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Dear Ms Honan

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986 – AMENDMENT TO LICENCE

Licence Number: L5505/1988/8

Premises: Newman Quarry

Tenements: M52/59, M52/15, G52/18, G52/278 and L52/115 Newman WA

Further to my letter dated 6 February 2014, please find enclosed your amended *Environmental Protection Act 1986* licence.

If you have any questions or objections relating to the licence, please do not hesitate to contact the enquiries officer above on 9182 2033 for clarification or discussion of any grievances you have.

If you are concerned about, or object to any aspect of the amendment, you may lodge an appeal with the Minister for the Environment within 21 days from the date on which this licence is received. The Office of the Appeals Convenor can be contacted on 6467 5190 to find out the procedure and fee.

Members of the public may also appeal the amendments. The Appeals Registrar at the Office of the Appeals Convenor can be contacted after the closing date of appeals to check whether any appeals were received.

Yours sincerely

Kerry Laszig
Officer delegated under Section 20
of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Thursday, 20 February 2014

enc: *Environmental Protection Act 1986* Licence L5505/1988/8 EAR
copy to: Local Government Authority: Shire of East Pilbara



Amended Licence

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Licensee: Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd

Licence: L5505/1988/8

Registered office: 799 Pacific Highway
CHATSWOOD NSW 2067
ACN: 099 732 297

Premises address: Newman Quarry
Tenements M52/59, G52/15, G52/18, G52/278 and L52/115
excluding within coordinates:
E775795.94, N7417909.97; E775878.89, N7417934.69;
E775976.03, N7417924.56; E775958.52, N7417863.71
NEWMAN WA 6753
As depicted in Schedule 1.

Issue date: Thursday, 19 September 2013

Commencement date: Tuesday, 1 October 2013

Expiry date: Sunday, 30 September 2018


Amendment date: Thursday, 20 February 2014

Prescribed premises category
Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987*

Category number	Category description	Category production or design capacity	Approved Premises production or design capacity
12	Screening, etc. of material: premises (other than premises within category 5 or 8) on which material extracted from the ground is screened, washed, crushed, ground, milled, sized or separated.	50 000 tonnes or more per year	1 000 000 tonnes per annual period

Conditions

This Licence is subject to the conditions set out in the attached pages.


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Officer delegated under section 20
of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*



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Introduction

This Introduction is not part of the Licence conditions.

DER's industry licensing role

The Department of Environment Regulation (DER) is a government department for the state of Western Australia in the portfolio of the Minister for Environment. DER's purpose is to protect and conserve the state's environment on behalf of the people of Western Australia.

DER has responsibilities under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (the Act) for the licensing of prescribed premises. Through this process DER works with the business owners, community, consultants, industry and other representatives to prevent, control and abate pollution and environmental harm to conserve and protect the environment. DER also monitor and audit compliance with works approvals and licence conditions, take enforcement action as appropriate and develop and implement licensing and industry regulation policy.

Licence requirements

This licence is issued under Part V of the Act. Conditions contained within the licence relate to the prevention, reduction or control of emissions and discharges to the environment and to the monitoring and reporting of them.

Where other statutory instruments impose obligations on the Premises/Licensee the intention is not to replicate them in the licence conditions. You should therefore ensure that you are aware of all your statutory obligations under the Act and any other statutory instrument. Legislation can be accessed through the State Law Publisher website using the following link:

<http://www.slp.wa.gov.au/legislation/statutes.nsf/default.html>

For your Premises relevant statutory instruments include but are not limited to obligations under the:

- *Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004* – these Regulations make it an offence to discharge certain materials such as contaminated stormwater into the environment other than in the circumstances set out in the Regulations.
- *Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004* - these Regulations place obligations on you if you produce, accept, transport or dispose of controlled waste.
- *Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997* – these Regulations require noise emissions from the Premises to comply with the assigned noise levels set out in the Regulations.



You must comply with your licence. Non-compliance with your licence is an offence and strict penalties exist for those who do not comply.

Licence holders are also reminded of the requirements of section 53 of the Act which places restrictions on making certain changes to prescribed premises unless the changes are in accordance with a works approval, licence, closure notice or environmental protection notice.

Licence fees

If you have a licence that is issued for more than one year, you are required to pay an annual licence fee prior to the anniversary date of issue of your licence. Non payment of annual licence fees will result in your licence ceasing to have effect meaning that it will no longer be valid and you will need to apply for a new licence for your Premises.

Ministerial conditions

If your Premises has been assessed under Part IV of the Act you may have had conditions imposed by the Minister for Environment. You are required to comply with any conditions imposed by the Minister.

Premises description and Licence summary

Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd (Holcim) is an international building materials company with a long history of operations in Australia. The company provides premixed concrete, aggregates, gravel and sand to the construction industry and has been operating in Australia since 1939.

Prior to 2 October 2009 Holcim was known as CEMEX Australia Pty Ltd (CEMEX) and prior to 29 February 2008, CEMEX was known as Rinker Australia Pty Limited (trading as Readymix).

Holcim's Newman quarry is an existing quarry which has been operating since the 1970s and is located approximately 5km north-west of the mining town of Newman. The current mining operations are located on Mining Lease M52/59, with associated infrastructure located on General Purpose Leases G52/15, G52/18, G52/278 and L52/115. The Newman quarry is supported by the following infrastructure: roads, mobile crushing and screening plant, stockpiles, fuel storage, weighbridge, mine camp, site office and amenities, workshop and a water storage dam.

The nearest major surface watercourse to the Newman quarry is the Fortescue River, approximately 14km to the northwest. No permanent surface water flows or creeks are known to exist within the quarry area. Two minor drainage lines run in a south-easterly direction towards the Fortescue River. One flow line runs approximately 150m to the north of the quarry pit and the other runs immediately south of the quarry boundary. The quarry area is protected from inundation from this surface flow by a 3-4m high ridge. Contour lines show this ridge to be continuous around much of the perimeter of the quarry offering protection from surface flows caused by seasonal rainfall events (JDA 2009).

The Newman quarry is located within the Newman Water Reserve – Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA) Priority 1. Mining is considered a compatible land use activity (Department of Water).

The quarry supplies products to the Pilbara Region for road, rail and infrastructure projects. The primary uses of hard rock mined from the quarry are for aggregate for concrete for use in residential, commercial, and major project construction. Activities at the quarry include drilling and blasting of hard rock, crushing, screening and stockpiling of extracted material and loading of material onto trucks for transportation to various destinations, predominantly within the Pilbara Region.

