting, we draw to your attention that in October many customers will be faced with a large account for unused water. BIL has sought to minimise the impact by not increasing the unused charge last year. This charge is effectively a fixed usage cost reflecting those costs that are not dependent on the amount of water used. It is a 22 cent or 32% saving on the Premium Water charge.

Barossa Infrastructure Web Site

BarossalInfrastructure.com.au is now the BIL web site and it will be used to keep customers updated on water quality and service issues. It will also provide general information on the company.

Service Disruption 20 July to 5 August 2011

During this period, repairs were carried out to the main supply valve. This took longer than expected as a section of pipe needed to be relined. Any Offpeak customers who now cannot take their full allocation should email or phone me as soon as possible so that alternative arrangements can be made.

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