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PRESS STATEMENT

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WCS REVIEW IS NOT A WATER TARIFF REVIEW

- **Anyone can avoid the WCS by using less water at home.**
- **All trade water consumers and 75% of domestic water consumers are NOT affected by the WCS.**

PENANG, Thursday, 27/4/2017: Penang's Water Conservation Surcharge (WCS) review is NOT a water tariff review because the majority of water consumers are not affected and the WCS can be avoided.

These are the 3 key differences:

1. A water tariff review will affect all trade and domestic consumers. A WCS review will only affect about 25% of domestic consumers in Penang. All trade consumers are NOT affected by the WCS. It will also not affect 75% of domestic consumers.
2. A water tariff review will affect consumers regardless of the volume of their water consumption. A WCS review will only affect domestic consumers who use more than 35,000 litres of water per month.
3. A water tariff review does NOT offer anyone an option to avoid paying more. A WCS review offers domestic consumers the option of avoiding the WCS by just using less water at home.

The option to avoid paying is the big and main difference of the WCS. It clearly proves that WCS is aimed at encouraging people to save water.

We want people to avoid the WCS by saving or conserving water at home.