



# Amendment Report

**Licence Number** L8660/2012/1

**Licence Holder** Ravensthorpe Nickel Operations Pty Ltd

**ACN** 092 506 584

**File Number:** 2012/003539

**Premises**  
Ravensthorpe Nickel Project Tamarine Quarry  
Tamarine Road  
JERDACUTTUP WA 6346  
Legal description  
Being Mining Tenement M74/220 as depicted in  
schedule 1

**Date of Report** 28 October 2019

**Decision** Grant Licence

# 1. Definitions and interpretation

## Definitions

In this Amendment Report, the terms in Table 1 have the meanings defined.

**Table 1: Definitions**

Term	Definition
ACN	Australian Company Number
Amendment Report	refers to this document
Category/ Categories/ Cat.	categories of Prescribed Premises as set out in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer. CEO for the purposes of notification means: Director General Department Administering the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> Locked Bag 10 JOONDALUP DC WA 6919 <a href="mailto:info@dwer.wa.gov.au">info@dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
Delegated Officer	an officer under section 20 of the EP Act
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and designated as responsible for the administration of Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act.
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> (WA)
EP Regulations	<i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> (WA)
Existing Licence	The Licence issued under Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act and in force prior to the commencement of and during this Review
Licence Holder	Ravensthorpe Nickel Operations Pty Ltd
Premises	refers to the premises to which this Amendment Report applies, as specified at the front of this Amendment Report.
Risk Event	as described in <i>Guidance Statement: Risk Assessment</i>

## 2. Amendment Description

This report is issued under section 59 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) to amend the Licence L8660/2012/1 issued under the EP Act for a category 12 prescribed premises.

The following guidance statements have informed the assessment and decision outlined in this Amendment Report.

- *Guidance Statement: Regulatory Principles (July 2015)*
- *Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions (October 2015)*
- *Guidance Statement: Licence Duration (August 2016)*
- *Guidance Statement: Decision Making (February 2017)*
- *Guidance Statement: Risk Assessment (February 2017)*

### 2.1. Purpose and scope of assessment

The Ravensthorpe Nickel Operation has been in care and maintenance since 9 October 2017. Therefore, the Tamarine quarry, that provides limestone as an input into the nickel operation, has not operated.

The Tamarine quarry licence (L8660/2012/1) expire on 29 September 2019. On 31 July 2019, the Licence Holder made application to renew the Licence. The licence application was advertised with submissions closing on 16 September 2019. A licence review of the operations at the premises is underway. Given the short timeframes to complete the licence review and, given operations are in care and maintenance, DWER decided to initiate this amendment to the Licence L8660/2012/1 to provide sufficient time for a comprehensive licence review be completed.

Table 2 below outlines the Prescribed Premises approved production and design capacity of the current licence which will not change.

**Table 2: Prescribed Premises approved production or design capacity**

Category	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	800,000 tonnes per year

### 2.2. Consolidation of Licence

As part of this amendment, the licence incorporated changes made under the following Amendment Notices:

- *Amendment Notice 1, granted 13 September 2018 – extend the expiry date of the Licence by twelve months to expire on 29 September 2019*

The obligations of the Licence Holder have not changed by consolidating this licence. DWER has not undertaken any additional risk assessment of the Premises related to previous Amendment Notices.

In consolidating the licence, the CEO has:

- updated the Departments logo, references to the DWER and Delegated Officer;
- include definition for “CEO” plus deleted definitions for “dangerous goods”, “Director” and “environmentally hazardous materials”;
- deleted condition 1.2.3;
- deleted the term “environmentally hazardous materials” from condition 1.2.4;
- amended “Director” in conditions 5.2.1 and 5.3.1 to “CEO”;
- deleted the redundant AACR form set out in schedule 2 of the licence and advise the License Holder to obtain the form from the Department’s website;
- amended the expiry date from 29 September 2018 to the 29 September 2020; and,
- correct clerical mistakes and unintentional errors.

Previously issued Amendment Notices will remain on the DWER website for future reference to act as a historical record of past decisions.

### 3. Amendment history

Table 4 provides the amendment history for L8660/2012/1

**Table 3: Licence amendments**

Instrument	Issued	Amendment
L8660/2012/1	26/09/2013	New Licence, change of occupier and premises boundary
L8660/2012/1	03/04/2014	Licence amendment to incorporate new Dust Management Plan
L8660/2012/1	08/01/2015	Licence amended to convert to REFIRE licence format.
L8660/2012/1	13/09/2018	DWER initiated Licence amendment to extend expiry date to 29 September 2019
L8660/2012/1	27/09/2019	DWER initiated Licence amendment to extend expiry date to 29 September 2020

### 4. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report and draft Licence on 26 September 2019 for review and comment. The Licence Holder responded on 26 September 2019 waiving the comment period. No comments were submitted on the draft Amendment Report and Licence.

**Table 9: Summary of consultation**

Method	Comments received	DWER response
Licence Holder referred draft documents on 26 September 2019	N/A	N/A

## 5. Conclusion

Based on this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that a licence be granted, commensurate with the amendment proposed in section 2.2 of this report.

The extension of the Licence expiry date by twelve months does not require a detailed risk assessment.

This amendment does not propose any alteration to the production, design capacity, prescribed activity or discharge locations approved under the existing Licence. The amendment will extend the expiry date of the Licence by twelve months.

The DWER initiated amendment of Licence L8660/2012/1 is granted.

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**REGULATORY SERVICES**

*An officer delegated by the CEO under section 20 of the EP Act*

## Appendix 1: Key documents

	Document title	In text ref	Availability
1	Licence L8660/2012/1 – Tamarine Quarry	L8660/2012/1	accessed at <a href="http://www.dwer.wa.gov.au">www.dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
2	Amendment Notice 1 – L8660/2012/1 – Tamarine quarry	Amendment Notice 1	accessed at <a href="http://www.dwer.wa.gov.au">www.dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
3	Licence application – Ravensthorpe Nickel Operations Pty Ltd – Tamarine quarry dated 31 July 2019	Application	DWER records (A1810832)
4	DER, July 2015. <i>Guidance Statement: Regulatory principles.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2015a	accessed at <a href="http://www.dwer.wa.gov.au">www.dwer.wa.gov.au</a>
5	DER, October 2015. <i>Guidance Statement: Setting conditions.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2015b	
6	DER, August 2016. <i>Guidance Statement: Licence duration.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2016a	
7	DER, November 2016. <i>Guidance Statement: Risk Assessments.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2016b	
8	DER, November 2016. <i>Guidance Statement: Decision Making.</i> Department of Environment Regulation, Perth.	DER 2016c	