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RAMSEY, BROKENSHERE ON SAME SONG SHEET ON INDUSTRY WATER USE

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FAMILY FIRST MLC Robert Brokenshere has baulked at media claims that he was attacking industry after Federal Member for Grey Rowan Ramsey's comments regarding Nyrstar smelter, saying it's the State and Federal Government that are letting industry down.

"Mr Ramsey and I are singing from the same song sheet", Mr Brokenshere said, "The Government is sitting on its backside offering no help or incentives for industry to make water savings"

"Nyrstar's case is a fantastic case in point. Here they are offering to build a recycling plant that would save over 1 gicalitre of water, reducing their River Murray reliance by 60% - yet the Government aren't interested"

"A federal stimulus package needs to be more holistic and do more for water – at the present there is not a cent out of \$42 billion for water"

"Family First is all for jobs and supporting families, and recycling water in the nation's driest State is critical, as we are seeing during this heatwave and the long-term drought"

"This Government is **inept** because it is giving no assistance - financial or administrative – to help smelters like Nyrstar to wean themselves off of the River Murray"