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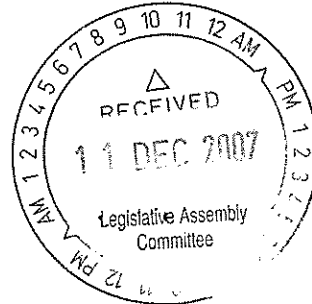
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Dear Dr Abernethie

Re: Parliamentary Inquiry – Water Licensing and Services

In response to the letter from the Hon. R.C. Kucera, dated 16th November 2007, to make a submission to the Economics & Industry Standing Committee the Shire of Boddington would like to comment as follows:

- Any licensing system that imposes fees on local government for using groundwater/bores would be unacceptable, as it could result in more scheme water being used, when measures to reduce scheme water consumption have been implemented by the Water Corporation.
- Council believes it would be inequitable for primary producers, who have constructed dams on their properties, to need licensing and to pay for the privilege of having a dam, despite its size.

Council would appreciate being provided with a copy of the proposals concerning Water Licensing and Services that are being inquired into, as we do not appear to have been supplied with this information. The above comments have been submitted following information noted in media reports and may require refinement when further details come to hand.

Yours faithfully

Peter Bradbrook
Chief Executive Officer

6th December 2007