

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee

Questions on Notice – Monday, 2 April 2012
HAY, NSW

Inquiry into management of the Murray-Darling Basin

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Questions Taken on Notice - Coleambally Irrigation Cooperative Ltd

1. HANSARD, PG 29

CHAIR: ... Could I ask you, just for educating the committee, what is Coleambally Irrigation's licence? How much water?

Mr Culleton: At privatisation we started with 621,516 megalitres. Since then we have had 84,639 megalitres leave our licence, of which 37,621 went via buyback.

CHAIR: And the others were traded to other entities?

Mr Culleton: No. Some of the others went in smart government purchases. So, when I say 'buyback', I am being blunt. Some of them have gone to Water Smart Australia projects, PIIOP projects and on-farm efficiency. I could give you a complete breakdown of that.

CHAIR: If you could make it available.

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1. HANSARD, PG 59

Senator RHIANNON: Mr McNamara, you spoke about the businesses that have folded in Hay—and they were quite dramatic figures.

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Mr McNamara: ... I am quite willing to give you a list of those businesses that have folded in the last four years.

Senator RHIANNON: That would be useful.