

## APPENDIX A: SPECIFIC POLICY DECISIONS AFFECTING THE BUDGET POSITION

Appendix A outlines specific government policy decisions that affect output, asset investment and revenue positions, including Treasurer's Advances, made since the May 2006 Budget.

### OUTPUT AND ASSET DECISIONS

#### Government-wide decisions

The following table provides details of the total cost of Government-wide output decisions (initiatives that are administered and delivered by more than one Department). The figures included are the total cost of decisions. Funding from reprioritisation and existing fund sources has not been deducted from the total cost of the decision.

**Table A1: Output decisions – Government-wide**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Air Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police Air Wing Co-location	..	0.1	0.1	0.1
Allergy training <sup>(a)</sup>	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.5
Fire Preparedness - Additional Resources for Bushfire Suppression	6.1	..	..	..
Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Conversions	1.2	..	..	..
2007 FINA World Swimming Championships Security Requirements <sup>(b)</sup>	..	..	..	..
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Apprenticeships initiative	3.8	..	..	..
Providing water security for sportsgrounds through summer	0.8	..	..	..
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>				
Adapting for Victoria's Future	1.8	4.0	4.3	4.7
Support for National Emissions Trading	0.1	0.1	..	..
<b>Total output decisions <sup>(b)</sup></b>	<b>14.4</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>5.3</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Notes:

(a) Allergy training has \$0.3 million funding in 2010-11.

(b) 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships Security Requirements details withheld as security plans and arrangements of this kind are subject to an elevated level of sensitivity and confidentiality.

### **Air Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police Air Wing Co-location**

The Department of Human Services and the Department of Justice have been provided funding for the establishment of new facilities for the accommodation of the Air Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police rotary air wing at Essendon Airport. This funding will develop a purpose-built Emergency Services Precinct.

### **Allergy training**

The Department of Education and Training and the Department of Human Services will introduce uniform policy and training for teachers and children's services workers in response to life threatening allergies.

### **Fire Preparedness – Additional Resources for Bushfire Suppression**

Funding is provided to the Department of Justice, Country Fire Authority and the Department of Sustainability and Environment for additional air support and supplementary fire equipment including water tanks, specialist water relay equipment and water transport to enhance existing fire suppression capability during the 2006-07 fire season.

### **Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Conversions**

The Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Training decision has provided for 500 training places at TAFE Institutes to upgrade the skills of mechanics and related tradespersons to meet registration requirements for LPG installations and conversions. The Department of Education and Training has been provided funding of \$0.7 million, which has been allocated on the advice of the Victorian Automotive Chamber of Commerce, as well as \$0.1 million from the Skill-Up program to address immediate skill shortages in the production of LPG kits.

The Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development has also been provided with funding of \$0.4 million to implement the LPG Communications Strategy, which focuses on encouraging public confidence and emphasising safety and national standards.

### **2007 FINA World Swimming Championships Security Requirements**

This decision provides funding from the Department of Justice and the Department for Victorian Communities to ensure the delivery of a safe and secure World Swimming Championships in Melbourne in March 2007.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Apprenticeships initiative*

The Department of Primary Industries and the Department for Victorian Communities will provide funding to support the retention of apprentices employed in businesses located in Exceptional Circumstances areas that derive the majority of their income from servicing primary producers. One-off grants of \$1 500 will be paid to employers (sole traders, partnerships and private companies) for each apprentice that is retained to 31 December 2006.

### *Providing water security for sportsgrounds through summer*

The Department of Sustainability and Environment and the Department for Victorian Communities will provide funding to assist regional and rural councils to keep municipal sportsgrounds open over this summer.

## **Our Environment, Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006**

### *Adapting for Victoria's Future*

This decision, being implemented by the Department of Human Services, the Department of Primary Industries and the Department of Sustainability and Environment, will increase Victoria's scientific knowledge and technical expertise to help communities adapt to climate change. Specific components will include improving the resilience of Victoria's natural assets and agricultural systems and making our infrastructure more adaptable to climate change.

### *Support for National Emissions Trading*

This decision, being implemented by the Department of Infrastructure and the Department of Sustainability and Environment, will provide for further analysis and assessment of emission trading options to inform Victoria's involvement in the National Emissions Trading Taskforce.

**Table A2: Asset decisions – Government-wide**

	<i>(\$ million)</i>				
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>	<i>TEI</i>
Air Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police Air Wing Co-location	3.8	7.6	..	..	11.4
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>11.4</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

### **Air Ambulance Victoria and Victoria Police Air Wing Co-location**

See output decisions.

## **Departmental decisions**

The following tables provide details of output and asset investment decisions since the May 2006 Budget, for each applicable department. Except where specified, figures indicate the total cost of decisions. Funding from reprioritisation and existing funding sources has not been deducted from the total cost of the decision.

## **Education and Training**

### *Output decisions*

**Table A3: Output decisions – Education and Training**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability</b>				
<b>Action Statement 2006</b>				
Greening our Schools	1.0	..	..	..
Sustainability Skills	2.5	5.0	2.5	..
Sustainable Schools	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Training for Tradies	0.2	0.3	0.3	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>0.1</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

### **Our Environment, Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006**

#### *Greening our Schools*

Funds will be invested for schools and education facilities to be more energy efficient through technology upgrades, education and behaviour change programs and improvements to construction, operation and maintenance guidelines. All new government schools will be built using the latest green rating tools.

#### *Sustainability Skills*

Funds will be invested to develop a National Centre for Sustainability, Environmental Design and Land Management at Swinburne TAFE's Wantirna campus and appoint a Statewide Sustainability Skills Advisor. Once completed, the Centre will focus on developing skills in sustainable land management and design that reduce impacts on the environment.

#### *Sustainable Schools*

This decision provides for an expansion of environmental sustainability programs to more government schools. Linkages that exist between schools and their local communities will be broadened under this program to include biodiversity and energy and water use.

### *Training for Tradies*

Funds will be invested to bring more tradespeople and professionals up to speed on sustainable practices. This will complement proposed developments at the national level and support the implementation of 5 Star building regulations by working with electricians, residential heating/air conditioning installers and home sustainability assessors.

