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Dr Hugh Durrant-Whyte Commissioner Natural Resources Commission GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Via email: Bryce.Wilde@nrc.nsw.gov.au

Dear Dr Durrant-Whyte

I would like to thank the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) for its thorough review of the Water Sharing Plan for the NSW Border Rivers Unregulated River Water Sources 2012, the Water Sharing Plan for the Castlereagh Unregulated River Water Sources 2011 and the Water Sharing Plan for the North Western Unregulated and Fractured Rock Water Sources 2011.

I have approved the extension of these water sharing plans for up to two years to allow the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) to consider the NRC recommendations and undertake consultation. The consultation will enable communities and stakeholders to consider any proposed changes and provide feedback.

If you require additional information or wish to discuss this matter further, I have arranged for Mr Peter Hyde, Director Inland Planning, DPE, to be available. Peter can be contacted via email at peter.hyde@dpie.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

The Hon. Kevin Anderson MP
Minister for Lands and Water
Minister for Hospitality and Racing

Date: 73.6.272