The main concern at the site is the dust emissions produced from the activities, which are managed on site with the use of water carts on unsealed surfaces and sprays and covers fitted to the crushing and screening equipment.



This Licence is the result of an amendment sought by the Licensee to change the premises boundary to remove the portion of the lease which is subleased to downer EDI Works Pty Ltd for an asphalt plant.

The licences and works approvals issued for the Premises since 13/09/2000 are:

Instrument log		
Instrument	Issued	Description
L5505/1988/1	13/09/2000	New application
L5505/1988/2	08/10/2001	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/3	25/09/2002	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/4	22/09/2003	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/5	23/09/2004	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/6	28/09/2006	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/7	01/10/2008	Licence re-issue
L5505/1988/7	01/09/2010	Licence amendment
W4699/2010/1	30/08/2010	Works Approval
L5505/1988/8	19/09/2013	Licence reissue- (converted to REFIRE format)
L5505/1988/8	20/02/2014	Licence amendment

Severance

It is the intent of these Licence conditions that they shall operate so that, if a condition or a part of a condition is beyond the power of this Licence to impose, or is otherwise *ultra vires* or invalid, that condition or part of a condition shall be severed and the remainder of these conditions shall nevertheless be valid to the extent that they are within the power of this Licence to impose and are not otherwise *ultra vires* or invalid.

END OF INTRODUCTION



Licence conditions

1 General

1.1 Interpretation

1.1.1 In the Licence, definitions from the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* apply unless the contrary intention appears.

1.1.2 In the Licence, unless the contrary intention appears:

'Act' means the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

'annual period' means the period from 1 July until 30 June in the following year;

'AS/NZS 5667.1' means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.1 *Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance of the Design of sampling programs, sampling techniques and the preservation and handling of samples*;

'AS/NZS 5667.10' means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.10 *Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of waste waters*;

'blasting' means the act of quarrying rock from the ground by the use of explosives, and excludes subsequent screening;

'code of practice for the storage and handling of dangerous goods' means document titled "Storage and handling of dangerous goods: Code of Practice" published by the Department of Mines and Petroleum, as amended from time to time;

'controlled waste' has the definition in Regulation 2 of the *Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004*;

'dangerous goods' has the meaning defined in the *Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007*;

'Director' means Director, Environmental Regulation Division of the Department of Environment and Conservation for and on behalf of the Chief Executive Officer as delegated under Section 20 of the Act;

'Director' for the purpose of correspondence means:

Regional Leader, Pilbara Region
Department of Environment Regulation
PO Box 835
KARRATHA WA 6714
Telephone: (08) 9182 2000
Facsimile: (08) 9144 1118;
Email: industryregpilbara@dec.wa.gov.au;

'environmentally hazardous material' means material (either solid or liquid raw materials, materials in the process of manufacture, manufactured products, products used in the manufacturing process, by-products and waste) which if discharged into the environment from or within the premises may cause pollution or environmental harm. Note: Environmentally hazardous materials include dangerous



goods where they are stored in quantities below placard quantities. The storage of dangerous goods above placard quantities is regulated by the Department of Mines and Petroleum;

'fugitive emissions' means all emissions not arising from point sources identified in sections 2.6;

'Licence' means this licence numbered L5505/1988/8 and issued under the Act;

'Licensee' means the person or organisation named as Licensee on page 1 of the Licence;

'NATA' means the National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia;

'NATA accredited' means in relation to the analysis of a sample that the laboratory is NATA accredited for the specified analysis at the time of the analysis;

'Premises' means the area defined in the Premises Map in Schedule 1 and listed as the Premises address on page 1 of the Licence; and

'Schedule 1' means Schedule 1 of this Licence unless otherwise stated;

'Schedule 2' means Schedule 2 of this Licence unless otherwise stated;

'screening' means the activity under which the premises is prescribed, and includes the screening, washing, crushing, grinding, milling, sizing and separation or material extracted from the ground, dust suppression activities and screen cleaning activities;

'spot sample' means a discrete sample representative at the time and place at which the sample is taken; and

'usual working day' means 0800 – 1700 hours, Monday to Friday excluding public holidays in Western Australia.

1.1.3 Any reference to an Australian or other standard in the Licence means the relevant parts of the standard in force from time to time during the term of this Licence.

1.1.4 Any reference to a guideline or code of practice in the Licence means the version of that guideline or code of practice in force from time to time, and shall include any amendments or replacements to that guideline or code of practice made during the term of this Licence.

1.2 General conditions

1.2.1 Nothing in this Licence shall be taken to authorise any emission that is not mentioned in this licence, where the emission amounts to:

- (a) pollution;
- (b) unreasonable emission;
- (c) discharge of waste in circumstances likely to cause pollution; or
- (d) being contrary to any written law.

1.2.2 The Licensee shall operate and maintain all pollution control and monitoring equipment to the manufacturer's specification or any internal management system.

1.2.3 The Licensee, except where storage is prescribed in section 1.3, shall ensure that environmentally hazardous materials are stored in accordance with the code of practice for the storage and handling of dangerous goods.



1.2.4 The Licensee shall immediately recover, or remove and dispose of spills of environmentally hazardous materials outside an engineered containment system.

1.2.5 The Licensee shall:

- (a) implement all practical measures to prevent stormwater run-off becoming contaminated by the activities on the Premises; and
- (b) treat contaminated or potentially contaminated stormwater as necessary prior to being discharged from the Premises.¹

Note1: The *Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004* make it an offence to discharge certain materials into the environment.

1.3 Premises operation

There are no specified conditions relating to Premises operation in this section.

2 Emissions

2.1 General

2.1.1 The Licensee shall record and investigate the exceedance of any descriptive or numerical limit or target specified in any part of section 2 of this Licence.

2.2-2.4 Point source emissions to air, surface water and groundwater

There are no specified conditions relating to point source emissions to air, surface water or groundwater in these sections.

2.5 Emissions to land

2.5.1 The Licensee is permitted, subject to conditions in the Licence, to emit waste to land through the emissions points listed in Table 2.5.1 and identified in the Map of emission points in Schedule 1.

Table 2.5.1: Emission points to land		
Emission point reference and location on map of emission points	Description	Source
L1	Wastewater is treated by an oily separator prior to discharge. Treated wastewater stored in sump and released at discharge point following high rainfall events.	Treated wastewater from wash down bay (Holcim).
L2	Wastewater is treated by an oily separator prior to discharge. Treated wastewater stored in sump and released at discharge point following high rainfall events.	Treated wastewater from wash down bay (G & S Transport).



