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DROUGHT ORDER

Section 73(1)(b) Water Resources Act 1991 ('the Act') as amended by the Environment Act 1995

THE ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
(BELMONT RESERVOIR)
DROUGHT ORDER 2025

The Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs grants this drought Order upon the application of:-

Environment Agency ("the Agency")
Horizon House
Deanery Road
Bristol
BS1 5AH

1. COMPENSATION FLOW

This Order, pursuant to powers contained in section 74(1)(d)(ii) of the Act, modifies section 3.3 of licence NW/069/0003/001 for the words (concerning the compensation water maintained to Eagley Brook each day from Belmont Reservoir) "105 litres per second (9 megalitres per day)" there be substituted the words "52 litres per second (4.5 megalitres per day)".

2. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

2.1 Prior to the compensation flow being reduced in accordance with this Order the Company must submit to the Agency the results of the pre-implementation monitoring as set out in the document titled "Belmont Reservoir Drought Order Application Environmental Assessment Report" dated August 2025 unless otherwise specified in writing by the Agency, in such format as is required by the Agency.

2.2 While this Order is in force, the Company must undertake the environmental monitoring set out in the document titled "Belmont Reservoir Drought Order Application Environmental Assessment Report" dated August 2025 unless otherwise specified in writing by the Agency.

2.3 The Company shall submit a report detailing the results of monitoring to the Agency on Thursday of each week, or as otherwise specified in writing by the Agency.

3. ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION

3.1 While this Order is in force, the Company must undertake the proposed mitigation measures set out in the document titled "Belmont Reservoir Drought Order Application Environmental Assessment Report" dated August 2025 unless otherwise specified in writing by the Agency.

3.2 The Company shall immediately notify the Agency of any indicators of environmental impact observed during monitoring and state the mitigation measures to be implemented,

and undertake the mitigation measures, unless otherwise specified in writing by the Agency.

In this Order “the Company” ‘means United Utilities Water Limited (company number 02366678).

This Order commences from the effective date shown below and shall remain in force until the date of expiry shown below

All other provisions of the said licence remain in full force and effect.

Signed

Secretary of State
Department for Environment, Food
& Rural Affairs

Date of issue<day/month/year>

Date effective

Date of expiry.....
(date not exceeding six months from the date of
becoming effective)