



## Gippsland Water 5 year plan submission

to: water

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From:

To:

water@esc.vic.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have two major concerns with the Gippsland Water's submission. Firstly, why has it advocated that there be a very large increase in the first year and significantly smaller in the latter years. Surely if it spread its planned upgrades over the entire period of the plan then the costs to the customers could be more evenly spread over the time period.

However, my major concern is the assumption made about the revenue stream from Hazelwood Powerstation/mine for the time period of the plan. I think that it is unrealistic and will ultimately result in huge debts to be paid off by its customers in the future.

We experienced mayor cost blowouts due to the Water factory in 2009 and we are still paying for it today. We have high water rates and the Latrobe region has suffered major changes in the last year.

I would asked you to have Gippsland Water make a more realistic assumption of its potential revenue stream and to spread its projects over the time period of the plan.

Kind regards,

[Redacted signature]