

# APPLICATION FORM FOR THE ISSUE OF A LICENCE BY THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF SA UNDER THE WATER INDUSTRY ACT

**Application Form** 

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# INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS FORM

### Purpose of this form

This form is to be completed by persons making an application to the Essential Services Commission of South Australia (the **Commission**) for the issue of a licence to provide a retail service (or undertake any other activity for which a licence is required by the regulations) in the water industry in South Australia.

The Commission may consider joint applications from two or more persons who wish to hold a licence jointly. Persons making joint applications must ensure that each of the applicants completes a separate application form together with a covering letter explaining that the application is for a licence to be jointly held.

### Basis for this form

Section 19(1) of the *Water Industry Act 2012* (the **Act**) provides that an application for the issue of a licence must be made to the Commission in a form approved by the Commission. This is the form approved by the Commission.

### Use of this form and applicant's responsibility

For the purpose of this application form, a reference to the term "Officer" include the applicant's directors and secretary, and/or other persons who make or participate in making decisions that affect a substantial part of the business of the applicant (e.g. Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, General Manager etc.).

Applicants should list the information requested in the spaces provided in this form and enclose additional information when required. Applicants must take all reasonable steps to ensure the information provided in the application form is complete, true and correct and are required to make a declaration to that effect. Failure to disclose information or misrepresent any matter relevant to such information may result in a licence not being issued or in the suspension or cancellation of a licence at a later time.

Applicants are responsible for providing the Commission with current, accurate and relevant information. This will ensure that the application is processed promptly and without delay. All applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis. If insufficient information is provided with an application, the Commission will request additional information to be submitted before the application is considered further. This may cause delays in the assessment of the application.

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### Prior reading

It is essential that licence applicants read the Commission's Water Bulletin – "Licensing Arrangements for the Water Industry" before they fill out this form. This Bulletin is available on the Commission's website <a href="www.escosa.sa.gov.au">www.escosa.sa.gov.au</a> under water/licensing. Applicants should also familiarise themselves with the regulatory obligations set out in the Act and the Water Retail Code that will apply to entities that provide retail services.

#### Licence conditions

Section 25 of the Act requires the Commission to impose certain conditions in licences. The Commission strongly recommends that applicants review these mandatory conditions. Applicants must be familiar with the relevant conditions and be confident that they can comply with the conditions. The Commission will have regard to the scale and nature of the operations undertaken by an applicant in imposing these conditions and will be available to consult with an applicant in this regard.

### Consultation and Confidentiality

The Commission will consult with relevant government, industry and consumer groups in the conduct of its licensing functions through a public consultation process. Consequently, applications and/or supporting information will be made available on the Commission's website and in hard copy from the Commission's office for this purpose.

If applicants believe that they are providing confidential information when completing this form they should write "this information is confidential" after any such information. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure this is clearly highlighted on the form. Applicants should also provide a 'non-confidential' version of the form capable of publication on the Commission's website.

The Commission will use information supplied in applications and in support of applications in accordance with the requirements of Part 5 of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2002*. Applicants claiming confidentiality are encourage to familiarise themselves with Part 5. Applicants should note that the Commission may be required to disclose confidential information in some circumstances.

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### How to lodge an application

Applicants should send their completed application form in writing and electronically.

In writing to: Essential Services Commission of SA

**GPO Box 2605** 

Adelaide SA 5001

Electronically to: licensing@escosa.sa.gov.au

### Application fee

Applicants must also enclose an application fee (which is to be set by the Treasurer) with their application. This fee must be received by the Commission in cleared funds before it can commence assessing an application.

### Annual licence fee

Holding a licence incurs an annual licence fee. The licence fees are set by the Treasurer, however, are collected by the Commission. At annual intervals, the Commission, on behalf of the Department of Treasury and Finance, will send to each licensee an invoice for the relevant annual licence fee. Licence fees are to be paid on receipt of an invoice via one of the payment options set out in the invoice.

A licence cannot be issued until the first annual licence fee has been paid.

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### 1. THE APPLICANT

Applicants must answer all questions in this section.

### 1.1. Identity of applicant

State the full name of the applicant. The applicant should be the person/entity that will be providing a retail service (e.g. retail or distribution operations etc). The Commission can also consider joint applications from two or more persons who wish to jointly hold the licence. Joint applicants should each complete an application form, and submit their application forms at the same time, with a covering letter explaining that a joint application is being made.

