



Application for Licence Amendment

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

Licence Number	L7357/1999/12
Licence Holder	Longmuir Transport Services WA Pty Ltd
ACN	164 674 908
File Number	2010/003422-1
Premises	Cashmans Great Northern Highway MEEKATHARRA WA 6642 Legal description – Mining Tenement M51/580 As defined by the premises map attached to the Revised Licence
Date of Report	17 January 2025
Decision	Revised licence granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Licence L7357/1999/12. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that 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 Application summary

Licence L7357/1999/12 is held by Longmuir Transport Services WA Pty Ltd (Licence Holder) for Cashmans (the Premises), to operate an inert landfill for the burial of used tyres and rubber type wastes from mine sites. The premises is located within the Wajarri Yamatji Part A Determination (WCD2017/007, WAD6033/1998) and overlaps the Mt Padbury Pastoral Lease (N049452). The landfill facility currently operates on mining tenement M51/580, which expires on 27 June 2038.

The Premises relates to the category and the assessed design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Licence L7357/1999/12.

As part of the previous licence renewal process for the premises undertaken in April 2022, the department sought external advice from the Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS) on the suitability of the proposed activities given the landfill's location within a mining tenement. The department received advice from DEMIRS that the activity was not appropriate for a mining tenement granted under the *Mining Act 1978* and that the applicant should liaise with the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) to obtain more suitable tenure.

On 21 October 2024, the Licence Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Licence L7357/1999/12 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending the licence expiry date by a period of two years to 4 May 2027 to allow time to resolve land tenure issues. The Licence Holder has advised that they have contacted DPLH to discuss alternative tenure options and they are in the process of resolving land tenure issues for the landfill. However, the process has been lengthy, and it is unlikely that land tenure issues will be resolved prior to the licence's expiry on 4 May 2025.

3. Consultation

The department contacted DEMIRS on 23 July 2024, prior to the submission of this licence amendment application. This was due to the department receiving correspondence from the licence holder querying whether an extension of the licence would be supported. DEMIRS advised on 23 July 2024 that they would support an extension to the licence given the licence holder was in the process of correcting the tenure situation.

The Shire of Meekatharra (the Shire) was advised of the proposal to extend the licence expiry date on 10 December 2024. The Shire advised on 19 December 2024 that no planning approvals are required as the Shire's Town Planning Scheme does not extend outside of the Meekatharra townsite. The Shire also expressed concerns regarding fires on the premises and reported a large tyre fire at the premises which occurred on 10 December 2024. However, the Shire also mentioned that the premises appeared well used and the likelihood of tyres being dumped illegally without it was probable.

The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage was advised of the proposal on 11 December 2024 and provided no comment.

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 10 January 2025. On 14 January 2025 the Licence Holder waived the comment period.

4. 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.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the revised licence as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of licence amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Duration	Extended to 4 May 2027