



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L4503/1975/14	Licence file number:	DER2013/000901
Licence holder:	BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
ACN:	008 700 981		
Registered address:	Level 1, City Square Brookfield Place 125 St Georges Terrace PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01/07/2019 to 30/06/2020		

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; and• sign 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; and• sign the declaration at 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	66.13 Mt
54 – Sewage facility	67.9 m ³ /day
61 – Liquid waste facility	0 t
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	2,417.9 t (inert I and II waste only)
73 – Bulk storage of chemicals etc.	10,600 m ³ fuel storage

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
6 – Mine dewatering	8.5 Mt

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:	3.6.1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	November 2019
Details of non-compliance:			
As per licence requirements for Mount Whaleback (L4503/1975/14), BHP has an obligation to conduct groundwater sampling for the six ARD compliance bores every quarter, with quarterly sampling conducted at least 45 days apart.			
For Q1 and Q2 groundwater samples, the sampling was undertaken 41 days apart for WBGW050S and WBGW050D. No re-sample was conducted.			
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.			
This was related to an administrative time-frame error. There was no known actual or suspected environmental impact.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
Quarterly licence monitoring samples were collected closer together in timeframe due to sampling constraints and run schedules released by the contractor which was not verified.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
Requirement to reschedule monitoring where sampling needs to be conducted a set number of days apart has been reinforced with the monitoring contractor. Additionally, routine scheduling of Licensed quarterly monitoring obligations has been reviewed to coincide more closely with the beginning of the quarter to enable sufficient time for follow-up sampling in the event that a sample cannot be collected.			
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:	3.3.1	Date(s) of non-compliance:	November 2019
Details of non-compliance:			
A monthly volumetric flow rate (cumulative) is required to be captured monthly at every discharge event for sample point L3 which captures the flowmeter to the Hub Turkey's nest discharge point. A monthly sample was missed in November 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.			
