

Joint Statement for the implementation of water resource planning commitments in the case that water resource plans are not accredited by 30 June 2019

SIGNED FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE PARTIES by

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## SCHEDULE 1

### WRP AREAS

Item no.	Water resource plan area	Date submitted to the MDBA
1	South Australian Murray Region	13 November 2018
2	Eastern Mount Lofty Ranges	26 February 2019
3	South Australian River Murray	28 February 2019

## SCHEDULE 2

### SPECIFIED ACTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION COMMITMENT

#### Definitions for this Schedule

In this Schedule, unless otherwise indicated, a term used in the Commonwealth *Water Act 2007* or the Basin Plan has the meaning given by the Act or Basin Plan, respectively.

ACTION	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS	TIMEFRAME WITHIN WHICH ACTION WILL BE COMPLETED
<p>For the 2019-2020 water accounting period, South Australia will report to the Authority, within four months after the end of the water accounting period:</p> <p>(a) the quantity of water permitted to be taken from each SDL resource unit of the WRP area for consumptive use, determined by applying one of the following methods:</p> <p>(i) if there is a WRP for the relevant WRP area, by applying the accredited method; or</p> <p>(ii) if a proposed WRP for the WRP area has been submitted but has not been accredited by 30 June 2019, the method specified in the proposed WRP in relation to the requirements of sections 10.10 and 10.12; or</p> <p>(iii) if the circumstances in action 2 apply, the method specified in material provided under action 2 (in relation to the requirements of sections 10.10 and 10.12).</p> <p>(b) the quantity of water actually taken from each SDL resource unit, determined by applying one of the following methods:</p> <p>(i) if there is a WRP for the relevant WRP area, by applying the accredited method; or</p> <p>(ii) if a proposed WRP for the WRP area has been submitted but has not been accredited by 30 June 2019, the method specified in the proposed WRP in relation to the requirements of section 10.15; or</p>	<p>The report must be consistent with s 7.1 of the Act, Basin Plan Chapter 6 Part 4, and the associated Authority's SDL Reporting and Compliance Framework. For paragraphs (c) and (d) of this action, compliance with the SDL must be assessed in accordance with the method specified in the Basin Plan Chapter 6 Part 4, and as if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– the quantity reported in paragraph (a) of this action was annual permitted take for s 6.10(1) (surface water) or s 6.12B(1) (groundwater) and</li> <li>– the quantity reported in paragraph (b) of this action was annual actual take for s 6.10(2) (for surface water) or s 6.12B(2) (groundwater).</li> </ul> <p>– for any of the period during which there is no WRP for the WRP area - the application of the method and rules in Actions</p>	<p>Within 4 months after the end of the 2019-2020 water accounting period.</p>

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<p>(iii) if the circumstances in action 2 apply, the method or methods specified in material provided under action 2 (in relation to the requirements of section 10.15).</p> <p>(c) an assessment of compliance with the SDL of each SDL resource unit (determined by reference to inputs submitted by South Australia under paragraphs (a) and (b))</p> <p>(d) if there has been non-compliance with the SDL of an SDL resource unit - the actions that South Australia proposes to take to ensure that the limit is complied with in the future.</p>	<p>1 (a) and (b) (or 2 if pertinent) of this Schedule is taken to be the operation of the WRP, for s 6.12(4)(a) for surface water, or s 6.12C(4)(a) for groundwater.</p> <p>The Authority will use the report provided under this action as an equivalent to the report required by s 71(1)(g) and (h) of the Act, to track South Australia's performance in meeting Basin Plan expectations, including compliance with SDLs.</p>	
<p>2</p> <p>If a proposed WRP for the WRP area:</p> <p>(a) has been submitted but has, before 16 June 2019, been withdrawn, - submit to the Authority material which meets Basin Plan WRP requirements set out in sections 10.10, 10.11, 10.12, 10.13 and 10.15 of the Basin Plan.</p>	<p>The material must address all the matters set out in the Basin Plan sections specified in column 1.</p>	<p>Material must be provided on or before 30 June 2019.</p>