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I was recently given some information which seems quite UNBELIEVABLE.

I am REFERRING TO A PRICE RISE IN OUR WATER RATES FROM 65¢ TO \$8.69 K/LITRE OVER 1300% RISE.

I can't imagine anyone in MT LARCOM THAT THIS WOULDN'T CAUSE A HARDSHIP TO. WE ARE ALL AVERAGE people on an AVERAGE wage. which will now DROP UP TO \$55 A WEEK TO PAY FOR WATER.

WHY IS A SMALL TOWN OF 350 people in Calliope Shire BEING VICTIMISED IN THIS way when the REST OF THE SHIRE IS BEING INCREASED BY APPROX. 100% OPPOSED TO OUR 1300%, ITS NOT OUR FAULT WE LIVE AT THE END OF THE WATER NETWORK FROM THE AWOONGA DAM. IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS NEW PEOPLE INCLUDING MYSELF HAVE MOVED TO MT LARCOM. THE TOWN IS GROWING AND MOVING AHEAD. IF THESE PRICE RISES COME INTO EFFECT I CAN ONLY SEE IT GOING BACKWARDS.

WE HAVE A SHOWGROUND WHICH HOSTS THE MT LARCOM SHOW & RODEOS WHICH HAVE BEEN POPULAR FOR MANY YEARS AND BROUGHT A LOT OF VISITORS TO MT LARCOM. THIS WOULD DEFINATELY COME TO AN END BECAUSE AS YOU COULD IMAGINE THE SHOWGROUND COULD NOT OPERATE WITH THIS PRICE RISE.

I'VE EVEN HEARD THE CONCERNS OF THE CHILDREN WHO ATTEND MT LARCOM SCHOOL. HOW MANY COMPUTERS AND LEARNING AIDS WILL THEY HAVE TO DO WITHOUT TO PAY FOR WATER.

THIS IS OUTRAGEOUS. DON'T YOU THINK. PLEASE PUT OUR MURDS AT EASE AND TELL ME THIS INFORMATION IS WRONG.

HAPPY TO HEAR FROM YOU.

