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DEPARTMENT OF LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Notice of Intention to make a Water Extraction Licence Decision

Pursuant to section 71B of the *Water Act*

The Controller of Water Resources hereby gives notice that a decision is to be made regarding an application to increase a water extraction licence under Section 60 of the *NT Water Act*.

The application relates to the previously advertised Notice of Intention that has since been amended; and therefore requiring an additional period of public comment. Any comments previously received on these applications will still apply, however any further comments are invited.

The application relates to the proposed annual extraction of 4,207ML/yr from water bore RN021673 and a number of proposed bores on NT Portion 7094 for the beneficial use of agriculture. This is an increase of 2,747ML from the previous notice of intention dated 20/11/2013; and an increase of 3,044ML from the existing licence.

The source of the proposed extraction is both the northern (998ML) and central (3,208ML) zones of the Ooloo aquifer; for which the estimated combined maximum sustainable yield is 40,000ML/yr. The quantity of water taken from the aquifer under water extraction licences is up to a maximum of 8,371ML/yr. The quantity of water taken from the aquifer in 2012-13 was approximately 654ML.

Comments regarding this application should be made in writing by COB **18 April 2014** to the Controller of Water Resources, 132 Giles Street, Katherine.

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