



Veolia Water Projects Limited
Wholesale Charges Scheme 2023/24
Statement regarding the Board's assessment of bill increases for 2023/24

The Board of Veolia Water Projects Limited (the "Company") has noted the requirements under A1 of Ofwat's Wholesale charging rules with respect to the approval of the impact assessments and handling strategies developed in instances where bill increases for licensees exceed 5%.

Members of the Board reviewed all proposed changes in charges compared to the previous charging year and considered how these translated into bill changes for a selection of Eligible Premises.

The Board has assessed the Statements of Assurance provided by Wessex Water and Southern Water and expects wholesale charges to increase by more than 5% due to the high rate of inflation (November CPIH figure reached 9.3%):

- Ex-Southern Water wholesale water charges are projected to increase by 11.0% and wholesale wastewater charges are projected to increase by 10.6%
- Ex-Wessex Water wholesale water charges are projected to increase by up to 11.4% and wholesale wastewater charges are projected to increase by up to 6.8%

We have developed a customer communication strategy to mitigate the impacts of the greater than 5% increase in bills.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fiona Winters".

Fiona Winters
Director

Date: 27th January 2023