



South East Water Draft Decision

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Further to my previous submission with concerns to fixed/variable ratio charges.

1. Unfortunately the Draft Report does not address the regressive cost to low users.
2. The removal of the 3rd tier tariff actually aggravates the disproportionality. The same effect with the the Sewage disposal variable charge reduction by 50%. The asymmetry is reflected in the forecasted price reductions: small users -2.1%, large users -13.8%.
3. The following reference is not supported in the SEW's submission. "On this, we note South East Water's finding that its customers generally prefer to maintain the current balance of fixed and variable charges." Footnote 51: See page 9 of South East Water's price submission available at www.esc.vic.gov.au.

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