

Amendment Report

Application for Works Approval Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval

Number

A6787/2023/1

Works Approval Holder Chichester Metals Pty Ltd

ACN 109 264 262

File Number DER2023/000005

Premises Christmas Creek Mine Site

> Tenements E46/610, E46/612, M46/320, M46/321, M46/322, M46/323, M46/324, M46/325, M46/326, M46/327, M46/328, M46/329, M46/330, M46/331, M46/332, M46/333, M46/334, M46/335, M46/336, M46/337, M46/338, M46/339, M46/340, M46/341, M46/342, M46/343, M46/344, M46/345, M46/346, M46/347, M46/348, M46/349, M46/350, M46/351, M46/352, M46/353, M46/354, M46/355, M46/403, M46/406, M46/412, M46/413, M46/414, M46/415, M46/416, M46/417, M46/418, M46/419, M46/420, M46/421, M46/422, M46/423, M46/424, G46/7, L46/49, L46/56, L46/58, L46/86, L46/87, L46/106,

L46/111, E46/566 and L46/66

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Decision Revised works approval granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6787/2023/1. 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 works approval 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 works approval, 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

Works Approval W6787/2023/1 is held by Chichester Metals Pty Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the Christmas Creek Mine Site (the Premises), located within multiple mining tenements in Newman WA.

The Premises relates to the category and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6787/2023/1.

On 15 August 2024, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Works Approval W6787/2023/1 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending works approval commissioning timeframe from 100 days to 160 days.

During the commissioning of the infrastructure approved under Works Approval W6787/2023/1, limitations to the production capacity were identified which will be rectified during a planned shutdown in October 2024. The planned shutdown is outside of the authorised commissioning duration and as such an extension to the commissioning timeframe is required. The Delegated Officer does not consider there to be any increase in risk associated with the proposed extension to the commissioning period, and no additional assessment has been undertaken.

3. Consultation

On 30 October 2024 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval 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 works approval as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Condition 5, Table 2: Environmental Commissioning Requirements	Extension of commissioning duration from a period not exceeding 100 calendar days in aggregate to a period not exceeding 160 calendar days in aggregate.

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.
- 4. Chichester Metals Pty Ltd 2024, Application Form Works Approval Amendment, Christmas Creek Mine Site, East Perth 6004.