Productivity Commissioner Effectiveness of Implementation of MD Plan 8am Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

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VIP - Welcome to Renmark & South Australia

All Australians need the MDB Plan (even those outside the basin) - for the long-term viability of our country's greatest asset:

- On time & in full
- No Meter No Water
- Meter from the river off-take not channel slow uptake
- Regular independent (trusted) audits of water 'take' VIP emphasis on trusted
- Matthews Report & NSW Action Plan time to implement / compliance / penalties
- Water Plans compliance what if not delivered?
- SDL Very Important
  - o Embarrassing SA Royal Commission & Disallowance
- Evaporation from channels / storage not included future consideration / incorporation vital
- Efficiencies, efficiencies, efficiencies..... VIP
  - O SA lead & no additional water take for over 40 years
- Environmental water used downstream for irrigators to be investigated & rules in place to cease such a take from the river systems
- Importance of CEWH excellent work & need further time for big picture benefits to be seen. Coordinated flows / pulses / fisheries / wetland rehabilitation / blackwater to maximum advantage.....

Reliable, Quality Water – shared by our nation equitably

Appreciate the local visits:

Peter Hunter

Deputy Mayor Renmark Paringa Council

Chair Region 5 Murray Darling Association