Name: District Council of Coober Pedy

### 1.2. Legal identity of applicant

Provide information about the applicant, (i.e. whether the applicant is a natural person, proprietary limited or public company, partnership or local government body etc). If the applicant is a body corporate, please also state the jurisdiction in which the applicant is registered, and the applicant's ABN/ACN.

Local Government Body.....

### 1.3. Address and Contact Details of applicant

### **Business Address:** Lot 773 Hutchison Street Coober Pedy SA......Post Code: 5723 ..... State: Postal Address (if different to Business Address): PO Box 425 Coober Pedy ..... Post Code: State: SA..... 5723 ..... 08 8672 4600. Telephone: Facsimile: 08 8672 5699..... E-mail: dccp@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au .....

### 1.4. Contact Person on behalf of applicant

The full name, title and contact details of a person to whom the Commission can direct enquiries and correspondence about the application.

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	Full Name	e:	Mr Phil Cameron		
	Title:		CEO		
	Business	Add	ress:		
	Lot 773 H	utch	ison St Coober Pedy		
	State:	SA.		Post Code:	5723
	Postal Ad	ldres	s (if different to above):		
	PO Box 42	25 C	oober Pedy		
	State:	SA.		Post Code:	5723
	Telephon	e:	08 8672 4600		
	Facsimile	:	08 8672 5699		
	E-mail:		pcameron@cpcouncil.sa.go	ov.au	
1.5.	Conta	act	person for licence f	ees	
	The full name or title of the person to whom the Commission can direct enquiries and correspondence about licence fees.				
	Full Name	e:	Damien Clark		
	Title:		Finance Manager		
	Business	Add	ress:		
	Lot 773 H	utch	ison St Coober Pedy		
	State:	SA.		Post Code:	5723
	Postal Ad	ldres	s (if different to above):		
	PO Box 42	25 C	oober Pedy		
	State:	SA.		Post Code:	5723
	Telephon	e:	08 8672 4600		
	Facsimile	:	08 8672 5699		
	E-mail:		dclark@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au	J	

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### 2. THE LICENCE

Applicants must answer all questions in this section.

## 2.1. A detailed description of the retail services for which a licence is sought

For example:

Water: drinking- residential and/or non-residential;

Water: non-drinking - residential and/or non-residential;

Sewerage: residential and/or non-residential; and

Sewerage - trade waste - non-residential.

Applicants should provide detailed information in respect of where the retail services will be provided and to whom (i.e. type and number of customers)

Water – drinking for residential and non-residential customers within town boundary of Coober Pedy.

Water – drinking for anyone out of Coober Pedy who wishes to purchase water from us via a Stand Pipe for bulk water or a coin operated Water Dispensing unit for small amounts of water.

Water – non drinking for anyone in or out of Coober Pedy who wishes to purchase from us in a bulk form.

Sewerage – residential and non-residential from designated locations with Coober Pedy

Sewerage - non-residential from mine sites and mine services sites

Reclaimed Water – non-residential sales for irrigation purposes

### 2.2. Date from which Licence is sought

If the applicant seeks to have the licence issued by a certain date, provide this date. Please note that the Commission does not undertake to issue the licence by this date. Applicants should usually allow the Commission a minimum of eight weeks to consider an application, as a public consultation period of several weeks forms part of the Commission's consideration of licence applications.

From 1 January 2013.....

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### 3. SUITABILITY OF APPLICANT TO HOLD A LICENCE

Applicants must answer all questions in this section.

### 3.1. Standard of honesty and integrity shown by applicant

In deciding whether the applicant is a suitable person to hold a licence, the Commission may:

- consider the applicant's previous commercial and other dealings, and
- the standard of honesty and integrity shown in those dealings.

Please provide information that will assist the Commission in its consideration of this matter. If the applicant:

- has been found guilty of any criminal offence,
- has been successfully prosecuted under any Territory, State or Commonwealth legislation (such as the Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001 or the Competition and Consumer Act 2010); or
- has been the subject of disciplinary action,
- details of such matters must be disclosed. Failure to disclose such information or misrepresent any matter relevant to such information may result in the cancellation of a licence.

