



## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

14<sup>th</sup> February 2006

**GM8 LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SHIRES  
ASSOCIATION CONTRIBUTION  
FILE: \* AVB {Folio No. \* }**

### SUMMARY:

To outline the Associations request for a contribution towards the cost of their Financial Inquiry.



### DESCRIPTION:

The Local Government and Shires Associations have established an Independent Inquiry into the Financial Sustainability of NSW Local Government. The Inquiry is being conducted by an independent panel chaired by Professor Percy Allan, AM assisted by Inquiry members Ms Libby Darlison and Ms Diana Gibbs.

The total budget for the Inquiry has now been finalized at \$550,000. The Associations have resolved to seek member contributions for 50% of the cost of the Inquiry based on member's annual subscription formula with the balance to be funded by the Associations. Council's contribution has been assessed at \$1,959.10.

### REPORT IMPLICATIONS:

- *Environmental*

*Nil*

- *Social*

*Nil*

- *Economic (Financial)*

*No provision has been made in the budget and any contribution would be funded from working funds.*

- *Policy or Statutory*

*Nil*

- *General Manager's Review*

*Nil*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That Council contribute \$1,959.10 towards the cost of the Independent Inquiry into the Financial Sustainability of NSW Local Government.**

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**A V Burgess**  
**GENERAL MANAGER**