

## **Annual Audit Compliance Report Form**

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to <a href="mailto:info@dwer.wa.gov.au">info@dwer.wa.gov.au</a>, or to the below postal address:

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L8561/2011/1	Licence file number:	DER2015/001679
Licence holder name:	GMA Garnet Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	GMA Garnet Pty Ltd		
ACN:	009 344 227		
Registered business address:	Level 4, 108 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000		
Reporting period:	1/08/2021 <b>to</b>	31/07/2022	

ection B – Statement c	f compliance w	ith licence	conditions
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Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)

- ☐ Yes please complete:
  - section C;
  - section D (if required); and
  - sign the declaration in Section F.
- $\boxtimes$  No please complete:
  - section C;
  - section D (if required);
  - section E; and
  - sign the declaration in 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
Category 8	447,362 tonnes

## 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	
Category 8	1,160,126 tonnes	

### 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.

#### Details of non-compliance:

In April 2021, Tropical Cyclone Seroja crossed the coast of Western Australia and impacted the Port Gregory Mine Site. This resulted in the loss of power across the mine site, including the diesel fuel tank and bowser. Approximately 5,800 litres of diesel was lost to the unsealed ground due to the mobile fuel tank overflowing. GMA reported the incident to the DWER, and soil remedial works were undertaken. The incident was also reported as part of 2020 to 2021 Annual Audit Compliance Report.

Approximately 693 cubic metres of contaminated soil were removed as part of the remedial works and stored on HDPE plastics within M70/856. A request was made by GMA to temporarily store the material on site until such time the Port Gregory Mine Site was granted permission to construct the facility.DWER allowed GMA to temporarily keep the contaminated soil in an unregulated facility on M70/856, on the proviso an application for the approval of construction and operation of a bioremediation facility was made within four weeks of the request.

Subsequently, a Works Approval application, the updated Mining Proposal, and Mine Closure Plan (Registration ID: 98172) were submitted to seek permission under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and *Mining Act 1978* to construct and operate a bioremediation facility.

Works Approval (W6584/2021/1) was granted on 22 December 2021, and approval under the Mining Act was granted on 9 September 2022 by the Department of Mines, Industry, Regulation and Safety (DMIRS). GMA experienced unexpected timeline delays for the mining proposal and mine closure plan assessment process due to resource staff constraints, and the total assessment timeline experienced was 223 business days.

Since approval has been granted, GMA will seek quotes from HDPE Geomembrane Liner Specialists for the facility's construction.

It should also be noted that under the *Contaminated Sites Act 2003*, GMA reported the parcel of land Lot 6687 on Plan 226863 at 1406 George Grey Drive, Yallabatharra, as possibly contaminated on 17 July 2021. On 26 August 2021, GMA received a formal Notice of Classification (DMO 12070) confirming the parcel of land was classified as 'possibly contaminated – investigation required'. The areas included under this notification:

- Location of the fuel spill that was not remediated as a result of active underground services.
- The 'off-site stockpile' is located on M70/856, currently storing the contaminated soil.

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.

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition		
As stipulated in the details of non-compliance, th Contaminated Site Act 2003. The impact identified groundwater are considered unlikely; groundwated level.	ed was localised soil impacts. Impacts to	
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:		
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Approximately 693 cubic metres of contaminated currently stored in an unregulated landfill within N permitted by DWER.		
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance:	on-compliance and prevent recurrence of the	
Works Approval (W6584/2021/1) was granted or Mining Act was granted on 9 September 2022 by and Safety.	, II	
GMA proposes to construct and operate a Bioremediation Facility following the Works Approval (W6584/2021/1) granted on 22 December 2021		
All contaminated material temporarily stored in the unregulated facility will be transferred to the approved Bioremediation Facility.		
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?		
☐ Yes, and		
☐ Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /	
☐ Reported to DWER in writing	Date: / /	

# **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<sup>1</sup>.

I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.

Signature <sup>2</sup> :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:	General Manager, Mining Australia	Position:	
Date:	26/09/22	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.