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1. Introduction

Icon Water holds a Licence to Take Water under the Water Resources Act 2007 – Licence Number WU67.

Under Licence Number WU67 clause C1, it is a requirement to provide the following information to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) by the 15th day of each month.

2. Compliance Analysis and Operational Interactions

Reservoir	Notes
Corin	Corin Dam spilled throughout October. The bi-monthly riffle release was achieved from spillway flow.
	Releases were at licence requirements throughout October.
Bendora	Bendora Dam spilled throughout October.
	Planned release variation was changed to +/-25% on 20 September to minimise dislodgement of Macquarie Perch eggs in downstream reaches.
	The bi-monthly riffle release was achieved from spillway flow.
	Releases were at licence requirements throughout October.
Cotter	Cotter Dam spilled throughout October.
	Releases were at licence requirements throughout October.
Googong	Googong Dam spilled throughout October.
	The Googong mini-hydro generator operated from 26 October. Releases above licence requirements while the mini-hydro was operating.

Table 2 – Notes relating to abstraction from Murrumbidgee River

Mt MacDonald river gauge	Not applicable, natural river flows.
Murrumbidgee abstraction	There was no Murrumbidgee River abstraction for consumption in October.
Murrumbidgee To Cotter Eflow	M2C did not operate in October.
Murrumbidgee to Googong	M2G did not operate in October
Angle Crossing river gauge	Not applicable, natural river flows.

3. Environmental Release Data

The environmental flow release requirements for the current month (a combination of requirements) are detailed in Table 3.

Table 3 – Current month	Environmental El	ow releases (To	tal for month in MI)
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	Corin	Bendora	Cotter	Googong
Previous month's shortfall (-) or Excess (+) *	129	201		
Monthly 75% of the 80 th %tile ML #	1290	2010		
Additional release required?	No	No	No	No
Current month's release target	1161	1809	535	390

Note: * Excess carried forward is capped at 10% of the current month's base flow.

Shortfall carried forward is 100% of the amount of water under released.

[#] Under stage 1 or greater water restrictions, targets flow change to a predetermined base flow.

Daily totals in Table 4 to Table 7 are reported as the 24-hour average from midnight to midnight. Operational changes to environmental flow releases occur during business hours, and therefore the value reported may be slightly different to the target flow on the day the flow is changed. This is particularly evident for large changes in flow e.g. the riffle and pool flushes as the flow is averaged for the day.

The actual daily flows, in megalitres per day (ML/d), from each reservoir are detailed in Table 4 to Table 7 together with the water produced at the water treatment plants (WTP) in Table 10.

Table 8 provides more detail with respect to environmental flows provided below Cotter Dam. The e-flows are made up of two components: water released from the Cotter Dam and water being pumped from Murrumbidgee River to below Cotter Dam. This is to satisfy the requirements set out by ACT EPA and Federal Department of the Environment for the operation of the Enlarged Cotter Dam.

Table 9 provides flow details for the operations of the Murrumbidgee to Googong pipeline. It details daily flows through the high lift pumps station as well as daily flows in the Murrumbidgee River at Angle crossing. This is to demonstrate compliance with the requirements set out by ACT EPA, Federal Department of the Environment and NSW Department of Planning.

Table 10 also details the quantity of treated water that has been transferred to Googong reservoir from Stromlo WTP.