<p>The last sample for L3 was taken on 24 October 2019, with a missed sample recorded for November 2019 and a subsequent sample taken on the 12 December 2019. Within the timeframe, a reported 9,156 kL was discharged to the Hub Turkey's nest discharge point.</p> <p>Results for both October and December 2019 showed similar pH levels recorded, 7.9 and 8 respectively, which denotes minimal change to the output of water being discharged to the Hub Turkey's nest discharge point.</p> <p>There was no known actual or suspected environmental impact.</p>			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The sample was not collected during November 2019 due to third-party error whereby the sample was missed by contractor group due to miss-communication between field teams.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<p>Feedback provided to contractor group conducting sampling runs with formal investigation conducted.</p> <p>Individual training and development with team members involved in the missed sample run by contractor group has been committed with the addition of "frequency" column with selection options of "W", "M", "3M", "6M", "1Y", "2Y" onto missed schedule log as a visual prompt for ensuring samples are completed within tolerance (tolerance legend already present within spreadsheet).</p>			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
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<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date: / /	
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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:	1.2.3	Date(s) of non-compliance:	15 April 2020
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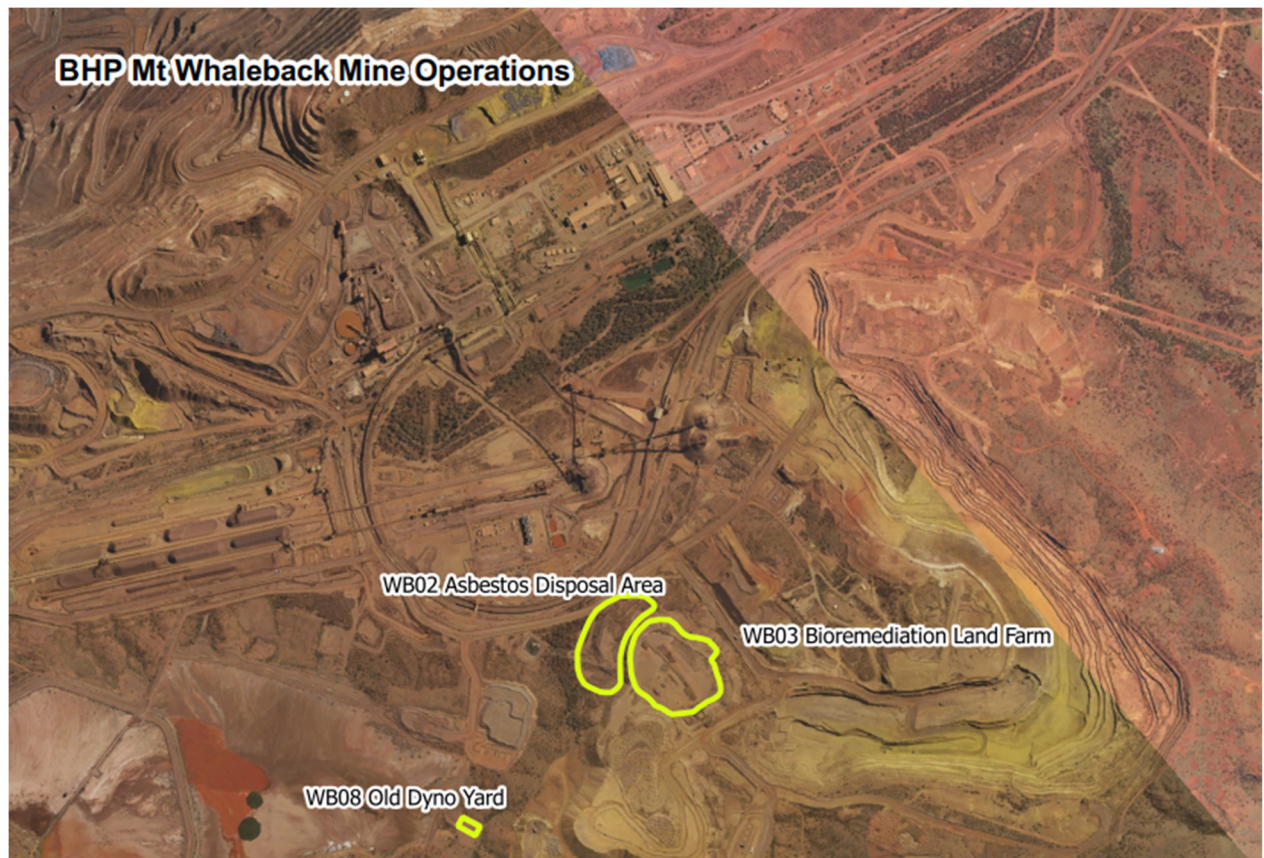
Details of non-compliance:

Exposed Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM) such as pipes and legacy construction materials were discovered on 15 April 2020 to not be sufficiently covered at OB29 Asbestos Disposal Area. This matter relates to Table 1.2.3: Cover Requirements.

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.

There is no known actual or suspected environmental impacts related to this. This was classified as a potential safety and human health hazard.



Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Appropriate process limits set out in the Part V Licence were not followed when depositing asbestos into the WB02 Asbestos Disposal Area or overburden cover has been removed in parts, leading to exposed ACM.

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

The matter was raised immediately to the relevant stakeholders and area owners. A plan was put into place to cover the asbestos disposal dump. In order to not disturb the exposed ACM on the surface of the dump it was determined that the safest and most suitable method to cover the area in order to comply with the licence conditions was to create a tip-head from the above

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landform (WB03) and cover the dump completely in order to create one landform. This would exceed the licence condition of 1m cover in a positive manner, by covering the dump with 10+ metres. Topsoil surrounding area was recovered during June 2020 and tipping commenced 29 June 2020. Encapsulation of the dump was completed in August 2020.

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 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:	Acting Asset President Western Australian Iron Ore (WAIO)	Position:	
Date:	02/09/2020	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.