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Application for Works Approval Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Works Approval Number	W6671/2022/1
Works Approval Holder	Nifty Copper Pty Ltd
ACN	074 145 636
File Number	APP-0027892
Premises	Nifty Copper Project M271SA TELFER WA 6762
Date of Report	04 June 2025 (FINAL)
Decision	Revised works approval granted

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to amendments Works Approval W6671/2022/1. 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 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 works approval 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 works approval, 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

Works Approval W6671/2022/1 is held by Nifty Copper Pty Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the Nifty Copper Project (the Premises), located on tenement M271SA, in Telfer.

The Premises relates to the categories and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6671/2022/1.

On 3 March 2025, the Works Approval Holder applied to the department to amend Works Approval W6671/2022/1 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment was only to extend the works approval expiry date. This is required because for operational reasons, the approved infrastructure will not be constructed within the duration of the existing works approval. There has been no change to receptors, and extending the works approval duration from 3 to 5 years will not change the environmental risk.

On 29 May 2025, the Works Approval Holder applied for an additional amendment to the sulphuric acid tanks. The existing works approval authorised construction of 3 x $60m^3$ modular tanks. The licence holder requested the option to construct 6 x $27m^3$ ISO tanks instead.

The licence holder provided commentary on how all other controls listed in Table 2, condition 2 of the works approval are still applicable for the alternate tank configuration. The total volume of storage is less than originally approved. The Delegated Officer therefore considers this an administrative amendment since the change in tank configuration does not increase the assessed environmental risk.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 30 May 2025. On 2 June 2025 the Works Approval Holder waived the remaining comment period.

4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval 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 works approval as part of the amendment process.

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Cover page	Duration extended by 2 years to 04/08/2027 Date of amendment added
History	This amendment added to works approval
2 (Table 2)	Option to construct 6 x 27m ³ ISO tanks, as an alternative to 3 x 60m ³ modular tanks.

 Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments