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By email

Keith Haslett Chief Executive Affinity Water

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Dear Keith,

Strategic regional water resource solution: gate two final decision for Affinity Water

I am writing to inform you that we have published the final decisions in respect of the following strategic regional water resource solutions:

- Anglian to Affinity Transfer (A2AT)
- Grand Union Canal Transfer (GUC)
- Minworth
- South East Strategic Reservoir Option (SESRO)
- South Lincolnshire Reservoir (SLR)
- Thames to Affinity Transfer (T2AT)

The solution owners and other interested parties had the opportunity to respond to the draft decisions during the representation period, which followed the publication of the decisions on 30 March 2023. We have taken all relevant representations into account in making our final decisions.

Final decision summary in respect of Affinity Water-sponsored solutions

Recommendation item	A2AT	GUC	Minworth	SESRO	SLR	T2AT
Solution owners	Affinity Anglian	Affinity Severn Trent	Affinity Severn Trent	Affinity Thames	Affinity Anglian	Affinity Thames
Should further funding be allowed for the solution to progress to gate three?	Yes	Yes, subject to any decisions taken at a Conditional Review Point.	Yes, subject to any decisions taken at a Conditional Review Point.	Yes	Yes	Yes

Recommendation item	A2AT	GUC	Minworth	SESRO	SLR	T2AT
Is there evidence all expenditure is efficient and should be allowed?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Delivery incentive penalty?	No	No	No	No	No	No
Is there any change to partner arrangements?	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
Are there priority actions for urgent completion?	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No

The RAPID partner regulators would like to thank Affinity Water for submission timeliness, collaborative approach and positive engagement which has helped drive the quality and speed of progression of these solutions.

Both this letter and the enclosed final decision documents were published on our website on 28 June 2023.

Should you have any questions about the final decision, please e-mail rapid@ofwat.gov.uk and someone from the team will be in touch.

Once again, Ofwat would like to thank Affinity Water for the work that it has carried out over the gate two period.

Yours sincerely

David Black
Chief Executive Officer

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