Yabby Producers Association Inc.



Hon R C Kucera MLA Chair, Economics and Industry Standing Committee Parliament House Harvest Terrace Perth WA 6000



Dear Mr Kucera

Subject: Economics and Industry Standing Committee: Inquiry into Water Licensing and Services

I refer you to your invitation to make a submission *Economics and Industry Standing Committee Inquiry into Water Licensing and Services*. The Yabby Producers Association (YPA) is keen to make submission to the Inquiry.

In the interim, YPA is concerned that the Minister for Water Resources may preempt the Inquiry by introducing amendments to the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Amendment Regulations 2007* that were disallowed in the Legislative Council on 22 November 2007. Such an action will have the effect of deterring submissions to your inquiry, plus make the Inquiry outcomes redundant and waste Parliamentary and public resources.

We urge you to dissuade the Minister for Water Resources from introducing further water licence administration fees until the Economics and Industry Standing Committee Inquiry into Water Licensing and Services has reported to the Parliament.

Yours sincerely

Paul Nenke Chair