



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to info@dwer.wa.gov.au, 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:	L9329/2022/1	Licence file number:	DER2021/000704
Licence holder name:	Penny Operations Pty Ltd		
Trading as:			
ACN:	618 514 944		
Registered business address:	Level 1 130 Royal Street East Perth WA 6004		
Reporting period:	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

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.

☒ 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 6 Mine Dewatering	24,684kL
Category 64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	255m ³
Category 85 – Sewage Facility	12.087m 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
Category 6 Mine Dewatering	24,684kL
Category 85 – Sewage Facility	12.087m ³ /day

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:	6	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/01/2023 – 31/12/2023
Details of non-compliance:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flow meters readings at the WWTP for effluent discharge to the Sprinkler farm were not recorded for the entire reporting period. The WWTP effluent readings have been recorded daily since October 2023. WWTP effluent - field sampling for Free Chlorine only occurred from October 2023 Groundwater Monitoring Bores – There was no monitoring completed from the bores COLSR006 and RPWRC042 			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<p>NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p> <p>No impact on the environment. The non-compliances were administrative.</p> <p>The risk of groundwater mounding around the Magenta Pit is considered low. Discharge of dewater to the Magenta Pit was only 24,684m³ of slightly saline water, TDS of 1319ppm, and the pit lake level fell during the reporting period, 13m below natural surface level as of 8th December 2023.</p> <p>Volumes discharged to the sprinkler farm were measured for the last quarter of 2023. It is estimated that similar volumes were discharged in the first three quarters of the year as there was no changes in the mining operation and camp population. The calculated loading of Nitrogen and Phosphorous was well under prescribed licence limits.</p>			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
This is an administrative error as sampling was conducted elsewhere onsite, and these monitoring points were overlooked. The groundwater monitoring bores COLSR006 and RPWRC042 were inspected during the reporting period and found to have collapsed and it was not possible to collect groundwater monitoring data.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<p>The following actions have been implemented by Ramelius in the past 6 months to improve inspection and monitoring compliance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> External review of Statutory requirements, which included updating the sites legal obligation register, and statutory reporting schedule, inspection schedule and monitoring schedule. 			

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<p>• Implementation of the Monitor Pro database across the Ramelius operations including Penny Operations. This project included importing all the historic data into the database, training personnel in capturing field data to database, setting up compliances and obligations, and implementation of tracking and reporting functions in the database to alert personnel to non conformances to required monitoring schedules and licence limits.</p> <p>Penny Operations will investigate alternative options for monitoring groundwater, to replace COLSR006 and RPWRC042, including casing existing exploration holes or drilling new monitoring bores. A licence amendment will be submitted to DWER for any proposed changes to the monitoring regime.</p>	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 particular¹.

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:	28/06/2024	Date:	27/06/2024
Seal (if signing under seal):			

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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.