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| Number:           | 456        |  |
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#### **Licensee**

SNOWY MONARO REGIONAL COUNCIL

**PO BOX 714** 

COOMA NSW 2630

#### **Premises**

BERRIDALE SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS

MR 585

**BERRIDALE NSW 2628** 

COOLAMATONG GOLF COURSE

JINDABYNE RD

**BERRIDALE NSW 2628** 

### **Scheduled Activity**

Sewage treatment

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| Fee Based Activity                          | <u>Scale</u>                |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Sewage treatment processing by small plants | > 100-219 ML annual maximum |
|   | volume of discharge         |

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### Information about this licence

#### **Dictionary**

A definition of terms used in the licence can be found in the dictionary at the end of this licence.

#### Responsibilities of licensee

Separate to the requirements of this licence, general obligations of licensees are set out in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 ("the Act") and the Regulations made under the Act. These include obligations to:

- ensure persons associated with you comply with this licence, as set out in section 64 of the Act;
- control the pollution of waters and the pollution of air (see for example sections 120 132 of the Act);
- report incidents causing or threatening material environmental harm to the environment, as set out in Part 5.7 of the Act.

#### Variation of licence conditions

The licence holder can apply to vary the conditions of this licence. An application form for this purpose is available from the EPA.

The EPA may also vary the conditions of the licence at any time by written notice without an application being made.

Where a licence has been granted in relation to development which was assessed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 in accordance with the procedures applying to integrated development, the EPA may not impose conditions which are inconsistent with the development consent conditions until the licence is first reviewed under Part 3.6 of the Act.

#### **Duration of licence**

This licence will remain in force until the licence is surrendered by the licence holder or until it is suspended or revoked by the EPA or the Minister. A licence may only be surrendered with the written approval of the EPA.

#### Licence review

The Act requires that the EPA review your licence at least every 5 years after the issue of the licence, as set out in Part 3.6 and Schedule 5 of the Act. You will receive advance notice of the licence review.

#### Fees and annual return to be sent to the EPA

For each licence fee period you must pay:

- an administrative fee; and
- a load-based fee (if applicable).



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The EPA publication "A Guide to Licensing" contains information about how to calculate your licence fees. The licence requires that an Annual Return, comprising a Statement of Compliance and a summary of any monitoring required by the licence (including the recording of complaints), be submitted to the EPA. The Annual Return must be submitted within 60 days after the end of each reporting period. See condition R1 regarding the Annual Return reporting requirements.

Usually the licence fee period is the same as the reporting period.

#### Transfer of licence

The licence holder can apply to transfer the licence to another person. An application form for this purpose is available from the EPA.

#### Public register and access to monitoring data

Part 9.5 of the Act requires the EPA to keep a public register of details and decisions of the EPA in relation to, for example:

- licence applications;
- licence conditions and variations;
- statements of compliance;
- load based licensing information; and
- load reduction agreements.

Under s320 of the Act application can be made to the EPA for access to monitoring data which has been submitted to the EPA by licensees.

#### This licence is issued to:

| SNOWY MONARO REGIONAL COUNCIL |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| PO BOX 714                    |  |
| COOMA NSW 2630                |  |

subject to the conditions which follow.



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### 1 Administrative Conditions

#### A1 What the licence authorises and regulates

A1.1 This licence regulates water pollution resulting from the activity/ies specified below carried out at the premises specified in A2.

| Fee Based Activity                          | <u>Scale</u>  |
|---|---|
| Sewage treatment processing by small plants | > 100.00-219.00 ML annual maximum volume of discharge |

- A1.2 The objectives of this licence are to:
  - a) prevent as far as practicable sewage overflows and sewage treatment plant bypasses;
  - b) require proper and efficient management of the system to minimise harm to the environment and public health; and
  - c) require practical measures to be taken to protect the environment and public health from sewage overflows and sewage treatment plant effluent.
- A1.3 This licence is to be construed in a manner that will promote the objectives referred to in the condition above.
- A1.4 This licence authorises the carrying out of the scheduled activities listed below at the premises specified in A2. The activities are listed according to their scheduled activity classification, fee-based activity classification and the scale of the operation.

Unless otherwise further restricted by a condition of this licence, the scale at which the activity is carried out must not exceed the maximum scale specified in this condition.

| Scheduled Activity | Fee Based Activity                          | Scale   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Sewage treatment   | Sewage treatment processing by small plants | > 100 - 219 ML annual<br>maximum volume of<br>discharge |

### A2 Premises or plant to which this licence applies

A2.1 The licence applies to the following premises:

| Premises Details                 |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| BERRIDALE SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS |  |  |
| MR 585                           |  |  |
| BERRIDALE                        |  |  |
| NSW 2628                         |  |  |
| LOT 1 DP 588112                  |  |  |



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| COOLAMATONG GOLF COURSE                               |
|---|
| JINDABYNE RD  |
| BERRIDALE   |
| NSW 2628  |
| LOT 7 DP 1078951, LOT 8 DP 1078951, LOT 21 DP 1150419 |
| INTERNAL REFERENCE TO THE PREMISES MAP DOC23/246086   |

A2.2 The premises also includes the reticulation system owned and operated by the licensee that is associated with the sewage treatment plant(s) identified in condition A2.1.

#### A3 Other activities

A3.1 This licence applies to all other activities carried on at the premises, including:

| Ancillary Activity            |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Effluent Application to Land. |  |

### A4 Information supplied to the EPA

A4.1 Works and activities must be carried out in accordance with the proposal contained in the licence application, except as expressly provided by a condition of this licence.

In this condition the reference to "the licence application" includes a reference to:

- a) the applications for any licences (including former pollution control approvals) which this licence replaces under the Protection of the Environment Operations (Savings and Transitional) Regulation 1998; andb) the licence information form provided by the licensee to the EPA to assist the EPA in connection with the issuing of this licence.
- 2 Discharges to Air and Water and Applications to Land

### P1 Location of monitoring/discharge points and areas

- P1.1 The following utilisation areas referred to in the table below are identified in this licence for the purposes of the monitoring and/or the setting of limits for any application of solids or liquids to the utilisation area.
- P1.2 The following points referred to in the table are identified in this licence for the purposes of the monitoring and/or the setting of limits for discharges of pollutants to water from the point.

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|--------------|--|-------------------------|--|
| EPA Identi-  | Type of Monitoring Point                   | Type of Discharge Point | Location Description   |
| fication no. |  |                         |  |
| 1            | Effluent quality monitoring.               |                         | At the off-take from the rising main near the UV plant as marked "EPA Point 1" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.               |
| 2            | Volume monitoring - total.                 |                         | At the location marked "EPA Point 2" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023 .  |
| 3            | Volume monitoring - Myack Creek.           |                         | At the location marked "EPA Point 2" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023 .  |
| 4            |  | Discharge point.        | At the outlet through the precast concrete headwall into Myack Creek as marked "EPA Point 4" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023. |
| 5            | Ambient monitoring.                        |                         | In Myack Creek 100m upstream of Discharge Point 4 and as labelled "EPA Point 5" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.              |
| 6            | Ambient monitoring.                        |                         | In Myack Creek 100m downstream of Discharge Point 4 and as labelled "EPA Point 6" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.            |
| 7            | Effluent quality monitoring - Golf Course. |                         | At the location marked as "EPA Point 7" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.  |
| 8            | Volume monitoring - Golf Course.           |                         | At the point labelled as "EPA Point 8" in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.   |
| 19           | Groundwater monitoring.                    |                         | At the location marked as 'EPA Point 19' in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.   |
| 20           | Groundwater monitoring.                    |                         | At the location marked as 'EPA Point 20' in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.   |
| 21           | Groundwater monitoring.                    |                         | At the location marked as 'EPA<br>Point 21' in the Premises Map<br>DOC23/246086 dated 13 January<br>2023   |
| 22           | Groundwater monitoring.                    |                         | At the location marked as 'EPA Point 22' in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.   |



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| 23 | Groundwater monitoring. | At the location marked as EPA Point 23' in the Premises Map DOC23/246086 dated 13 January 2023.           |
|----|-------------------------|---|
| 24 | Groundwater monitoring. | At the location marked as 'EPA<br>Point 24' in the Premises Map<br>DOC23/246086 dated 13 January<br>2023. |

### 3 Limit Conditions

#### L1 Pollution of waters

L1.1 Except as may be expressly provided in any other condition of this licence, the licensee must comply with section 120 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.

