

## 1.0 OBJECTIVE OF THE POLICY

The objective of this remission policy is to apply the Uniform Annual General Charge and Fixed Charges on a fair and equitable basis to ratepayers. Section 20 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 provides for two or more rating units to be treated as one unit for setting a rate if the units are:

- a) In the same ownership, and
- b) Used jointly as a single unit, and
- c) Contiguous or separated by a road, railway, drain, water race, river or stream.

This Policy provides for the possibility of a rates remission where the above three conditions are not all met, but where it is nevertheless considered inequitable for the rating units to be treated as separate. In addition, it provides for remission of uniform annual general charges (UAGCs) and/or targeted fixed charge rates where a rating unit is liable for multiple charges but it is considered inequitable or excessive to assess full charges. This Policy may also be applied to individual lots for subdivisions, before the titles are sold.

## 2.0 CONDITIONS AND CRITERIA

- 2.1 The units may be in separate ownership, but if they are contiguous and are used jointly as a single unit, they will be treated as a single unit, so long as the contiguous rating unit does not contain any habitable dwellings; or
- 2.2 The remission will be the uniform annual general charge plus targeted fixed charge rates, on all but one rating unit where all of these rating units are:
  - a) subdivided into 5 or more lots where the titles have been issued; and
  - b) owned by the original developer who is holding the individual pending their sale to subsequent purchasers; and
  - c) originally contiguous or separated only by road, railway, drain, water race, river or stream.

## 3.0 RATES TO BE REMITTED

- 3.1 Rating units that meet the criteria under this policy may qualify for a remission of the uniform annual general charges (UAGC's) and any targeted rates set on the basis of a fixed dollar charge per rating unit. The ratepayer will remain liable for at least one set of each type of uniform annual general charge or fixed charge.

## 4.0 DELEGATION

- 4.1 That the delegated authority for this policy is set out in the Delegations Register.

<b>Rate Payer</b>			
<b>Property Address</b>			
<b>Phone Number</b>		<b>Mobile Number</b>	
<b>Email Address</b>			
<b>Postal Address (if different from Property address)</b>			

I hereby certify that the following properties (please enclose copy of Certificate of Titles or lease documents where available)

(a) Comply with the provisions of Section 20 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, are owned by the same person or persons and are used jointly as a single unit.

**Or**

(b) Comply with the conditions and criteria of the policy for rates remission of Uniform Annual General Charge and Targeted Rates in certain circumstances.

Valuation Number	Property Address	Area	Capital Value

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 20, or the Remission Policy, I now request that the individual properties be rated as one rating unit.

I confirm that I have read and understood the information and Conditions of the Policy (overleaf), and that the information I have provided is true and correct.

<b>Rate Payer</b>			
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	