Amendment Report

Application for Licence Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Licence Number L5110/1988/10

Licence Holder Agnew Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd

ACN 098 385 883

File Number 2012/006874-1

Premises Lawlers Gold Mine

Agnew Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd

PMB 10

Leinster WA 6437

Legal description -

Mining tenements M36/91, M36/171, M36/208, M36/277, M36/622, L36/228, L36/162, G36/36, G36/37, G36/38, and

G36/42

LEINSTER WA 6437

As depicted in Schedule 1 of the licence

Date of Report 12 October 2020

Decision Revised licence granted

Gargi Joshi A/MANAGER – RESOURCE INDUSTRIES REGULATORY SERVICES

an officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Licence L5110/1988/10. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

The decision report for the Existing licence will remain on the department's website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

2. Scope of assessment

2.1 Regulatory framework

The legislative framework for this assessment is the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) and *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations).

In amending the licence, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents.

2.2 Amendment summary

Licence L5110/1988/10 is held by Agnew Gold Mining Company Pty Ltd (Licence Holder) for the Lawlers Gold Mine (the Premises), located at Mining tenements M36/91, M36/171, M36/208, M36/277, M36/622, L36/228, L36/162, G36/36, G36/37, G36/38, and G36/42, LEINSTER WA 6437.

The Premises relates to the categories 5,6, 54 and 89 and the approved production capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations* 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Licence L5110/1988/10.

On 27 August 2020, the Licence Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Licence L5110/1988/10 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending licence expiry date, updating premises boundary due to changes in a mining tenement, correcting any typographical errors, updating/deletions/inclusion of definitions, and consolidation of the previous amendment reports.

2.3 Consolidation of Licence

As part of this amendment, DWER has consolidated the licence by incorporating changes made under the following Amendment Notices:

- Amendment Notice 1, granted on 2 March 2017 Addition of Category 89 inert landfill and authorisation to construct and operate the inert landfill on G36/37; and
- Amendment Notice 2, granted on 28 October 2019 Addition of Category 54 Agnew Wastewater Treatment Plant and the irrigation area.

The obligations of the licence holder have not changed in consolidating the 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 format and appearance of the licence;

- deleted the redundant AACR form set out in schedule 2 of the previous licence and advise the licence holder to obtain the form from the Department's website; and
- corrected clerical mistakes and unintentional errors.

Previously issued Amendment Notices will remain on the DWER website for future reference and will act as a record of DWER's decision making.

3. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 06 October 2020.

On 09 October 2020 the Licence Holder waived the comment period. No changes were requested to the draft conditions.

4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended licence L5110/1988/10 will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised licence as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of licence amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Cover page	Updated the format and appearance
	Premises boundary details have updated as a part of the amendment process
	Prescribed Premises Category table has updated to include Category 54 Agnew Wastewater Treatment Plant and the irrigation area as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2
Duration	Extended to 19 October 2031
Contents	Contents table has been removed from the licence as a result of changing the licence into the new licence template
Introduction	Introduction section has been removed from the licence.
Licence History	A section has been added to the licence to reflect the history of the licence as per the new template.
Interpretation	Section 1.1 Interpretation section under General conditions has been removed from the licence. The new template is consist of a Definition table which consists all the relevant explanations
1.2. Premises Operation	Section 1.2 has now become Section 1.1 in the amended licence upon removing the Section 1.1 Interpretation section from the old licence.

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Condition 1.2.1 to 1.2.9	Condition 1.2.1. to 1.2.4 have been renumbered as Condition 1.1.1 to 1.1.9
Table numbers	Table numbers have been updated to reflect the new licence template.
Table 1 in the updated licence	Table 1 has been updated as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 1 and 2.
Table 2 in the updated licence	Table 2 has updated as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Condition 1.1.10 and 1.1.11	Included into the amended licence as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Table 4 in the updated licence	Table 4 has updated as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Condition 2.2.2	Included into the amended licence as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Table 7 in the updated licence	Table 7 has updated as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Condition 3.4.6	Included into the amended licence as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Table 10 in the updated licence	Table 10 has updated to reflect the new numbering system.
Map of storage locations	Updated to more recent aerial photo and text in this section has updated to reflect the new table numbering system.
Map of monitoring locations	Text in this section has updated to reflect the new table numbering system.
Map of Lawlers WWTP and Irrigation area	Included into the amended licence as a part of the amalgamation of the amendment notice 2.
Schedule 2: Reporting and Notification Forms	Deleted the redundant AACR form set out in schedule 2 of the previous licence. This is now available on the department's website via https://www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/licences-and-works-approvals/publications

References

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