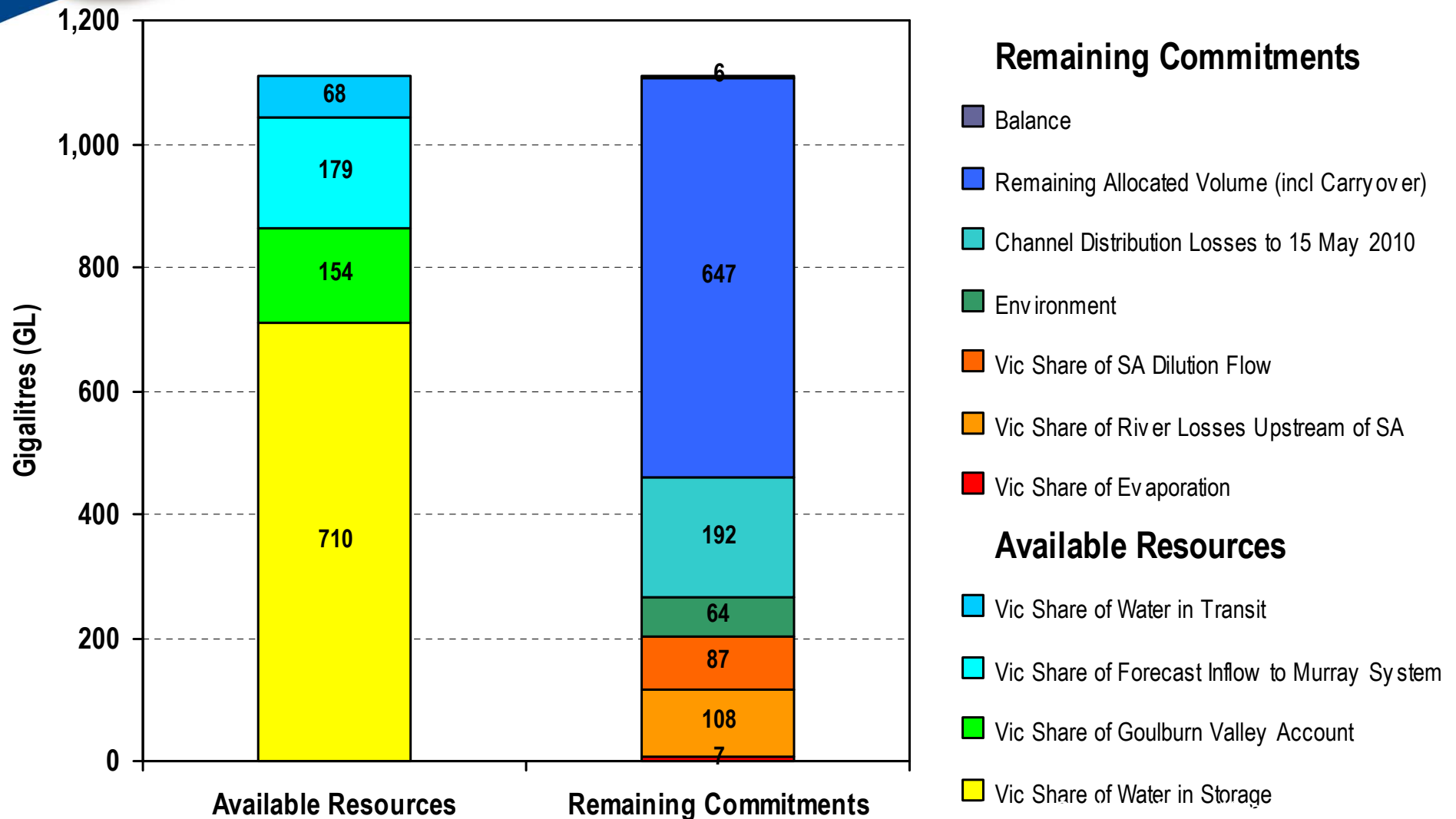




Murray System

Breakdown of Water in Store and Commitments

15 March 2010





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Water Balance Terms and Definitions

Vic Share of Water in Storage: The share of water in the Murray system storages – Dartmouth Dam, Lake Hume and Lake Victoria – that is owned by Victoria, excluding water that is not available to Victoria under interim water sharing arrangements.

Vic Share of Goulburn Valley Account: Total amount of Goulburn system water bought by Victorian Murray system users that is yet to be delivered.

Vic Share of Forecast Inflow to Murray System: The Victorian share of forecast inflows in the River Murray and tributaries above the storages that are yet to flow into the storages. This estimate of inflows assumes there are no further rain events for the year.

Vic Share of Water in Transit: The share of the water flowing in the River Murray that is assigned to Victoria, but has not reached a Murray system storage.

Vic Share of Evaporation: The Victorian share of the water needed to account for evaporation from storages.

Vic Share of River Losses upstream of SA: The Victorian share of the water needed to account for losses from the River Murray upstream of the South Australian border.

Vic Share of SA Dilution Flow: The Victorian share of the water needed to account for the supply of dilution water to South Australia, as required under the Murray-Darling Basin Agreement.

Environment: Entitlements held for the environment, including the Barmah-Millewa Forest and lower Broken Creek operation.

Channel Distribution Losses to 15 May 2010: Estimate of the amount of water required to operate Victorian Murray system rural water corporations' channel and pipeline delivery systems to deliver allocation to customers and urban water corporations.

Remaining Allocated Volume (including Carryover): The volume assigned to entitlement holders under a 78% allocation of high-reliability water shares plus the carried over resources that were allocated to entitlement holders in 2008/09, but are yet to be delivered. Carryover includes resources held by rural water customers and urban water corporations.

Balance: The balance that will be available when sufficient water is available to make a full 1% of high-reliability water shares to all Murray customers.

Please note that the category of **Essential Human Needs** (the volume set aside to meet essential domestic and stock needs in the urban and rural systems) has been removed because the announcement of a seasonal allocation greater than 20% of high-reliability water shares means that the supply of water for essential needs under the Murray Qualification of Rights has expired.

Source: Goulburn-Murray Water