

## **ACTEW Below Cotter Dam Environmental Flow Compliance Report 2012**

This report has been prepared and published on the ACTEW website in accordance with the conditions of approval for the 'Cotter Dam Expansion – Paddy's River Road, ACT – EPBC 2008'. Specifically, ACTEW is to provide an annual report, detailing how environmental flows downstream of Cotter Dam have been released in accordance with the advice of the Environmental Flows Technical Advisory Group (EFTAG) established by the ACT Environment Protection Authority.

The conditions of approval must be implemented upon commencement of construction. Construction of the Enlarged Cotter Dam (ECD) commenced on 4 January 2010.

During 2012 EFTAG did not provide any recommendations regarding the provision or management of environmental flows below Cotter Dam. Environmental flows throughout 2012 were very high due to several flooding events and consistent rainfall throughout the year.

ACTEW continues to work closely with the ACT EPA, regarding environmental flow management of the ACT water catchments. Compliance with the ACT EPA Licence is reported upon monthly.

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