### *Asset decisions*

**Table A4: Asset decisions – Education and Training**

	(\$ million)				
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	TEI
Technical Wings and Trade Equipment for government schools <sup>(a)</sup>	..	19.7	9.3	8.8	50.0
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>8.8</b>	<b>50.0</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

*Note:*

(a) *Technical Wings and Trade Equipment for government schools has \$8.2 million funding in 2010-11 and \$4.1 million in 2011-12.*

### **Technical Wings and Trade Equipment for government schools**

Funding has been provided for building works and equipment in government secondary colleges, to encourage students to take up apprenticeships and trades. New trade wings will be built in 30 government secondary colleges with all other secondary colleges receiving grants of up to \$100 000 to purchase items such as computer aided drafting and manufacturing equipment and software, machining equipment, digital lathes and automotive and engineering equipment.

## Human Services

### Output decisions

**Table A5: Output decisions – Human Services**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Children's Sexual Assault Counselling Services	0.8	..	..	..
Council of Australian Governments: Health Workforce	6.8	6.3	6.2	7.7
Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible <sup>(a)</sup>	..	2.0	0.9	0.9
Fire Preparedness - Community Development Officers	0.6	..	..	..
Health Workforce Recruitment and Retention	3.8	5.3	6.7	7.9
Non-Government Organisations Price Indexation	5.9	12.0	18.9	16.9
Royal Children's Hospital	12.4	15.9	16.3	16.7
Royal Melbourne Showgrounds Crèche Relocation	..	..	0.6	..
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Supporting families through drought	0.9	0.1	..	..
Supporting the human side of drought	3.8	..	..	..
Tackling mental health	0.9	..	..	..
Tackling rural poverty	0.3	..	..	..
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>				
Greening our Hospitals	1.0	1.2	1.1	0.6
Water Efficiency in Public Housing	0.4	1.1	1.2	1.3
<b>Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism</b>				
Health and medical response	0.7	..	..	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>38.1</b>	<b>43.9</b>	<b>51.9</b>	<b>52.0</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible has \$0.9 million funding in 2010-11.

### Children's Sexual Assault Counselling Services

Funding is been provided to increase the availability of counselling services for sexual assault.

### Council of Australian Governments: Health Workforce

Funding has been provided to resource the additional growth in undergraduate medical, nursing and allied health places in order to meet Victoria's commitments to the COAG Health workforce reform package.

### **Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible**

Funding has been provided to expand Victoria's anti-superbug handwash program to all hospital visitors and to place microbiological rapid testing units in all major hospitals.

### **Fire Preparedness – Community Development Officers**

Funding is provided for the employment of Community Development Officers to work with community groups to provide grants, food relief, augmentation of health services and counsellors and assist in the development and implementation of local recovery initiatives to support capacity building in high risk fire areas.

### **Health Workforce Recruitment and Retention**

Funding has been provided to expand Victoria's health workforce through the provision of additional medical intern and specialist training positions as well as an international recruitment campaign.

### **Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) Price Indexation**

This decision will provide indexation for Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) providing disability, community care, housing assistance, palliative care and drug services.

Funding has also been provided in 2006-07 to 2008-09 to establish an infrastructure fund to assist NGOs in meeting the costs of infrastructure purchase, replacement or upgrade.

### **Royal Children's Hospital**

Funding has been provided to the Royal Children's Hospital to manage increased demand for general and paediatric orthopaedic services.

### **Royal Melbourne Showgrounds Crèche Relocation**

Funding has been provided for the relocation of existing crèche facilities.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Supporting families through drought*

Funding has been provided to help families maintain important aspects of family life for example Christmas hampers, toys and back to school costs.

#### *Supporting the human side of drought*

Funding has been provided for mental health counsellors and mental health projects, community engagement and public information campaigns and fee relief for kindergartens in drought affected areas.

### *Tackling mental health*

Funding has been provided to strengthen and improve local community capacity to deal more effectively with local issues around mental health. This will be achieved through professional development of service providers and local leaders, improving information and referral networks and local health promotion initiatives.

### *Tackling rural poverty*

Funding has been provided to strengthen and improve local community capacity to deal more effectively with local issues around rural poverty. This will be achieved through professional development of service providers and local leaders, enhancing information and referral networks, facilitating local information sharing forums and funding for prioritised emergency relief needs across drought affected municipalities.

## **Our Environment, Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006**

### *Greening our Hospitals*

Funding has been provided to enhance the environmental performance of hospitals and aged care facilities by implementing a program of energy and water efficiency retrofits.

### *Water Efficiency in Public Housing*

Funding has been provided to install AAA shower heads and dual flush toilets in all public housing over the next four years.

## **Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism**

### *Health and medical response*

Funding has been provided for training and equipment to the Department of Human Services and ambulance services to better respond to critical incidents.

## **Asset decisions**

**Table A6: Asset decisions – Human Services**

	<i>(\$ million)</i>				
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>	<i>TEI</i>
Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible <sup>(a)</sup>	..	2.0	1.0	1.0	5.0
Royal Melbourne Hospital Brickwork Rectification	15.1	..	..	..	15.1
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>					
Greening our Hospitals	..	1.5	0.9	0.9	3.3
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>23.4</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

*Note:*

*(a) Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible has \$1.0 million funding in 2010-11.*

## Ensuring our hospitals are as clean and safe as possible

See output decisions.

### Royal Melbourne Hospital Brickwork Rectification

Funding has been provided for the continuation of works to rectify brickwork in the facades at the Royal Melbourne Hospital.

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### Greening our Hospitals

See output decisions.

## Infrastructure

### Output decisions

**Table A7: Output decisions – Department of Infrastructure**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Country Rail Network Maintenance - Passenger Initiative	23.0	23.6	..	..
New Young Driver Safety and Graduated Licensing Package	2.1	2.5	..	..
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>				
Smart Metering	1.4	0.6	0.1	0.1
Victorian Renewable Energy Target	1.0	0.5	..	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>27.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

### Country Rail Network Maintenance - Passenger Initiative

Funding has been provided for the maintenance of the country passenger rail network to ensure that the integrity of the infrastructure is retained.

