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Subject: Snowy Hydro provides additional water releases for Cooma Township

Snowy Hydro Limited is currently releasing additional water from Tantangara Dam into the Murrumbidgee River to assist Cooma Monaro Shire Council in meeting its obligation to supply water for Cooma Township. Snowy Hydro will be targeting to provide around 8 megalitres per day at Mittagang Crossing.

These releases are in excess of the releases Snowy Hydro is required to make under the *Snowy Water Licence* and will be accounted in a way so that western river irrigators are not disadvantaged.

Snowy Hydro Limited spokesman, Paul Johnson, said: "We are pleased that we can assist with the provision of some additional water for Cooma Township under these very difficult drought conditions."

Up to date information on Snowy Scheme water storages can be found on the Snowy Hydro website at <u>www.snowyhydro.com.au</u>