



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

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Joondalup DC WA 6919

Section A – Licence details

Licence number:	L9414/2023/01	Licence file number:	DER2014/001259-1-8
Licence holder name:	Billabong Gold Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	CATALYST (PLUTONIC) PTY LTD		
ACN:	613 900 922		
Registered business address:	Level 1, 30 Richardson Street, West Perth, WA 6005		
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
5 - Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore (>50,000 t/yr but less than 5,000,000 t/yr)	1,119,163 t/yr
6 - Mine dewatering (>50,000 t/yr but less than <1,300,000 t/yr)	918,660
52 - Electric power generation (20 MW or more in aggregate (using natural gas) or 10 MW or more in aggregate (using a fuel other than natural gas) but <27.2 MW natural gas.	7.41 MW natural gas 0.08 MW diesel
54 - Used tyre storage (general) (>100 tyres but <200)	655 tyres in total during 2023

Section C – Statement of actual production	
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Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
89 - Class II putrescible landfill site (>20 t/yr but <5,000 t/yr)	1,040 m ³

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
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore (>50,000 t/yr but less than 5,000,000 t/yr) – TSF2 and TSF3 emission points	1,119,163 t/yr
6 – Mine dewatering (total >50,000 t/yr but <1,300,000 t/yr) – W1 emission point	38,237
6 – Mine dewatering (total >50,000 t/yr but <1,300,000 t/yr) – W2 emission point	37,035
52 – Electric power generation (20 MW or more in aggregate (using natural gas) or 10 MW or more in aggregate (using a fuel other than natural gas) but <27.2 MW natural gas) – A1-9 emission points	7.41 MW natural gas 0.08 MW diesel
54 – Sewage facility (>100 m ³ /day but <140 m ³ /day) – L1 emission point	18,918 m ³ /day
57 – Used tyre storage (general) (>100 tyres but <200) – tyre waste inputs	655 tyres
89 – Class II Putrescible landfill site (>20 t/yr but <5,000 t/yr) – landfill waste inputs	1,040 m ³

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:

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Date(s) of non-compliance:

01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023

Details of non-compliance:

Flowmeter discharge volumes were not recorded monthly during the reporting period. The following monitoring events were missed:

- W1 - Flow meters readings for January, August, September, October, November and December.
- W2 - Flow meter readings for January, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December.
- L1 - Flow meter readings for January.

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 observed.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

The missed flow meter readings in Jan for W1, W2 and L1 were a result of no staff being available to do the monitoring.

Missed flowmeter readings for W1 for January, August, September October, November and December was due to the flow meter malfunctioning and not being replaced within a sufficient timeframe.

The missed flowmeter readings for W2 for January, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, and December were a result of flowmeter blockage due to a lack of adequate maintenance.

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

- Raise a maintenance request to unblock the flowmeter and replace malfunctioning flowmeter.
- Implement a regular maintenance program for flowmeters.
- Train processing staff in the importance of working flow meters and potential non-compliance to approval conditions.
- During periods when Environmental Consultant staff are not available to undertake monthly flow meter monitoring, a system is to be setup so that a nominated Catalyst staff member will undertake the monitoring.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

Yes

Reported to DWER verbally

Date: / /

Reported to DWER in writing

Date:

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

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Condition no:	20	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Biomedical waste produced on site and disposed to landfill is not recorded.

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 observed.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

No system has been implemented to record this waste stream.

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

- Develop and implement a system where biomedical waste is weighed and recorded prior to disposal to a designated landfill area.
- Establish a designed area within the landfill to accept biomedical waste.
- Develop and maintain a register for records of biomedical waste.
- Train Sodexo staff in waste management recording/reporting requirements.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

Yes

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Reported to DWER in writing

Date:

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Condition no:	20	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Putrescible waste produced on site and disposed to landfill is not recorded.

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 observed.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

The accuracy of the system implemented for this waste stream is inadequate and likely not a true representation of actual waste generated. The system does not account for records of weight (t).

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

Develop and implement a system for weighing and recording putrescible waste disposed to the domestic landfill at Perch.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

Yes

Reported to DWER verbally

Date: / /

Reported to DWER in writing

Date: 31/01/2021

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Condition no:	20	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Contaminated solid waste (hydrocarbon contaminated soil) and disposed to the bioremediation facility is not recorded.

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 observed.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

The logbook at the entry of the facility to record deposits, was lost and never replaced.

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

- Reinstate logbook within the bioremediation facility to record volumes of contaminated soil.
- Train staff in waste management recording/reporting requirements.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

Yes

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Reported to DWER in writing

Date:

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Condition no:	20	Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/01/2023 - 31/12/2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Recyclable waste produced on site and disposed to off-site facilities is not recorded.

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 observed

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

The system previously in place (receiving invoices from Sodexo) has not been maintained

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

- Develop and implement a system where recyclable waste is weighed and recorded prior to removal off-site.
- Develop and maintain a register for records of recyclable waste.
- Train Sodexo staff in waste management recording/reporting requirements.

Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?

Yes

Reported to DWER verbally

Date: / /

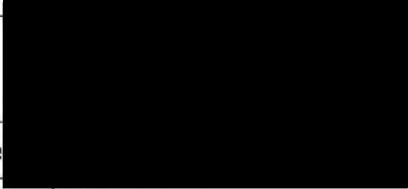

Reported to DWER in writing

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:	29	Date(s) of non-compliance:	28/12/2022
Details of non-compliance:			
The Stage 8 TSF 2 Embankment Raise Environmental Compliance Report required to be submitted within 7-days (as per previous Licence L6868/1989) was not submitted within the specified timeframe. Construction was completed on 21/12/22 and therefore the report should have been submitted by 28/12/22.			
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 observed.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Staff of the previous project owner, were unaware of the requirement at the time.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Reporting deadlines to be entered into INX so reminders are sent to relevant staff before the due date.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 28/12/22	

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:	2	Date(s) of non-compliance:	1/1/2023 to 31/12/2023
Details of non-compliance:			
Waste power poles were stockpiled near the Putrescible Landfill.			
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 observed.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
It had been thought that the stockpiling of waste power poles was not an issue given the age of the poles and the low likelihood of detectable leachate from the poles.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Include the disposal of power poles to the TSF in the Licence amendment application proposed in the next reporting period.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and submitted in the 2020 DWER AER.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 31/01/2021	

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Condition no:	14	Date(s) of non-compliance:	16/08/2023
Details of non-compliance:			
The design and construction requirements for a pipeline designed to discharge pit lake water from Salmon Pit to an ephemeral creek had not been reported to DWER within the 30-day reporting period stipulated in Table 17 of the previous Licence (L6868/1989/12). Monitoring records indicate the Salmon Pit discharge pipeline has been operational since circa July 2019.			
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 observed.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Staff of the previous project owner, were unaware of the requirement at the time.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
An internal audit was carried out to determine if compliance had been demonstrated and an Environmental Compliance Report was subsequently developed and submitted to DWER on 20/10/2023 advising of construction completion.			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 20/10/2023	

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:	General Manager	Position:	
Date:	27/03/2024	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.