



Department initiated Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Licence Number	L5423/1990/15
Licence Holder	Goodchild Abattoirs Pty Ltd
ACN	008 944 492
File Number	DER2014/001648-1
Premises	Goodchild Abattoir 189 Rosamel Road PARKFIELD WA 6233 Lot 300 on Deposited Plan 37367 Certificate of Title Volume 2225 Folio 297 As defined by the Premises maps attached to the Revised Licence
Date of Report	24/05/2022
Proposed Decision	Revised licence granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Licence L5423/1990/15. The amendments do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing those activities, emissions, and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the Existing licence will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the licence, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents>.

2.2 Amendment summary

Licence L5423/1990/15 is held by Goodchild Abattoirs Pty Ltd (Licence Holder) for the Goodchild Abattoir located at 189 Rosamel Road, Parkfield, Western Australia (the Premises).

The Premises relates to the categories and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Licence L5423/1990/15.

On 20 August 2018, the licence holder was placed into voluntary administration and operations ceased at the premises. The abattoir was placed into care and maintenance by the liquidators (PricewaterhouseCooper) until sale of the site is completed.

On 13 October 2021, the liquidators requested that wastewater and groundwater monitoring requirements specified in the licence be suspended until 30 days prior to the recommencement of operations at the premises. As a result of this request the Department has initiated this amendment to allow ambient groundwater monitoring to be reduced to one annual sample until abattoir operations recommence at the premises.

3. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 03 May 2022. The Licence Holder had no comments to provide.

4. Decision

The Department has determined that given that groundwater monitoring data indicates contaminants have potentially already seeped to groundwater from historic operations at the premises, the Delegated Officer considers that groundwater monitoring should continue to assess the ongoing risk of impacts to groundwater and surface water receptors. To reduce the burden on the liquidators acting on behalf of the licence holder during care and maintenance, the frequency of groundwater monitoring has been reduced to one sampling event per year.

The Delegated Officer has also specified a requirement for the licence holder to provide at least 30 days' notice to the CEO of operations recommencing at the premises following the period of care and maintenance.

5. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended licence will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.