



Amendment Report

Department initiated Amendment

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

Licence Number	L8015/2003/4
Licence Holder	Mundella Foods Pty Ltd
ACN	055 862 774
File Number	2010/002296-1 APP-0029422
Premises	Mundella Foods 46 Randell Road MARDELLA WA 6125 Legal description – Lot 2 on Plan 51860 as defined by the premises map attached to the revised licence
Date of Report	29/07/2025
Decision	Revised licence granted

Amendment description

This amendment is made pursuant to section 59 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) to amend the existing licence issued under the EP Act for a prescribed premises as set out below. This notice of amendment is hereby given under section 59B of the EP Act.

This amendment is limited to amending conditions related to the storage and disposal of wastewater for clarification purposes. No other changes have been made to any other existing conditions or licence holder obligations.

In completing the amendment documented in this report, the department has considered and given due regard to its regulatory framework and relevant policy documents which are available at www.dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents.

Purpose and Scope of assessment

Licence L8015/2003/4 is held by Mundella Foods Pty Ltd (licence holder) for the Mundella Foods (premises), a milk processing facility located at Lot 2 on Plan 51860 Randell Rd, near Mundijong approximately 12 km west of Jarrahdale.

Mundella produces a range of yoghurts, cream and a selection of cheese. The processing facility consists of a factory with cooler room, milk storage, and wastewater management infrastructure (factory drains, grease traps, sump tank and irrigation tank). Wastes produced in the process include dairy solid waste, dairy liquid waste, whey and washdown water. Wastewater is not treated to any degree and is characterised by extremely high salt content, high pH, BOD and nutrients (TP and TN).

The licence was amended (department initiated) on 10 July 2024 to extend the duration of the licence and update the prescribed premises boundary to exclude the former wastewater disposal areas. A copy of the report that sets out the department's reasons for the decision to amend the licence is available on the department's website at www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/licences-and-works-approvals/current-licences.

In accordance with existing licence conditions, all wastewater from the milk processing activities must be directed to the grease traps via in-floor drains for the collection of solid waste. From the grease traps, wastewater must only be directed to the existing 22 kL wastewater holding tank before being removed from the premises.

The existing licence conditions allow for the construction of additional wastewater holding tank(s) (minimum 900 kL capacity) of which wastewater must not be held in these tanks until the compliance certificate for these tanks has been submitted to the department.

Mundella Foods was sold, with the new owners acquiring the business (and company entity) in December 2023. The company has since gone into administration, with administrators being appointed on 3 June 2025.

Following the department being notified of administrators being appointed, and the department receiving complaints regarding the discharge of wastewater on the premises (which is currently being investigated) the delegated officer has determined to amend the licence to clarify conditions regarding the storage and disposal of wastewater, as was intended by the amendment in July 2024.

Consultation

The licence holder was provided with the draft revised licence and amendment report on 30 June 2025. No comments were received from the licence holder.

Decision

The delegated officer has determined that the changes made are administrative and do not alter the existing risk assessment.

Based on the assessment outlined in this amendment report, the delegated officer has amended licence L8015/2003/4 to clarify the intent of conditions relating to the storage and disposal of wastewater generated at the premises.

Additionally, it has come to the department's attention that the existing 22 kL wastewater holding tank is not bunded to prevent wastewater from entering the environment through any spillages and leaks. Based on the existing risk assessment of the storage of wastewater (see department's website link above) the delegated officer has determined that secondary containment (bunded hardstand) must be constructed around this tank to prevent wastewater from entering the environment.

These changes are summarised below.

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.

Summary of amendments

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

Condition no.	Amendments
1, 2 and 3	Added "new storage tanks" to distinguish from second works condition.
4, 5 and 6	New works condition for bunded hardstand (secondary containment) for existing 22 kL wastewater holding tank
7, Table 3, row 3	Clarified that the wastewater holding tank(s) refer to the tanks in row 4 of the same table.
7, Table 3, row 4	Clarified that the 900 kL tank(s) refer to the infrastructure specified in the works condition (conditions 1, 2 and 3). Clarified that off-site disposal must be to a facility licensed to accept the wastewater. Added a note that the 900 kL tank(s) to be constructed are not shown in the map on the licence.
7, Table 3, row 5	Clarified that fire water storage tanks located onsite are not authorised for the holding of wastewater.
9 and Table 4	Clarified wastewater disposal requirements
Definitions	Included the definition for wastewater
Schedule 1: Maps	Updated map to show the location of two fire water tanks.