2.5.2 The Licensee shall not cause or allow emissions to land greater than the limits listed in Table 2.5.2.

Emission points	Parameter	Limit (including units)	Reference period
L1 – L2	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon (TPH)	15 mg/L	Spot sample

2.6 Fugitive emissions

2.6.1 The Licensee shall use all reasonable and practical measures to prevent and where that is not practicable to minimise dust emissions from the Premises.

2.6.2 The Licensee shall ensure that no visible dust generated by, all materials handling operation including the crushing plant and associated activities, stockpiles, open areas and transport activities, (except blasting operations), on the Premises crosses the boundary of the Premises.

2.7 Odour

There are no specified conditions relating to odour in this section.

2.8 Noise

There are no specified conditions relating to noise in this section.

3 Monitoring

3.1 General monitoring

3.1.1 The licensee shall ensure that:

- (a) all water samples are collected and preserved in accordance with AS/NZS 5667.1;
- (b) all wastewater samples are collected in accordance with AS/NZS 5667.10; and
- (c) all laboratory samples are submitted to and tested by a laboratory with current NATA accreditation for the parameters being measured.

3.1.2 The Licensee shall ensure that the annual monitoring is undertaken at least 9 months apart.

3.1.3 The Licensee shall have all monitoring equipment referred to in any condition of the Licence calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.

3.1.4 The Licensee shall, where the requirements for calibration cannot be practicably met, or a discrepancy exists in the interpretation of the requirements, bring these issues to the attention of the Director accompanied with a report comprising details of any modifications to the methods.

3.2-3.4 Monitoring of point source emissions to air, surface water and groundwater

There are no specified conditions relating to monitoring of point source emissions to air, surface water or groundwater in this section.



3.5 Monitoring of emissions to land

- 3.5.1 The Licensee shall undertake the monitoring in Table 3.5.1 according to the specifications in that table.

Emission point reference	Parameter	Units	Frequency
L1 – L2	Total petroleum hydrocarbon	mg/L	Annual

4 Improvements

There are no specified conditions relating to improvements in this section.

5 Information

5.1 Records

- 5.1.1 All information and records required by the Licence shall:
- (a) be legible;
 - (b) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and subsequent amendments remain legible or are capable of retrieval;
 - (c) except for records listed in 5.1.1(d) be retained for at least 6 years from the date the records were made or until the expiry of the Licence or any subsequent licence; and
 - (d) for those following records, be retained until the expiry of the Licence and any subsequent licence:
 - (i) off-site environmental effects; or
 - (ii) matters which affect condition of the land or water.
- 5.1.2 The Licensee shall ensure that:
- (a) any person left in charge of the Premises is aware of the conditions of this Licence and has access at all times to this Licence or copies thereof; and
 - (b) any person who performs tasks on the Premises is informed of all of the conditions of this Licence that relate to the tasks which that person is performing.
- 5.1.3 The Licensee shall complete an Annual Audit Compliance Report indicating the extent to which the Licensee has complied with the conditions of the Licence, and any previous licence issued under Part V of the Act for the Premises for the previous annual period.
- 5.1.4 The Licensee shall implement a complaints management system that as a minimum records the number and details of complaints received concerning the environmental impact of the activities undertaken at the Premises and any action taken in response to the complaint.



5.2 Reporting

5.2.1 The Licensee shall submit to the Director an Annual Environmental Report by 30 July each year. The report shall contain the information listed in Table 5.2.1 in the format or form specified in that table.

Table 5.2.1: Annual Environmental Report		
Condition or table (if relevant)	Parameter	Format or form ¹
-	Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the year and any action taken	None specified
-	Measures taken to suppress dust	
3.5.1	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons	LR1
5.1.3	Compliance	AACR
5.1.4	Complaints summary	
-	Annual quantity of raw material mined (in tonnes)	None specified

Note 1: Forms are in Schedule 2

5.3 Notification

5.3.1 The Licensee shall ensure that the parameters listed in Table 5.3.1 are notified to the Director and in accordance with the notification requirements of the table.

Table 5.3.1: Notification requirements			
Condition or table (if relevant)	Parameter	Notification requirement ¹	Format or form ²
-	Any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment or any incident, which has caused, is causing or may cause pollution	Part A: As soon as practicable but no later than 5pm of the next usual working day.	N1
2.1.1	Breach of any limit specified in the Licence	Part B: As soon as practicable	

Note 1: No notification requirement in the Licence shall negate the requirement to comply with s72 of the Act.

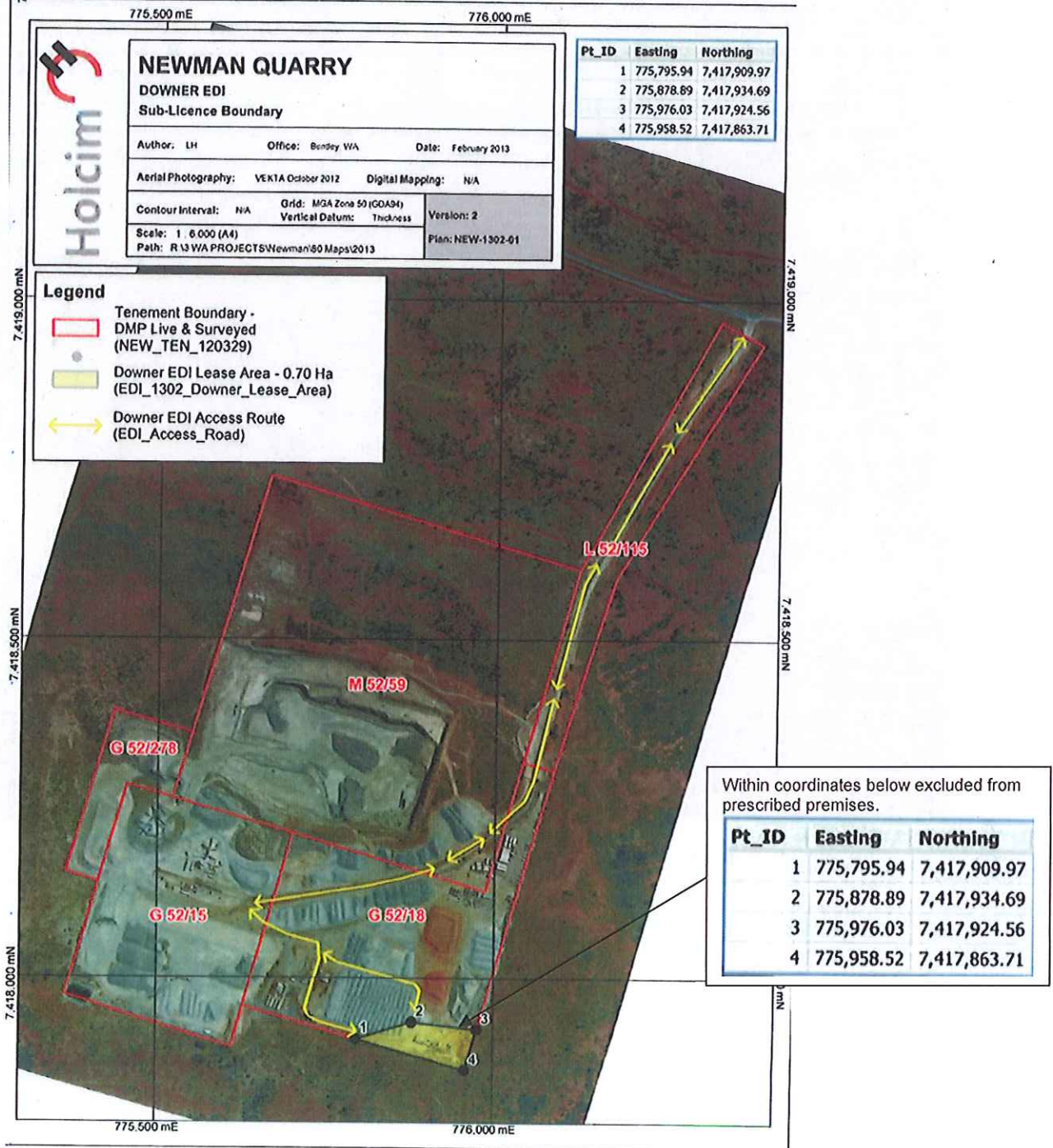
Note 2: Forms are in Schedule 2.