			Environmental			Discussion	O al a si la ta d	O al a data d	A alternational and the			EOM	EOM	EOM	
		440700	flow release						Adjusted daily	110750	440750	Excess (+) /		Correction	
	440700 0:	410730				+/- 50%	Natural		base flow.	410752	410752			to 410752 ,	
	410730 Gingera							Flow.	EOM = Revised	Corin D/S	Corin D/S	to carry	Verified Vs unverified	Verified Vs unverified	
	(unverified)	(verified)		flow	/ nme)	regime	(Unverified)	(verified)	monthly target	(Unverified)	(Verified)	forward	unverified	unverified	Comments
Previo	us months a	djustment							-198.4						
		371.6	Sat 1-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		530.8		489.15					
		347.8	Sun 2-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		496.8		473.33					
		319.7	Mon 3-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		456.6		443.55					
		305.2	Tue 4-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		435.9		422.11	422.2				
		404.2	Wed 5-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		577.3	64.0	476.2	476.2				
		897.5	Thu 6-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1281.9	64.0	817.0	816.9				
		986.3	Fri 7-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1408.7							
		979.6	Sat 8-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1399.2	64.0	1034.1	1035				
		1091	Sun 9-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1558.3	64.0	1058.73	1059				
		852.3	Mon 10-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1217.3	64.0	890.10	891.3				
		729.8	Tue 11-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1042.4	64.0	771.1	772.7				
		643.3	Wed 12-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		918.8	64.0	691.6	691.9				
		586	Thu 13-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		837.0	64.0	643.5	642.2				
		743.2	Fri 14-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		1061.5	64.0	751.1	750.6				
		580.2	Sat 15-Oct-22	64.00	150	48.0		828.7	150.0	663.7	665.8				
		503.9	Sun 16-Oct-22	64.00	150	48.0		719.7	150.0	595.5	595.8				
		506.6	Mon 17-Oct-22	64.00	150	48.0		723.6	150.0	582.6	582.6				Riffle release achieved
		444.3	Tue 18-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		634.6	64.0	552.45	552.8				
		406.9	Wed 19-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		581.2	64.0	529.04	528.3				
		377.6	Thu 20-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		539.3	64.0	496.35	495.9				
		735.5	Fri 21-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1050.5	64.0	648.67	648.7				
		1542	Sat 22-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		2202.4	64.0		[]				410752 Data not recorded
		1205	Sun 23-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1721.1	64.0		[]				410752 Data not recorded
		1042	Mon 24-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1488.3	64.0	1077.24	1078				
		961.9	Tue 25-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1373.9	64.0	980.09	981				
		837.4	Wed 26-Oct-22	64.00		80.0		1196.1	64.0	862.13	862.1				
		781.3	Thu 27-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		1115.9	64.0	801.73	802.3				
		725.8	Fri 28-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		1036.7	64.0	722.56	723.1				
		653.9	Sat 29-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		934.0	64.0	683.18	683.4				
		591	Sun 30-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		844.1		619.44					
		797.1	Mon 31-Oct-22	64.00		48.0		1138.5		734.55					
SUM	-	21949.9		1984.0	450.0	1936.0	0.0	31351.0	2043.6	20467.0	20479.5	129.0	#DIV/0!	0.1%	

	410730	410730	Environmental flow release		Additional release		Calculated Natural	Calculated Natural	Adjusted daily base flow.	410747 Bendora	410747 Bendora	EOM Excess (+) / Shortfall (-)	EOM Correction to 410730 ,	EOM Correction to 410747 ,	
	Gingera	Gingera	below Bendora	Daily base	(pool /		Flow.	Flow.	EOM = Revised	D/S	D/S	to carry	Verified Vs	Verified Vs	
	(unverified)	(verified)	Date	flow	riffle)	regime	(Unverified)	(Verified)	monthly target	(Unverified)	(Verified)	forward	unverified	unverified	Comments
Previo	us months	adjustmer	nt						-310.0						
		371.6	Sat 1-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	817.	5 100.0	792.5	<mark>3</mark> 755.8				
		347.8	Sun 2-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	765.	2 100.0	735.4	0 708.8				
		319.7	Mon 3-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	703.	3 100.0	670.1	<mark>B</mark> 650.3				
		305.2	Tue 4-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	671.	4 100.0	619.3	<mark>3</mark> 604.7				
		404.2	Wed 5-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	889.	2 100.0	666.	4 658.1				
		897.5	Thu 6-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	1974.	5 100.0	1633.	<mark>3</mark> 1633				
		986.3	Fri 7-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2169.	9 100.0	2151.	1 2151				
		979.6	Sat 8-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2155.	1 100.0	2403.	9 2404				
		1091	Sun 9-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2400.	2 100.0	2267.0	2 2267				
		852.3	Mon 10-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	1875.	1 100.0	1839.8	<mark>5</mark> 1840				
		729.8	Tue 11-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	1605.	6 100.0	1514.	<mark>5</mark> 1514				
		643.3	Wed 12-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1415.	3 100.0	1295.	4 1295				
		586	Thu 13-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1289.	2 100.0	1142.	4 1142				
		743.2	Fri 14-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1635.	0 100.0	1325.	7 1326				
		580.2	Sat 15-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1276.	4 100.0	1188.	0 1188				
		503.9	Sun 16-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1108.	6 100.0	1006.	2 1006				
		506.6	Mon 17-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1114.	5 100.0	934.	0 934				
		444.3	Tue 18-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	977.	5 100.0	866.6	7 866.7				
		406.9	Wed 19-Oct-22	100.00	150	125	.0	895.	2 150.0	800.2	1 800.2				bi-monthly riffle release achieved
		377.6	Thu 20-Oct-22	100.00	150	125	.0	830.	7 150.0	738.5	2 738.5				
		735.5	Fri 21-Oct-22	100.00	150	125	.0	1618.	1 150.0	974.7	9 974.8				
		1542	Sat 22-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	3392.	4 100.0	3409.9	9 3410				
		1205	Sun 23-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2651.	0 100.0	3530.3	5 3530				
		1042	Mon 24-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2292.	4 100.0	2568.0	2 2568				
		961.9	Tue 25-Oct-22	100.00		125	.0	2116.	2 100.0	2198.4	3 2198				
		837.4	Wed 26-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1842.	3 100.0	1873.6	3 1874				
		781.3	Thu 27-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1718.	9 100.0	1669.2	9 1669				
		725.8	Fri 28-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1596.	8 100.0	1472.1	B 1472				
		653.9	Sat 29-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1438.	6 100.0	1366.7	<mark>6</mark> 1367				
		591	Sun 30-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1300.	2 100.0	1170.9	9 1171				1
		797.1	Mon 31-Oct-22	100.00		75	.0	1753.	6 100.0	1354.9	4 1355				
SUM	-	21949.9		3100.0	450.0	3025.	0 0.	0 48289.	3 2940.0	46179.8	46071.9	201.	0 #DIV/0!	-0.2%	

