

2nd May, 2013

Essential Services Commission
Level 37 / 2 Lonsdale St
Melbourne, 3000

Submission to Water Price Review 2013-2018 (South Gippsland Water)

Dear Commissioner,

I own a one acre vacant block within Poowong township on Ranceby Road adjacent the CFA Shed. I purchased the property in 2007 after the announcement was made that reticulated sewerage would be provided by 2010. Since then my plans for the property have been continually put on hold by delay after delay. A large open drain runs down the edge of the property. It contains grey and black water runoff from the homes and businesses in Poowong's main street. With the health and environmental risks associated with this contaminated water, this situation must be resolved expediently. In our towns with their small lot sizes and soil types a reticulated sewerage system is the only acceptable solution.

Please approve South Gippsland Water's proposed price increase as it is reasonable, moderate and will allow for this vital infrastructure project to proceed.

Yours Sincerely,

Amanda Taylor