### New Young Driver Safety and Graduated Licensing Package

Funding is provided for a package of measures to improve the safety of young drivers, including a longer learner phase and increased supervised driving experience, an improved driving test, a two staged probationary period, a requirement for good driving record to move through licence stages and alcohol ignition interlocks for first time drink driving offenders.

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### Smart Metering

This decision provides for pricing and metering trials to record power usage by households and identify ways to reduce power usage during peak periods. The roll out of the two-way interval meters will be sped up to provide two million households with access to this technology over the next three to five years.

### Victorian Renewable Energy Target

This project provides for the establishment of a renewable energy target to drive new investment in renewable energy projects and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

### Asset decisions

**Table A8: Asset decisions – Department of Infrastructure**

	(\$ million)				TEI
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	
Country Rail Network Maintenance - Passenger Initiative	30.0	30.8	..	..	60.8
Frankston Bypass Bridges	6.5	..	..	..	6.5
Geelong Bypass Stage 4 Planning <sup>(a)</sup>	0.8	2.2	..	..	3.0
New Young Driver Safety and Graduated Licensing Package	1.0	1.5	..	..	2.5
Plummer Street Bypass <sup>(a)</sup>	4.8	13.3	..	..	19.2
Regional Rolling Stock Requirements	18.9	16.1	16.5	13.6	65.1
<b>Drought Response</b>					
Road upgrades in drought affected communities	16.1	7.6	0.3	..	24.0
<b>Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism</b>					
Motorised rail trolleys	0.5	..	..	..	0.5
Radio Re-broadcasting System	1.0	..	..	..	1.0
<b>Total asset initiatives <sup>(a)</sup></b>	<b>73.1</b>	<b>71.5</b>	<b>16.8</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>176.1</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) TEI includes funding in 2005-06.

### Country Rail Network Maintenance – Passenger Initiative

See output decisions.

### Frankston Bypass Bridges

Funding has been provided to construct three ramps at the EastLink and Mornington Peninsula Freeway interchange to provide access to the future Frankston Bypass. These works are being conducted as a State Initiated Modification to EastLink and are to be funded from the Better Roads Victoria Trust.

### Geelong Bypass Stage 4 Planning

Funding has been provided to undertake a planning study of a possible fourth stage of the Geelong Bypass. This study will examine the design and costs of extending the Bypass to rejoin the Princes Highway west of the Waurin Ponds Valley, as well as consider the feasibility of a link to the Surf Coast Highway.

## **New Young Driver Safety and Graduated Licensing Package**

See output decisions.

### **Plummer Street Bypass**

Funding has been provided from the Better Roads Victoria Trust Account for a local truck bypass in Port Melbourne. The Bypass includes an upgrade of Graham Street north of Williamstown Road and Plummer Street between Graham and Prohasky Streets, and an extension of Prohasky Street to connect into the West Gate Freeway. This project will see a 50 per cent reduction in truck traffic on residential areas of Williamstown Road, as well as more direct access to the West Gate Freeway in Port Melbourne.

### **Regional Rolling Stock Requirements**

This decision has brought forward funding announced in *Meeting Our Transport Challenges* from 2010-11 (beyond the forward estimates period) for 14 centre (trailer) cars for the VLocity regional rail fleet. This will enable train configurations to be more flexible and better match fluctuations in demand for regional rail services.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Road upgrades in drought affected communities*

A package of road upgrades in drought affected communities will be brought forward to commence in 2006-07. The package, to be funded from the Better Roads Victoria Trust Account, includes shoulder sealing of the Midland Highway from Elmore to east of Stanhope and road widening of Lismore Skipton Road, Heathcote Rochester Road, Natimuk Frances Road, Boort Wycheproof Road, and Wangaratta-Whitford Road.

### **Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism**

#### *Motorised rail trolleys*

Funding has been provided to enable the purchase of a number of small battery operated trolleys to enable rapid evacuation of the City Loop in case of emergency.

#### *Radio Re-broadcasting System*

Funding has been provided for the installation of a radio re-broadcasting system within the City Loop to facilitate the broadcast of emergency information in case of an incident.

## ***Innovation, Industry and Regional Development***

### *Output decisions*

**Table A9: Output decisions – Department of Innovation, Industry and Regional Development**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Cooperative airline marketing program	2.0	..	..	..
Grand Plaza Project, Docklands	10.0	..	..	..
Team Melbourne	0.3	..	..	..
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Business Continuity Package	1.5	..	..	..
Grants to local government for minor works and local infrastructure	11.1	..	..	..
Regional Infrastructure Development Fund projects - for projects in drought affected areas	10.0	..	..	..
Small Towns Development Fund projects - for innovative water projects	5.0	..	..	..
Small Towns Development Fund projects - for projects in drought affected areas	2.9	..	..	..
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>				
Enhanced Sustainability in New Investment	1.0	1.2	1.3	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>43.8</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>..</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

#### **Cooperative airline marketing program**

Funding has been provided for cooperative marketing activities to promote Victoria internationally as a tourism destination in alliance with commercial airline operators in Victoria.

#### **Grand Plaza Project, Docklands**

Funding has been provided to accelerate works on the Grand Plaza project at the Docklands, now scheduled for completion in 2006-07. The works involve demolishing the existing wharf and constructing a new wharf at a lower level, as well as removing the existing level changes and stairs to enhance pedestrian circulation. The works will also improve safety by separating pedestrians and bicycles.

#### **Team Melbourne**

Funding has been provided to an alliance of Melbourne-based and Melbourne-named sporting clubs, as part of the branding and marketing of Victorian activities.

#### **Drought Response**

##### *Business Continuity Package*

Funding has been provided for direct counselling and group forums/workshops for businesses in drought affected areas.

### *Grants to local government for minor works and local infrastructure*

Funding has been provided to give 37 local councils in Exceptional Circumstances affected areas cash grants of \$300 000 for minor works and local infrastructure projects. These funds will be provided on a 2:1 matched funding basis with councils, matching either in-kind or cash contributions.

