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document: I was the Chairman of The Yanco Creek and Tributaries Advisory Council when the Metering project was implemented. Although there were problems with the roll out, the outcomes of having public ownership of meters has had substantial benefits for water uses. These include 1 Less responsibility that your metre is in good working order. 2. Having the knowledge that other water uses are complying with water orders and extraction rates. 3. Sharing the responsibility that your metre is working. 4. Alleviation of the blame game. 5. Less chance of unexpected maintenance costs. I strongly support the public ownership of water meters and find it hard to understand that private ownership would not be seen by the general public as equivalent to leaving the fox in charge of the hen house. Rightly or wrongly we as irrigators are not seen to be doing the right thing in relation to water extraction. We must be seen as being compliant this will not be possible if these changes go ahead. Please think again and leave the ownership and maintenance of meters to the utility that is reasonable for compliance like any other government utility. Richard Sleigh

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