

Decision Report

Application for Licence

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Licence Number	L9368/2022/1
Applicant ACN	Enviroclean (Victoria) Pty Ltd 144 794 347
File number	DER2022/000650
Premises	Warthog Workshop Washers Unit 8, 51 Prindiville Drive WANGARA WA 6065 Legal description Lot 8 on Plan 75890 Certificate of Title Volume 2931 Folio 567 As defined by the premises map attached to the issued licence
Date of report	14 February 2023
Decision	Licence granted

MANAGER, PROCESS INDUSTRIES REGULATORY SERVICES

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

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1. Decision summary

This decision report documents the assessment of potential risks to the environment and public health from emissions and discharges during the operation of the premises. As a result of this assessment, licence L9368/2022/1 has been granted.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

In completing the assessment documented in this decision report, the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (the department; DWER) 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 and overview of premises

On 28 November 2022, the applicant submitted an application for a licence to the department under section 57 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The application is to operate Warthog Workshop Washers, a facility for recycling of degreaser (narrow -cut kerosene) on Prindiville Drive in an industrial area of Wangara (premises) approximately 450m from nearest residence.

The applicant has been operating a solvent distilling operation in Bibra Lake since 2017 (L9047/2017/1) and has relocated to the new premises in Wangara. The applicant manufactures, leases and sells workshop part washers to mechanical workshops. The washers are periodically serviced and used solvent containing mineral oils is transported to the recycling facility where the applicant uses a sealed still to distil the solvent thereby producing clean solvent and waste oil. Clean solvent is returned to parts washing machines and waste oil is disposed of to a licenced facility for recycling or destruction

The premises relates to the category 39, chemical or oil recycling and assessed production capacity of 15 tonnes per annum under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in works approval W6703/2022/1. The infrastructure and equipment relating to the premises category and any associated activities which the department has considered in line with *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020) are outlined in licence L9368/2022/1.

3. Risk assessment

The department assesses the risks of emissions from prescribed premises and identifies the potential source, pathway and impact to receptors in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020).

To establish a risk event there must be an emission, a receptor which may be exposed to that emission through an identified actual or likely pathway, and a potential adverse effect to the receptor from exposure to that emission.

3.1 Source-pathways and receptors

3.1.1 Emissions and controls

The key emissions and associated actual or likely pathway during premises operation which have been considered in this decision report are detailed in Table 1 below. Table 1 also details the control measures the applicant has proposed to assist in controlling these emissions, where necessary.

Table 1: Proposed applicant controls

Emission	Sources	Potential pathways	Proposed controls				
Operation	Operation						
Odour	Stored solvent and distillation.	Airborne/Wind	Still is sealed vacuum still. Transfer of liquids by vacuum. IBCs sealed when not in use.				
Leaks and spills of solvent	Stored IBCs Still	Direct discharge to land or stormwater infrastructure	Bunding to be installed both to contain the stored solvent and still and to bund the entire workshop. Bund to comply with AS1940.1917 Additional bunded pallet for IBCs				

3.1.2 Receptors

In accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessment* (DWER 2020), the Delegated Officer has excluded the applicant's employees, visitors, and contractors from its assessment. Protection of these parties often involves different exposure risks and prevention strategies and is provided for under other state legislation.

Table 2 below provides a summary of potential human and environmental receptors that may be impacted as a result of activities upon or emission and discharges from the prescribed premises (*Guideline: Environmental Siting* (DWER 2020)).

Table 2: Sensitive human and environmental receptors and distance from prescribed activity

Human receptors	Distance from prescribed activity	
Residential Premises	450 metres from boundary of premises	
Environmental receptors	Distance from prescribed activity	
Underlying groundwater (non-potable purposes)	Approx. 36 m	

3.2 Risk ratings

Risk ratings have been assessed in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020) for each identified emission source and takes into account potential source-pathway and receptor linkages as identified in Section 3.1. Where linkages are in-complete they have not been considered further in the risk assessment.

Where the applicant has proposed mitigation measures/controls (as detailed in Section 3.1), these have been considered when determining the final risk rating. Where the delegated officer considers the applicant's proposed controls to be critical to maintaining an acceptable level of risk, these will be incorporated into the licence as regulatory controls.

Additional regulatory controls may be imposed where the applicant's controls are not deemed sufficient. Where this is the case the need for additional controls will be documented and justified in Table 3.

Licence L9368/2022/1 that accompanies this decision report authorises emissions associated with the operation of the premises i.e. category 39 activities.

The conditions in the issued licence, as outlined in Table 3 have been determined in accordance with *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions* (DER 2015).