### *Regional Infrastructure Development Fund projects – for projects in drought affected areas*

Funding has been brought forward under the Regional Infrastructure Development Fund for projects in drought affected regions.

### *Small Towns Development Fund projects – for innovative water projects*

Funding has been brought forward under the Small Towns Development Fund for innovative water projects in drought affected regions.

### *Small Towns Development Fund projects – for projects in drought affected areas*

Funding has been brought forward under the Small Towns Development Fund for other projects in drought affected regions.

## **Our Environment, Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006**

### *Enhanced Sustainability in New Investment*

This decision will encourage companies considering investment or expansion in Victoria to adopt technologies and processes that deliver enhanced sustainability outcomes. This action will expand the successful greenhouse-specific investment facilitation program, and provide matched incentives for investment in water saving and waste management, as well as greenhouse friendly technologies.

## **Justice**

### *Output decisions*

**Table A10: Output decisions – Department of Justice**

	<i>(\$ million)</i>			
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>
Fire Preparedness - Community Awareness and Engagement of Bushfires	0.9	..	..	..
Living Country Racing Program <sup>(a)</sup>	..	0.4	0.4	0.4
<b>Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism</b>				
Emergency Management Exercise Group - Operations <sup>(b)</sup>	..	0.4	0.4	0.4
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.8</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

*Notes:*

*(a) Living Country Racing Program has \$0.4 million funding in 2010-11.*

*(b) Emergency Management Exercise Group - Operations has \$0.4 million funding in 2010-11.*

### **Fire Preparedness – Community Awareness and Engagement of Bushfires**

Funding is provided to enhance a range of existing community awareness and engagement activities such as targeted communications in relation to fire preparedness and safety information including *Fire Ready Victoria*, community engagement facilitators and integrating fire emergency management, engagement and communications.

### **Living Country Racing Program**

Funding is provided for the continuation of the Living Country Racing Program which aims to upgrade and improve racing infrastructure in regional Victoria and to increase opportunities for access to racing facilities for the non-racing community.

### **Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism**

#### *Emergency Management Exercise Group – Operations*

Funding has been provided for the establishment of a multi agency emergency incident training coordination unit within the Department of Justice.

### *Asset decisions*

**Table A11: Asset decisions – Department of Justice**

	<i>(\$ million)</i>				
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>	<i>TEI</i>
Police Cells Upgrade	3.8	..	..	..	3.8
<b>Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism</b>					
CCTV Van	0.3	..	..	..	0.3
Emergency Management Exercise Group – Equipment	0.2	..	..	..	0.2
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>4.3</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

### **Police Cells Upgrade**

This decision has provided funding for lighting and ventilation upgrades in police cells in 14 locations across the State, including the Melbourne Custody Centre.

### **Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism**

#### *CCTV Van*

Funding has been provided for the purchase of a mobile CCTV Van to enable better management of major emergencies and events.

#### *Emergency Management Exercise Group – Equipment*

Funding has been provided for the purchase of necessary equipment for the new Emergency Management Exercise Group.

## Premier and Cabinet

### Output decisions

**Table A12: Output decisions – Department of Premier and Cabinet**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Cultural Program for the 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships	2.3	..	..	..
New Jewish Community Centre, Caulfield	2.3	..	..	..
Purchase of Von Guerard Painting 'View of Geelong'	1.5	..	..	..
<b>Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism</b>				
Centre for Dialogue	..	0.2	0.1	..
Counter Terrorism Research and Development	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Global Terrorism Research Centre <sup>(a)</sup>	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) Global Terrorism Research Centre has \$0.2 million funding in 2010-11.

#### **Cultural Program: 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships**

Funding has been provided for a free outdoor cultural program to be held in March 2007 during the FINA World Swimming Championships.

#### **New Jewish Community Centre, Caulfield**

Funding has been provided to enable the purchase of land in Caulfield for the development of a new Jewish Community Centre.

#### **Purchase of Von Guerard Painting 'View of Geelong'**

Funding has been provided to the Geelong Gallery for the purchase of the early Australian painting 'View of Geelong' by Eugene von Guerard.

#### **Protecting Our Communities – New Initiatives to Combat Terrorism**

##### *Centre for Dialogue*

Funding will be provided for the Centre for Dialogue at La Trobe University.

##### *Counter Terrorism Research and Development*

Funding has been provided to the operations of the National Security and Technology Unit and for research and consultation on the causes of terrorism.

##### *Global Terrorism Research Centre*

Funding will be provided for the establishment of a new Global Terrorism Research Centre at Monash University from January 2007.

## Asset decisions

**Table A13: Asset decisions – Department of Premier and Cabinet**

	(\$ million)				TEI
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	
Australian Centre for the Moving Image Ground Floor Planning and Redevelopment Works	3.0	..	..	..	3.0
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>3.0</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

### Australian Centre for the Moving Image Ground Floor Planning and Redevelopment Works

Funding has been provided for ground floor planning and redevelopment works at the Australian Centre for the Moving Image.

## Primary Industries

### Output decisions

**Table A14: Output decisions – Primary Industries**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Leasing of Aquaculture Sites	0.5	0.8	0.4	0.2
Locust Control in northern Victoria	3.0	..	..	..
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Additional Rural Financial Counsellors	0.6	0.6	..	..
Domestic and Stock Water Tank rebates	5.4	..	..	..
Drought communications	0.1	..	..	..
Exceptional Circumstances package - Business Interest Rate Subsidies	2.0	..	..	..
Extending Municipal Rates Subsidy to 2007-08	..	5.0	..	..
Future farm planning	0.7	0.7	..	..
One-on-one extension services for farmers	0.5	0.5	..	..
Stock slaughter program	1.0	..	..	..
Supplementary re-establishment grants	0.5	..	..	..
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>				
Healthy Soil	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Responding to Community Expectations of Mining	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.4
Reducing Emissions from the Agricultural Sector	0.4	..	..	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>16.3</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.6</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

### **Leasing of Aquaculture Sites**

Funding has been provided to meet costs associated with the leasing of marine aquaculture sites on Crown land in Port Phillip Bay and Western Port.

