



**OFWAT BOARD**  
**Meeting held on 9 February 2005**

**Chair: Philip Fletcher**

**Attendees:**

Philip Fletcher

**Non-Executive Advisory Directors:**

John Baker  
Martin Cave  
Roger Munson  
Jane May

**Executive Directors:**

Bill Emery  
Keith Mason  
Roger Dunshea  
Tony Smith

Huw Brooker (Head of Legal Services)  
Fiona Pethick (Head of Corporate Affairs and Secretary to the Board)

**Agree minutes of last meeting and update on actions arising**

We agreed to correct the minutes for the December meeting to say merger policy would be discussed at a future meeting, rather than at the next meeting.

The actions arising from the December meeting were all complete.

**Industry update**

No companies had sought a Competition Commission reference. This would affect the Ofwat work programme for the coming months.

The Board noted the ongoing sale of Mid Kent Water and the conclusions of the consultation following the sale of South Staffordshire Water.

Members of the Board provided an update on recent meetings with key stakeholders.

John Baker reported progress with the review of PR04 and the views expressed at the Forward Programme Workshop. The PR04 staff survey results were circulated.

The Board noted the recent developments around the water framework directive and quality enhancement programme.

Philip Fletcher updated the Board on the Severn Trent Whistleblower investigation.

**Freedom of Information Act: disclosure of minutes of past and future  
Ofwat Board minutes**

The Board considered the request for Ofwat Board minutes for the period July to December 2004. It agreed that subject to some exemptions these minutes should be provided to the enquirer. The Board also agreed that the minutes of this, and future meetings, would be placed on the website when they had been approved at the subsequent meeting.

**Ofwat budget 2005-06**

The budget was approved.

**Fiona Pethick  
15 February 2005**