

**MINUTES OF THE MITIAMO RETICULATED WATER
SUPPLY STEERING COMMITTEE held on Sunday, 17th
January 2010 at 1.15pm at Allan and Janine Wiltshire's,
Prairie.**

**PRESENT: Neil Allen(Chairman), Geoff
Thomas(Secretary), Keith O'Toole, Ron Mitchell, Jonathan
Leech, Greg Rankin, Jim Mitchell, Allan Wiltshire.**

MEETING OUTLINE : Neil

- 1. Meeting with Archards**
- 2. Discussion on pipeline design**
- 3. Bringing all existing schemes together**
- 4. Criteria for pipeline design and participation**

DISCUSSION ON TARIFF;

Information supplied by Archards for raw costings.

(Note: \$1.00 a day per meter of head)

- 1. \$60.00 a day to pump scheme (power costs)**
 - 2. \$40.00 a day per ML (water costs)**
- 1 + 2 = \$100.00 a day raw costs and cost per farm service
meter**

***District Tariff (draft figure) \$100.00 per meter fee p.a.
\$250.00 per ML water used
p.a.**

**QUESTION (Ron Mitchell): What happens to existing
channel delivery shares and their exit fees?**

***ANSWER (Kirsty Orr, Lawrence Cameron - P.B. GMW
Office)**

- 1. Cost of Delivery Shares \$1797.26 each exit fees x 10**
- 2. Transfer of delivery shares to new entity and put onto
where storage offtake will be (channel capacity
assessment will need to occur)**
- 3. As some but not all shares will be required by the new
entity it will be their business decision how and when
excess share are disposed of.**

**- Note: Channel delivery shares are attached to
land/irrigation districts and could be difficult to transfer
between districts.**

- East Loddon North and Bullock Creek have no delivery shares.

***(Since this information was given to me I've spoken to Sandy Schroen, Manager of Pyramid/Boort GMWater, who assures me that whilst this information is correct for INDIVIDUALS, that as part of the process with a project our size involving NVIRP, we would apply for an exemption through DSE and she was confident a suitable outcome could be obtained – not quite the drama that it was first thought)**

DISCUSSION CRITERIA FOR MRWS:

Stipulations as per draft with 5 extras

- 1. Land owners are responsible for their own infrastructure from the meter.**
- 2. Supply must go from the meter outlet directly to the on farm tank with out any diversions.**
- 3. On farm tanks are capable of holding a minimum 3 day supply.**
- 4. On farm tanks must be fitted with CFA outlet coupling.**
- 5. The Mitiamo Reticulated Water Supply Committee recommends that premium grade polypipe and fittings are used for on farm construction works.**

MINIMUM DESIGN CRITERIA : Approved in full as per draft document.

COST OF ENTRY TO PIPELINE : Items relating to farmers from existing schemes approved as per draft document.

DRY LAND FARMERS AND BALD ROCK INC.

Item 16 (now Item 21) : These farmers are encouraged to join the pipeline at the start of the project. There will be no capacity built in for them for future connection if they do not join at the start. Approved as per draft document. All other items in this section are pending Archards costings. Also perhaps shire, state and federal government funding or trust sources.

COST OF EXTRA METERS:

Now reads : Extra meter outlets above the amount deemed under minimum design criteria will cost the farmer the full cost of the meter outlet, meter installation and associated administration . Price pending Archards costings.

Motion moved Jim Mitchell, Seconded Greg Rankin.

“That in accordance with Archards wishes we contact all existing water scheme committees asking for their in principle support to join our scheme, that they would disband and their water would be added to the common pool of MRWS, and that a decision is required by 28th February 2010.” Carried.

Contacts are: Terrick West	- Neil Allen
Terrick East	- Wally Rankin
Miloo North	- Ron Mitchell
Miloo South	- Ron Mitchell
Piavella	- Ian Rankin
Bald Rock	- Andrew Scott
Bayliss Road	- Monica Hartland
Pine Grove	- Wally Rankin
Pine Grove East	- Neville Sims
East Loddon North	- Sandy Schroen
GMWater	
Bullock Creek	- Sandy Schroen

The meeting closed at 4.00pm

NEXT MEETING: Possibly 28th February. This might have to change as per availability of Stan Archard to attend.