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## Water Industry Act 1994

### AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS (SYSTEM MANAGEMENT) ISSUED UNDER SECTION 8 OF THE WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1994

Yarra Valley Water Limited

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Water, as Minister administering the **Water Industry Act 1994**, after –

- (a) consultation with the Treasurer and the Essential Services Commission; and
- (b) giving Yarra Valley Water Limited notice in writing of the proposed amendment or variation; and
- (c) considering any written submission made by Yarra Valley Water Limited in response to the notice variation –

amend the Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to Yarra Valley Water Limited as follows –

**(1) Title**

This notice is called the Amendment to Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to Yarra Valley Water Limited 2012.

**(2) Commencement**

This notice will take effect from the day it is published in the Government Gazette.

**(3) Preliminary**

The Statement of Obligations (System Management) (the Statement of Obligations) issued to Yarra Valley Water Limited, was made and issued by the Minister 26 June 2009 and published in the General Government Gazette number G27 on 2 July 2009.

**(4) Purpose**

These amendments set out the new rules regulating the future use of the North-South Pipeline.

**(5) Change of Reference**

For ‘Sugarloaf Pipeline’ wherever appearing in the Statement of Obligations substitute ‘North-South Pipeline’.

**(6) Amendment of Clause 9 – Security Guidelines**

- (a) For sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –  
‘9.1

b. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1(a), the North-South Pipeline cannot be used to transfer Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project from the period 1 December to 30 November in the following year unless:

- i. Melbourne’s total system storage level (excluding water held in the critical water reserve) is less than 30% as at 30 November; and
- ii. allocations have been made against high-reliability water shares in the Goulburn system for the current irrigation season, and water is available in the critical water reserve; and
- iii. sufficient storage capacity is forecast to be available within the Yarra Basin Reservoirs to accept water from the North-South Pipeline without materially increasing the risk of spills.’

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- (b) After sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations **insert** –  
 ‘9.1  
 c. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1(b), in order to maintain the operational capability of the North-South Pipeline, up to 300 megalitres of water can be used per year to charge and test the pipeline system so that it is kept in good working order and is ready for fire-fighting purposes, provided that this water is sourced from the critical water reserve.’
- (c) Clause 9.2 of the Statement of Obligations is **revoked**.
- (d) For clause 9.3 of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –  
 ‘9.3 The guidelines established under sub-clause 9.1(a) are to apply only until 31 December 2014 or until such earlier time as varied by the Water Industry Minister after consultation with the Water Minister.’

**(7) Amendment of Schedule A – Definitions**

- (a) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, for the definition of ‘Augmentation Projects’ **substitute** –  
 ‘**Augmentation Projects**’ means the Victorian Desalination Project and Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project, which will be transported via the North-South Pipeline.
- (b) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, the definition of ‘Sugarloaf Pipeline’ is **revoked**.
- (c) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –  
 ‘**Critical water reserve**’ means Melbourne’s share of water savings derived the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.
- (d) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –  
 ‘**North-South Pipeline**’ means the water transmission pipeline between the Goulburn River system and the Melbourne headworks system, which is to be utilised for the transportation of Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.

Dated 26 March 2012

PETER WALSH MP  
 Minister for Water

**Water Industry Act 1994**

AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS (SYSTEM MANAGEMENT)  
 ISSUED UNDER SECTION 8 OF THE **WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1994**

City West Water Limited

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Water, as Minister administering the **Water Industry Act 1994**, after –

- (a) consultation with the Treasurer and the Essential Services Commission; and
- (b) giving City West Water Limited notice in writing of the proposed amendment or variation; and
- (c) considering any written submission made by City West Water Limited in response to the notice variation –

amend the Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to City West Water Limited as follows –

**(1) Title**

This notice is called the Amendment to Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to City West Water Limited 2012.

(2) **Commencement**

This notice will take effect from the day it is published in the Government Gazette.

(3) **Preliminary**

The Statement of Obligations (System Management) (the Statement of Obligations) issued to City West Water Limited, was made and issued by the Minister 26 June 2009 and published in the General Government Gazette number G27 on 2 July 2009.

(4) **Purpose**

These amendments set out the new rules regulating the future use of the North-South Pipeline.

(5) **Change of Reference**

For 'Sugarloaf Pipeline' wherever appearing in the Statement of Obligations substitute 'North-South Pipeline'.

