

## Taking Control Water and Energy Almond Conference 2018

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ALMONDS,  
HEALTHY BAKING  
AND DESSERTS  
TASTING THE FUTURE



A new era in quality dawns



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**Pure**  
100% PURE ALMOND OIL



# Water - a trip back in time



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## ***History***

Cap on diversions 1995

Living Murray Initiative 2003

Water Act 2007

MDBA Plan 2012

Water for Environment

Special Account

Independent Review of the Water Act 2014

Water Amendment Bill 2015





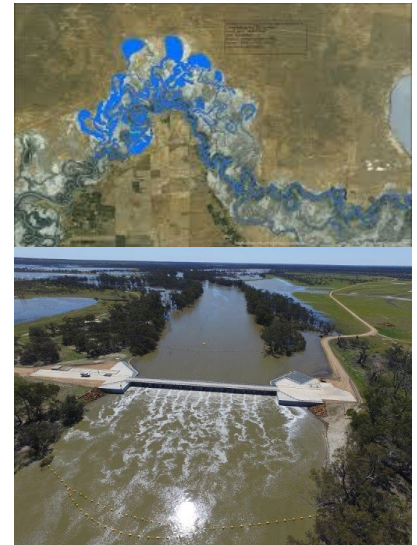
# The Living Murray – 500 GL



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## Water recovered for Icon sites



# Water Act 2007 – Changes



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Murray Darling Basin Agreement

CHEWO

Separation of Water and Land

Trading markets

Registers

Water Charge and Market rules

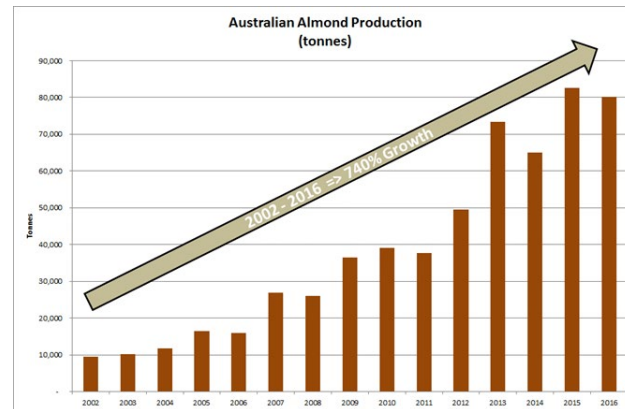
Water for the Environment

Special Account 450 GL up water

Reviewed in 2014

Fine tuning

Changes for CHEW use of proceeds



# MDBA Plan – Job done.....Maybe?



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2750 GL of water to be recovered  
Northern Basin Review  
SDL Adjustment Mechanism (Legislated)

## Basin Plan

*Towards a healthy, working River Murray*



Basin Plan  
implementation  
on track



Environmental  
water provided  
to priority sites



Investment in  
water efficient  
infrastructure

Over 70% of  
water recovery  
target met



Healthier  
vegetation, fish,  
waterbirds,  
and frogs



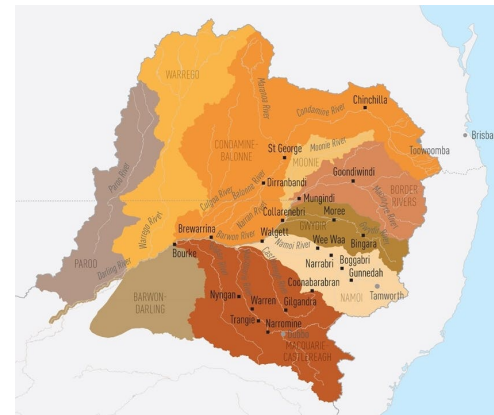
Salinity  
goals  
achieved



Remaining water mostly recovered



End dates 2019 and 2024



**Special Account – 450 GL**



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# **COMMONWEALTH ON-FARM FURTHER IRRIGATION EFFICIENCY (COFFIE) PROGRAM ME PILOT**

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

## **GUIDE FOR PARTICIPANTS**



# Challenges



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## Political changes

- Continued spending on infrastructure
- Solutions other than flow
- 450 GL of up water



## Water Trading

- Channel constraints
- Constraints Management



## Water Security

- Change in cropping mix (annual/perennial)
- Reliability

Footprint will shrink (Currently Dairy)





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# Energy

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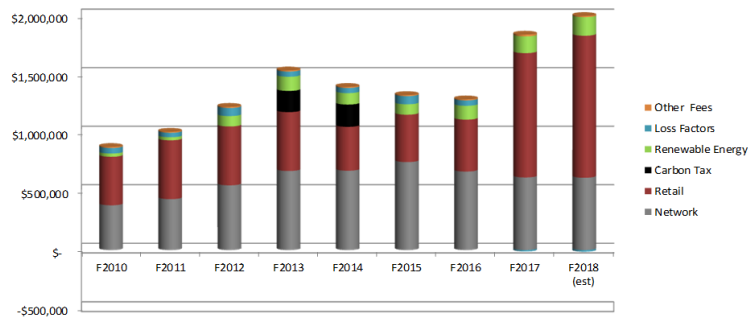
# Energy – working it out



