Water Resource Strategy for Melbourne

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Total System Volume and Annual Demand (ML)



Melbourne storage inflows 1913-2006

Inflows in 2006 were the worst in recorded history





Streamflow – Perth's major storages



Figure 3.1 Yearly streamflow for major metropolitan surface water sources.

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Source: Water Corporation, Integrated Water Supply Scheme Source Development Plan 2005



Forecast Melbourne storage levels 2007-2016 under three inflow scenarios

With no new supply





New water for Melbourne





Streamflows into Reservoirs



Note: "The outlook for total September-quarter rainfall (July to September) over south-eastern Australia, shows no strong swings in the odds towards either above-normal or belownormal rainfall. The chances of accumulating at least average rain for the season are relatively close to 50%" (Bureau of Meteorology Seasonal Outlook, 26 June 2007)



Melbourne Water Grid





- Melbourne Water Main
- Service Reservoir
- Water catchments



Australian capital city water use

Melbourne is the most water efficient capital city



Source: National Water Commission and Water Services Association of Australia, National Performance Report 2005-06



Water use in Victoria and Melbourne - % used by sector





Melbourne's storages 2002-2007

Storages would be 250GL lower without conservation