(6) **Amendment of Clause 9 – Security Guidelines**

(a) For sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –  
'9.1

- b. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1(a), the North-South Pipeline cannot be used to transfer Melbourne's share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project from the period 1 December to 30 November in the following year unless:
  - i. Melbourne's total system storage level (excluding water held in the critical water reserve) is less than 30% as at 30 November; and
  - ii. allocations have been made against high-reliability water shares in the Goulburn system for the current irrigation season, and water is available in the critical water reserve; and
  - iii. sufficient storage capacity is forecast to be available within the Yarra Basin Reservoirs to accept water from the North-South Pipeline without materially increasing the risk of spills.'

(b) After sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations **insert** –  
'9.1

- c. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1 (a), in order to maintain the operational capability of the North-South Pipeline, up to 300 megalitres of water can be used per year to charge and test the pipeline system so that it is kept in good working order and is ready for fire-fighting purposes, provided that this water is sourced from the critical water reserve.'

(c) Clause 9.2 of the Statement of Obligations is **revoked**.

(d) For clause 9.3 of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –

'9.3 The guidelines established under sub-clause 9.1(a) are to apply only until 31 December 2014 or until such earlier time as varied by the Water Industry Minister after consultation with the Water Minister.'

(7) **Amendment of Schedule A – Definitions**

(a) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, for the definition of "Augmentation Projects" **substitute** –

'**Augmentation Projects**' means the Victorian Desalination Project and Melbourne's share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project, which will be transported via the North-South Pipeline.

(b) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, the definition of "Sugarloaf Pipeline" is **revoked**.

(c) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –

'**Critical water reserve**' means Melbourne's share of water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.

- (d) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –  
**‘North-South Pipeline’** means the water transmission pipeline between the Goulburn River system and the Melbourne headworks system, which is to be utilised for the transportation of Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.

Dated 26 March 2012

PETER WALSH MP  
 Minister for Water

**Water Industry Act 1994**  
 AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS (SYSTEM MANAGEMENT)  
 ISSUED UNDER SECTION 41 OF THE **WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1994**  
 Melbourne Water Corporation

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Water, as Minister administering the **Water Industry Act 1994**, after –

- (a) consultation with the Treasurer and the Essential Services Commission; and
- (b) giving Melbourne Water Corporation notice in writing of the proposed amendment or variation; and
- (c) considering any written submission made by Melbourne Water Corporation in response to the notice variation –

amend the Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to Melbourne Water Corporation as follows –

**(1) Title**

This notice is called the Amendment to Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to Melbourne Water Corporation 2012.

**(2) Commencement**

This notice will take effect from the day it is published in the Government Gazette.

**(3) Preliminary**

The Statement of Obligations (System Management) (the Statement of Obligations) issued to Melbourne Water Corporation, was made and issued by the Minister 26 June 2009 and published in the General Government Gazette number G27 on 2 July 2009.

**(4) Purpose**

These amendments set out the new rules regulating the future use of the North-South Pipeline.

**(5) Change of Reference**

For ‘Sugarloaf Pipeline’ wherever appearing in the Statement of Obligations substitute ‘North-South Pipeline’.

**(6) Amendment of Clause 11 – Security Guidelines**

- (a) For sub-clause 11.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –  
 ‘11.1

- b. Notwithstanding sub-clause 11.1(a), the North-South Pipeline cannot be used to transfer Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project from the period 1 December to 30 November in the following year unless:
  - i. Melbourne’s total system storage level (excluding water held in the critical water reserve) is less than 30% as at 30 November; and

- ii. allocations have been made against high-reliability water shares in the Goulburn system for the current irrigation season, and water is available in the critical water reserve; and
  - iii. sufficient storage capacity is forecast to be available within the Yarra Basin Reservoirs to accept water from the North-South Pipeline without materially increasing the risk of spills.'
- (b) After sub-clause 11.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations **insert** –
- '11.1
- c. Notwithstanding sub-clause 11.1(b), in order to maintain the operational capability of the North-South Pipeline, up to 300 megalitres of water can be used per year to charge and test the pipeline system so that it is kept in good working order and is ready for fire-fighting purposes, provided that this water is sourced from the critical water reserve.'
- (c) Clause 11.2 of the Statement of Obligations is **revoked**.
- (d) For clause 11.3 of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –
- '11.3 The guidelines established under sub-clause 11.1(a) are to apply only until 31 December 2014 or until such earlier time as varied by the Water Industry Minister after consultation with the Water Minister.'