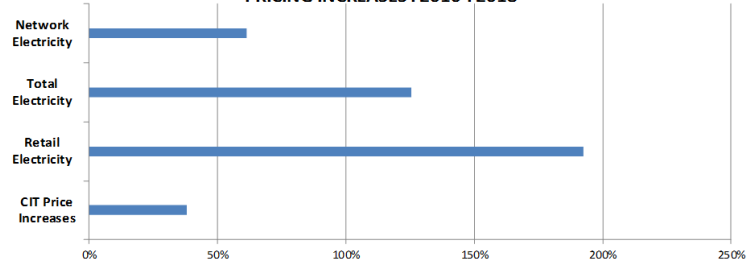
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LOXTON PUMPING STATION ELECTRICITY COSTS F2010 to F2018

Annual Expense	F2010	F2011	F2012	F2013	F2014	F2015	F2016	F2017	F2018 (est)
Network	\$ 381,979	\$ 434,367	\$ 552,685	\$ 674,919	\$ 677,241	\$ 750,623	\$ 670,072	\$ 619,675	\$ 617,051
Retail	\$ 414,584	\$ 502,594	\$ 502,594	\$ 502,594	\$ 374,511	\$ 405,121	\$ 443,838	\$ 1,061,464	\$ 1,212,718
Carbon Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 181,228	\$ 190,333	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Renewable Energy	\$ 27,264	\$ 26,236	\$ 88,470	\$ 120,745	\$ 97,706	\$ 88,775	\$ 117,579	\$ 143,100	\$ 158,947
Loss Factors	\$ 47,499	\$ 38,182	\$ 69,398	\$ 44,320	\$ 44,088	\$ 69,502	\$ 46,105	\$ 11,808	\$ 14,032
Other Fees	\$ 8,835	\$ 8,249	\$ 9,647	\$ 9,678	\$ 8,784	\$ 9,325	\$ 8,947	\$ 14,857	\$ 9,671
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 880,160</b>	<b>\$ 1,009,627</b>	<b>\$ 1,222,793</b>	<b>\$ 1,533,483</b>	<b>\$ 1,392,662</b>	<b>\$ 1,323,346</b>	<b>\$ 1,286,541</b>	<b>\$ 1,827,288</b>	<b>\$ 1,984,354</b>



PRICING INCREASES F2010-F2018



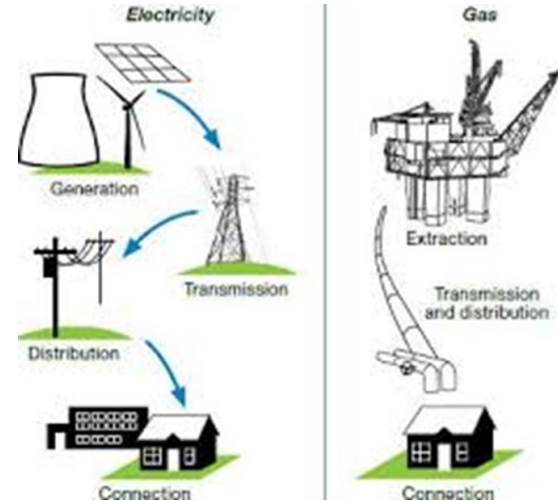
N.B. based on 3,628,523 kwh Peak and 5,126,456 kwh Off Peak usage and 4,545 Kvar Demand each year

# What Makes up our Energy Bill



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Transmission and Distribution  
Generation  
System losses  
Environmental costs  
Sundry fees and charges



# Poles and Wires – DUOS & TUOS



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60% increase in 8 years

Regulated by AER

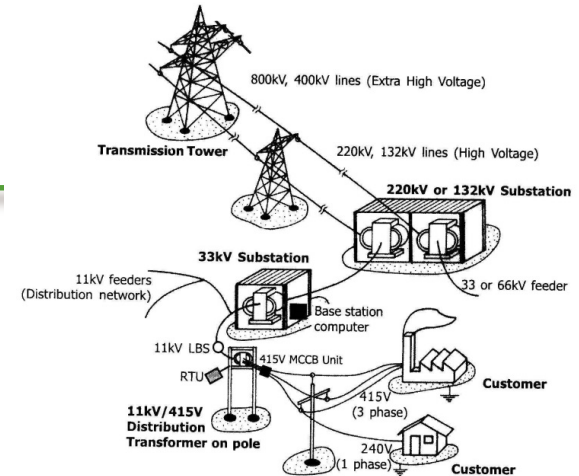
SA PV subsidy included

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Submissions SAPN (2), AER (3), ElectraNet,  
Tribunal Hearing, Senate Inquiry

Representations SAPN, Federal Minister, Deputy  
Prime Minister, Local MPs and Senators

