

# **Amendment Report**

# **Application for Licence Amendment**

#### Division 3, Part V Environmental Protection Act 1986

**Licence Number** L7352/1989/10

**Licence Holder** Derby Industries Pty Ltd

**ACN** 009 033 612

File number APP-0029741

**Premises** Linley Valley Pork

Linley Valley Road WUNDOWIE WA 6560

Legal description -

Lot 7 on Diagram 45818, Lot 8 on Diagram 43110, Lot 10 on Plan 12508, Lot 421 on Plan 300357 and Lot

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5485 on Plan 114980

**Date of Report** 11 September 2025

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# 1. Purpose and scope of assessment

On 3 July 2025 Derby Industries Pty Ltd (licence holder) submitted an application to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (the department) to amend licence L7352/1989/10 for Linley Vally Pork (premises), under section 59 and 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The premises operates under prescribed premises category 15: abattoir, as per Schedule 1 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 1987.

The licence holder proposed an amendment to upgrade the existing truck wash bay on the premises. No other changes to the aspects of the existing licence relating to category 15 were requested by the licence holder. This amendment report documents the assessment of potential risks to the environment and public health from the proposed changes to the emissions and discharges during the operation of the premises.

As a result of this assessment, the amended licence L7352/1989/10 has been granted. The amended licence issued as a result of this amendment supersedes the existing licence previously granted in relation to the premises.

In completing the assessment documented in this report, the department has considered and given due regard to its regulatory framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <a href="https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents">https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents</a>.

# 1.1 Background

The licence holder operates the existing abattoir, with an approved design capacity of 80,000 liveweight tonnes per annual period under licence L7352/1989/10. The abattoir is situated adjacent to the El Caballo golf course and lodge on Linley Valley Road in Wundowie approximately 50km east of Perth.

Pigs are delivered to the premises and housed in a lairage area prior to being slaughtered in the abattoir facility. The trucks that deliver the animals to the premises are washed on site at an existing truck wash bay that operates from 6am to 6pm, alongside the abattoir facility. The truck wash bay has daily water usage of approximately 70kL/day with 2 trucks being washed every 2 hours in both the eastern and western sections of the bay.

All wastewater generated on the premises from the abattoir, lairage and truck wash bay is directed to the primary wastewater treatment system consisting of a save-all pit solids screen, wastewater collection pit, 2 anaerobic ponds and 5 aerobic ponds.

Licence L7352/1989/10 was reviewed by the department in 2023 in accordance with section 59(1) of the EP Act. In this review it was assessed that the existing truck wash bay on the premises was not situated on an impervious concrete pad, and there was no bunding specific to the truck wash area present. As a result of this review, the conditions of the licence were updated and a requirement of the licence holder to submit a works approval application to the CEO to upgrade and repair the existing truck wash bay was added. This specified that the truck wash bay was to be upgraded so that it was located on an impervious pad that captured all wastewater and directed it through screened drainage prior to entering the wastewater treatment system. Additionally, impervious bunding was to be installed surround the truck was bay to contain wastewater, prevent run-off and exclude stormwater. This works approval application was to be provided no later than 29 December 2023.

No application was received by the department prior to the date conditioned on the licence, however, consultation was undertaken with the department in 2024, and a meeting was held with the department on 30 July 2024 in relation to this application. It was determined that a licence amendment application would be submitted to replace the required works approval. The licence holder then submitted an amendment application on 3 July 2025. Although this application was not provided within the specified timeframe, this amendment is expected to improve wastewater management and minimise the potential risks to the environment from the

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emissions and discharges associated with the operation of the premises.

# 1.2 Amendment description

The licence holder was conditioned by the department to submit an application for an upgrade to the existing truck wash bay. The upgrade proposed in this amendment will ensure the truck wash bay is located on an impervious pad with bunding that captures and contains all wastewater, prevents runoff and excludes stormwater.

This upgrade will be achieved through retaining majority of the infrastructure associated with the existing truck wash bay, along with additional works including the installation of:

- a wedge pit;
- curbing on the southeastern side of the wedge pit;
- an extended earth bund on the northwestern edge of the truck wash bay;
- trafficable asphalt bunds across the entry road and through the car park; and
- earthen swales with level spreaders upstream of the truck wash bay.

The licence holder will also repair any significant damage to the existing truck wash spray shield and fill existing cracks in the hardstand with tar or concrete.

Once the wedge pit works are completed, the licence holder will decommission the three existing concrete pits that form part of the eastern collection system and the associated inflow pipe from the hardstand.

It is noted that this upgrade does not propose an increase in the throughput of the existing truck wash bay but is expected to improve the wastewater management of the truck wash bay and minimise any potential risks of emissions and discharges to the environment.

### 2. Decision

The Delegated Officer has determined that these works will result in an improvement to the management of waste from the operation of the truck wash but does not alter the overall risk profile of the premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged. Therefore, based on the assessment in this amendment report, the Delegated Officer has decided that an amended licence will be granted.

## 3. Consultation

The licence holder was provided with the draft licence and amendment report on 20 August 2025 and responded with no comments on 10 September 2025.

#### 4. Conclusion

Based on this assessment, it has been determined to amend the existing licence, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements for the construction and decommissioning of the infrastructure.

#### References

- 1. Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2017, *Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments*, Perth, Western Australia.
- 2. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2019, *Guideline: Decision Making*, Perth, Western Australia.
- 3. Licence amendment application from 3 July 2025

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