### **Locust control in northern Victoria**

Funding has been provided to meet the cost of undertaking urgent locust control activities in northern Victoria.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Additional Rural Financial Counsellors*

Funding has been provided for four rural financial counsellors in Ouyen, Kerang, Kyabram and the Wimmera over the next two years.

#### *Domestic and Stock Water Tank rebates*

This decision will provide rebates on the cost of installing a water tank for eligible Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water stock and domestic water customers.

#### *Drought communications*

Funding has been provided to promote combined State Government drought response measures.

#### *Exceptional Circumstances package – Business Interest Rate Subsidies*

The funding represents the State's commitment to assist farmers affected by recent frosts at Goulburn Valley. A major component of the assistance is to provide business interest rate subsidies for eligible farmers in the area.

#### *Extending Municipal Rates Subsidy to 2007-08*

This decision will extend the 50 per cent municipal rates subsidy program into 2007-08.

#### *Future farm planning*

This decision will provide services and support for primary producers making decisions for the future.

#### *One-on-one extension services for farmers*

This decision has provided funding for one-on-one extension services and advice for farmers in drought 'hot spots' across the State.

#### *Stock Slaughter Program*

Funding has been provided to assist local councils with the costs of disposing of sheep or cattle that are in unsaleable condition due to drought conditions.

#### *Supplementary re-establishment grants*

This decision offers 12 months of support to retrain farmers choosing to exit the industry, assisting them with the process of leaving their landholdings, and often their homes. This decision complements a Commonwealth Government program.

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### *Healthy Soil*

This decision will help primary producers responsibly manage their soil assets to help achieve production and environmental benefits. This will include putting them in touch with the best available information sources, diagnosing the condition and health of their soil, comparing their soil management against other local producers and pursuing improved soil productivity and environmental services.

### *Responding to Community Expectations of Mining*

The major boom in the resource sector is bringing new pressures and new issues for communities and the environment. This decision will minimise conflict by ensuring the resources sector talks with communities at an early stage and consults on how it will improve environmental and social outcomes and protect rural amenities through sustainable development practices.

### *Reducing Emissions from the Agricultural Sector*

Funding will be invested to support research into greenhouse emissions from Victorian agricultural activities, with a particular focus on the dairy industry. These emissions can be reduced through more efficient use of resources such as fertiliser and water, as well as being affected by animal treatment.

## **Sustainability and Environment**

### *Output decisions*

**Table A15: Output decisions – Department of Sustainability and Environment**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Analysis of Large Scale Water Supply Options for Melbourne	2.9	6.4	..	..
Analysis of Water Supply Options for Geelong	1.3	2.8	..	..
Annual Review of Factors Influencing Water Supply and Demand	2.3	..	..	..
Industrial Waste Reduction Programs	..	4.8	7.6	7.6
Mullum Mullum Creek Regional Park <sup>(a)</sup>	..	0.4	0.7	0.8
Sustainable Water Projects <sup>(b)</sup>	..	..	69.3	69.3
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Emergency bore and water supply network	3.0	..	..	..
Fire Ready Victoria for rural and isolated communities	0.6	..	..	..
Investing in Catchment and Land Protection	5.0	..	..	..
Municipal pools assistance program	1.1	..	..	..
Northern grid - promoting interconnections	2.0	6.0	..	..
Pumping Waranga Basin	4.3	..	..	..
Stock containment facilities	0.5	..	..	..
Using groundwater to secure urban water supplies	1.0	..	..	..
Water Rates Subsidies	40.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Wimmera Mallee Pipeline - Fire Hydrants and Tanks	1.2	..	..	..

**Table A15: Output decisions – Department of Sustainability and Environment**  
(continued)

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability</b>				
<b>Action Statement 2006</b>				
Air Quality Monitoring Stations	3.0	..	..	..
Alternative Fuels	0.7	0.2	..	..
Cities for Climate Protection	0.4	..	..	..
Eco-innovation Hub	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
Eco-living	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Campaign	2.4	5.0	..	..
Energy Smart Business	0.5	0.3	0.8	1.0
Extending Bush Tender	..	0.9	0.9	0.9
Gippsland Lakes	2.3	2.0	1.8	..
Green Communities - Smart Energy Zones	1.0	1.1	1.1	0.8
GreenHomes	0.6	1.2	1.2	1.2
Greening our Car Fleet	0.5	..	..	..
It's Easy Being Green	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Landcare	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Learning to Live Sustainably	0.5	1.5	2.0	1.9
Lifecycle Management in Business and Industry	3.0	3.0	3.0	..
Litter Strategy	0.1	..	..	..
Market Solutions	1.3	4.3	4.2	4.2
Native Vegetation Trust	1.6	2.6	0.1	0.1
Neighbourhood Renewal (Environmental Initiatives)	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3
Protecting Our Coastline	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Rebates for Being Green	0.3	0.6	0.6	..
Recreational Parks -Trail Bikes	0.9	1.5	1.6	1.1
Regional Sustainability	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.8
Right Advice at the Right Place	0.9	1.2	..	..
Support for Renewable Energy Technologies	4.4	4.0	4.0	..
Support Smart Business	0.5	0.3	0.8	1.0
Sustainable Forestry	0.5	..	..	..
Sustainability Fund Grants	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
Take-back and Recycling Centres	1.6	1.4	0.5	0.5
Trade Waste	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Victorian Local Sustainability Accord	1.0	1.4	1.3	1.3
Werribee Plains	0.2	0.2	0.2	..
Yarra Hot Spots	0.6	1.2	1.3	1.4
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>102.2</b>	<b>64.9</b>	<b>113.7</b>	<b>103.7</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Notes:

- (a) Mullum Mullum Creek Regional Park has \$0.6 million funding in 2010-11.  
 (b) Sustainable Water Projects will provide \$69.3 million funding in 2010-11 and 2011-12.

### **Analysis of Large Scale Water Supply Options for Melbourne**

A State Government contribution is provided to undertake development of business cases for large scale water supply options for Melbourne such as the Eastern Treatment Water Recycling proposal and other augmentation feasibility studies including seawater desalination and stormwater re-use options.

### **Analysis of Water Supply Options for Geelong**

A State Government contribution is provided to undertake feasibility studies of water supply options in Geelong and surrounding regions such as Newlingbrook and Jan Juc. Groundwater opportunities, aquifer storage and recovery initiatives and the potential for a Melbourne to Geelong interconnection will also be investigated.

### **Annual Review of Factors Influencing Water Supply and Demand**

Funding has been provided to deliver an annual review of water availability and demand compared to predicted forecasts, the evaluation of progress in meeting water conservation targets and a program of community and stakeholder engagement on the outcomes of the annual review.

### **Industrial Waste Reduction Programs**

Industry support programs will be established by the Environment Protection Authority in partnership with industry to reduce the generation of prescribed industrial waste. These programs will be funded from additional revenues arising from the introduction from 1 July 2007 of increased and differential landfill levies for the disposal of prescribed industrial waste.

### **Mullum Mullum Creek Regional Park**

Funding is provided to establish the Mullum Mullum Creek Regional Park to provide recreational and environmental benefits to the communities of Nunawading, Ringwood and surrounding areas. The natural values contained along Mullum Mullum Creek will be protected through the establishment of natural features reserves.

### **Sustainable Water Projects**

Funding is provided for water-related initiatives that seek to promote the sustainable management of water and to address adverse environmental impacts associated with water use. Funding is sourced from the second tranche of revenue from the Environmental Contribution Levy beginning 1 July 2008.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Emergency bore and water supply network*

Funding has been provided to prepare an updated inventory of reliable and accessible emergency water supply points for water cartage across the State, as well as to upgrade existing water supply points and identify and establish new sites.

#### *Fire Ready Victoria for rural and isolated communities*

Funding has been provided to extend the Fire Ready Victoria model to isolated rural communities in higher drought and bushfire risk areas.

#### *Investing in Catchment and Land Protection*

Catchment Management Authorities will deliver fencing works, pest management, stock containment and environmental works to mitigate the impacts of drought.

#### *Municipal pools assistance program*

Funding is provided to approximately 20 regional and rural councils to assist keep municipal pools open over this summer.

#### *Northern grid - promoting interconnections*

Funding is provided for stage one of a northern irrigation district upgrade, comprising program development, system design, feasibility studies and business cases for piping, channel automation, channel lining, improved metering and system interconnections.

#### *Pumping Waranga Basin*

Funding is provided for Goulburn-Murray Water to pump 'dead water' from the Waranga Basin to increase water allocations.

#### *Stock containment facilities*

Funding is provided to respond to the impacts of soil erosion and soil health decline exacerbated by drought.

#### *Using groundwater to secure urban water supplies*

This decision has provided funding to help rural towns secure urban water supplies by identifying and accessing groundwater supplies.

#### *Water Rates Subsidies*

Funding has been provided by the Government towards the first \$5 000 of fixed water charges for all irrigators and stock and domestic farmers who received less than 50 per cent of their water entitlements in 2006-07 only. In addition, for those irrigators whose water bill is greater than \$5 000 the balance will be able to be deferred and repaid over the following four years in annual instalments, interest free.

#### *Wimmera Mallee Pipeline - Fire Hydrants and Tanks*

Funding is provided to assist eight local councils in the Wimmera Mallee region to install fire hydrants and fire tanks along trunk mains and distribution pipelines being renewed as part of the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline Project.

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### *Air Quality Monitoring Stations*

In partnership with Ecotech Pty Ltd, the Environment Protection Authority will update the current metropolitan air monitoring network with new instrumentation, new shelters and infrastructure. Two new stations will be established in Melbourne's northern and western suburbs.

### *Alternative Fuels*

Funding is provided to develop 'A Biofuels Action Plan for Victoria' that will focus on building the capacity of the local biofuels industry and position the Victorian automotive industry for a low carbon future. The project also contributes to a hybrid bus trial that is designed to demonstrate the capability and accessibility of alternative technologies to the broader public.

### *Cities for Climate Protection*

This decision will cut greenhouse emissions by providing funding assistance to help local councils implement energy reduction measures and green purchasing policies, as outlined in their environmental action plans.

### *Eco-innovation Hub*

This decision will seek to identify applications for new technologies that have the potential to provide significant environmental benefits. This will be done by linking university students across a range of design disciplines to sustainability projects with industry, Government, communities and a sustainable cities network.

### *Eco-living*

Seed funding will be provided to local councils to establish six community buildings that demonstrate sustainability in action, based on the successful Port Phillip Eco-House and the CRES Centre in Brunswick. Funding will also be provided for practical examples of sustainability improvements in kindergartens, libraries, community centres, offices and small shops.

### *Energy Efficiency and Sustainability Campaign*

This decision will provide for a high-profile, sustained media campaign to increase awareness of climate change and demonstrate how household actions can reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.

### *Energy Smart Business*

Funding support is provided for projects in the business and retail sectors which demonstrate the benefits of energy efficiency with the aim of promoting wider uptake. Funding is also provided to start benchmarking Victoria's energy performance in key business sectors, as well as the residential sector.

### *Extending Bush Tender*

The BushTender program will be rolled out across the State, building on the successful expansion announced in the Provincial Statement. BushTender is an auction based approach where landholders competitively tender for contracts to improve their native vegetation.

### *Gippsland Lakes*

This decision aims to improve water quality in the Gippsland Lakes and assist reduction of the frequency and severity of algal blooms. The third phase of the *Gippsland Lakes Future Directions and Action Plan* will continue major nutrient reduction programs, support wetlands biodiversity and increase the capacity of the catchment community to improve the environmental health of the Lakes.

### *Green Communities - Smart Energy Zones*

This decision will demonstrate how leading Victorian communities can dramatically reduce their greenhouse gas emissions through integrating energy efficiency measures. Opportunities will be identified for communities to demonstrate how they can develop their own power through sustainable energy solutions.

### *GreenHomes*

In partnership with local government and environment groups, the State Government will help households make eco-friendly choices covering energy, waste, packaging, transport, gardens and water.

### *Greening our Car Fleet*

The State Government will operate a carbon neutral vehicle fleet by maintaining 150 hybrid vehicles and investing in offsetting greenhouse emissions.

### *It's Easy Being Green*

The ECOBuy green purchasing scheme has been successful in empowering local governments to achieve environmentally friendly outcomes in their purchasing decisions. The scheme will be extended beyond local government, with the establishment of an ECOBuy Environmental Purchasing Centre in Melbourne.

### *Landcare*

Building on the success of the *Victorian Action Plan for Second Generation Landcare*, this decision will increase the capacity of local and regional communities to participate in coordinated natural resources management activities, address key information gaps to improve the effectiveness of existing programs and facilitate sub catchment scale partnership projects. Funding will also help Landcare Groups recruit more Victorians to the Landcare movement.

### *Learning to Live Sustainably*

This decision provides for an effective, efficient, Whole-of-State approach to education and behaviour change for environmental sustainability. Funding is provided for key elements of the 10-year *Learning to Live Sustainably Strategy*, including a major household behaviour change program led by the Australian Conservation Foundation and Environment Victoria, and incentive programs, including seed funding, accreditation, awards and locally targeted behaviour change campaigns.

### *Lifecycle Management in Business and Industry*

The Environment Protection Authority will work with the Victorian Employers' Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Australian Industry Group and the Plastic and Chemicals Industry Association to support environmental and efficiency improvements across the lifecycle of products and services in key industries.

### *Litter Strategy*

In conjunction with the Victorian Litter Action Alliance and local councils, the State Government will develop a litter strategy to cover enforcement, better education and awareness raising programs. This strategy is intended to advance the State Government's goal of improving litter behaviour by 25 per cent.

### *Market Solutions*

This decision involves the use of specially designed markets (such as auctions, tradeable permits and offset markets) to provide landholders with incentives to further integrate environmental considerations with the business decisions of the farm. Through this decision, a large scale pilot of EcoTender will be run in regional Victoria, enabling State government funding to be allocated to environmental initiatives identified by the private and community sectors that deliver multiple environmental benefits.

### *Native Vegetation Trust*

Consistent with the State Government's goal of net vegetation gain, this decision establishes an offset market for native vegetation to allow developers to pay into a pooled fund for investment in native vegetation.

### *Neighbourhood Renewal (Environmental initiatives)*

This decision will further integrate the State Government's social and environmental sustainability goals, by focussing on practical environmental initiatives in areas of disadvantage.

### *Protecting Our Coastline*

This decision provides assistance to coastal councils to implement the *Coastal Spaces Settlement Framework*. This will enable coastal councils to respond to development pressures from 'Seachange' demographic shifts, as well as to the risks of climate change and its effects on the coastal zone.

### *Rebates for Being Green*

Targeted rebates will be provided to encourage Victorians to replace inefficient household appliances that require the most power to operate. The rebates could include old fridges, upgrading old gas-ducting and insulation.

### *Recreational Parks – Trail Bikes*

This decision will enhance the management of recreational vehicle use in State Forests. Specifically it will reduce environmental impacts from trail bike use, rehabilitate tracks, establish new trail bike unloading areas and create new buffer zones to protect residential areas and environmental assets.

### *Regional Sustainability*

Regional sustainability strategies will be developed that set out the contribution each region will make to the State's sustainability objectives, identify regional needs, challenges and priorities and set out actions for driving better outcomes.

### *Right Advice at the Right Place*

This decision will engage hardware stores and appliance and lighting retailers to provide Victorians with the best energy-saving advice at the point of sale. This will empower households to buy energy efficient appliances for the home.

### *Support for Renewable Energy Technologies*

The decision provides funding support for renewable energy technology research and development. Grants will be provided to world-class research proposals that can leverage additional support from industry and the Commonwealth Government.

### *Support Smart Business*

Funding is provided to expand successful business energy innovation programs to provide support for businesses investing in leading edge eco-efficient solutions that demonstrate the benefits of material efficiency, waste reduction and water conservation.

### *Sustainable Forestry*

This decision will ensure that timber harvesting in Victoria is accredited with the highest possible environmental standards. Victoria will progress with achieving both the Australian Forestry Standard and Forest Stewardship Council certification standards.

### *Sustainability Fund Grants*

Funding of \$12 million will be provided over the next four years under the annual Sustainability Fund allocations process to initiatives that improve our environment and have economic and social benefits.

### *Take-Back and Recycling Centres*

Funding is provided to establish 12 'byte-back' and 'detox' centres to recycle household chemicals, paints and batteries, TVs, computers and other electronic equipment.

### *Trade Waste*

Funding is provided to support rural food and dairy manufacturers reduce their trade waste volumes and use of potable water.

### *Victorian Local Sustainability Accord*

Funding is provided to support local environmental priorities as part of agreements with local government, under the *Victorian Local Sustainability Accord*.

### *Werribee Plains*

A *Regional Sustainability Framework for Werribee Plains* will be developed in partnership with the Australian Conservation Foundation to identify specific opportunities within the region to pursue and market sustainable development practices and technologies. This decision will help make the Werribee region a unique sustainable location to live, work and invest.

### *Yarra Hot Spots*

This decision will enable the Environment Protection Authority to establish a high profile team to conduct field investigations, scientific evaluation and infrastructure audits along the Yarra River and its tributaries (including the Maribyrnong River). Funding is also provided to identify 'hot spots' for action and to assist business and the community to take actions to protect the river.

## **Asset decisions**

**Table A16: Asset decisions – Department of Sustainability and Environment**

	(\$ million)				TEI
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	
Barwon Water/Shell Recycling Project	0.1	2.1	7.3	0.1	9.4
Sustainable Water Projects <sup>(a)</sup>	..	..	4.4	4.4	17.7
<b>Drought Response</b>					
Interconnect Waranga Channel with the Ballarat Urban Water Supply System	2.9	7.0	20.5	40.7	71.0
Investing in Catchment and Land Protection	5.0	..	..	..	5.0
Northern grid - promoting interconnections	0.8	1.8	..	..	2.5
<b>Our Environment Our Future – Sustainability Action Statement 2006</b>					
Better Parks (Great Parks for a Liveable City)	3.3	6.4	2.4	1.1	13.3
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>34.6</b>	<b>46.3</b>	<b>118.9</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) Sustainable Water Projects will provide \$4.4 million funding in 2010-11 and 2011-12.