The Commission may use the service of an external expert to assist with the assessment of the applicant's standard of honesty and integrity.

The Council has not been convicted of any criminal offences. The Council has never been prosecuted under any State or Commonwealth legislation. The Council welcomes any further investigation by the Commission.

We currently hold 3 x Electricity Licences and believe that all our dealing with these and any other issues are done with honesty and integrity.

# 3.2. Standard of honesty and integrity shown by officers and major shareholders (if relevant) of the applicant

Applicants should address responses to this question in the same manner as 3.1 above.

As we are a Local Government authority, we are subject to all relevant Laws and Regulations. It is incumbent on us to ensure all our dealings, including Elected Members and Managers, are done with honesty and integrity.

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### Names and addresses of the officers of applicant

State the names and addresses of the officers of the applicant. "Officers" of the applicant include the applicant's directors and secretary, or other persons who make or participate in making decisions that affect a substantial part of the business or operations of the applicant that will be licensed.

Full Name:	Steve Baines	
Date of Birth:	19/11/1957	
Office Held:	Mayor	
Business Addı Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Michael Maylin	
Date of Birth:	30/8/1954	
Office Held:	Deputy Mayor	
Business Addı Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	David Bowman	
Date of Birth:	16/12/1946	
Office Held:	Councillor	
Business Addi Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Rosemary Berry	
Date of Birth:	30/4/1947	
Office Held:	Councillor	

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<b>Business Add</b>	ress:	
Lot 773 Hutch	ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA.	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Carmelo Crisa	
Date of Birth:	16/2/1967	
Office Held:	Councillor	
Business Add Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA.	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Stephen Staines	
Date of Birth:	21/2/1979	
Office Held:	Councillor	
Business Add Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA.	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Paul Athanasiadis	
Date of Birth:	3/4/1978	
Office Held:	Councillor	
Business Add Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy	
State: SA.	Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Boro Rapaic	
Date of Birth:	7/7/1940	
Office Held:	Councillor	
Business Add	ross:	

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Lot 773 Hutch	ison St Coober Pedy		
State: SA.	Post	Code:	5723
Full Name:	Robin Walker		
Date of Birth:	25/7/1952		
Office Held:	Councillor		
Business Add Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy		
State: SA	Post	Code:	5723
Full Name:	Philip Cameron		
Date of Birth:	15/10/1955		
Office Held:	<b>Chief Executive Officer</b>		
Business Addi Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy		
State: SA	Post	Code:	5723
Full Name:	Damien Clark		
Date of Birth:	27/06/1975		
Office Held:	Finance Manager		
Business Addi Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy		
State: SA		Post Code:	5723
Full Name:	Phillip Van Poorten		
Date of Birth:	17/10/1966		
Office Held:	Water Supply Manager		
Business Addi Lot 773 Hutch	ress: ison St Coober Pedy		
State: SA		Post Code:	5723

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State:

## 3.3. Names and addresses of major shareholders of applicant (not relevant for local council applicants)

State the full names and addresses of the major shareholders of the applicant. Full Name: Date of Birth (if applicable): ..... Office Held: **Business Address:** ..... Post Code: State: ..... ..... Full Name: ..... Date of Birth (if applicable): ..... ...... **Business Address:** Post Code: State: ..... Full Name: Date of Birth (if applicable): Office Held: **Business Address:** .....

(attach additional pages if necessary)

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Post Code:

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# 3.4. Details of the group members (not relevant for local council applicants)

	This is information about entities controlled by the applicant, or by the ultimate parent entity of the applicant (if applicable).					
3.5.	Additional information					
	Please answer the following questions.					
	<ul> <li>Is the applicant a resident of, or does it have permanent establishment in, Australia? If the answer to this question is "no", please provide further details.</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Is the applicant under external administration (as defined in the Corporations Act 2001) or under a similar form of administration under any laws applicable to it in any jurisdiction? If the answer to this question is "yes", please provide further details.</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Is the applicant immune from suit in respect of the obligations under the Water Industry Act 2012? If the answer to this question is "yes", please provide further details.</li> </ul>					
	<ul> <li>Is the applicant capable of being sued in its own name in a court of Australia? If the answer to this question is "no", please provide further details</li> </ul>					

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### 3.6. Financial resources available to the applicant

Provide information about the financial resources available to the applicant which provides sufficient evidence of the current and ongoing financial capacity of the applicant to effectively provide the relevant retail services (e.g. bank guarantees, credit history and business continuity arrangements).

If the applicant is a company, please enclose a copy of the audited (and Board approved) profit and loss statement and balance sheet for the previous two financial years, including the director's report and the audit opinion. If the applicant is a subsidiary company, please also provide a copy of the audited profit and loss statement and balance sheet of the applicant's parent company for the previous two financial years.

If an applicant is a local council, please enclose a copy of the audited profit and loss statement and balance sheet for the previous two financial years.

Applicants should also submit copies of business plans which detail the strategic direction of the applicant, including its objectives, identified opportunities in the market place and forecast results.

The District Council of Coober Pedy been in existence as a Council since 1986 and previous to that it was Progress Association. Over that period Council has been able to deliver Electricity and Water services to the Coober Pedy community. This is not seen as "core" services that Local Government usually provide, however due to the distance from other communities we are best able to provide these services to our community.

I have attached a copy of the last Audited Financial Statement.

Council also has a Strategic Management Plan (5 years) which is linked to our Asset Management (10 years) and Long Term Financial Plan (10 years)

### 3.7. Human resources available to the applicant

Provide information about the human resources available to the applicant, for example, the number of employees and the experience of these employees in providing the services for which the licence is sought. If the applicant will employ contractor/s to assist with the licensed operations, please provide the name of that contractor/s, and details about the experience of the contractor/s in such operations and details of the processes in place to ensure the contractor/s will comply with the regulatory obligations imposed by the licence.

The District Council of Coober Pedy has an overall staff level of 75 employees. Of those employees we have 5 dedicated staff that have worked for the Water supply department with 5 other staff who work in the support site for the Water Supply. These staff deal with administration, IT, policy, finance and HR. The 5 dedicated staff has a combined 25 years of experience in working within our Water Department.

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### 3.8. Technical resources available to the applicant

Applicants are asked to provide details about the availability of technical resources to be used in carrying out the services for which a licence is sought. The information should include details about the technically qualified staff available to the applicant and (if relevant) of experience gained in similar operations.

Applicants must also provide sufficient details of the systems and processes to be used to market and/or communicate with customers, to provide bills, to follow up payments and process customer move-ins and move-outs and deal with customer enquiries and complaints.

All of Council's water supply staff have appropriate tickets and licences needed to perform the day to day duties that are needed. These tickets include Front End Loader, Skidsteer, Excavator, Senior First Aid, Workzone Traffic Management, Confines Spaces, Install Trench Support and Hazardous Substances. Council also ensures that all of the tickets are kept up to date to deliver the best service to the Coober Pedy community

These staff have had vast experience with bore pumps, bore pipelines, desalination plants, mains water pipelines, sewerage aeration devices and chlorine filters.

Due to our location we perform a majority of our maintenance and only bring in outside contractors for work that we do not usually perform such as programing our control system or repainting storage tanks.

On the retail side Council has very specialised expertise with our history in providing these services to a remote community. Council has over the past 24 years has provided billing and retailing services for both Water and Electricity. We have expertise in all processed from reading the meters, new connections right through to receiving payment.

Currently Council works under the Electricity Licence (ESCOSA Licence) to ensure that payments, delivery of services are performed for the Electricity Supply in Coober Pedy.

We believe if the Water Licence is developed in a similar way we will be able to deliver both Water and Electricity in a consistent way. We have systems in place that are proven, reliable and accurate.

#### 3.9. Contracts

Applicants must provide reasonable evidence that they are able to meet reasonably foreseeable obligations under contracts for the sale and supply of water or the sale or supply of sewerage

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services (or both) as the case may be. Such contracts would include contracts whereby the applicant is reliant on a supply of water or specific sewerage service from a third party which is intends to on sell to its customers.

Council does not have any contracts for the Sale or Supply of Water or Sale or Supply of Sewerage Services.

