



## **NOTE FOR THE RECORD**

### **PR09 SENIOR CO-ORDINATION TEAM MEETING**

**19 July 2007, 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm**

**Ofwat, Centre City Tower, Birmingham**

#### **Notes of the previous meeting**

The group agreed the note of the previous meeting, which will be circulated to Water UK, individual water companies and placed on the Ofwat website.

#### **Update on Ofwat Methodology**

The group were updated on various issues that will be included in the consultation paper to be published in October 2007; including revenue cap, incentives and efficiencies and cost benefit analysis. Responses to the incentives and efficiencies discussion paper have been received from a number of stakeholders. The preferred option will be included in the October paper.

#### **Risks**

Major risks were identified by each organisation and the contingencies to be put in place discussed.

#### **Update on Defra/ WAG strategy, Statement of Obligations and Social and Environmental guidance**

Defra is now expecting to publish its strategy refresh in the autumn due to the change in Ministers. Post meeting note – Defra's water strategy is now due to be published in early 2008 to enable it to take account of the interim findings from the Pitt Review..

The work on Statement of Obligations and Social and Environmental Guidance will be in parallel. It is expected that the Social and Environmental guidance will be published in time to influence the draft business plans.

#### **Updates**

CCWater is continuing to engage with companies, DWI and EA to discuss inputs to strategic direction statements and business plans. Natural England has joined some of the quadripartite groups. The plans for the customer research programme are developing well and the group supported the recommendations put forward.

Natural England has appointed regional co-ordinators to work with CCWater and the Environment Agency.

DWI is working on drinking water quality matters related to PR09; this will include guidance and bilateral meetings with the water companies.

The second PR09 forum for Wales had been held building on the success of the first forum.

#### **Informal workshops/ consultations**

A workshop had been held on incentives and efficiencies. A climate change workshop is to be held in August for water companies and other stakeholders. A workshop on

cost benefit analysis will be arranged for late summer after publication of the top level guidance by Ofwat.

### **Chief Executives Group**

The update from the last Chief Executives Group meeting on 4 May was noted.

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### **Attendees:**

Fiona Pethick – Chair -Ofwat  
Rowena Tye – Ofwat  
George Day – Ofwat  
Lynne Currie – Ofwat  
Mark Hann – Ofwat  
Carolyn Baker – Ofwat  
Rhiannon McHugh - Ofwat

Deryck Hall – CCWater  
Paul Wright – Defra }  
Helena Busby – Defra } via telephone link  
Judith Harris - Defra }  
Anita Payne – Defra }  
Kevin White - DWI  
Trevor Bishop – Environment Agency  
Joanne Sherwood – Environment Agency  
Jane Morris – Environment Agency  
Patrick Moran – Welsh Assembly Government  
Alastair Burn – Natural England

### **Apologies:**

Richard Wood - Defra  
Nicola Thomas – Welsh Assembly Government  
Claire Pollard - DWI  
Hilary Aldridge – Environment Agency  
John Fraser – Environment Agency  
Clare Savvas – Environment Agency  
Chris Uttley – Countryside Council for Wales  
Jonathan Hodgkin - Ofwat