



## Application for a Transfer of Licence

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

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<b>Licence Number</b>	L8612/2011/1
<b>Licence Holder</b>	Pantoro South Pty Ltd
<b>ACN</b>	633 003 737
<b>File Number</b>	DER2011/010196-1
<b>Premises</b>	Norseman Gold Project  Mining Tenements M63/11, M63/13, M63/14, M63/15, M63/29, M63/48, M63/68, M63/133, M63/140, M63/142, M63/155, M63/156, M63/173 and M63/257
<b>Date of Report</b>	30 April 2021
<b>Decision</b>	Granted

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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 grant the transfer of Licence L8612/2011/1. 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 Decision 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

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 Application summary

Central Norseman Gold Corporation Pty Ltd (ACN 005 482 860) currently holds licence L8612/2011/1 for the operation of Norseman Gold Project (the Premises), located at multiple mining tenements in Norseman. The Premises relates to the categories and the assessed production capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Licence L8612/2011/1.

Pantoro South Pty Ltd (ACN 633 003 737) has entered into a 50/50 unincorporated Joint Venture agreement with Central Norseman Gold Corporation Pty Ltd, in which Pantoro South has been appointed the operator. On 12 March 2021, Pantoro South Pty Ltd (the applicant) submitted an application to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to transfer L8612/2011/1 into their name. All tenements associated with this Project are currently held by Central Norseman Gold Corporation Pty Ltd.

The assessment of the transfer application is limited to a review of ownership details to determine if a transfer may occur. There are no proposed changes to the current approved premises categories or associated design capacity.

The CEO has also determined to include minor administrative changes as part of the transfer, including the consolidation of Amendment Notice 1 (AN1).

These administrative changes include:

- Updated the format and appearance of the licence;
- Corrected clerical mistakes and unintentional errors; and
- Removal of completed improvement condition 2 (IR2) - MB13 was installed in November 2019 to replace MB9 as required by improvement condition IR2 and monitoring at this point has commenced. IR2 has been removed.

## 3. Consultation

The Licence Holder was provided with the draft licence and decision report on 21 April 2021 and provided comments on 22 April 2021, which are summarised in Appendix 1.

## 4. Conclusion

The Delegated Officer has determined the transfer of the licence is an administrative change which does not alter the risk profile of the premises. Other administrative changes including consolidation of amendment notice 1 and removal of completed improvement conditions were also considered not to alter the risk profile of the premises. Therefore the Delegated Officer has determined to transfer the licence from Central Norseman Gold Corporation Pty Ltd to Pantoro South Pty Ltd.

### 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. A summary of licence amendments implemented as part of the amalgamation of amendment notices is included in Table 8. Note where a condition has only been modified to update text from "Licensee" to "Licence Holder", they are not listed within the amendments described.

**Table 1: Summary of licence amendments**

Condition no.	Condition summary	Revised licence condition	Proposed amendments
Cover page	N/A	N/A	Updated licence holder to Pantoro South Pty Ltd
Introduction	N/A	N/A	Website reference to state law publisher updated
Premises description	N/A	N/A	Updated and outdated information removed. Spelling mistakes and grammatical errors corrected. Instrument log table updated.
1.1.2	Interpretation and definitions	Definitions updated	Definition for annual audit compliance report added, CAN, AER and 'prescribed premises' added. "Licensee" updated to "Licence Holder". Updated 'CEO' and correspondence address
4.1.2	Improvement program	IR2 removed	IR2 condition met – MB13 installed in November 2019.
5.2.1	Annual Environmental Report	Table update	Included condition 1.3.6 for vegetation health monitoring in Table 5.2.1 for reporting requirements. Previous omission by administrative error.
Schedule 1: Maps	N/A	N/A	Updated to include Figure numbers and captions

**Table 2: Consolidation of licence conditions in this amendment**

Existing condition	Condition summary	Revised licence condition	Conversion notes
1.1.2	Interpretation and definitions	Definitions updated	AN1: updated to include a definition of "care and maintenance".

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			Removal of “quarantined storage area or container”
1.3.1	Pipeline management	Pipeline management detail updated	Updated in AN1 to include leak prevention management.
1.3.7	Vegetation health monitoring	Wording update	Updated in AN1 to include more specific wording surrounding vegetation monitoring.
1.3.13	Testing and monitoring requirements upon recommencement of Phoenix Processing plant	N/A	Condition added as part of AN1.
3.2.1	Monitoring of point source emissions to surface water	Table update	Monitoring frequency and parameters updated in AN1.
3.4.1	Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality	Table update	Parameters updated in AN1.
3.4.2	Monitoring of ambient surface water quality.	Table update	Parameters updated in AN1.
3.4.3	Monitoring of ambient sediment quality	Table update	Parameters updated in AN1
4.1.2	Improvement program	Table update	IR1, IR4 and IR5 removed in AN1. IR2 and IR3 Date of completion amended from 15 March 2016 to 30 September 2019.
5.2.1	Annual Environmental Report	Table update	Reporting requirements revised in AN1.
5.2.2	Annual Environmental Report	Condition update	AN1: revised to specify that a Dewatering Discharge Report is required if dewatering discharge has occurred in the reporting period.

## References

1. DER 2015, Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions, Perth, Western Australia.
2. Pantoro South Pty Ltd (2016), Application form and supporting documentation. Trim: A1993414

## Appendix 1: Summary of Licence Holder's comments on draft amendment

Condition	Summary of Licence Holder's comment	Department's response
N/A	Update premises name on licence cover page from "Central Norseman Gold" to "Norseman Gold Project"	Premises name amended
N/A	Updated premises description and licence summary to include Pantoro south joint venture and detail regarding the site entering care and maintenance.	Premises description updated
<b>Decision Report</b>		
N/A	Update premises name on decision report cover page from "Central Norseman Gold" to "Norseman Gold Project"	Premises name amended
N/A	Update premises name in section 2.2 Application summary from "Central Norseman Gold" to "Norseman Gold Project"	Premises name amended