

# Annual Audit Compliance Report form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V



Section A – Licence Details			
Licence Number:	L6759/1996/12	Licence File Number:	DER2014/000866
Licence Holder:	Pilbara Iron Company (Services) Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	Rio Tinto Iron Ore		
ACN:	107 210 248		
Registered address:	Level 18, Central Park. 152-158 St. Georges Terrace, PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions	
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?	
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	Please complete <b>Sections C, D</b> (if required) and sign the declaration in <b>Section E</b>
No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Please complete <b>Sections C, D</b> (if required), <b>F</b> and sign the declaration in <b>Section E</b>

Section C – Statement of actual production		
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period.*		
Category	Premises description	Actual production quantity (2020)
54	Sewage facility	180 cubic meters per day
61	Liquid waste facility	1956 tonnes

\*Supporting information provided in the relevant conditions of the 2020 Annual Environment Report

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity		
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period.		
Category	Premises description	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity (2020)
Not Applicable – no categories relevant to Part 2 waste discharge quantity.		

Section E – Declaration	
I declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular <sup>1</sup> .	
I consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.	
Signature <sup>2</sup> :	
Name: (printed)	
Position:	General Manager, Utilities – Iron Ore
Date:	20 April 2021

<sup>1</sup> It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

<sup>2</sup> AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

## Section F – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

<b>Condition number:</b>	4	<b>Date(s) of non-compliance:</b>	15/10/2020
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### Details of non-compliance:

Whilst filling a de-sludge bag at the Paraburdoo WWTP it ruptured releasing approximately 125kL of solids and wastewater. Liquid and solid waste remained within the immediate vicinity of the WWTP and was contained within the licenced premises (refer Figure 1).

### What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

There was no adverse environmental impact as a result of this non-compliance.

### Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Flocculant accumulated in the de-sludge bag, preventing adequate water drainage. Pressure increased within the bag leading to a rupture and discharge of waste water.

### Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

The area was barricaded to prevent public and unauthorised access. The spilled material was allowed to dry and then transferred to within the de-sludging area. The spill footprint was treated with chlorine post clean-up.

The de-sludge bag filling process has been amended to ensure bags are not filled to capacity. Markers have been installed to visually assess the fill capacity.

### Was this non-compliance reported to the DWER?

Yes:

Reported to DWER verbally      Date:

Reported to DWER in writing      Date: 27/10/2020      our ref: RTIO-HSE-0347891

No