Table 5 - Monthly Environmental Flow release data for Bendora dam

SUM	Environmental flow release below Cotter Date	Daily base flow	Additional release (pool / riffle)	EOM = monthly		Cotter D/S	410700 Cotter D/S (Verified)	EOM Excess (+) / Shortfall (-)	EOM Correction to 410700 , Verified Vs unverified	Comments
		1	nine)	понату		(Unvernied)	(venneu)	Shortiali (-)	unvenneu	Comments
Previous months adjustment					0.0					
	Sat 1-Oct-22				15.0	1306.7				
	Sun 2-Oct-22				15.0	1188.9				
	Mon 3-Oct-22				15.0	1065.7	1049			
	Tue 4-Oct-22				15.0	968.3				
	Wed 5-Oct-22				15.0	1058.6				
	Thu 6-Oct-22				15.0	4160.0				
	Fri 7-Oct-22				15.0	4976.0				
	Sat 8-Oct-22				15.0	4929.3				
	Sun 9-Oct-22				15.0	4567.4				
	Mon 10-Oct-22				15.0	3785.7				
	Tue 11-Oct-22				15.0	2877.9				
	Wed 12-Oct-22				15.0	2288.2				
	Thu 13-Oct-22				15.0	1893.1	1893.0			
	Fri 14-Oct-22				15.0	2123.7	2124.0			
	Sat 15-Oct-22				15.0	1991.1	1991			
	Sun 16-Oct-22				15.0	1597.7	1598			
	Mon 17-Oct-22				15.0	1420.8	1421			
	Tue 18-Oct-22	15			15.0	1319.8	1320			
	Wed 19-Oct-22	15			15.0	1218.3	1218			
	Thu 20-Oct-22	15			15.0	1115.0	1115			
	Fri 21-Oct-22	15			15.0	1444.0	1444			
	Sat 22-Oct-22	15			15.0	5006.1	5006			
	Sun 23-Oct-22	15			15.0	5370.8	5371			
	Mon 24-Oct-22	. 15			15.0	4566.29	4566			
	Tue 25-Oct-22				15.0	3890.37	3890			
	Wed 26-Oct-22				15.0	3259.66				
	Thu 27-Oct-22				15.0	2749.34				
	Fri 28-Oct-22				15.0	2364.25				
	Sat 29-Oct-22				15.0	2067.28				
	Sun 30-Oct-22				15.0	1752.01				
	Mon 31-Oct-22				15.0	2279.9				
SUM		465.0			465.0	80602.5		80071.2	-0.1%	

