Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal



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Dear Mr Rayner

SPECIAL VARIATION INSTRUMENT - VARIATION TO CLAUSE 1 TO INCLUDE THE CARBON PRICE ADVANCE AND WITHDRAWAL

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I refer to your letter dated 18 April 2012 requesting that we vary Tweed Shire Council's existing special variation under section 508A(9) of the *Local Government Act* 1993. This application is in accordance with the *Addendum to the Guidelines for the Preparation of an Application for a Special Variation to General Income in* 2012/13 circulated by the Division of Local Government in March.

Please find attached a signed instrument which provides for a variation to clause 1 of the instrument issued to your council on 15 August 2007. This decision enables your council to bring its existing special variation into line with the way we have set the rate peg for 2012/13, and reflects the equitable treatment that we have offered to all councils. Please note that the other clauses of the initial instrument still apply.

We note that your council has taken steps to inform the community that it is taking up the arrangement relating to the carbon price advance and withdrawal. This should include a statement in the council's draft operating plan and Statement of Revenue Policy.

We will be shortly publishing a fact sheet on our website which lists the approved changes for all councils that have been issued with a variation.

If you have any queries please contact Alison Milne on (02) 9290 8443.

Yours sincerely

James Cox PSM

Chief Executive Officer

and Full Time Member

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INSTRUMENT UNDER SECTION 508A(1)

TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal, delegate of the Minister for Local Government, pursuant to the delegation dated 6 September 2010, by this Order under section 508A(9) varies clause 1 of the Order issued to the Council on 15 August 2007 as follows:

1. Under section 508A(1) of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) determines that the percentage by which Tweed Shire Council may increase its general income for the period 2008/2009 to 2012/2013 is 50.90%, consisting of the following annual increases:

	Year	Increase in annual general income (%)	Cumulative increase in general income (%)
Y1	2008/09	9.50	9.50
Y2	2009/10	9.50	19.90
Y3	2010/11	8.50	30.09
Y4	2011/12	7.50	39.85
Y5	2012/13	7.90	50.90

Dated this

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Peter J. Boxall AO

Chairman, Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal