



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
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Joondalup DC WA 6919

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	Click here to enter text. L9383/2023/1	Licence file number:	DER2023/000048
Licence holder name:	Abra Mining Pty Limited		
Trading as:	Abra Mining Pty Limited		
ACN:	110 233 577		
Registered business address:	Level 2, 1100 Hay St, West Perth, 6005		
Reporting period:	06/07/2023 to 30/06/2024		

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)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">section C;section D (if required); andsign 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; andsign 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 5	1,217,110 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 5	1,129,300 tonnes (dry tails) 980,528 m ³ (wet tails)

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 (2)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Reporting period
Details of non-compliance:			
There were no freeboard markers installed on the stormwater pond. This was not reported to DWER.			
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 actual environmental impact - there were no exceedances of the event pond capacity during the reporting period.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
No installation of freeboard markers.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
It was identified that the constructed event pond only had capacity for run-off from the processing plant and did not include capacity for the ROM pad and stockpile area. To compensate for the reduced capacity, it was proposed to install a pump to move excess water from the event pond to the lined TSF mini cell should the event pond reach its capacity while an extension to the event pond was constructed to provide sufficient stormwater run-off storage capacity. The extended event pond was constructed in late October 2023, with a new combined capacity of 43,000 m3. Based on the calculated runoff catchment of the Lead Zone of 26.18 ha, the footprint will require a storage volume of 39,767 m3 to account for the 100 AEP storm event whilst maintaining a 300 m freeboard, and was therefore compliant with the requirements.			
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 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 (3)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Reporting period
Details of non-compliance:			
Discharge of approximately 30,000 – 50,000 kl of tailings supernatant decant water for use in the construction of the TSF Cell A base and walls			
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.			
The quality of the water being discharged was within ANCESS and ARMCANZ (2000) guidelines for irrigation of water for general use on farms. The water was being utilised to condition the soil for the construction of the base and walls of TSF Cell A and as such there was expected to be negligible risk of runoff and seepage which could impact on the environment.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<p>During the late 2022 and early 2023 Abra had to manage a significant amount of underground dewatering water that was not anticipated or modeled. Approximately 20,000 kl of this water was directed to the TSF Starter Cell to ensure it was not discharged to the environment off the premise. As a result, there was more supernatant water in the TSF Starter Cell than it had been designed for. It was likely that at the rate of deposition this supernatant water would breach the freeboard and come close to overflowing prior to the rest of the TSF Cell A being ready for deposition. Abra had three options to deal with this – either turn off the processing plant, allow the TSF Starter Cell to overflow or allow a controlled discharge of supernatant water in a way that does not cause pollution.</p> <p>Abra was consuming a significant amount of water in treating the soil for the construction of TSF Cell A base and walls. As this activity was directly adjacent to the TSF Starter Cell, Abra considered that this may be a suitable use for the excess supernatant water. Abra conducted testing of the water, which complied with the ANCESS and ARMCANZ (2000) guidelines for irrigation and water for general use on farms, and as such considered the water to be suitable to use for conditioning of the soil. As water would be bound with soil during the construction works, the environmental risk was considered negligible.</p>			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Abra ensured the water quality was tested prior to use of water outside of its intended routing and use. Abra also subsequently applied for a licence to discharge excess water down Graves Creek to avoid the situation recurring.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 08/08/2023	



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:	3	Date(s) of non-compliance:	22/09/2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Tailings discharge occurred outside of the licensed discharge point.

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.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

A grader struck the paste pipeline causing a minor tailings discharge into the surrounding area.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

The discharge was identified immediately, the pipeline was fixed and discharges tailings material collected manually and transported to the tailings storage facility. Containment corridor for the pipeline was reinforced in the area to prevent further re-occurrence of the incident.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

☒ Yes, and

☐ Reported to DWER verbally

Date: / /

☒ Reported to DWER in writing

Date: 27/09/2023

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:	11 (b)	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Current
Details of non-compliance:			
Annual Audit Compliance Report was not submitted within 30 days of the end of the annual period.			
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 impact			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Staffing changes at site, company going into Voluntary Administration and cutting back on costs. Challenges with recruiting new staff.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Abra has hired consultants as temporary environmental support to close out current reporting non-compliances. An extension was sought from DWER and granted until the 30/09/2024.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally in a meeting		Date: 27/05/2024	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 03 /07 /2024	

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Condition no:	12	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Current
Details of non-compliance:			
Annual Environmental Report for the annual reporting period was not submitted within 60 days.			
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 impact			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Staffing changes at site, company going into Voluntary Administration, cutting back on costs. Difficulty recruiting new staff.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Abra has hired consultants as temporary environmental support to close out current reporting non-compliances. An extension was sought from DWER and granted until the 30/09/2024.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally in a meeting		Date: 27/ 05/2024	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 3/07/2024	

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:		11/6/2025	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.