Table 6 - Monthly Environmental Flow release data for Cotter dam

	410781 Upstream Googong (Unverified)	410781 Upstream Googong (Verified)		Daily base flow	Additional release (pool / riffle)	Calculated Natural Flow. (Unverified)	Calculated Natural Flow. (Verified)	EOM = Revised monthly target	410760 Wickerslack (Unverified)	410760 Wickerslac k (Verified)	EOM Excess (+) / Shortfall (-)		EOM Correction to 410760 , Verified Vs unverified	Comments
Previo	ous month	s adjustm	ent											
	776.3		Sat 1-Oct-22	10.0)	993.6	i	10.0	1255.76	1256				
	601.1		Sun 2-Oct-22	10.0)	769.4		10.0	835.10	835.1				
	471.6		Mon 3-Oct-22	10.0)	603.7		10.0	603.70	603.7				
	402.4		Tue 4-Oct-22	10.0)	515.1		10.0	470.5	470.5				
	423.4		Wed 5-Oct-22	10.0)	542.0)	10.0	435.9	435.9				
	1933.2		Thu 6-Oct-22	10.0)	2474.5		10.0	1293.5	1294				
	2555.3		Fri 7-Oct-22			3270.8		10.0	3561.3					
	3327.8		Sat 8-Oct-22			4259.6		10.0	4380.8					
	6903.27		Sun 9-Oct-22	10.0		8836.2		10.0	12266.2	12264				
	2938.16		Mon 10-Oct-22			3760.8		10.0	6735.2					
	1710.6		Tue 11-Oct-22			2189.6		10.0	3132.0					
	1284.8		Wed 12-Oct-22			1644.6		10.0	1923.9					
	1077.8		Thu 13-Oct-22			1379.6		10.0	1410.8					
	1519.8		Fri 14-Oct-22			1945.3		10.0	1693.1					
	1009.4		Sat 15-Oct-22			1292.1		10.0	1639.19					
	794.3		Sun 16-Oct-22)	1016.7		10.0	1132.92					
	1056.6		Mon 17-Oct-22			1352.5		10.0	945.57					
	795.16		Tue 18-Oct-22			1017.8		10.0	981.45					
	635.64		Wed 19-Oct-22)	813.6		10.0	795.90					
	554.90		Thu 20-Oct-22			710.3		10.0	638.80					
	2998.70		Fri 21-Oct-22	10.0)	3838.3	6	10.0	542.19	542.2				
	5731.35		Sat 22-Oct-22	10.0		7336.1		10.0	6431.86	6425				
	3881.76		Sun 23-Oct-22)	4968.7		10.0	8121.36					
	2363.08		Mon 24-Oct-22			3024.7		10.0	4230.10					
	3107.79		Tue 25-Oct-22			3978.0		10.0	3119.83					
	2300.31		Wed 26-Oct-22			2944.4		10.0	3567.03					
	1631.72		Thu 27-Oct-22			2088.6		10.0	2436.45					
	1290.44		Fri 28-Oct-22			1651.8		10.0	1740.54					
	1088.68		Sat 29-Oct-22			1393.5		10.0	1322.45					
	914.57		Sun 30-Oct-22			1170.6		10.0	1074.34					
	2376.27		Mon 31-Oct-22			3041.6		10.0	1749.82					
SUM	58456.4	0.0		310.0	0.0	74824.1	0.0	310.0	80467.6	80489.1	80179.1	-100.0%	0.0%	

Table 7 - Monthly Environmental Flow release data for Googong dam

Note:

