

Annual Audit Compliance Report form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Section A – Licence Details

Licence Number:	L8232/2008/2	Licence File Number:	DER2013/001103
Licence Holder:	Pilbara Iron Company (Services) Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	Rio Tinto Iron Ore		
ACN:	107 210 248		
Registered address:	Level 18, Central Park. 152-158 St. Georges Terrace, PERTH WA 6000		
Reporting period:	1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?

Yes ☐ Please complete **Sections C, D** (if required) and sign the declaration in **Section E**

No ☒ Please complete **Sections C, D** (if required), **F** and sign the declaration in **Section E**

Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period.*

Category	Premises description	Actual production quantity (2023)
5	Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	41,734,401 tonnes
12	Screening, etc. of material	0 tonnes
54	Sewage facility	257 cubic metres per day
64	Class II putrescible landfill site	2,370 tonnes
73	Bulk storage of chemicals, etc.	1,415 cubic metres

*Supporting information provided in the relevant conditions of the 2022/2023 Biennial Environment Report

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period.*

Category	Premises description	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity (2023)
6	Mine dewatering	2,050,842 tonnes

*Supporting information provided in the relevant conditions of the 2022/2023 Biennial Environment Report

Section E – Declaration

I declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular¹.

I consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.

Position:	General Manager – Brockman 4, Iron Ore
Date:	22/04/24

¹ It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

² AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

Section F – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition number:	Condition 11	Date(s) of non-compliance:	26 March 2023
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Details of non-compliance:

Treated effluent discharged to land outside of the Brockman 4 WWTP spray fields, in the irrigation sprayfield located to the West, due to sprinkler failure.

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

No exceedances were detected during the reporting period of the treated effluent. Additionally, groundwater monitoring bore down-gradient from the area (250m) did not show any trend in the increase of concentrations for compounds of interest compared to the previous year. There was no evidence of adverse environmental impact associated with the treated effluent discharge.

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Damage to sprinklers (potentially due to cattle) caused treated effluent to pond, leading to the erosion of the spray field boundary windrows, allowing effluent to leave the spray field boundary.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

There were no adverse effects associated with the non-compliance requiring mitigation. In any case, the following actions in relation to the treated effluent discharge have been undertaken to prevent recurrence:

1. Increased frequency of WWTP spray field inspections;
2. Re-establishment of spray field containment bunding; and
3. Maintenance works on damaged sprinklers were completed by the end of October 2023.

Was this non-compliance reported to the DWER?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally Date: <input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing Date:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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