# Schedule F

# FEASIBILITY COMPONENT -Northern Territory

#### PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR THE NATIONAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT FUND - FEASIBILITY COMPONENT

- This Schedule has been developed in accordance with clause 12 of the Project Agreement on National Water Infrastructure Development Fund – Feasibility Component (the Agreement). It will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth and the Northern Territory, and expire on 30 June 2019 or on completion of feasibility studies, including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.
- 2. Agreed feasibility studies are as follows:
  - (a) Ord Stage 3 Feasibility Study to assess the feasibility of the Keep River plain for development for irrigated agriculture.
  - (b) Northern Territory Irrigation Feasibility Study to assess the feasibility of groundwateronly, managed aquifer recharge and conjunctive water use approaches to increase water availability and security for irrigated agriculture at select sites in the Northern Territory.
- 3. In accordance with clause 14 of the Agreement, milestones for feasibility studies, their relationship to outputs, expected completion dates, relevant reporting dates and expected payments are set out in Table 1.

| Outputs                          | Milestones  | Report due  | Payment<br>(\$ million) |
|----------------------------------|---|-------------|-------------------------|
| Ord Stage 3<br>Feasibility Study | Completion of the design of the feasibility<br>study, including acquisition of Airborne Electro<br>Magnetic survey data (AEM) and ground-<br>truthing of AEM, geophysical and geospatial<br>data. | 30 May 2017 | 0.510                   |

#### Table 1: Milestones, reporting and payment summary

| Outputs<br>(continued)                                | Milestones   | Report due          | Payment<br>(\$ million) |
|---|--|---------------------|-------------------------|
|   | Delivery of draft reports for the technical<br>assessments on the feasibility of the Keep<br>River plain for development for irrigated<br>agriculture, including AEM, geophysical,<br>geospatial and soils and water quality data.   | 30 May 2019         | 1.790                   |
|   | Completion of the feasibility study assessing<br>the feasibility of the Keep River plain for<br>development for irrigated agriculture.   | 30 November<br>2019 | 0.200                   |
| Northern Territory<br>Irrigation Feasibility<br>Study | Identification of options to increase water<br>availability and security for irrigated agriculture<br>at select sites in the Northern Territory.   | 30 April 2017       | 0.795                   |
|   | Completion of the feasibility study, including a<br>cost benefit analysis of options for<br>groundwater-only, managed aquifer recharge<br>and conjunctive water use approaches to<br>increase water availability and security for<br>irrigated agriculture at select sites in the<br>Northern Territory. | 30 May 2018         | 0.190                   |

4. The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to feasibility studies in the Northern Territory of \$3.485 million in respect of this Agreement as shown in Table 2. All payments are GST exclusive.

#### Table 2: Estimated financial contributions

| (\$ million)                                       | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | Total |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|
| Estimated total budget                             | 1.305   | 0.190   | 1.790   | 0.200   | 3.485 |
| Less estimated National Partnership<br>payments    |         |         |         |         |       |
| Ord Stage 3 Feasibility Study                      | 0.510   | 0.000   | 1.790   | 0.200   | 2.500 |
| Northern Territory Irrigation<br>Feasibility Study | 0.795   | 0.190   | 0.000   | 0.000   | 0.985 |
| Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions          | 0.000   | 0.000   | 0.000   | 0.000   | 0.000 |

Schedule F to the Project Agreement for National Water Infrastructure Development Fund – Feasibility Component

### PART 6 - SIGN OFF

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Michael McCormack MP Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

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