

Investing in infrastructure

Wyuna Water New South Wales

Wyuna Water (Wyuna) operates two water filtration plants in the Illawarra and at Woronora in NSW. The plants source water from the Avon and Woronora Dams to provide water supplies to more than 500,000 people living in southern Sydney and the Illawarra region.



The plants are operated on behalf of Sydney Water Corporation (SWC) and have a combined treatment capacity of 370 mL/day. The Illawarra plant can treat up to 210 mL of water per day, while the Woronora plant can treat up to 160 mL.

What is the investment?

The Wyuna plants were designed, constructed and financed under a 25-year Build, Own and Operate contract, which commenced in December 1994. The Illawarra plant was commissioned in December 1996, while the Woronora plant commenced operations in April 1997.

Location

Illawarra and Woronora, New South Wales

AustralianSuper's interest in the asset 27.0%

How AustralianSuper invests in infrastructure

AustralianSuper invests in infrastructure assets as a way of diversifying our investment portfolio. To most people infrastructure means assets like bridges, toll roads and utilities, but in fact it can include a wide range of other investments. We are keen to invest in projects that have direct benefits for the community and/or the environment.



Wyuna receives a two-part tariff from SWC for the services it provides. The tariff consists of both a usage charge and an availability charge, which significantly reduces the potential revenue impact of drought conditions on the operations of Wyuna.

How does AustralianSuper invest?

AustralianSuper invests in Wyuna Water through the Industry Funds Management Australian Infrastructure (IFMAI) Fund.

IFMAI acquired a 70% holding in Wyuna in 2003. The other 30% shareholder is Veolia Water, which maintains and operates the plants through one of its subsidiary companies.

(Information sources: Industry Funds Management, Infrastructure Partnerships Australia website, August 2009)

Did you know...

- Wyuna's Illawarra plant includes a hydro-electric facility. This allows the plant to be entirely self-sufficient in electricity and to export renewable energy to the NSW electricity grid.
- Since the treatment plants have come online, customer complaints about water quality have fallen dramatically. This is mainly due to the removal of dissolved iron and manganese from the water supply and the lower turbidity of the outputs from the filtration plants.

Would you like more information?

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