



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to info-der@dwer.wa.gov.au, or to the below postal address:

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
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Joondalup DC, WA, 6919

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L6248/1991/8	Licence file number:	DER2013/001029
Licence holder:	Water Corporation		
Trading as:	Karratha No.1 Water Resource Recovery Facility		
ABN:	28 003 434 917		
Registered address:	629 Newcastle Street, LEEDERVILLE, WA 6007		
Reporting period:	01/07/2023 to 30 June 2024		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions
Did you comply with all your licence conditions during the reporting period? (Please tick the appropriate box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C.• section D if required; and• sign the declaration in Section F.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C.• section D if required.• section E; and• sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of Actual Production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
54	3,795 m ³ /day

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity	
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
Not Applicable	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	1 (Table 1)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	5/09/2023
Details of non-compliance:			
Filtrate loss from temporary sludge drying bed.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
No environmental impact anticipated or detected.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Temporary sludge drying bed liner joins were not sealed adequately and were therefore permeable.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Sludge drying bed taken offline, and desludging delayed, until a specialist contractor could be engaged to seal the liner joins. Liner joins sealed and sludge drying bed brought back online once liner impermeability confirmed.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: / /	

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	7 (b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	11/01/2024 and 12/02/2024
Details of non-compliance:			
Integrity of containment infrastructure (Facultative ponds)			
<p>January 2024:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facultative pond 1 identified as having several cracked or subsiding concrete slabs. - Facultative pond 2 identified as having subsiding and cracked slabs on central point of eastern side of the pond. <p>February 2024</p> <p>Seepage identified between facultative ponds 2 and 5, maturation pond 6 and storage pond.</p>			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Facultative pond 1: No environmental impact as pond is offline.			
Facultative pond 2: Pond leaking when in use.			
No environmental impact detected to date as a result of the seepage. Seepage has ceased.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Wear and tear of assets, limited budget available for maintenance.			
Ponds being taken offline and drying out (plus extreme heat over summer) may impact liner permeability. This theory is supported by the fact that leakage was evident when pond was bought back online but has since ceased (despite the pond still being in use).			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Facultative pond 1- Currently offline and dry. Asset deficiency raised and being investigated.			
Facultative pond 2- Asset deficiency raised and being investigated. Funding available to repair subsidence is limited so decision to be made by business on whether this work will progress. Outlet pipe pressure tested to determine if leaking (found to not be leaking).			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
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Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	7(d)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	21/03/2024
Details of non-compliance:			
Floating debris sighted in several ponds during an environmental inspection.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance? NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
Potential odour issues from floating debris.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient desludging program historically. • Insufficient pond aeration. • Vegetation growth on edges of pond. 			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<p>Karratha No.1 wastewater treatment plant was prioritised for desludging in the 2023/2024 year, this is continuing into the 2024/2025 year (focusing on both anaerobic ponds).</p> <p>The sludge drying beds were repaired in the reporting period therefore online desludging of the anaerobic ponds to decrease sludge build up is now occurring periodically.</p> <p>An increase in aeration of the primary ponds may also help to reduce emerging floating debris.</p>			
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Section F – Declaration			
I/We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular ¹ . I/We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.			
Signature ² :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:	24/09/2024	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

¹ It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

² AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.