

Decision Report

Application for Licence

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Licence Number L9007/2016/2

Applicant SUEZ Recycling and Recovery Pty Ltd

ACN 002 902 650

File Number DWERVT7278

Premises Welshpool Packaged Waste Handling and Transfer Station

2 Carney Road

WELSHPOOL WA 6106

Being part of Lot 341 on Diagram 85560

As defined by the Premises maps in Schedule 1 and

coordinates in Schedule 2 of the Licence

Date of Report 19 January 2021

Decision Licence granted

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an officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to renew the Licence for the Welshpool Packaged Waste Handling and Transfer Station, operated by SUEZ Recycling and Recovery Pty Ltd (Licence L9007/2016/2). The Licence renewal is administrative only, to provide a new Licence expiry date and correct any administrative errors. Therefore a risk assessment of the emissions and discharges associated with the Premises has not been undertaken.

This Decision Report documents the department's decision, and any updates made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The Decision Report for the previous Licence (L9007/2016/1) will remain on the department's website for future reference, and will act as a record of the department's decision making process.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Assessment framework

In completing the assessment documented in this Decision Report, 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.

The scope of this renewal is also influenced by Industry Regulation's internal work instruction *Covid-19 Licensing Position*, which specifies that where practicable renewals should be administrative only and constitute no further environmental assessment. Noting this, the renewal is to provide a new Licence period only, and addresse any administrative errors on the Licence.

2.2 Licence renewal application summary

On 23 November 2020, SUEZ Recycling & Recovery Pty Ltd (Applicant) submitted to the department, an application to renew Licence L9007/2016/1 for the Welshpool Packaged Waste Handling and Transfer Station (the Premises). This renewal application is to seek an extension to the Licence expiry date that reflects the extension of the Applicant's lease agreement for the Premises up until 31 January 2023.

No changes to the Premises operations or activities were proposed as part of this Licence renewal application.

3. Background

The Premises is licensed under Category 61 – liquid waste facility and Category 62 – solid waste depot. The Premises accepts, processes and stores waste materials as detailed in Schedule 3, Table 6 of Licence L9007/2016/2.

4. Other approvals

The Applicant has provided the following information relating to other approvals as outlined in Table 1.

Table 1: Relevant approvals

Legislation	Number	Approval
Planning and Development Act 2005	15/17974	City of Canning Planning approval – granted 16 May 2017 Approval use - waste storage facility.

5. Licence history

Table 2 provides the licence history for the Premises.

Table 2: Licence history

Date	Reference number	Summary of changes
26/05/2017	W6005/2015/1	New Works Approval
31/07/2017	L9007/2016/1	New Licence
22/01/2018	L9007/2016/1	Amendment Notice 1 – Appeal amendment
19/01/2021	L9007/2016/2	Licence renewal – New licence period 1/2/2021 – 31/1/2023.

6. Consultation

Table 3 provides a summary of the consultation undertaken by the department.

Table 3: Consultation

Consultation method	Comments received	Department response
Application advertised on the department's website 16/12/2020	Nil.	N/A
City of Canning consulted on 16/12/2020 (DWERDT391892)	City of Canning advised that planning approval was issued 16/05/2017, and this approval is current (DWERDT395083).	Noted.
Alliance for a Clean Environment consulted on 17/12/2020 (A1965461)	Nil.	N/A
Applicant was provided with draft documents on 06/01/2021	Updated lease agreement provided on 12/01/2021. Extends occupancy until 31/01/2023.	Licence expiry date updated accordingly.
(A1969559)	Applicant advised on 13/01/2021 that there are no comments on the draft documents. (DWERDT401286)	

7. Conclusion

The Applicant has applied to renew their Licence in line with their current lease agreement. The application to renew the Licence does not change the risk profile of the Premises, as no changes to the Premises' operations or infrastructure are proposed. The renewal of this Licence is administrative in nature only, and remains consistent with local government planning approvals.

The Delegated Officer considers the Licence renewal application to be acceptable. Licence L9007/2016/2 has been granted with an expiry date of 31 January 2023.

7.1 Licence consolidation

As part of this Licence renewal process the department has consolidated the previous Licence (L9007/2016/1) with the following Amendment Notice:

 Amendment Notice 1, granted 22 January 2018 – amendments required following determination of Appeals by the Minister for Environment.

The obligations of the Applicant have not changed in consolidating the Licence. The department has not undertaken any additional risk assessment of the Premises related to the amalgamation of a previous Amendment Notice into the new Licence.

Table 4 below provides a summary of the updates made to the Licence as part of the Licence renewal process, and will act as a record of implemented changes.

Table 4: Consolidation of Licence conditions in this Licence renewal

Existing condition	Condition summary	Revised licence condition	Conversion notes
N/A	N/A	N/A	Terminology change - Licensee to Licence Holder
1.1.1 1.1.2	Interpretation and definitions	N/A Interpretation section, Definitions in Table 4	Redundant condition. Revised to current licensing format.
1.1.3	Australian or other standard	N/A Interpretation section	Redundant condition. Revised to current licensing format.
1.1.4	Guideline or code of practice	N/A	Redundant condition. Revised to current licensing format.
1.2.1	Waste acceptance	Condition 1 Table 1	Reference to Table 1.2.1 in Appendix A changed to Table 6 in Schedule 3. Reference to 'all waste types' changed to refer to approved wastes under Schedule 3, Table 6.
1.2.2	Non-conforming waste	Condition 2	Reference to Table 1.2.1 in Appendix A changed to Table 6 in Schedule 3.
1.2.3 Table 1.2.1	Waste processing	Condition 3 Table 1	New numbering.
1.2.4 Table 1.2.2	Containment infrastructure	Condition 4 Table 2	New numbering.
1.2.5	Security measures	Condition 5	New numbering.