#### L2 Concentration limits

- L2.1 For each monitoring/discharge point or utilisation area specified in the table/s below (by a point number), the concentration of a pollutant discharged at that point, or applied to that area, must not exceed the concentration limits specified for that pollutant in the table.
- L2.2 Where a pH quality limit is specified in the table, the specified percentage of samples must be within the specified ranges.
- L2.3 To avoid any doubt, this condition does not authorise the pollution of waters by any pollutant other than those specified in the table\s.
- L2.4 Water and/or Land Concentration Limits

#### **POINT 1**

| Pollutant                 | Units of Measure                               | 50 percentile concentration limit | 90 percentile concentration limit | 3DGM<br>concentration<br>limit | 100 percentile<br>concentration<br>limit |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Biochemical oxygen demand | milligrams per litre                           |                                   | 10                                |                                | 20                                       |
| Faecal<br>Coliforms       | colony forming<br>units per 100<br>millilitres |                                   |                                   |                                | 100                                      |
| Nitrogen<br>(ammonia)     | milligrams per litre                           |                                   | 1                                 |                                | 10                                       |
| Nitrogen<br>(total)       | milligrams per litre                           |                                   | 10                                |                                | 25                                       |



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| Oil and<br>Grease            | milligrams per litre | 2  | 10         |
|------------------------------|----------------------|----|------------|
| рН                           | рН                   |    | 6.5 to 8.5 |
| Phosphorus (total)           | milligrams per litre | 9  | 10         |
| Total<br>suspended<br>solids | milligrams per litre | 15 | 30         |

#### L3 Volume and mass limits

- L3.1 For each discharge point or utilisation area specified below (by a point number), the volume/mass of:
  - a) liquids discharged to water; or;
  - b) solids or liquids applied to the area;

must not exceed the volume/mass limit specified for that discharge point or area.

| Point | Unit of Measure    | Volume/Mass Limit |
|-------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 3     | kilolitres per day | 400               |
| 8     | kilolitres per day | 490               |

### L4 Waste

L4.1 The licensee must not cause, permit or allow any waste to be received at the premises, except the wastes expressly referred to in the column titled "Waste" and meeting the definition, if any, in the column titled "Description" in the table below.

Any waste received at the premises must only be used for the activities referred to in relation to that waste in the column titled "Activity" in the table below.

Any waste received at the premises is subject to those limits or conditions, if any, referred to in relation to that waste contained in the column titled "Other Limits" in the table below.

This condition does not limit any other conditions in this licence.

| Code | Waste                              | Description  | Activity  | Other Limits |
|------|------------------------------------|--|---|--------------|
| NA   | General or Specific exempted waste | Waste that meets all the conditions of a resource recovery exemption under Clause 92 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2014 | As specified in each particular resource recovery exemption | NA           |
| K130 | Sewage sludge & residues           | Septic tank sludge   | Waste storage<br>Sewage Treatment                           | NA           |



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| NA | Effluent | As defined in Schedule<br>1 of the POEO Act, as<br>in force from time to<br>time   | Sewage Treatment | NA |
|----|----------|--|------------------|----|
| NA | Waste    | Any waste received on site that is below licensing thresholds in Schedule 1 of the POEO Act, as in force from time to time | -                | NA |