(7) **Amendment of Schedule A - Definitions**

- (a) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, for the definition of 'Augmentation Projects' **substitute** –
- 'Augmentation Projects'** means the Victorian Desalination Project and Melbourne's share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project, which will be transported via the North-South Pipeline.
- (b) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, the definition of 'Sugarloaf Pipeline' is **revoked**.
- (c) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –
- 'Critical water reserve'** means Melbourne's share of water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.
- (d) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –
- 'North-South Pipeline'** means the water transmission pipeline between the Goulburn River system and the Melbourne headworks system, which is to be utilised for the transportation of Melbourne's share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.

Dated 26 March 2012

PETER WALSH MP  
Minister for Water

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**Water Industry Act 1994**

AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS (SYSTEM MANAGEMENT)  
ISSUED UNDER SECTION 8 OF THE **WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1994**

South East Water Limited

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Water, as Minister administering the **Water Industry Act 1994**, after –

- (a) consultation with the Treasurer and the Essential Services Commission; and
- (b) giving South East Water Limited notice in writing of the proposed amendment or variation; and

- (c) considering any written submission made by South East Water Limited in response to the notice variation –

amend the Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to South East Water Limited as follows –

**(1) Title**

This notice is called the Amendment to Statement of Obligations (System Management) issued to South East Water Limited 2012.

**(2) Commencement**

This notice will take effect from the day it is published in the Government Gazette.

**(3) Preliminary**

The Statement of Obligations (System Management) (the Statement of Obligations) issued to South East Water Limited, was made and issued by the Minister 26 June 2009 and published in the General Government Gazette number G27 on 2 July 2009.

**(4) Purpose**

These amendments set out the new rules regulating the future use of the North-South Pipeline.

**(5) Change of Reference**

For ‘Sugarloaf Pipeline’ wherever appearing in the Statement of Obligations substitute ‘North-South Pipeline’.

**(6) Amendment of Clause 9 – Security Guidelines**

- (a) For sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –  
‘9.1

- b. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1(a), the North-South Pipeline cannot be used to transfer Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project from the period 1 December to 30 November in the following year unless:
- i. Melbourne’s total system storage level (excluding water held in the critical water reserve) is less than 30% as at 30 November; and
  - ii. allocations have been made against high-reliability water shares in the Goulburn system for the current irrigation season, and water is available in the critical water reserve; and
  - iii. sufficient storage capacity is forecast to be available within the Yarra Basin Reservoirs to accept water from the North-South Pipeline without materially increasing the risk of spills.’

- (b) After sub-clause 9.1(b) of the Statement of Obligations **insert** –  
‘9.1

- c. Notwithstanding sub-clause 9.1(b), in order to maintain the operational capability of the North-South Pipeline, up to 300 megalitres of water can be used per year to charge and test the pipeline system so that it is kept in good working order and is ready for fire-fighting purposes, provided that this water is sourced from the critical water reserve.’

- (c) Clause 9.2 of the Statement of Obligations is **revoked**.

- (d) For clause 9.3 of the Statement of Obligations, **substitute** –

‘9.3 The guidelines established under sub-clause 9.1(a) are to apply only until 31 December 2014 or until such earlier time as varied by the Water Industry Minister after consultation with the Water Minister.’

**(7) Amendment of Schedule A – Definitions**

- (a) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, for the definition of ‘Augmentation Projects’ **substitute** –  
‘**Augmentation Projects**’ means the Victorian Desalination Project and Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project, which will be transported via the North-South Pipeline.
- (b) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, the definition of ‘Sugarloaf Pipeline’ is **revoked**.
- (c) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –  
‘**Critical water reserve**’ means Melbourne’s share of water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.
- (d) In Schedule A of the Statement of Obligations, **insert** –  
‘**North-South Pipeline**’ means the water transmission pipeline between the Goulburn River system and the Melbourne headworks system, which is to be utilised for the transportation of Melbourne’s share of the water savings derived from the Northern Victoria Irrigation Renewal Project.

Dated 26 March 2012

PETER WALSH MP  
Minister for Water

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