### **Barwon Water/Shell Recycling Project**

Funding over four years has been provided to assist delivery of a water recycling plant at Shell Refinery in Geelong as part of a Barwon Water/Shell alliance.

### **Sustainable Water Projects**

See output decisions.

### **Drought Response**

#### *Interconnect Waranga Channel with the Ballarat Urban Water Supply System*

This project links the Goulburn system to the Ballarat water system, providing Ballarat with access to a more reliable and secure supply of water. The State Government will contribute \$71.0 million to redistribute up to 20 gigalitres of water via a new pipeline.

#### *Investing in Catchment and Land Protection*

See output decisions.

#### *Northern grid – promoting interconnections*

This decision provides for a State Government contribution to Goulburn-Murray Water for construction of an interconnect from the Waranga Channel to the Campaspe Irrigation District.

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#### *Better Parks (Great Parks for a Liveable City)*

This decision involves the development of three new parks in Melbourne's key growth corridors at Werribee, Melton and Craigieburn. New and expanded visitor facilities will be provided at the Point Gellibrand Coastal Park. Funding is also provided to undertake landscape and environment enhancement works at the four sites.

## **Treasury and Finance**

### *Output decisions*

**Table A17: Output decisions – Department of Treasury and Finance**

	<i>(\$ million)</i>			
	<i>2006-07</i>	<i>2007-08</i>	<i>2008-09</i>	<i>2009-10</i>
Domestic Building Indemnity Fund	3.7	..	..	..
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>

*Source: Department of Treasury and Finance*

### **Domestic Building Indemnity Fund**

Funding has been provided to process and settle claims from policyholders of builders' warranty insurance products issued by the HIH Insurance Group.

## Victorian Communities

### Output decisions

**Table A18: Output decisions – Department for Victorian Communities**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
2007 FINA World Swimming Championships	3.8	..	..	..
Commonwealth Games Legacy Projects <sup>(a)</sup>	23.0	..	..	..
<b>Drought Response</b>				
Building Resilient Communities	0.8	0.8		
<b>Total output decisions</b>	<b>27.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>	..	..

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) Individual projects and phasings of the Commonwealth Games Legacy Projects have yet to be confirmed.

#### **2007 FINA World Swimming Championships**

Funding has been provided in 2006-07 to enhance the benefits from the 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships.

#### **Commonwealth Games Legacy Projects**

Funding from Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games Budget savings will be provided for sporting and other community-related initiatives. Program examples include Growing Sporting Participation, Community Walking Group grants and Improved School Sports Facilities.

#### **Drought Response**

##### *Building Resilient Communities*

This decision has provided funding over two years to the 15 most drought affected municipalities in Victoria for the development of local initiatives that build community resilience.

## Asset decisions

**Table A19: Asset decisions – Department for Victorian Communities**

	(\$ million)				
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	TEI
Commonwealth Games Legacy Projects - Demountable Pools	2.9	..	..	..	2.9
<b>Total asset decisions</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>2.9</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

### Commonwealth Games Legacy Projects - Demountable Pools

Funding has been provided for the purchase of two temporary demountable swimming pools and associated plant and equipment to cater for the 2007 FINA World Swimming Championships. The pools will subsequently be distributed to local councils for future use as community swimming pools.

## DEPARTMENTAL CONTRIBUTION LEVY – DROUGHT ASSISTANCE

**Table A20: Departmental Contribution Levy – Drought Assistance**

	(\$ million)				
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	
Education and Training	10.0	..	..	..	
Human Services	10.0	..	..	..	
Infrastructure	5.0	..	..	..	
Innovation, Industry and Regional Development	5.0	..	..	..	
Justice	5.0	..	..	..	
Premier and Cabinet	1.7	..	..	..	
Primary Industries	1.7	..	..	..	
Sustainability and Environment	5.0	..	..	..	
Treasury and Finance	1.7	..	..	..	
Victorian Communities	5.0	..	..	..	
<b>Total Departmental Contribution Levy - Drought Assistance</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

### Departmental Contribution Levy – Drought Assistance

In recognition of the exceptional circumstances created by the drought, a Departmental Contribution Levy has been applied totalling \$50 million in 2006-07 and sourced from existing appropriations for all departments. The Departmental Contribution Levy enables the implementation of a package of drought assistance decisions (as outlined throughout this Appendix).

## REVENUE DECISIONS

**Table A21: Revenue decisions**

	(\$ million)			
	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
Environmental Contribution Levy <sup>(a)</sup>	..	..	73.7	73.7
Prescribed Industrial Waste Levy	..	15.3	4.0	3.4
<b>Total revenue decisions</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>77.7</b>	<b>77.1</b>

Source: Department of Treasury and Finance

Note:

(a) Environmental Contribution Levy will collect \$73.7 million in 2010-11 and 2011-12.

### Environmental Contribution Levy

This is a continuation of the Environmental Contribution Levy to fund water-related initiatives that seek to promote the sustainable management of water and to address adverse environmental impacts associated with water use. The funding shown is indicative only, with the final funding profile being determined in accordance with the process set out in the *Water Industry Act 1994*.

### Prescribed Industrial Waste Levy

From 1 July 2007, increased and differential landfill levies will apply for the disposal of prescribed industrial waste. The revenue raised from the levy increases will be reinvested by the EPA in partnership with industry to reduce the generation of prescribed industrial waste.

A levy of \$130 per tonne of higher level hazard prescribed industrial waste (Class B) will apply, as will a levy of \$50 per tonne of lower level prescribed industrial waste (Class C). Under the *Environment Protection (Amendment) Act 2006*, all Class A prescribed industrial waste must be treated to at least Class B standard before disposal. No levy will apply to the deposit of wastes to the long-term containment facility.