Schedule 1: Maps

Premises map

The Premises is shown in the map below. The red line depicts the Premises boundary.





Map of emission point

The locations of the emission points defined in Table 2.5.1 are shown below.





Schedule 2: Reporting & notification forms

These forms are provided for the proponent to report monitoring and other data required by this licence. They can be requested in an electronic format.

ANNUAL AUDIT COMPLIANCE REPORT PROFORMA

SECTION A LICENCE DETAILS

Licence Number:	Licence File Number:
Company Name: Trading as:	ABN:
Reporting period: _____ to _____	

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH LICENCE CONDITIONS

1. Were all conditions of the licence complied with within the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)

Yes Please proceed to Section C

No Please proceed to Section B

Each page must be initialled by the person(s) who signs Section C of this Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR).

Initial:



SECTION C

SIGNATURE AND CERTIFICATION

This Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR) must only be signed by a person(s) with legal authority to sign it. The ways in which the AACR must be signed and certified, and the people who may sign the statement, are set out below.

Please tick the box next to the category that describes how this AACR is being signed. If you are uncertain about who is entitled to sign or which category to tick, please contact the licensing officer for your premises.

If the licence holder is		The Annual Audit Compliance Report must be signed and certified:
An individual	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	by the individual licence holder, or by a person approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment Regulation to sign on the licensee's behalf.
A firm or other unincorporated company	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	by the principal executive officer of the licensee; or by a person with authority to sign on the licensee's behalf who is approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment Regulation.
A corporation	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	by affixing the common seal of the licensee in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001; or by two directors of the licensee; or by a director and a company secretary of the licensee, or if the licensee is a proprietary company that has a sole director who is also the sole company secretary – by that director, or by the principal executive officer of the licensee; or by a person with authority to sign on the licensee's behalf who is approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment Regulation.
A public authority (other than a local government)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	by the principal executive officer of the licensee; or by a person with authority to sign on the licensee's behalf who is approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment Regulation.
a local government	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	by the chief executive officer of the licensee; or by affixing the seal of the local government.

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. There is a maximum penalty of \$50,000 for an individual or body corporate.

I/We declare that the information in this annual audit compliance report is correct and not false or misleading in a material particular.

SIGNATURE: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

NAME:
(printed) _____

NAME:
(printed) _____

POSITION: _____

POSITION: _____

DATE: ____ / ____ / ____

DATE: ____ / ____ / ____



Licence: L5505/1988/8
Form: LR1
Name: Monitoring of emissions to land
Licensee: Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Period :

Form LR1: Monitoring of emissions to land						
Emission point	Parameter	Limit	Result'	Averaging period	Method	Sample date & times
L1	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon	15 mg/L	mg/L	Spot Sample		
L2	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbon	15 mg/L	mg/L	Spot Sample		

Signed on behalf of Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd: Date:



Licence: L5505/1988/8
Form: N1

Licensee: Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Date of breach:

Notification of detection of the breach of a limit or any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment or any incident which has caused, is causing or may cause pollution.

These pages outline the information that the operator must provide.
Units of measurement used in information supplied under Part A and B requirements shall be appropriate to the circumstances of the emission. Where appropriate, a comparison should be made of actual emissions and authorised emission limits.

Part A

Licence Number	L5505/1988/8
Name of operator	Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
Location of Premises	
Time and date of the detection	

Notification requirements for the breach of a limit	
Emission point reference/ source	
Parameter(s)	
Limit	
Measured value	
Date and time of monitoring	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop the emission	

Notification requirements for any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment or any incident which has caused, is causing or may cause pollution	
Date and time of event	
Reference or description of the location of the event	
Description of where any release into the environment took place	
Substances potentially released	
Best estimate of the quantity or rate of release of substances	
Measures taken , or intended to be taken, to stop any emission	
Description of the failure or accident	



Part B - to be submitted as soon as practicable

Any more accurate information on the matters for notification under Part A.	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to prevent a recurrence of the incident	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to rectify, limit or prevent any pollution of the environment which has been or may be caused by the emission	
The dates of any previous N1 notifications for the Premises in the preceding 24 months.	

