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Ms Tracey Horsfall  
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Productivity Commission  
GPO Box 1428  
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Dear Ms Horsfall,

**SunWater submission on the National Water Reform – Draft Report**

Please accept this submission from SunWater on the National Water Reform – Draft Report (**'Draft Report'**).

The submission is made on the grounds that SunWater is a Water Service Provider managing a rural network of bulk water supply infrastructure, supporting around 5,000 customers within Queensland's mining, power generation, industrial, local government and irrigated agricultural sectors. We note the draft recommendations and would like to clarify the factual error relating to Nathan Dam on page 239 below:

- Page 239 – Nathan Dam. The report indicates that the irrigation scheme originally proposed for Nathan Dam was abandoned when it was found that the price of water would be several times more than agricultural users could afford to pay. This is correct, however the current wording suggests that the project was abandoned altogether. In reality the project was progressed on the premise of servicing mining and urban requirements, and the Environmental Impact Statement for the project was recently approved. We suggest that wording be amended to reflect this outcome.

Please do not hesitate to contact Gordon Delaney in regard to any queries on this submission. He can be reached

Yours sincerely

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