Existing condition	Condition summary	Revised licence condition	Conversion notes
1.2.6	Waste storage limits	Condition 6	New numbering.
1.2.7	Waste availability to suitably qualified person	Condition 7	New numbering
1.2.7 (duplication of condition number)	Contaminated stormwater control	Condition 8	New numbering
2.1.1 Table 2.1.1	Monitoring of inputs and outputs	Condition 9 Table 3	Reference to Table 1.2.1 changed to Schedule 3, Table 6.
2.1.2	Waste re-direction records	Condition 10	New numbering
3.1.1	Record-keeping	Condition 11	Reference to condition 3.1.1(d) changed to 11(d).
3.1.2	Complaints management	Condition 12	Condition updated into new format.
3.1.3	Records available to emergency management personnel.	Condition 13	New numbering
3.2.1	Annual Audit Compliance Report	Condition 14	Condition updated into new format.
Schedule 1: Maps	Premises Map Site Map	Premises Map Site Map	Premises map aerial capture has been updated. Grid lines added.
N/A	Premises boundary coordinates	Schedule 2: Premises Boundary Table 5	Relocated from Licence cover page into Schedule 2.
Appendix A Table 1.2.1	Waste acceptance, processing and storage	Table 6	Appendix A has been relocated into Schedule 3, Table 6.

References

- Department of Environment Regulation (DER) July 2015. Guidance Statement: Regulatory principles. Department of Environment Regulation, Perth. Accessed at www.dwer.wa.gov.au
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- 3. Department of Environment Regulation (DER), February 2017. *Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments*. Department of Environment Regulation, Perth. Accessed at www.dwer.wa.gov.au
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Appendix 1: Application validation summary

SECTION 1: APPLICATION SUMMARY (as updated from validation checklist)					
Application type					
Works approval					
		Relevant works approval number:		None	
		Has the works approval been complied with?		Yes □ No □]
Licence		Has time limited operations under the works approval demonstrated acceptable operations?		Yes □ No □ N/A □	1
		Environmental Compliance Report / Critical Containment Infrastructure Report submitted?		Yes □ No □]
		Date Report received:			
Renewal	\boxtimes	Current licence number:	L9007/2016/1		
Amendment to works approval		Current works approval number:			
Amendment to licence		Current licence number:			
Amendment to licence		Relevant works approval number:		N/A	
Registration		Current works approval number:		None	
Date application received		23 November 2020			
Applicant and Premises details					
Applicant name/s (full legal name/s)	SUEZ Recycling an	d Recovery Pty	Ltd		
Premises name	Welshpool Packaged Waste Handling and Transfer Station				
Premises location	2 Carney Road, Welshpool, WA				
Local Government Authority	City of Canning				
Application documents					
HPCM file reference number:	DWERVT7278				
Key application documents (addition application form):	Lease agreement (DWERDT401286)				
Scope of application/assessment					
Summary of proposed activities or	Licence Renewal				
changes to existing operations.	No proposed changes to approved activities.				

Category number/s (activities that cause the premises to become prescribed premises)

Table 1: Prescribed premises categories

Prescribed premises category and description	Assessed production or design capacity
Category 61: Liquid waste facility: premises on which liquid waste produced on other premises (other than sewerage waste) is stored, reprocessed, treated or irrigated.	3,000 tonnes per annual period
Category 62: Solid waste depot: premises on which waste is stored or sorted, pending final disposal or reuse, other than in the course of operating —	2,000 tonnes per annual period
(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.	

Legislative context and other approvals

Has the applicant referred, or do they intend to refer, their proposal to the EPA under Part IV of the EP Act as a significant proposal?	Yes □ No ⊠	Referral decision No: Managed under Part V Assessed under Part IV
Does the applicant hold any existing Part IV Ministerial Statements relevant to the application?	Yes □ No ⊠	Ministerial statement No: EPA Report No:
Has the proposal been referred and/or assessed under the EPBC Act?	Yes □ No ⊠	Reference No:
Has the applicant demonstrated occupancy (proof of occupier status)?	Yes ⊠ No □	General lease ⊠ Expiry: New lease agreement to extend till 31 January 2023. (DWERDT401286)
Has the applicant obtained all relevant planning approvals?	Yes ⊠ No □ N/A	City of Canning Approval 15/17974 granted 16 May 2017.
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing EP Act clearing permit in relation to this proposal?	Yes □ No ⊠	CPS No: N/A No clearing is proposed.

Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing CAWS Act clearing licence in relation to this proposal?	Yes □ No ⊠	Application reference No: N/A Licence/permit No: N/A No clearing is proposed.
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing RIWI Act licence or permit in relation to this proposal?	Yes □ No ⊠	Application reference No: Licence/permit No: Licence / permit not required.
Does the proposal involve a discharge of waste into a designated area (as defined in section 57 of the EP Act)?	Yes □ No ⊠	Name: N/A
Is the Premises situated in a Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA)?	Yes □ No ⊠	Name: N/A
Is the Premises subject to any other Acts or subsidiary regulations (e.g. Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004, Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004, State Agreement Act xxxx)	Yes ⊠ No □	
Is the Premises within an Environmental Protection Policy (EPP) Area?	Yes □ No ⊠	
Is the Premises subject to any EPP requirements?	Yes □ No ⊠	
Is the Premises a known or suspected contaminated site under the Contaminated Sites Act 2003?	Yes □ No ⊠	