

## RM (C/18/10186) Fw: Gippsland Water increase proposal to: water

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From:

To: <water@esc.vic.gov.au>

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Subject: Gippsland Water increase proposal

I was absolutely appealed to read in our local paper The Latrobe valley Express of the proposal by Gippsland Water to increase the cost of Water and Sewerage Charges. Gippsland Water Managing Director Sarah Cumming is trying to use the rising cost of Electricity as an excuse instead of cutting some of the unnecessary expenditure of Gippsland Water.

As an retired senior citizen who only uses minimal water to be self sufficient in producing my own produce I find the cost of water is only the minor part of my Bill and the rest is Gippsland Waters bunged on absorbent charges.

My Water usage is around \$60.00 to \$80.00 every Four months and total of the Bill is now well over \$400.00.

I hope when you are making your decision on Gippsland Water being only one of a handful of Service Providers wishing to review their charges each year for the next 5 years I hope you will take into consideration

the cost to families that are already struggling to pay the current charges. Yours Sincerely,