Table 3: Risk assessment of potential emissions and discharges from the premises during operation

Risk events					Risk rating ¹			
Sources / activities	Potential emission	Potential pathways and impact	Receptors	Applicant controls	C = consequence L = likelihood	Applicant controls sufficient?	Conditions ² of works approval	Reasoning
Operation								
Distilling narrow cut kerosene for parts washing machines	Odour	Air/windborne pathway causing impacts to amenity	Residential premises 460 m north and surrounding businesses	Refer to Section 3.1	C = Slight L = Unlikely Low Risk	Y	Condition 1	Activity is small scale with equipment (containers and still) located in a building. Site located in an industrial area. Offsite odour impacts not expected if applicant implements proposed controls.
	Spills of hydrocarbon solvent	Overland runoff potentially causing ecosystem disturbance or impacting surface water quality	Local stormwater infrastructure	Refer to Section 3.1	C = Moderate L = Unlikely Medium Risk	Y	Conditions 1, 6	Potential for impacts to soil and groundwater, however activity is small scale, located within industrial area and applicant has proposed acceptable design controls for bunding and containment.

Note 1: Consequence ratings, likelihood ratings and risk descriptions are detailed in the Guideline: Risk Assessments (DWER 2020).

Note 2: Proposed applicant controls are depicted by standard text. Bold and underline text depicts additional regulatory controls imposed by department.

4. Consultation

Table 4 provides a summary of the consultation undertaken by the department.

Table 4: Consultation

Consultation method	Comments received	Department response
Application advertised on the department's website on 3/1/2023	None received	N/A
Local Government Authority advised of proposal on 3/1/2023	None received	N/A
Applicant was provided with draft documents on 01 February 2023	Response received on 03 February 2023, advising no comments on the draft instrument and requesting a waiver of the remaining comment period.	Noted.

5. Decision

Based on the assessment in this decision report, the delegated officer has determined that a licence will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements. The delegated officer's decision took into account the following:

- Size and scale of the proposed activity, including that it will be located within a building with sealed equipment;
- Location within an industrial area and approx. 460m from the nearest residential receptor;
- The primary risk of impacts is associated with potential soil or groundwater impacts in the event of spills. Conditions on the licence consistent with the applicant's proposed controls are considered adequate to manage the risk of potential impacts.

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.

Appendix 2: Application validation summary

SECTION 1: APPLICATION SUMMARY						
Application type						
		Relevant works approval number:	W6703/2022/1	None 🗆		
		Has the works approv	al been complied with?	Yes 🛛 No 🗆		
Licence		Has time limited operations under the works approval demonstrated acceptable operations?		Yes 🛛 No 🗆 N/A 🗆		
		Environmental Compli submitted?	iance Report	Yes 🛛 No 🗆		
		Date Report received:	3 November 2022			
Date application received		28 November 2022				
Applicant and Premises details						
Applicant name/s (full legal name/s)		Enviroclean (Victoria)	Pty Ltd			
Premises name		Warthog Washers				
Premises location		Unit 8, 51 Prindiville D	orive, WANGARA WA 60	65		
Local Government Authority		City of Wanneroo				
Application documents						
HPCM file reference number:		DWERDT692549				
Key application documents (additional to ap form):	Compliance certificate	Compliance certificate.				
Scope of application/assessment						
	Operation of Solvent r	ecycling facility.				
Summary of proposed activities or changes operations.	Premises operates a swashing machines.	still for distillation of narro	ow cut kerosene from parts			
Category number/s (activities that cause the premises to become prescribed premises)						
Table 1: Prescribed premises categories						
Prescribed premises category and description	Assessed p capacity	roduction or design	Proposed changes design capacity (an	to the production or nendments only)		
Category 39: Chemical or oil recycling	15 tonnes pe	er annum	NA			
Legislative context and other approvals						
Has the applicant referred, or do they inter		Referral decision No:				
refer, their proposal to the EPA under Part IV of the EP Act as a significant proposal? Yes \Box] No ⊠	Managed under Part V □			
			Assessed under Part IV			
Does the applicant hold any existing Part I Ministerial Statements relevant to the application?	V Yes ⊡] No 🛛	Ministerial statement No EPA Report No:):		
Has the proposal been referred and/or assessed under the EPBC Act?	Yes 🗆] No 🛛	Reference No:			

		Certificate of title
Has the applicant demonstrated occupancy		General lease 🛛 Expiry:
(proof of occupier status)?	Yes 🗵 No 🗆	Mining lease / tenement
		Other evidence Expiry:
Has the applicant obtained all relevant planning approvals?		Approval:
	Yes 🗆 No 🗆 N/A 🖂	Expiry date:
		If N/A explain why: City of Wanneroo advised no further planning approval required.
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing EP Act clearing permit in relation to this proposal?	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	No clearing is proposed.
Has the applicant applied for, or have an existing CAWS Act clearing licence in relation to this proposal?	Yes 🗆 No 🖂	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 🖂	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		Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004
subsidiary regulations (e.g. Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004, Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004, State Agreement Act xxxx)	Yes 🛛 No 🗆	Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004.
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		Classification: N/A
contaminated site under the <i>Contaminated Sites Act 2003</i> ?	Yes 🗆 No 🛛	Date of classification: N/A