

**Submission  
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## **PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS REGISTRATION BILL 2019**

**Organisation:** Riverina Water County Council

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Legislative Assembly Committee  
Inquiry into Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019  
Parliament of New South Wales

Dear Committee members,

With regard to the Legislative Assembly Committee Inquiry into Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019, please consider the following submission from Riverina Water County Council.

Riverina Water is a Local Government authority, servicing the Councils of the City of Wagga Wagga, Lockhart Shire, most of Greater Hume and half of Federation Council, providing drinking water to 73,000 people in 32,000 households. To enable the delivery of this critical service, Riverina Water directly employs 12 engineering professionals and engineering cadets, and utilises the services of many more specialised engineering consultants.

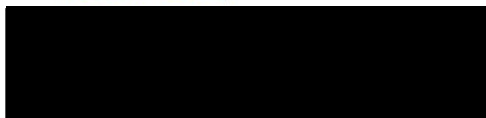
Riverina Water encourage our in-house engineers to obtain registration, as a way of demonstrating our technical expertise, and to give our communities the confidence that the health, safety and reliability of this critical service is being managed by engineering professionals.

The communities we supply expect a high level of technical proficiency, and minimum standards of qualification and experience when we are employing engineers. A mandatory registration scheme would enhance our confidence when recruiting engineers and engaging specialist engineering consultants.

Riverina Water urge you to support the Professional Engineers Registration Bill 2019, to give the public confidence and assist organisations like ours, recruit and maintain the engineering expertise we require.

Riverina Water's Director Engineering, Bede Spannagle is available to present to the Inquiry, and answer any further questions you may have.

Yours sincerely



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