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Re: Invitation to Comment – Referral of Adelaide River Off-stream Water Storage to the NT EPA

Dear Ms Bradley

Thank you for inviting comment on the referral of the Adelaide River Off-stream Water Storage (AROWS) project to the NT EPA. Our comments address matters relevant to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

The department has received a referral for the same proposed action which is currently being validated. The department will assess the proposed action's potential to significantly impact matters of national environmental significance under the EPBC Act once the referral has been validated.

The department will invite the NT EPA for comment when a valid referral has been received and provide notice of the referral decision outcome once it has been made.

If you have any questions about our response, please contact the NT Environment Assessment Section by email at EADSAandNTSection@dcceew.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bray".

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