



## Application for Licence Amendment

### Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)(CI)*

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<b>Licence Number</b>	L9222/2019/1
<b>Licence Holder</b>	Water Corporation
<b>File Number</b>	DER2019/000566
<b>Premises</b>	Christmas Island Wastewater Treatment Plant Jalan Pantai Road Smith Point Crown Reserve 44529 Christmas Island WA 6798  Legal description – Lot 333 on Plan 400613  As defined by the Premises map attached to the Revised Licence
<b>Date of Report</b>	30 August 2023
<b>Decision</b>	Revised licence granted

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## 1. Decision summary

Licence L9222/2019/1 is held by the Water Corporation (Licence Holder) for the Christmas Island Wastewater Treatment Plant (the Premises), located at Crown Reserve 44529, Jalan Pantai Road, Smith Point, Christmas Island WA 6798. The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Licence L9222/2019/1. The amendments outlined within this Amendment Report do not alter the risk profile of the Premises. As a result of this assessment, Revised Licence L9222/2019/1 has been granted.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)(CI)* (EP Act).

The Revised Licence issued as a result of this amendment consolidates and supersedes the Existing Licence previously granted in relation to the Premises. The Revised Licence has been granted in a new format with existing conditions being transferred, but not reassessed, to the new format.

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

On 30 June 2023, the Licence Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Licence L9222/2019/1 under section 59 and 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)(CI)* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to altering the due date for the environmental report and Annual Audit Compliance Report, to be 1 October annually. In amending the licence, the CEO has:

- updated the format and appearance of the Licence;
- revised licence condition's numbers, and removed any redundant conditions and realigned condition numbers for numerical consistency; and
- corrected clerical mistakes and unintentional errors.

The full summary of amendments made to this Revised Licence are detailed in Section 4.

No changes to the aspects of the Existing Licence relating to Category 54 have been requested by the Licence Holder. Table 1 below outlines the current approved production/design capacity for the Premises.

**Table 1: Approved design capacity**

Category	Approved design capacity
Category 54 Sewage facility: premises — (a) on which sewage is treated (excluding septic tanks); or (b) from which treated sewage is discharged onto land or into waters.	1750 m <sup>3</sup> or more per day

### 3. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 21 August 2023. On 28 August 2023 the Licence Holder waived the comment period, and no comments were provided.

### 4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that a Revised 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 2 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 2: Summary of licence amendments**

Revised licence condition	Previous licence condition	Condition summary	Amendment notes
N/A	N/A	N/A	'Shall' updated to 'must' and 'Licensee' updated to 'licence holder' as per current licensing wording.
N/A	N/A	Cover page	Updated to revised licensing format 'John Tonkin Water Centre' added to registered business address. Premises details updated and 'As defined by the premises map in Schedule 1' added. Date of amendment added. Reference to legislation in the Prescribed premises category table updated.
Licence history table	Licence history table	Licence history	Table updated.
Interpretation section	Interpretation section	Interpretation	Updated based on departmental legal advice.
Condition 1 Table 1	Condition 1 Table 1	Infrastructure and equipment requirements	Wording and formatting in column 3, row 7 of Table 1 amended for clarification.
Condition 3	Condition 3	Recovery and removal of spills	Condition updated. Spills of environmentally hazardous materials are adequately covered by <i>Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004 (WA)(CI)</i> ; therefore, 'environmentally hazardous materials' removed and 'sewage sludge' and 'sewage' added, to reflect waste processed on the premises.

Revised licence condition	Previous licence condition	Condition summary	Amendment notes
Condition 4 Table 2	Condition 4 Table 2	Waste acceptance	'And' removed from condition 4(a). Revised to current licensing format. Note 1 redundant, deleted.
N/A	Condition 6	Investigation of exceedances	Redundant condition. Deleted from licence.
Condition 6	Condition 7	Wastewater treatment vessel management	New numbering. 'And' removed from conditions 6(a) to 6(e) as per current licensing format and wording. 'And' added to condition 6(f) and condition 6(e) reworded for clarity.  'Discernible' is a redundant phrase, deleted from condition 6(c).
Condition 7	Condition 8	Security measures	New numbering. 'And' removed from condition 7(a) as per current licensing format and wording.
Condition 8 Table 4	Condition 9 Table 4	Surface water discharges	New numbering. Revised to current licensing format. 'Figure 2' added for clarification.
Condition 9	Condition 10	Water sampling	New numbering.
Condition 10	Condition 11	Monitoring frequency	New numbering.
Condition 11	Condition 12	Equipment calibration requirements	New numbering.
Condition 12	Condition 13	Equipment calibration requirement discrepancies	New numbering.
Condition 13 Table 5	Condition 14 Table 5	Monitoring of point source emissions to surface water	New numbering. Revised to current licensing format.
Condition 14 Table 6	Condition 15 Table 6	Monitoring of inputs and outputs	New numbering. Revised to current licensing format.
Condition 15	Condition 16	Records	New numbering. Revised to current licensing format and references to condition numbers updated.
Condition 16	Condition 17	Record requirements	New numbering. Reference to condition updated.

Revised licence condition	Previous licence condition	Condition summary	Amendment notes
N/A	Condition 18	Knowledge of licence conditions	Redundant condition. Deleted from licence.
Condition 17	Condition 19	Complaints	New numbering.
Condition 18	Condition 20	Annual Audit Compliance Report	Condition reworded and updated to change the AACR reporting submission date to 1 October. New numbering. Revised to current licensing format. Note 1 reference and Note 1 deleted.
Condition 19 Table 7	Condition 21 Table 7	Environmental Report	Condition reworded and updated to change the environmental report submission date to 1 October. New numbering. Revised to current licensing format.  Table 7 title changed to 'Environmental reporting requirements', 'or table (if relevant)' deleted from column 1 heading, column 2 heading amended to 'Requirement' and 'Format or form' column deleted.  References to condition numbers updated.
Condition 20	Condition 22	Environmental Report	New numbering. 'Annual' removed from 'Annual Environmental Report' to align with condition 18 wording.  Condition 22(a) is redundant, deleted.
Condition 21 Table 8	Condition 23 Table 8	Non-annual reporting requirements	'(If relevant)' deleted from Table 8, column 1 heading.
Condition 22 Table 9	Condition 24 Table 9	Notification requirements	New numbering. '(If relevant)' deleted from Table 9, column 1 heading. 'Note 2: N1 form is in Schedule 2' added. References to condition numbers updated.
N/A Interpretation section, Definitions and Table 10	N/A Interpretation section, Definitions and Table 11	Interpretation and definitions	Table 11 corrected and renumbered to Table 10.  Definitions updated: 'annual period', 'CEO', 'licence', 'premises' and 'waste code'.  Definitions removed: 'dangerous goods', 'environmentally hazardous material', 'fugitive emissions', 'Licensee' and 'six monthly'.  Definitions added: 'approved form', 'books', 'condition', 'Department', 'discharge', 'emission', 'EP Act', 'EP Regulations', 'licence holder', 'prescribed premises' and 'waste'.

Revised licence condition	Previous licence condition	Condition summary	Amendment notes
Schedule 1: Maps	Schedule 1: Maps	Maps	Premises map updated for clarity. No alterations to content.  Emission point, monitoring point and process map updated for clarity, no alterations to content. Revised to current licensing naming convention and format.
Schedule 2: Forms	N/A	Form N1 Notification	N1 form added.

## References

1. Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2015, Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions, Perth, Western Australia.
2. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, Guideline: Environmental Siting, Perth, Western Australia.
3. DWER 2020, Guideline: Risk Assessments, Perth, Western Australia.