Name	
Post	
Signature on behalf of Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd	
Date	



LICENCE NUMBER: L5505/1988/8
FILE NUMBER: DER2013/000855
APPLICATION DATE: 14 June 2013
EXPIRY DATE: 30 September 2018
AMENDMENT DATE: 20 February 2014

PREMISES DETAILS

LICENSEE AND OCCUPIER

Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd
799 Pacific Highway
CHATSWOOD NSW 2067

ACN: 099 732 297

PREMISES

Newman Quarry
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NEWMAN WA 6753

PRESCRIBED PREMISES CATEGORY

Table 1: Prescribed Premises Category from Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987*

Category number*	Category Description*	Category Production or Design Capacity*	Nominated Premises Throughput [#]	Premises Capacity [#]
12	Screening, etc. of material	More than 100,000 but not more than 500 000 tonnes per year	1 000 000 tonnes per year	1 000 000 tonnes per year

* From Schedule 4 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987*

From application

This Environmental Assessment Report (EAR) has been drafted for the purposes of detailing information on the management and mitigation of emissions and discharges from the prescribed premises. The objective of the EAR is to provide a risk assessment of emissions and discharges, and information on the management of other activities occurring onsite which are not related to the control of emissions and discharges from the prescribed premises activity. This does not restrict the Department of Environment Regulation (DER) to assessing only those emissions and discharges generated from the activities that cause the premises to become prescribed premises.

Basis of Assessment

The Newman Quarry, has been assessed as "prescribed premises" category number 12, within Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987*.

Screening, etc. of material: premises (other than premises within category 5 or 8) on which material extracted from the ground is screened, washed, crushed, ground, milled, sized or separated.



The Newman quarry is in operation on a continuous basis and currently extracts approximately 1 000 000 tonnes of hard rock per annum.

This amendment changes the premises boundary to remove the portion of the lease held by Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd for the operation of an asphalt plant.

1.0 BACKGROUND

1.1 GENERAL COMPANY DESCRIPTION

Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd (Holcim) is an international building materials company with a long history of operations in Australia. The company provides premixed concrete, aggregates, gravel and sand to the construction industry and have been operating in Australia since 1939.

Prior to 2 October 2009 Holcim was known as CEMEX Australia Pty Ltd (CEMEX) and prior to 29 February 2008, CEMEX was known as Rinker Australia Pty Limited (trading as Readymix).

1.2 LOCATION OF PREMISES

The Holcim Newman quarry is an existing quarry which has been operating since the 1970s and is located approximately 5km north-west of the mining town of Newman (Figure 1). The current mining operations are located on Mining Lease M52/59, with associated infrastructure located on General Purpose Leases G52/15, G52/18, G52/278 and L52/115 (Figure 2). The Newman quarry is supported by the following infrastructure: roads, mobile crushing and screening plant, stockpiles, fuel storage, weighbridge, mine camp, site office and amenities, workshop and a water storage dam.





Figure 1: Regional location of Newman Quarry.

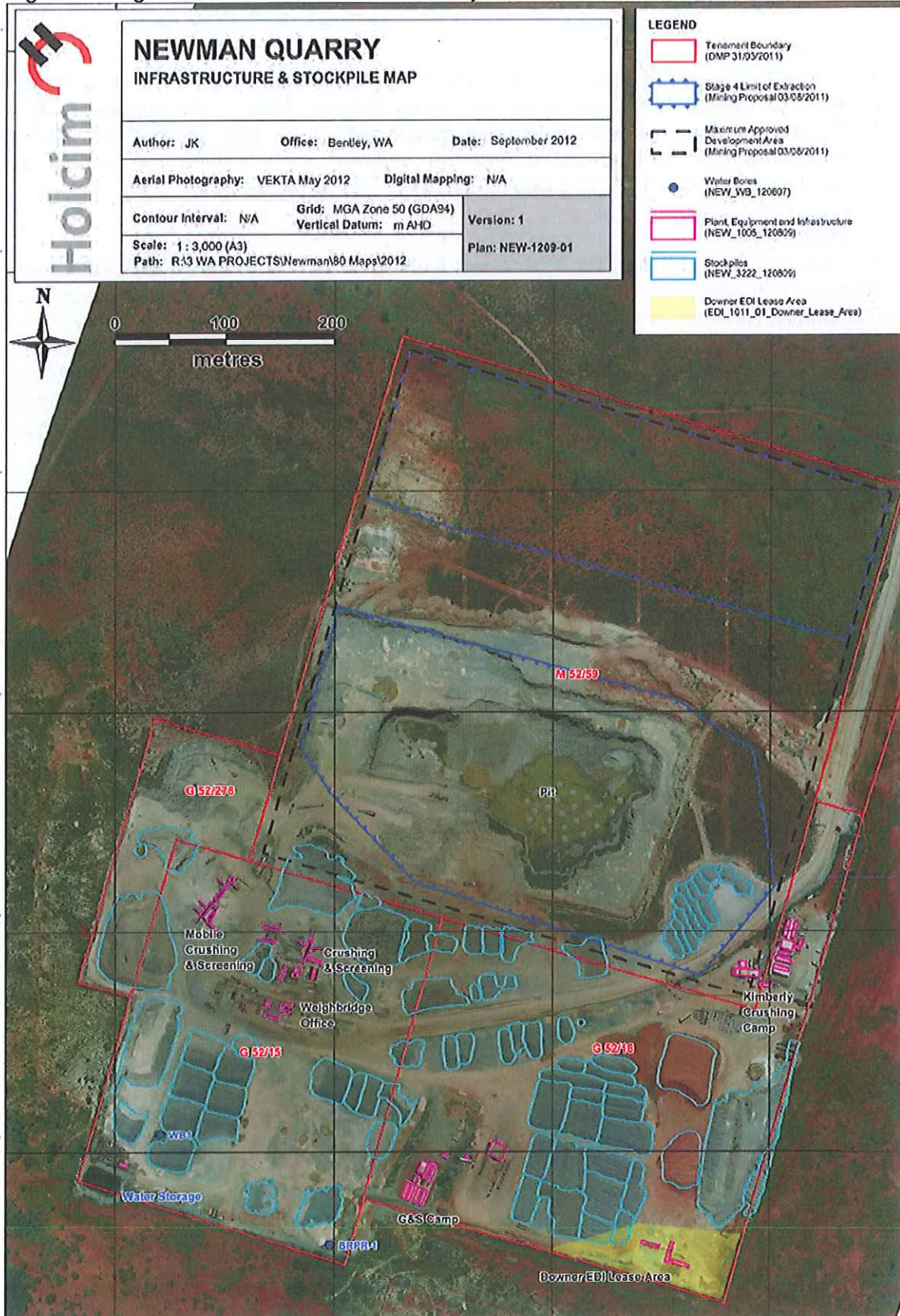


Figure 2: Newman Quarry Site Plan.



1.2.1 Existing Environment

Climate:

The Newman quarry is situated within the Pilbara region, which has an arid to semi-arid climate with unreliable annual rainfall averaging 300mm. Most of the annual rainfall occurs during the summer cyclones with daily rainfall events as high as 500mm. The highest temperatures are experienced during the summer months with the annual average maximum of 31.4°C and an average minimum of 17.7°C (JDA 2009).