### 3.10. Suitable and appropriate infrastructure

The Commission may not issue a licence unless it is satisfied that the infrastructure to be used in connection with the relevant service is appropriate for the purposes for which it will be used. Applicants are therefore asked to provide a detailed description of the infrastructure that will be utilised by the applicant in providing the retail services for which the licence is sought and verify that the infrastructure has been (or will be) developed in accordance with relevant Australian Industry Codes and Australian Standards with reference to technical specifications or reports.

If an applicant does not own the infrastructure to be used in delivering the relevant retail services, the applicant must provide information regarding the appropriateness of that infrastructure and of the binding arrangements that are (or will be) in place with the owner of the infrastructure in regards to the use of the infrastructure.

Council currently owns and operated the following water supply infrastructure.

- 2 x 75kw Franklin Motors with 2 x Grundfos Pumps
- 2 x 100kva Hino/Dunlite Gensets
- 26 km Bore to Town Water pipeline
- 2 x Raw Water Storage Tank (from Bore)
- 1 x Pretreatment and Reverse Osmosis Plant (850kl per day)
- 1 x Pretreatment and Reverse Osmosis Plant (600kl per day)
- 2 x Product Storage Tanks (400kl total)
- 3 x Town Storage Tanks (2000kl each)
- 5 x Mains Town Reticulation Pumps (50kl/h rated each)
- 69 km of Town Mains pipeline

Centrally controlled SCADA system to monitor and control all parts of the Water Supply system

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4	320 meters of Sewerage Pipe
P	rumping Chamber
S	ewerage Treatment Plant 250m3 per day
9	0-95% recovery of Sewerage water to Class B standard for irrigation purposes
3.11.	Risk management
th re	rovide confirmation and reasonable evidence that the applicant's management has identified the risks associated with the retail services it intends to provide and has established, utilises and relies upon risk management systems and processes which are adequate, accurate and current to address those risks. A copy of the applicant's risk management strategy should be submitted.
d d	he District Council of Coober Pedy as an overall Council Risk Management Policy nd Plan. We are currently developing more specific policies for each epartment to see the specific risks that we need to be aware of. This will be one over the next 12 months and this is the time in which we will develop a Risk Management Policy specific to the Water Retailing that we perform.

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## 3.12. Licences held by the applicant in other Australian jurisdictions

If the applicant holds, or has previously held, a retail services licence or equivalent in other Australian jurisdictions please provide details. If a licence previously held has been suspended or cancelled, please provide details.

None

## 3.13. Previous unsuccessful licence applications in other Australian jurisdictions

Please state whether the applicant has applied for a water retail licence or equivalent in another Australian jurisdiction and not been issued with a licence, and provide relevant details.

None

### 3.14. Licences held by associates of the applicant

If an associate of the applicant (within the meaning of the Corporations Act) holds a water retail licence in South Australia or in other Australian jurisdictions, please provide details.

None

### 3.15. Compliance program

Applicants are required to submit a copy of their Compliance Program which details what compliance systems the applicant has (or will have) in place and a description of how these systems will ensure compliance with the applicable regulatory obligations imposed by a licence and the Water Retail Code. The Commission expects that a Compliance Program will, as a minimum, document:

- the obligations that will apply to the applicant;
- the processes that are (or will be) in place to ensure the applicant's compliance with obligations;
- details on how compliance is monitored;
- details of how non-compliance will be reported and rectified; and
- details of any internal audit programs in place that review (or will review) the effectiveness of the Compliance Program from time to time.

The District Council of Coober Pedy is quite an individual Water retailer because of the history of selling water to our community and because we currently sell Electricity to the same community.

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The District Council of Coober Pedy has been selling water to the Coober Pedy and wider community for more than 20 years. This has been performed in an isolated, harsh environment. We have done this with little supervision from any outside organisation.

We have however over the past 5 years had to work under the Electricity Generation/Distribution/Retail licence as issued by ESCOSA. We have successful fulfilled our requirements under the licence over the past 5 years.

