

## Media Release

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### Treated Waste Water Agreement Reached

The District Council of Mount Barker and Hillgrove Resources have agreed arrangements for the use of treated waste water for the operation of the Kanmantoo Mine.

Mayor Ann Ferguson and the Hon Dean Brown AO (Chairman of Hillgrove Resources) jointly announced that the project has advanced with the formal agreement to term sheets by both Council and the Hillgrove Board.

Mayor Ann Ferguson said that Council is continuing to be a leader in the field of waste water management and that this project will enable a substantial increase in the use of treated waste water.

“This agreement provides significant environmental and economic benefits for our community and represents an excellent example of the public and private sectors working together co-operatively to deliver new water infrastructure” said Mayor Ferguson.

Hillgrove Resources will fund and procure the infrastructure such as the pipeline and pump stations, then vest this asset to Council in exchange for a reliable supply of class A recycled water, to be supplied in accordance with the District Council of Mount Barker's waste water pricing policy framework.

“With the assistance of the Adelaide Hills Regional Development Board, Council is delighted to have secured funding support from the State Government to enable the pipeline extension from the Kanmantoo Mine to the township of Callington” said Mayor Ferguson.

Chairman Dean Brown said that Hillgrove Resources is very pleased to reach this agreement with the District Council of Mount Barker as an effective way for

using recycled water rather than rely on River Murray water which is a precious resource.

“The District Council of Mount Barker has been far sighted in proposing the scheme which will use recycled water from Mount Barker to assist economic development within the council area” Mr Brown said.

“It is very beneficial for the environment as well as being sustainable.”

“I have always been a strong advocate for the use of recycled water and initiated schemes such as the expanded scheme at Bolivar and the McLaren Vale use of recycled water” Mr Brown said.

Mr Brown added that “South Australia is the leading state in Australia by a long way in the effective use of recycled water and has the strong support of the Minister for The River Murray the Hon Karlene Maywald MP as reflected by the issuing of the grant to the District Council of Mount Barker to extend the scheme to the township of Callington.”

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