Topography:

The Newman quarry is in the Hamersley subregion of the Pilbara Interim Biogeographic Region of Australia (IBRA) east of the Hamersley Ranges (Environment Australia; 2000). Regionally, Newman is located within the Archaean and Proterozoic Hamersley Basin. The Hamersley Basin comprises mafic and felsic volcanics, shale, siltstone, sandstone and conglomerate, as well as dolomite and banded iron formation (Vreeswyk et al. 2004). The quarry is located within the Elimunna land system, which has the following associated soil types: stony soils; red loamy earths; self-mulching cracking clays; and red/brown non-cracking clays.

Ground and surface water:

The nearest major surface watercourse to the Newman quarry is the Fortescue River, approximately 14km to the northwest. No permanent surface water flows or creeks are known to exist within the quarry area. Two minor drainage lines run in a south-easterly direction towards the Fortescue River. One flow line runs approximately 150m to the north of the quarry pit and the other runs immediately south of the quarry boundary. The quarry area appears to be protected from inundation from this surface flow by a 3-4m high ridge. Contour lines show this ridge to be continuous around much of the perimeter of the quarry offering protection from surface flows caused by seasonal rainfall events (JDA 2009).

The Newman quarry is located within the Newman Water Reserve – Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA) Priority 1. Mining is considered a compatible land use activity (Department of Water).

Flora:

The vegetation within and surrounding the tenements have been described as stony plains on basalt supporting sparse acacia and cassia shrub land and patch tussock grassland. The valley floors have low mulga woodland over bunch grasses on fine textured soils, while the ranges have *Eucalyptus leucophloia* over *Triodia brizoides* on skeletal soils. The dominant plant families are Poaceae (Grasses), Malvaceae (Hibiscus) and Mimosaceae (Wattle). No Declared Rare Flora or Priority Flora were located within the quarry area.

Fauna:

In October 2009 a fauna study was undertaken by APM. The study was carried out to meet the requirements of a Level 1 Fauna Assessment in accordance with EPA Guidance Statement 51. A total of 220 vertebrate fauna species have the potential to occur in association within the quarry area including 6 frog species, 87 reptile species, 89 bird species, 9 bat species and 19 mammal species.

Based on the habitats present, searches indicated that six fauna species listed under the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* could potentially occur within the project area. These include the Australian Bustard, the Pilbara Olive Python, the Western Pebble-mound Mouse, the Blind Snake and the Long-tailed Dunnart.



1.3 PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

The Newman quarry supplies crushed aggregate products to the local market for use in roads, rail and infrastructure projects. The primary uses of hard rock mined from the quarry are for aggregate for concrete for use in residential, commercial and major project construction. Activities at the quarry include drilling and blasting of hard rock, crushing, screening and stockpiling of extracted material and loading of material onto trucks for transportation to various destinations predominantly within the Pilbara Region.

The mining process includes extraction of hard rock by topsoil removal, blasting, drilling and excavation, using an excavator and front end loader. The extracted material is fed through a primary crusher and stockpiled. Overburden is stockpiled for use in rehabilitation. Screening of the crushed aggregate occurs according to market demand and is screened into various particle sizes and stockpiled awaiting transportation to the market (Figure 3). This material is later sold for the production of cement and asphalt and used for clean fill.

The site has the capacity to process 1 000 000 tonnes per year, however, the Newman market is essentially project based, depending on mining projects in the local area. Therefore, production increases and decreases depending on the mining industry development rate.

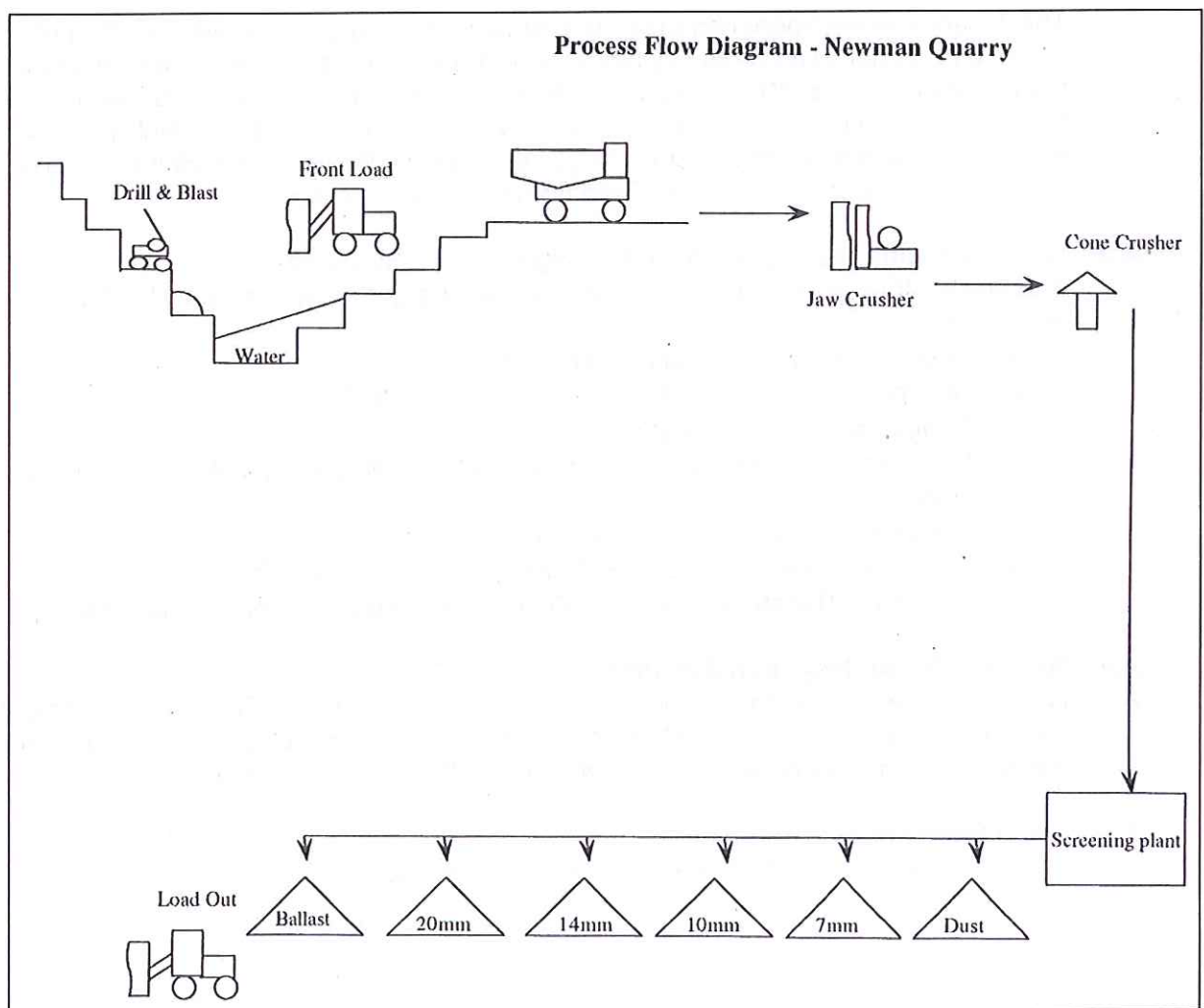


Figure 3: Process Flow Diagram – Newman Quarry.



