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<b>Date</b>	21 March 2017
<b>Time</b>	9:30 am
<b>Location</b>	Sydney Masonic Conference and Function Centre; 66 Goulburn St, Sydney.
<b>Subject</b>	Review of Water NSW Operating Licences and Reporting Manuals – Public Workshop.

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IPART has released a *draft operating licence package* (draft operating licence, draft reporting manual, draft report, draft cost-benefit analysis) as part of the review of Water NSW's operating licences. Water NSW currently operates under the previous State Water and Sydney Catchment Authority licences.

This review is the first opportunity to consider what form of operating licence best reflects the newly merged organisation as well as any potential changes to the organisation over the next five years, in light of the new Act.

Water NSW provides bulk water services to other water utilities and customers throughout New South Wales. It was established on 1 January 2015 by the Water NSW Act 2014. The Act effectively merged two organisations, the former State Water Corporation and the Sydney Catchment Authority.

The Public Workshop is an opportunity for stakeholders to provide comment on the draft operating licence, CBA and reporting manual. Each session will be introduced by a brief presentation by IPART. The Chair will then seek comments from Water NSW and then other stakeholders.

The workshop will be recorded by transcribers. A copy of the transcript will be available on IPART's website shortly after the workshop. When making comments, please identify yourself and your organisation at the beginning and please speak loudly and clearly.

## **Registration (9:30 am – 10:00 am)**

### **1. Session 1 (10:00 am)**

*Opening Remarks (IPART Chair)*  
*Opening Presentation (WaterNSW CEO)*  
*Water NSW Act 2014*  
*Licence Structure: One licence authorising all functions*  
*Definitions for key terms*  
*Water quality management*  
*Economic level of water conservation*

## **Break (11:30 am -11:45 am)**

### **2. Session 2 (11.45 am)**

*Flood mitigation and management*  
*Performance Standards*  
*Management Systems*  
*Customer and stakeholder relations*

### **3. Session 3 (12:50 pm)**

*Research on catchments and Education programs*  
*Other topics, questions and comments*  
*Closing Remarks (IPART Chair)*