410781 Upstream Googong verified data is provided every second month.

	Cotter River e-flows I	below Cotter Dam	
Date	E-flow sourced from Murrumbidgee via M2C	E-flow sourced from Cotter Dam release/spill	Comments
Sat 1-Oct-22	0	1296	
Sun 2-Oct-22	0	1173	
Mon 3-Oct-22	0	1049	
Tue 4-Oct-22	0	953.2	
Wed 5-Oct-22	0	1052	
Thu 6-Oct-22	0	4160	
Fri 7-Oct-22	0	4976	
Sat 8-Oct-22	0	4929.0	
Sun 9-Oct-22	0	4567.0	
Mon 10-Oct-22	0	3786.0	
Tue 11-Oct-22	0	2878.0	
Wed 12-Oct-22	0	2288.0	
Thu 13-Oct-22	0	1893.0	
Fri 14-Oct-22	0	2124.0	
Sat 15-Oct-22	0	1991	
Sun 16-Oct-22	0	1598	
Mon 17-Oct-22	0	1421	
Tue 18-Oct-22	0	1320	
Wed 19-Oct-22	0	1218	
Thu 20-Oct-22	0	1115	
Fri 21-Oct-22	0	1444	
Sat 22-Oct-22	0	5006	
Sun 23-Oct-22	0	5371	
Mon 24-Oct-22	0	4566	
Tue 25-Oct-22	0	3890	
Wed 26-Oct-22	0	3260	
Thu 27-Oct-22	0	2749	
Fri 28-Oct-22	0	2364	
Sat 29-Oct-22	0	2067	
Sun 30-Oct-22	0	1752	
Mon 31-Oct-22	0	2280	
Total	0.0	80536.2	

Table 8 – Monthly flow data for Cotter River Environmental Flows

Date	M2G Flow	Comments
Sat 1-Oct-22	0.0	
Sun 2-Oct-22	0.0	
Mon 3-Oct-22	0.0	
Tue 4-Oct-22	0.0	
Wed 5-Oct-22	0.0	
Thu 6-Oct-22	0.0	
Fri 7-Oct-22	0.0	
Sat 8-Oct-22	0.0	
Sun 9-Oct-22	0.0	
Mon 10-Oct-22	0.0	
Tue 11-Oct-22	0.0	
Wed 12-Oct-22	0.0	
Thu 13-Oct-22	0.0	
Fri 14-Oct-22	0.0	
Sat 15-Oct-22	0.0	
Sun 16-Oct-22	0.0	
Mon 17-Oct-22	0.0	
Tue 18-Oct-22	0.0	
Wed 19-Oct-22	0.0	
Thu 20-Oct-22	0.0	
Fri 21-Oct-22	0.0	
Sat 22-Oct-22	0.0	
Sun 23-Oct-22	0.0	
Mon 24-Oct-22	0.0	
Tue 25-Oct-22	0.0	
Wed 26-Oct-22	0.0	
Thu 27-Oct-22	0.0	
Fri 28-Oct-22	0.0	
Sat 29-Oct-22	0.0	
Sun 30-Oct-22	0.0	
Total	0.0	

Day	Stro	omio WTF	ML	Googong WTP ML	Transfer from SWTP to Googong res.		
	M'bidgee	Cotter	Bendora				
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	107.1	0.0		
2	0.0	0.0	0.0	107.5	0.0		
3	0.0	0.0	0.0	105.7	0.0		
4	0.0	0.0	0.0	105.9	0.0		
5	0.0	0.0	0.0	107.5	0.0		
6	0.0	0.0	0.0	106.6	0.0		
7	0.0	0.0	0.0	103.0	0.0		
8	0.0	0.0	0.0	105.5	0.0		
9	0.0	0.0	0.0	102.3	0.0		
10	0.0	0.0	0.0	102.5	0.0		
11	0.0	0.0	0.0	113.2	0.0		
12	0.0	0.0	0.0	117.0	0.0		
13	0.0	0.0	0.0	95.3	0.0		
14	0.0	0.0	0.0	96.2	0.0		
15	0.0	0.0	0.0	97.7	0.0		
16	0.0	0.0	0.0	96.0	0.0		
17	0.0	0.0	0.0	96.1	0.0		
18	0.0	0.0	0.0	99.9	0.0		
19	0.0	0.0	0.0	102.1	0.0		
20	0.0	0.0	0.0	114.8	0.0		
21	0.0	0.0	0.0	125.5	0.0		
22	0.0	0.0	0.0	131.0	0.0		
23	0.0	0.0	0.0	108.2	0.0		
24	0.0	0.0	0.0	107.0	0.0		
25	0.0	0.0	2.5	111.1	0.0		
26	0.0	0.0	5.4	110.0	0.0		
27	0.0	0.0	7.5	106.7	0.0		
28	0.0	0.0	21.7	92.6	0.0		
29	0.0	0.0	23.6	89.3	0.0		
30	0.0	0.0	0.0	109.4	0.0		
31	0.0	0.0	0.0	110.4	0.0		
Total	0.0	0.0	60.7	3283.0	0.0		

Table 10 – Monthly water production data and water transferred to Googong reservoir

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