Success in seeing SAPN excesses curbed





# Environmental Costs



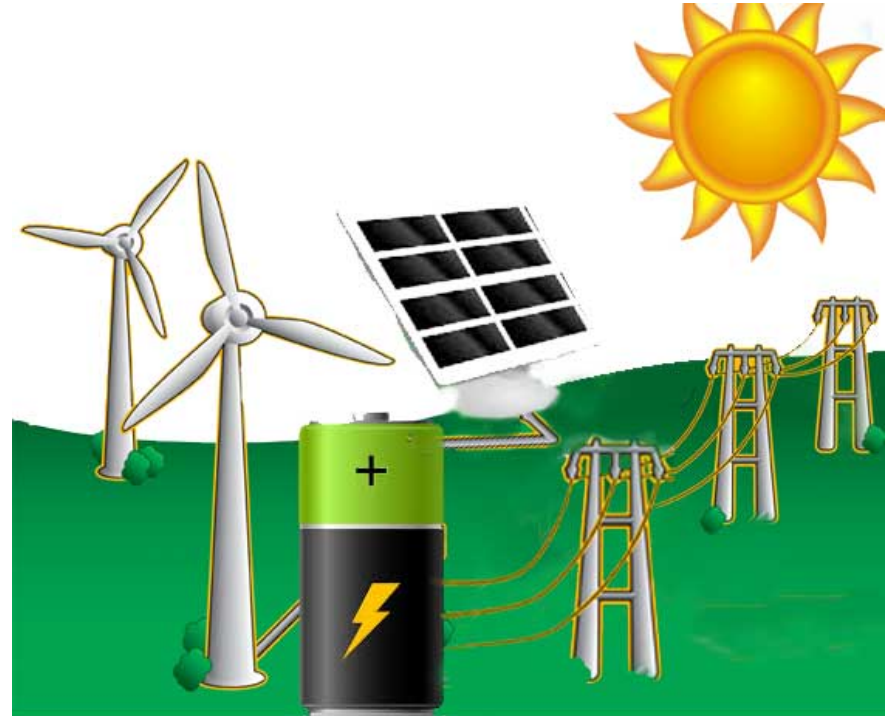
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Carbon Tax

RET Schemes (LRET and  
SRET)

Legislated schemes with  
international commitments

Difficult to influence

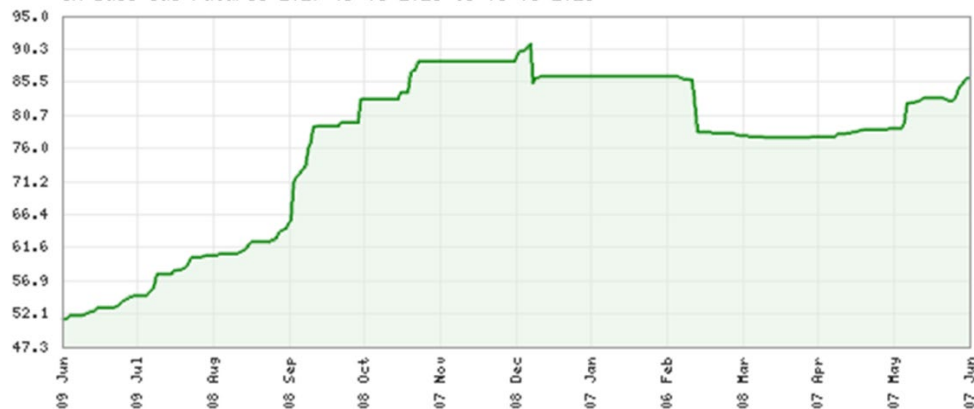


# Retail Futures Prices

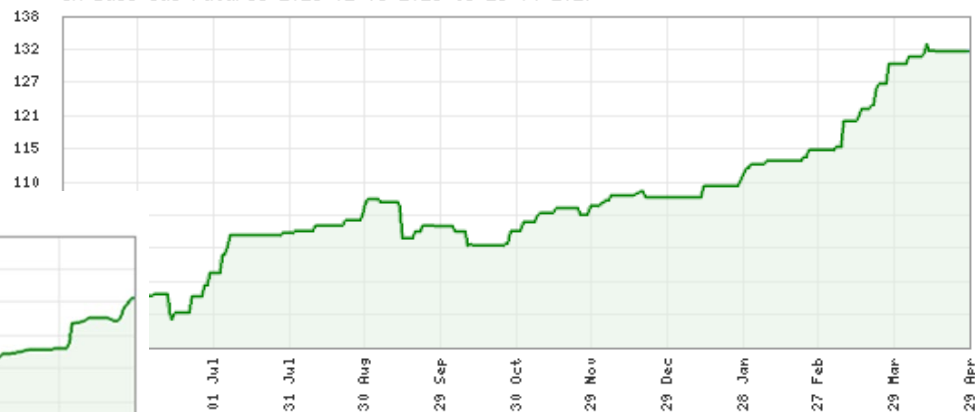


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SA Base Cal Futures 2017 09-06-2015 to 06-06-2016



SA Base Cal Futures 2018 02-05-2016 to 28-04-2017



## Retail what can be done



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Spot market

Diesel generation

Solar generation

Solar and Batteries

PPAs

Group purchasing



# Bulk Buying Group



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SACOME organised

20 members and 16 % of the states power supply

ACCC approval to collective bargain

5 Companies signed a deal

Simec Zen new market entrant

8 year with firm volumes

Solar plant 1 GW





# Questions



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# Thank you for listening