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**DISTRIBUTION OF LICENCE FEES FROM NSW FOR SALE OF SURVEY PLANS 2003–12**

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**BACKGROUND**

These licence fees result from a negotiated settlement between Copyright Agency and the NSW Government for reproduction and communication of survey plans between 2003 and 2012.

The amount for distribution is approximately \$1.8M, being the negotiated settlement (\$2.25M) less a deduction for operating costs (which includes contribution to Copyright Agency's Cultural Fund).

**DATA FOR DISTRIBUTION**

The distribution is based on data provided by NSW Land and Property Information (LPI) regarding sales of survey plans between 2003 and 2012 (about 5 million records).

We have used the data provided by LPI that enabled a link between a plan number and a surveyor/rightsholder (more than 40% of the data provided).

**LICENCE FEES FOR NON-MEMBERS**

A proportion of the licence fees is for non-members. This amount (approximately \$300,000) will be held in trust pending identification and membership of copyright owners for the plans.

**ENTITLEMENT TO RECEIVE PAYMENT**

If we have been provided with information that enables us to identify a surveyor's employer at the time a survey plan with the surveyor's identification number was created, then that employer is entitled to receive payment of an amount allocated to that plan. Otherwise, the surveyor's current employer is entitled to receive payment of the amount.

**MORE INFORMATION**

Please email [memberservices@copyright.com.au](mailto:memberservices@copyright.com.au) or call 1800 066 844 if you need assistance. You can also get information about payments from our website:

- [Your payment summary](#)
- [Payment spreadsheet](#)
- [Distribution schedule](#)
- [Distribution policy](#)
- [Administrative fees](#)