1.4 REGULATORY CONTEXT

1.4.1 Part IV Environmental Protection Act 1986, Environmental Impact Assessment

The Newman quarry has not been assessed under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

1.4.2 Part V Environmental Protection Act 1986, Environmental Management

The Newman quarry has been assessed as a "prescribed premises" under the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* and has been operating under Licence L5505/1988/7 previously as CEMEX, now Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd.

The site was inspected in June 2013 by DER officers and there were minor hydrocarbon non-compliance issues identified.

The licence was reissued in September 2013 and converted to the new REFIRE format. The capacity of the site was increased to 1 million tonnes per year as part of the reissue. The works approval was originally assessed for this capacity in 2010, but the licence was issued for only 500,000 tonnes per year.

This Licence amendment changes the premises boundary to remove a portion of the lease for which Downer EDI Works Pty Ltd (Downer) hold the licence for an asphalt plant. During the licence reissue in 2013, it was identified that there were two licences over this portion of the lease, however, Downer did not have any formal agreement with Holcim to occupy the site. A lease agreement is now in place between Downer and Holcim, therefore, this portion of the lease has been removed from the Holcim licence.

1.4.3 Other Decision Making Authorities' Legislation which applies

The onsite storage of hydrocarbons and dangerous goods will be regulated by the following legislation:

- *Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984*;
- *Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996*;
- *Dangerous Goods Safety Act 2004*;
- *Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-Explosives) Regulations 2007*;
- *Dangerous Goods Safety (General) Regulations 2007*;
- *Dangerous Goods Safety (Explosives) Regulations 2007*; and
- AS 1940 - The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids.

1.4.4 Rights in Water Irrigation Act 1914

Holcim hold a Licence to Take Water under Section 5C of the *Rights in Water Irrigation Act 1914* for the Newman Quarry. GWL101965(8) is used for dust suppression, and processing purposes with an allocation entitlement of 100,000 kilolitres per year.

1.4.5 Local Government Authority

The premises is located within the Shire of East Pilbara.



2.0 STAKEHOLDER AND COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED DURING 21 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The application for licence reissue details for this facility were advertised in The West Australian newspaper on 5 August 2013 as a means of advising stakeholders and to seek public comments. No submissions were received.

The licence amendment conducted in February 2014 is not required to be advertised.

3.0 EMISSIONS AND DISCHARGES RISK ASSESSMENT

DER considers that conditions should focus on regulating emissions and discharges of significance. Where appropriate, emissions and discharges which are not significant should be managed and regulated by other legislative tools or management mechanisms.

The following section assesses the environmental risk of potential emissions from the Newman quarry. In order to determine the site's appropriate environmental regulation, an emissions and discharges risk assessment was conducted of this facility using the environmental risk matrix outlined in Appendix A. The results of this are summarized in Table 2.



Table 2: Risk assessment and regulatory response summary table.

Risk factor	Significance of emissions	Socio-Political Context of Each Regulated Emission	Risk Assessment	DER Regulation (EP Act - Part V)	EAR Reference	Other management (legislation, tools, agencies)
Air emissions (point source)	Operation - 1 Air emissions are not significant during the operation of the process plant.	Low - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - No conditions.	N/A.	General provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1986.
Dust emissions	Operation - 1 Dust generation is primarily controlled by the application of water on disturbed areas, the avoidance of clearing undisturbed areas until necessary and the progressive rehabilitation of disturbed areas. Holcim has implemented the following management mechanisms to minimise dust emissions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a water cart is used to wet down dust-prone unsealed surfaces such as haul and access roads, and the mining area (including waste dumps and stockpiles). Water is sourced from on site groundwater bore; the crusher and screener is fitted with appropriate dust control equipment, such as water sprays to wet the crusher feed; sections of the conveyor system are enclosed where appropriate; and all personnel are required to observe onsite vehicle speed limits to reduce dust lift-off from unsealed roads. 	Low - Level of socio-political concern. The Newman quarry is located approximately 5km from the nearest sensitive receptor.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - REFIRE dust conditions.	N/A.	General provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1986. Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004.
Odour emissions	Operation - 1 Odour emissions are not expected during the operation of the process plant.	No - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - No conditions.	N/A.	General provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1986.
Noise emissions	Operation - 1 Noise is generated from sources such as the operation of machinery, vehicles and equipment (including crushing/screening plant). Holcim use low-noise equipment where practicable. The EPA (2005) applies a minimum buffer of 1km from extractive hard rock quarries where blasting occurs. The Newman quarry is situated greater than 1km from the nearest receptor therefore noise and vibration impacts are not expected to be significant. Holcim has committed to complying with the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997.	No - Level of socio-political concern. The Newman quarry is located approximately 5km from the nearest sensitive receptor.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - No conditions.	N/A.	General provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1986. Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997.



