



## Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

*Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V*

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L9155/2018/1	Licence file number:	DER2018/001153
Licence holder:	Karora (Higginsville) Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	Karora (Higginsville) Pty Ltd		
ACN:	108 547 217		
Registered address:	Level 6, 200 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000		
Reporting period:	01 /07 / 2023 to 30 / 06 / 2024		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>section C;</li><li>section D if required; and</li><li>sign the declaration in Section F.</li></ul>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>section C;</li><li>section D if required;</li><li>section E; and</li><li>sign the declaration at Section F.</li></ul>

Section C – Statement of Actual Production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
Category 05: Beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	1,179,589 tonnes
Category 06 – Mine Dewatering	1,299,997 tonnes

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity	
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
Category 05: Tailings	179,589 tonnes
Category 54: Sewage Facility	70 kL/day

Section E – 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 no:	22	Date(s) of non-compliance:	31/08/2023
Details of non-compliance:			
Monitoring bore HMB27 recorded a standing water level of 3.86 metres below ground level (mbgl), exceeding the compliance limit of 4 mbgl.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<b>NOTE</b> – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
The non-compliance was promptly addressed through maintenance and seepage recovery network upgrades. There is no discernible impact to nearby water sources or sensitive ecosystems.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<p>The non-compliance is attributed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Malfunctioning recovery network infrastructure which hindered the efficient removal of groundwater.</li> <li>• Increased rainfall, contributing to higher groundwater levels, overwhelming the recovery system's capacity.</li> </ul>			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
<p>To address the issue and prevent future occurrences, the following actions were implemented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additional preventative maintenance of the recovery network infrastructure to help ensure optimal performance.</li> <li>• Installation of a more powerful compressor to enhance extraction of groundwater.</li> <li>• Installation of a wider diameter seepage pipeline to increase the capacity for groundwater removal.</li> <li>• The construction of an additional recovery bore to provide greater capacity to manage groundwater levels.</li> </ul>			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date:    /    /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 04 / 09 / 2023	

Section E – 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 no:		Date(s) of non-compliance:	01/05/2024
Details of non-compliance:			
A malfunction in the bore field pumping system resulted in approximately 650 kL of groundwater overflowing from the Chalice Turkeys Nest into a secondary containment drain and then an overflow sump.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<b>NOTE</b> – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.			
As the overflow was contained within secondary containment drains and an overflow sump, there is no discernible impact to nearby water sources or sensitive ecosystems.			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
The primary cause of the overflow was a malfunction in the main pump that transfers water from the turkeys nest to the processing plant. Despite the main pump's failure, two bore field pumps continued to operate, leading to an accumulation of water within the turkeys nest.			
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:			
To address the issue and prevent future occurrences, the following actions were implemented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remote panel replacement to improve the reliability and monitoring capabilities of the pumping system.</li> <li>• Installation of a fiber optic cable in Q3 2024 to provide a more robust and secure communication link between the bore pumps and the turkeys nest water level monitoring system.</li> </ul>			
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally		Date:    /    /	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing		Date: 08 / 05 / 2024	

## Section F – Declaration

I/We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular<sup>1</sup>. I/We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.

Signature <sup>2</sup> :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:	04/10/2024	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

<sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>2</sup> 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.