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To Whom it may Concern

Launceston City Council supports TasWater's proposed investment program under PSP5 which sets out the pricing and service outcomes for the 2026/2030 period, ensuring water and sewerage infrastructure meets the needs of Tasmania's communities over the coming years.

Council acknowledges that TasWater's ageing infrastructure, requires urgent and sustained investment noting many of Tasmania's sewage treatment plants do not meet the Environmental Protection Authority's compliance requirements, and the statewide plan to invest \$655 million in upgrades to ageing sewage treatment plants, represents a critical step in ensuring that Tasmania's water and sewerage infrastructure continues to provide safe, reliable and sustainable services for our communities.

Council recognises that significant work remains across the broader network to address the loss of water through leaks, underscoring the need for continued infrastructure upgrades and network modernisation. Further, supporting PSP5 also aligns with Council's responsibility as a TasWater owner and its commitment to ensuring reliable, sustainable water and sewerage services for the community. Endorsing PSP5 will help deliver lasting benefits, including improved service reliability, environmental protection, and affordability.

The Statewide capital program of \$1.7 billion proposed for PSP5 offers substantial economic benefits, through enhanced essential services while also supporting thousands of jobs across Tasmania and its commitment to supporting local industry through awarding approximately 80% of its contracts to Tasmanian businesses last year.

Yours sincerely,



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