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Dear Mr Speirs

### **Freedom of Information – SA Water Dividend Projections**

I refer to your application under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (FOI Act), received by the Department of Treasury and Finance (DTF) on 23 January 2023.

Your application specifically requested:

*'Please provide all records and documents, including but not limited to emails, text messages, diary entries, and any other forms of correspondence, that pertain to communication between the Department of Treasury and Finance and the Treasurer, as well as any correspondence that pertain to communication between Department of Treasury and Finance and the Treasurers Chief of Staff and/or the Minister's advisers and/or administrative staff, in relation to the provision of advice on SA Waters dividend projections for 2024 to 2028. Date Range: 21/03/2022 to 19/01/2023'*

A total of 2 documents were identified as answering the terms of your application and I have determined as follows:

- I grant you access in part to 1 document, a copy of which is enclosed, and
- I refuse you access to 1 document.

Please refer to the attached schedule that describes each document and sets out my determination and reasons in summary form.

Note that the 2022-2023 Budget and the 2022-2023 MYBR include information on SA Water dividend projections, which is publicly available on the Department of Treasury and Finance website.

### **Documents released in part**

Document 1 contains information which, if released, would disclose details concerning a deliberation or decision of Cabinet. I have there determined to exempt this information pursuant to clause 1(1)(e) of Schedule 1 to the FOI Act.

## Documents refused in full

Document 2 is a briefing paper specifically prepared for the use of the Minister in relation to a matter submitted to Cabinet. I have therefore exempted the document pursuant to clause 1(1)(f) of Schedule 1 to the FOI Act.

## Exemptions

### Clause 1 – Cabinet documents

- (1) *A document is an exempt document – ...*
- (e) *if it contains matter the disclosure of which would disclose information concerning any deliberation or decision of Cabinet; or*
  - (f) *if it is a briefing paper specifically prepared for the use of a Minister in relation to a matter submitted, or proposed to be submitted to Cabinet.*

Please note, in compliance with Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045 - *Disclosure Logs for Non-Personal Information Released through Freedom of Information* (PC045), DTF is now required to publish a log of all non-personal information released under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

In accordance with this Circular, any non-personal information determined for release as part of this application, may be published on the DTF website. A copy of PC045 can be found at the following address: <https://www.dpc.sa.gov.au/resources-and-publications/premier-and-cabinet-circulars>. Please visit the website for further information.

## Appeal Rights

If you are aggrieved with this determination, you have a right to apply for internal review under subsection 29(1) of the FOI Act. Pursuant to subsection 29(2), your application must:

- be in writing,
- be addressed to the principal officer, and
- be lodged at an office of DTF or emailed to [freedomofinformation2@sa.gov.au](mailto:freedomofinformation2@sa.gov.au) within 30 days after the day on which you receive this letter or within such further time as the principal officer may allow.

If you require any further information, please phone Inthira Stocker on (08) 8429 3497.

Yours sincerely



Deanna Fleming  
ACCREDITED FREEDOM OF INFORMATION OFFICER

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**Schedule of Documents**

T&F23/0146 - Mr David Speirs MP, Leader of the Opposition - *"Please provide all records and documents, including but not limited to emails, text messages, diary entries, and any other forms of correspondence, that pertain to communication between the Department of Treasury and Finance and the Treasurer, as well as any correspondence that pertain to communication between Department of Treasury and Finance and the Treasurers Chief of Staff and/or the Minister's advisers and/or administrative staff, in relation to the provision of advice on SA Waters dividend projections for 2024 to 2028. Date Range: 21/03/2022 to 19/01/2023"*

<b>Doc. No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Description of Document</b>	<b># of pages</b>	<b>Determination</b>	<b>Exemption Clause</b>
1	26/04/2022	Email - SA Water	1	Released in part	1(1)(e) - Contains information concerning deliberation or decision of Cabinet or Cabinet committee
2	undated	2022-23 - Budget Issue - Briefing	2	Refused in full	1(1)(f) - Briefing prepared for use of Minister regarding matter submitted to Cabinet

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**Subject:** SA Water - **Clause 1(1)(e)**  
**Date:** Tuesday, 26 April 2022 10:35:12 AM  
**Attachments:** [2022-23 Budget Treasurer Brief - Clause 1\(1\)\(e\) image003.png](#) ([A2369253](#)).docx  
**Importance:** High

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Rick – for information only – no action required.

Attached, for the Treasurer’s meeting with SA Water, a briefing regarding **Clause 1(1)(e)**  
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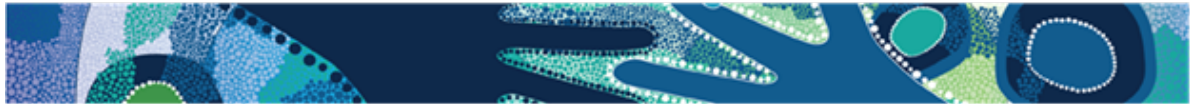


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