



## Application for Licence Amendment

### Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

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<b>Licence Number</b>	L8482/2010/2
<b>Licence Holder</b>	VEEM Ltd
<b>ACN</b>	008 944 009
<b>File Number</b>	DEC1021/1 – APP-0026567
<b>Premises</b>	<p>VEEM</p> <p>Lot 4 on Plan 22364 Gauge Circuit, CANNING VALE WA 6155</p> <p>Legal description –</p> <p>Lot 4 on Plan 22364 Certificate of Title Volume 2132 Folio 829</p> <p>As defined by the Premises map attached to the Revised licence.</p>
<b>Date of Report</b>	24 June 2025
<b>Decision</b>	Revised licence granted

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# 1. Decision summary

Licence L8482/2010/2 is held by VEEM Ltd (licence holder) for the premises located at Lot 4 on Plan 22364 Gauge Circuit, Canning Vale.

This amendment report documents the assessment of potential risks to the environment and public health from proposed changes to the emissions and discharges during operation of the premises. As a result of this assessment, revised licence L8482/2010/2 has been granted.

The revised licence issued as a result of this amendment supersedes the existing licence previously granted in relation to the premises. The revised licence has been granted in a new format with existing conditions being transferred, but not reassessed, to the new format.

## 2. Scope of assessment

### 2.1 Regulatory framework

In completing the assessment documented in this Amendment Report, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <https://www.wa.gov.au/service/building-utilities-and-essential-services/integrated-essential-services/dwer-regulatory-documents>.

### 2.2 Amendment application summary

On 28 November 2024, licence holder applied to the department to amend the existing VEEM Ltd licence L8752/2013/2 under section 59 and 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment application relates to category 45 activities with the licence holder seeking to increase production volumes from 1,500 to 1,600 tonnes per year outlined in Table 1.

**Table 1: Proposed throughput capacity changes**

Category	Current production capacity	Proposed production capacity
Category 45: Metal melting or casting: premises on which metal or scrap metal is melted in furnaces or cast	1,500 tonnes per year	1,600 tonnes per year. The applicant advised no changes to process or equipment are required to achieve the production increase.

#### 2.2.1 Background and context to the application

VEEM Ltd operates a metal melting, casting and finishing factory in Canning Vale industrial area. The main activities are metal casting and post processing including machining and fitting activities. Other activities include electroless nickel plating. The single line nickel plating process deposits nickel phosphorus material on machined engineering components.

The main emissions relate to air quality including fume, furnace emissions and odour. Waste oil, waste sand, spent process solution and contaminated rinse waters are also generated and directed to wastewater tanks or storage tanks prior to disposal by licensed contractors. Any solutions discharged to sewer are pH neutralised before discharge.

This amendment is to increase the assessed production capacity from 1,500 tonnes per year to 1,600 tonnes per year in response to increased production reported in the premises 2023 annual audit compliance report.

### 3. Risk assessment

The department assesses the risks of emissions from prescribed premises and identifies the potential source, pathway and impact to receptors in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020). Risk ratings are assessed in accordance with the *Guideline: Risk Assessments* (DWER 2020) for those emission sources which are proposed to change.

This amendment is to increase the production throughput capacity from 1,500 to 1,600 tonnes per year in response to increased volumes reported in the licence holder's 2023 annual audit compliance report. The licence holder advised that there have been no changes to the premises infrastructure to achieve the increased production. The risk profile of the premises emissions is not expected to change as a result of the production increase, and existing licence conditions will continue to apply, therefore no further risk assessment has been undertaken for this amendment.

### 4. Consultation

The licence holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 21 May 2025. The licence holder confirmed on 18 June 2025 that no comments were required.

### 5. Decision

Based on this assessment the delegated officer has determined that the proposed production increase of 100 tonnes per year to category 45 does not alter the risk profile of the premises and the delegated officer has therefore determined to amend the licence to increase the assessed production capacity to 1,600 tonnes per annum subject to the existing licence conditions with reference to the updates detailed in the following section.

#### Licence updates

As part of this amendment the delegated officer has taken the opportunity to update the format of the licence to align with the department's current template.

In amending the licence the delegated officer has:

- updated the format and appearance of the licence;
- updated licence definition table;
- revised licence condition's numbers, and removed any redundant conditions and realigned condition numbers for numerical consistency;
- Updated reporting and record keeping conditions consistent with the current DWER licensing format. This includes amendments to the annual reporting requirements to align with the *2022 Notice of amendment and schedule of licences with amended reporting conditions*.

The obligations of the licence holder have not changed in updating the licence therefore no additional risk assessment relating to previously assessed activities has been undertaken. The full details of the amendments to the licence are outlined in section 6.1.

### 6. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this amendment report, the delegated officer has determined that a revised licence will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

## 6.1 Summary of amendments

Table 2 provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the revised licence as part of the amendment process.

**Table 2: Summary of licence amendment and updates**

Existing Condition	Condition Summary	Revised licence condition	Conversion Notes
Interpretation, 1.1.1, 1.1.3 and 1.1.4	Definitions from the Act Referencing Australian Standards	Interpretation	Interpretation updated to current format. Conditions which previously formed the interpretation (noted) have been removed as they are redundant
1.1.2	Defined terms	Table 3	Definitions have been moved to a separate section of the licence.  Definitions for Approved form, Act/EP Act, AACR, licence holder, department/DWER, discharge, emission have been included or updated as relevant. Licensee has been changed to licence holder throughout the licence to align with current terminology.
1.2.1	Premise operation	Condition 2	New numbering.
2.1.1	Emissions	Condition 3	
3.1.1	Records	Condition 5 and 6	Records requirements updated to current licence format and new numbering.
3.1.2	Annual Audit Compliance Reporting (AACR)	Condition 7	Condition wording updated to current licence format and new numbering. Deleted the redundant AACR form set out in schedule 1 of the previous licence. Form now available via the department's website
3.1.3	Complaints	Condition 4	Complaint recording requirements updated to current licence format and new numbering.
3.2.1,	Reporting	NA	Requirement to submit an AER removed via the 2022 Notice of Amendment.

## References

1. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2019, *Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing*, Perth, Western Australia..
2. DWER 2020, *Guideline: Risk Assessments*, Perth, Western Australia.
3. VEEM Ltd (2024), Application to Amend Licence L8482/2010/2 dated 28 November 2024.