Listed below are the list of obligations that Council will have to comply with and the way that we will comply them:

- Provide a Customer Charter to all customers We currently provide a Standard Contract to all of our new Electricity Customers
- Customer enquiry procedures We have been dealing with customer for more than 20 years for the Sale of Water, Electricity and General Council enquiries. We provide most of the popular payment options including instalment payment plans. Council has a Customer Complaints Policy (2011) that spells out the way we deal with enquiries or complaints. Council provides a lot of information in a regular (monthly) Council page in the local newspaper. We also provide relevant information for customers in our office or on our Website. We have a proven history in dealing with 45 different nationalities that call Coober Pedy home. Council office hours are between 8.30am and 5pm weekdays.
- Customer Communication Currently we provide customer information in 3
  different ways; a monthly or bi-month bill, information posted on our website
  and information in the Local paper on a monthly basis.
- Providing Regular bills Over the past 20 years we have been sending out monthly bills to our Commercial (non-residential customers) and bi-monthly bills to our residential customers. The information provided on this account includes starting and ending readings for the billing period, consumption for the period, tariff rate, billing period, any arrears still owing, due date, contact number, consumption per day, cost per day and all contact and payment information. We also have a system which ensures customers receive reminder notices and follow up letters if the initial bill has not been paid on time.
- Payment types Council currently accepts the following payment types:
  - o Cash, Cheque, Credit/Debit Cards via Councils office
  - Credit Card via phone
  - o Credit Card via Council Secure website
  - o Bank Transfer

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- Payroll Deductions
- Centrepay deductions
- Payment Difficulties Council offers lot of payment options and plans for people who are having problems paying their accounts on time. As per the Electricity Retail code we provide instalment payment options to people who come to Council wishing to negotiate a payment plan.
- Records Management Council required to comply with records management requirements as defined in both the Local Government Act 1999 and State Records Act 1997. In such we comply with the GDS20 standard for all Council records including Water records.
- Emergency/Out of Hours Council has staff on-call for emergency issues that
  occur. They also deal with customer issues that happen outside of normal
  business hours. The emergency number is clearly shown on each bill sent out
  to customers and located on our website.
- OHS&W Council has a full suite of OHS&W policies, procedures, risk assessments and safe work instructions that affect the way we operate across Council including our Water Supply.

### 3.16. Additional information

The Commission encourages applicants to provide any additional information they consider we be of assistance in supporting the application. Please provide below.	

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# 4. FACTORS SPECIFIED IN THE ESSENTIAL SERVICES COMMISSION ACT 2002

In considering a licence application, the Commission must have as its primary objective the protection of the long term interests of consumers with respect to the price, quality and reliability of essential services, and must also have regard to the need to:

a)	promote	competitive	and fair	market	conduct:
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- b) prevent misuse of monopoly or market power;
- c) facilitate entry into relevant markets;
- d) promote economic efficiency;
- e) ensure consumers benefit from competition and efficiency;
- f) facilitate maintenance of the financial viability of regulated industries and the incentive for long term investment;
- g) promote consistency in regulation with other jurisdictions.

If the applicant believes that information about their application would assist the Commission in its consideration of these factors, the applicant should provide such information below.

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### 5. APPLICATION FEES

Applicants for a licence must pay the Commission an application fee which is fixed by the Treasurer. Please enclose this fee with the application. An application cannot be considered until this fee has been received.

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### 6. DECLARATION

All information in this application for the issue of a licence to authorise the provision of retail services in the water industry in South Australia must be verified by a Statutory Declaration of the applicant, in accordance with the provisions of the Oaths Act 1936 (SA)<sup>1</sup>, stating that the information contained in the application is true and correct to the best of the applicant's knowledge, information and belief.

In conjunction with this declaration, evidence of the relevant authority of the declarant to sign on behalf of the applicant must also be provided to the Commission.<sup>2</sup>

Statutory Declaration
I Phillip Cameron
of District Council of Coober Pedy
do solemnly and sincerely declare that the information contained in this Application for the issue of a licence to authorise the provision of retail services in the water industry in South Australia is true and correct to the best of my knowledge information and belief.
And I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the <i>Oaths Act 1936</i> .
Date
(Where the applicant is a body corporate, the declaration must be made by a person authorised by body
Declared at: Oober Pechy this 18th day of
Declared at202.
Before me:
(Signature of Justice of the Peace or other person authorised under the Oaths Act 1936)
T.A. BERRY  A Justice of the Peace in and for the State of South Australia  No. 20931

- 1 Or equivalent legislation in other Australian jurisdictions.
- 2 The Commission will accept a copy of a Board or Council minute (or circulating resolution) giving approval for the declarant to sign on behalf of the applicant as evidence of the relevant authority.



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