



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L8358/2009/2	Licence file number:	2010/010248
Licence holder:	Echo Resources Limited – The Bronzewing Gold Project has been purchased by Northern Star.		
Trading as:	Northern Star Resources Limited		
ACN:	ABN 43 092 832 892		
Registered address:	PO Box 2008 Subiaco WA 6904 Australia		
Reporting period:	1/1/2020 to 31/12/2020		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C;• section D if required; and• sign the declaration in Section F.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C;• section D if required;• section E; and• sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of Actual Production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
5- Processing	0.00 tonnes

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity	
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
6 – Mine dewatering	438000 tonnes - See attachment

Section E – 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.			
Condition no:	4	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q1 and Q4 2020
Details of non-compliance:			
<p>Q1 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Laboratory Electrical Conductivity and Total Dissolved Solids not recorded for Discovery In-Pit TSF monitoring bores. Note: field parameters were recorded. - Laboratory results for Discovery In-Pit TSF monitoring bores MB07B & DB56 were not received. Note: field parameters were collected. <p>Q4 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TSF monitoring bores were analysed for separate water sampling parameters which aligned to the Ground Water Licence 104591(7), resulting in most parameters not being analysed and recorded. Note: field parameters were recorded. 			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
<p>No environmental impact.</p> <p>Both tailing storage facilities are in care and maintenance with no deposition since 2013. These facilities are actively drying with seepage decreasing. No trend observed within water monitoring results that indicated degrading water quality as a result of tailings storage facility presence.</p>			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Incorrect parameters selected within Chain of Custody and was subsequently not analysed by laboratory. 2) Water samples MB07B and DB56 water samples were not sent to laboratory. 3) Review of data was not completed until the end of reporting year. 			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Re-sample water from locations in Q4 2020 that had separate parameters analysed – COMMENCED; samples were taken in February 2021 (result pending). These will be reported to DWER in due course. 2) Review Bronzewing Water Licence Requirements Schedule – COMMENCED. 3) Review Water Monitoring Sampling and Dispatch Procedure. 4) Review QAQC Water Sampling Procedure. 5) Evaluate alignment between Operating Licence and Groundwater Licence water monitoring requirements. 			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and No – Reported in the AER			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section F – Declaration

I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular¹.

I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation’s (DWER) website.

Signature ² :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:		28/02/2021	Date:
Seal (if signing under seal):			

¹ 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.

² 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.