

GMB reacts to Ofwat draft proposal



GMB Union has reacted to Ofwat's draft proposal today

The watchdog calls on water companies to pay £88 billion between 2025 and 2030 to deliver cleaner rivers and seas, and better services for customers.

Meanwhile Customer bills are proposed to increase on average by £19 a year over the next five years – a third less than the bill increase requested by companies

Gary Carter, GMB National Officer said:



“Ofwat is right that water companies should fork out to clean up the mess they’ve made – not customers

“But that can’t be at the expense of water workers’ terms and conditions – which are the first things to be cut when companies plead poverty.

“Shareholders have trousered fortunes from UK water – they must be the ones to stump up the investment the money industry so desperately needs.”

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