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Dear Mr Grove

Thank you for your letter to the Treasurer concerning Report No 3/54 of the Joint Standing Committee on the Office of the Valuer-General entitled "Report on the Seventh General Meeting with the Valuer-General". The Treasurer has asked me to reply on his behalf.

I note Recommendation 5 of the report states: "The Committee recommends the Valuer-General, in consultation with the Department of Local Government, the Local Government and Shires Association and, if appropriate the Office of State Revenue, develop clear guidelines as to how valuations should be applied for rating purposes, where a shared facility is identified."

The Office of State Revenue uses valuations provided by the Valuer-General to determine land tax liabilities. It is not involved with the determination of council rates.

As the guidelines relate to valuations for council ratings purposes, it may not be appropriate for the Office of State Revenue to assist in their development.

However, the Office of State Revenue is happy to assist in the development of the guidelines if required by the Valuer-General.

Yours sincerely

Tony Newbury

Executive Director and Chief Commissioner of State Revenue

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