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Risk factor	Significance of emissions	Socio-Political Context of Each Regulated Emission	Risk Assessment	DER Regulation (EP Act - Part V)	EAR Reference	Other management (legislation, tools, agencies)
Light emissions	Operation - 1 Lit areas are restricted to accommodation areas and plant facilities. Holcim will minimise the impact of light spill by reducing the light broadcast and installing sodium lights.	No - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - No conditions.	N/A	General provisions of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> .
Discharges to water	Operation - 1 There are no discharges to water associated with quarrying activities and the quarry is located above the watertable.	No - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - No conditions.	N/A	General provisions of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> . <i>Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004</i> .
Discharges to land	Operation - 1 There are no significant discharges to land associated with quarrying operations. The quarry is located above the watertable and dewatering is not required. Groundwater bores are located away from the quarry pit and will provide the water for the camp and for dust suppression. The quarry does contain a surface water dam which collects uncontaminated runoff water which can be used for dust suppression. <i>Wash down bay</i> There are two wash down bays on site and wastewater from the hardstand areas is directed to oily water separators prior to discharge. Discharge only occurs after rain events and annual monitoring is undertaken at each discharge site during a rain event to monitor TPH levels. Hydrocarbons removed are collected by a licensed contractor for disposal at a licensed facility. <i>Fuel farms</i> There are three fuelling areas at the site, (Holcim, Kimberley Quarries and G&S Transport) each contained within bundled concrete hardstand. Spills are contained within the hardstand and areas and cleaned using spill kits. Contaminated material is disposed of into a sealed hydrocarbon bin which is collected by a licensed contractor and disposed of at a licensed facility. <i>Workshop</i> The workshop consists of a covered area over a bundled concrete hardstand for the servicing and maintenance of equipment. All	Low - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - Standard REFIREE stormwater conditions. Monitoring condition for discharge from wash down bays for TPH.		General provisions of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> . <i>Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004</i> . Holcim Hydrocarbon Management Plan.



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Risk factor	Significance of emissions	Socio-Political Context of Each Regulated Emission	Risk Assessment	DER Regulation (EP Act - Part V)	EAR Reference	Other management (legislation, tools, agencies)
Solid / liquid wastes	<p>drainage is directed towards a sump which is pumped out by a licensed contractor for disposal to a licensed facility. There is no discharge from the facility.</p> <p>Operation - 1 Wastes generated by the Newman quarry include: Domestic solid and liquid waste (including food scraps and sewage); general mine-site waste (including scrap metal, drums, tyres and batteries); general office waste and waste oils and lubricants.</p> <p>All waste, putrescible and non-putrescible are removed offsite to a licensed facility in Newman. Scrap metals, batteries, oils, lubricants and rubber wastes are removed offsite for recycling/disposal by a licensed contractor.</p>	No - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulations, other management mechanisms.	LIC - Standard REFIRE hydrocarbon conditions.	N/A	<p>General provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1986.</p> <p>Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004.</p> <p>Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004.</p> <p>Holcim Environmental Management Plan - Waste Management Plan.</p>
Hydrocarbon/chemical storage	<p>Operation - 1 Diesel fuel and other hydrocarbons are routinely used at Newman quarry during mining.</p> <p>Holcim have implemented the following management mechanisms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • site induction will include information on hydrocarbon, handling, disposal and spill response procedures; • potential source of spills are located on fully bundled platforms to contain any fuel leaks; • re-fuelling activities are monitored for leaks and spills; and • appropriate spill response equipment are located such that it is available for immediate use in all hydrocarbon storage and re-fuelling and maintenance areas. <p>All hydrocarbons are stored and handled in accordance with the Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-Explosives) Regulations 2007 and Australia Standards 1940 - The Storage and Handling of Flammable and Combustible Liquids.</p> <p>Explosives are brought to the site by blasting contractors and are removed immediately after each blasting campaign.</p>	No - Level of socio-political concern.	E - No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC - Standard REFIRE hydrocarbon conditions.	N/A	<p>General provision of the Environmental Protection Act 1986.</p> <p>Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-Explosives) Regulations 2007</p> <p>Explosive & Dangerous Goods (Dangerous Goods Handling & Storage) Regulations 1992.</p> <p>Australian Standard 1940-1993 (The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids).</p> <p>Dangerous Goods Safety (Explosives) Regulations 2007.</p> <p>Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004.</p> <p>Holcim Hydrocarbon Management Plan</p>



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Risk factor	Significance of emissions	Socio-Political Context of Each Regulated Emission	Risk Assessment	DER Regulation (EP Act - Part V)	EAR Reference	Other management (legislation, tools, agencies)
Native vegetation clearing	<p>Operation – 1.</p> <p>The management objectives for vegetation and flora are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • restrict vegetation clearing to a practical minimum; • prevent unauthorised clearing of native vegetation within the project and surrounding areas; and • ensure vegetation is carried out in an appropriate manner to maximise success of later rehabilitation activities. 	No – Level of socio-political concern.	E – No regulation, other management mechanisms.	LIC – No conditions.	N/A	Flora and Vegetation Management Plan. Holcim Environmental Management Plan.



4.0 GENERAL SUMMARY AND COMMENTS

The Newman quarry is an existing quarry that has been in operation since the 1970's. It was previously owned by Readymix and CEMEX, which are now trading at Holcim.

As shown in Table 2, emissions and discharges associated with the operation of this facility are a low risk to the environment is managed as per Holcim commitments and should not result in significant impacts to the environment.

The licence has been reissued in the new REFIRE licence format.

The facility is also subject to the general provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* relating to the causing and reporting of pollution and will be subject to inspections by DER officers.

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APPENDIX A: EMISSIONS AND DISCHARGES RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX

Table 3: Measures of Significance of Emissions

Emissions as a percentage of the relevant emission or ambient standard		Worst Case Operating Conditions (95 th Percentile)			
		>100%	50 – 100%	20 – 50%	<20%*
Normal Operating Conditions (50 th Percentile)	>100%	5	N/A	N/A	N/A
	50 – 100%	4	3	N/A	N/A
	20 – 50%	4	3	2	N/A
	<20%*	3	3	2	1

*For reliable technology, this figure could increase to 30%

Table 4: Socio-Political Context of Each Regulated Emission

		Relative proximity of the interested party with regards to the emission				
		Immediately Adjacent	Adjacent	Nearby	Distant	Isolated
Level of Community Interest or Concern*	5	High	High	Medium High	Medium	Low
	4	High	High	Medium High	Medium	Low
	3	Medium High	Medium High	Medium	Low	No
	2	Low	Low	Low	Low	No
	1	No	No	No	No	No

Note: These examples are not exclusive and professional judgement is needed to evaluate each specific case

*This is determined by the DER using the DER "Officer's Guide to Emissions and Discharges Risk Assessment" May 2006.

Table 5: Emissions Risk Reduction Matrix

		Significance of Emissions				
		5	4	3	2	1
Socio-Political Context	High	A	A	B	C	D
	Medium High	A	A	B	C	D
	Medium	A	B	B	D	E
	Low	A	B	C	D	E
	No	B	C	D	E	E

PRIORITY MATRIX ACTION DESCRIPTORS

A = Do not allow (fix)

B = licence condition (setting limits + EMPs - short timeframes)(setting targets optional)

C = licence condition (setting targets + EMPs - longer timeframes)

D= EIPs, other management mechanisms/licence conditions (monitoring/reporting)/other regulatory tools

E = No regulation, other management mechanisms