

Publishing the cost of the Desalination Plant on water bills

The decision by the Weatherill Labor Government to double the size of the \$2.2 billion Port Stanvac Desalination Plant has resulted in huge increases to household water bills. South Australian families are already paying the highest water bills in the nation with a 249% increase since Labor was elected.

Average annual water bills have increased from \$236.40 in 2002 to \$824.90 to pay for the desalination plant. These bills come on top of gas price increases of 110% and electricity price increases of 144%.

The SA Liberals are committed to delivering honest, accountable and transparent government if elected in 2014. As part of this, we believe South Australians deserve to know how much they are paying for Labor's decision to double the size of the desalination plant and the subsequent mothballing of the plant. Consumers deserve to know where their money is going and what it is being used for.

If elected in 2014, a Marshall Liberal Government will require SA Water to publish the cost of the desalination plant on household water bills. Every quarterly water bill will clearly show the average cost per household of the desalination plant.

Let us know what you think

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