# **Decision Report**

## Application to renew a licence

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

**Licence Number** L6958/1997/13

Licence Holder City of Canning

**File Number** 2013/000045-2

Premises Ranford Road Waste Transfer Station

81 Ranford Road;

330 and 350 Bannister Road;

Lot 76 Clifton Road;

CANNING VALE WA 6155

Legal description -

LOT 76 ON PLAN 2903, LOT 77 ON PLAN 2903 LOT 78 ON PLAN 2903, LOT 300 ON PLAN 30748

LOT 301 ON PLAN 30748, LOT 302 ON PLAN 30748, LOT 500

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**ON PLAN 15262** 

As defined by the coordinates in Schedule 2

Date of Report 21 August 2024

**Decision** To grant a licence

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Officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

## 1. Decision summary

Under the regulatory framework the Delegated Officer decided to process the application to renew licence L6958/1997/12 without conducting any additional risk assessment.

The licence can be issued for 20 years, which is consistent with the *Guidance Statement* on *Licence Duration 2016*. In renewing the licence the Delegated Officer has determined to:

- correct clerical mistakes and unintentional errors; and
- transfer all existing regulatory controls and conditions to the new licence.

As a result of the above, the Delegated Officer decided to grant Licence L6958/1997/13, subject to conditions set out in the attached licence.

## 2. Scope of assessment

#### 2.1 Application summary

On 17 May 2024 City of Canning (licence holder) applied to renew licence L6958/1997/12, as the licence is due to expire on 22 August 2024. The licence was granted to the licence holder for the Ranford Road Waste Transfer Station (the Premises), located at 81 Ranford Road, 330 and 350 Bannister Road and Lot 76 Clifton Road, Canning Vale.

The licence relates to prescribed premises categories as described in Table 1.

Table 1: Premises category description and production design capacity

	cribed premises category description edule 1, Environmental Protection Regulations 1987)	Production / design capacity
	gory 62: Solid waste depot: premises on which waste is stored or sorted ing final disposal or re-use, other than in the course of operating –	40 000 tonnes per year
(a)	a refund point (as defined in the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2007 section 47C(1)) (a refund point); or	
(b)	a facility or other place (an aggregation point) for the aggregation of containers that have been returned to refund points until those containers are accepted for processing or disposal.	

The Premises contains an existing transfer station which receives waste from residents of the City of Canning (the City), light Commercial customers and some waste generated by the City itself. Wastes accepted are Clean Fill, Inert Waste Type 1, Inert Waste Type 2 (tyres and plastics), Special Waste Type 1 (asbestos products), Putrescible waste (Green Waste and household furnishings only) and Hazardous Waste (waste oil, paint, vehicle batteries, and e-waste).

The operational area includes:

- surfaced access roads:
- a fully enclosed shed where waste other than green waste is dropped off and sorted and collected by trucks for removal for off-site processing or disposal. Waste generally remains in the shed for less than 24 hours before being removed from the premises;
- a bunded, enclosed household hazardous waste collection depot;
- a vehicle wash down bay;
- outdoor storage bays for inert materials used for council works; and
- a green waste and shredded/mulched green waste storage area surfaced with crushed road base.

## 3. Regulatory framework

The Delegated Officer has not conducted a full review and risk assessment of emissions and discharges from the Premises in line with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (department) *Work Instruction: Regulatory Services, COVID-19 licensing position* December 2023.

In granting the licence, the Delegated Officer has considered and given due regard to the department's regulatory framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <a href="DWER">DWER</a> Regulatory documents | Western Australian Government (www.wa.gov.au)

## 4. Considerations for issuing a new licence

#### 4.1 Compliance and enforcement actions

The premise has been reported for an on-site fire on 10 January 2018, administrative reporting errors relating to gross throughput data and executive summary of groundwater monitoring data given on 1 June 2021 and a complaint for an ongoing odour received on 1 August 2022. However, there have been no enforcement actions taken against the occupier in the last 5 years regarding the licence.

### 4.2 Legal occupancy

The licence holder has demonstrated legal occupancy of the Premises.

#### 4.3 Categories of the licence

The requested categories and the corresponding maximum production capacities for the renewal of the licence are consistent with the categories for which the licence holder currently holds a licence and which was previously assessed.

## 4.4 Previous relevant decision reports

As the renewal of this licence is deemed an administrative licence renewal and there is no additional risk assessment conducted, the delegated officer likes to note that for the purpose of transparency and ease of access the previous relevant decision reports shown in Table 2 will be viewable when published.

Table 2: Previous relevant decision reports

Description of decision report	Grant Date	Document number
Decision document L6958/1997/12	21/08/2014	A796256
L6958 Amended Licence	5/07/2021	A2024054
L6958 Amendment Report Final	31/01/2023	A2153630
Amendment Report 6958/1997/12	26/03/2024	A2266313

## 4.5 Planning approval

The licence holder has informed the department that it has planning approval for the activities on the Premises.

## 5. Summary of changes to the licence conditions

Section 62 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) provides the legal power to attach conditions to licences. Most licences are issued with conditions as per *Guidance Statement* – *Setting Conditions* (October 2015) to prevent, control, abate or mitigate pollution or environmental harm as a result of the emissions and/or discharges from the premises in question.

Table 3 summarises the changes from the expiring licence into the new licence including changes made to licence conditions where required and the rationale for changes made.

Table 3: Licence conditions changes, description and rationale

Current condition / table	Summary of current condition	New condition / table (if relevant)	Description and rationale
1 to 21		1 to 21	Conditions retained without changes.
22	Reporting	24	Condition number change but condition retained with administrative changes only.
23	Records	22	Condition number change but condition retained with administrative changes only.
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25	Reporting	25	Condition number change but condition retained with administrative changes only.
Schedule 1	Maps	Schedule 1	Figure 1 & Figure 2 Maps updated.
Schedule 2	Premises boundary	Schedule 2	Coordinates of Premises boundary included in Table 9

#### 6. Consultation

The Delegated Officer undertook the consultation for the application to renew the licence as per Table 4.

**Table 4: Consultation** 

Consultation method	Comments received	Delegated Officer's response
Application advertised on the department's website on 24 July 2024.	No submissions received	N/A
Applicant was provided with draft documents on 23 July 2024.	No comments provided by the licence holder	N/A