- L4.2 The licensee must not cause, permit or allow any waste generated outside the premises to be received at the premises for storage, treatment, processing, reprocessing or disposal or any waste generated at the premises to be disposed of at the premises, except as expressly permitted by the licence.
- L4.3 This condition only applies to the storage, treatment, processing, reprocessing or disposal of waste at the premises if those activities require an environment protection licence.
- L4.4 The licensee may receive, store, treat, process or reprocess and/or transfer at the premises sewage products generated or stored outside the premises by the licensee's other sewage treatment systems. Sewage products must be received, treated, processed or reprocessed in accordance with this licence.
- L4.5 Grit or screenings generated by activities on the premises may be disposed of by the licensee within the boundary of the sewage treatment plant(s) on the premises, but only if they are disposed of in a manner that prevents or minimises material harm to the environment.

#### L5 Potentially offensive odour

L5.1 No condition in this licence identifies a potentially offensive odour for the purposes of section 129 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.

Note: Section 129 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 provides that the licensee must not cause or permit the emission of any offensive odour from the premises but provides a defence if the emission is identified in the relevant environment protection licence as a potentially offensive odour and the odour was emitted in accordance with the conditions of a licence directed at minimising odour.

## 4 Operating Conditions

#### O1 Activities must be carried out in a competent manner

O1.1 Licensed activities must be carried out in a competent manner.

This includes:

- a) the processing, handling, movement and storage of materials and substances used to carry out the activity; and
- b) the treatment, storage, processing, reprocessing, transport and disposal of waste generated by the activity.

Note: The requirements of O1.1 apply to the whole of the premises, including the reticulation system.



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O1.2 Biosolids at the premises must be stored, treated, processed, classified, transported and disposed in accordance with the Biosolids Guidelines, or as otherwise approved in writing by the EPA.

### O2 Maintenance of plant and equipment

- O2.1 All plant and equipment installed at the premises or used in connection with the licensed activity:
  - a) must be maintained in a proper and efficient condition; and
  - b) must be operated in a proper and efficient manner.

Note: The requirements of O2.1 apply to the whole of the premises, including the reticulation system.

### O3 Effluent application to land

- O3.1 The quantity of effluent applied to the utilisation area(s) must not exceed the capacity of the utilisation area(s) to effectively utilise the effluent.
  - For the purpose of this condition, "effectively utilise" includes the ability of the soil to absorb the nutrient, salt and hydraulic loads and the applied organic material without causing harm to the environment.
- O3.2 Effluent application to the utilisation area(s) must not occur in a manner that causes surface run-off from the utilisation area(s).
- O3.3 Spray from effluent application to the utilisation area(s) must not drift beyond the boundary of the utilisation area(s) to which it has been applied.
- O3.4 The licensee must retain the utilisation area.
- O3.5 At least 14 days prior to a utilisation area being offered for sale, being disposed of or otherwise rendered unavailable for use, the EPA must be must be advised in writing of this intention.
- O3.6 Effluent liquid waste pipelines and fittings must be clearly identified. Standard watertaps, hoses and valves must not be fitted to the pipelines of the effluent system. The effluent system must not be connected to other pipelines. Lockable valves or removable handles must be used where there is public access to the effluent.
- O3.7 Public access to any effluent utilisation area must be denied during effluent application and until the effluent application area has dried.
- O3.8 Adequate notices, warning the public not to drink or otherwise use the treated effluent, must be erected on the site. These notices must be legible English and in any other languages as may be necessary, and must indicate at least that the water in use is "Reclaimed Water Unfit for Drinking".

#### O4 Emergency response

O4.1 In the event of an overflow or bypass that harms or is likely to harm the environment, the licensee must use all practicable measures to minimise the impact of the overflow or bypass on the environment and public health. These measures are to be implemented as soon as practical after the licensee or one of the licensee's



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employees or agents becomes aware of the overflow or bypass.

## 5 Monitoring and Recording Conditions

### M1 Monitoring records

- M1.1 The results of any monitoring required to be conducted by this licence or a load calculation protocol must be recorded and retained as set out in this condition.
- M1.2 All records required to be kept by this licence must be:
  - a) in a legible form, or in a form that can readily be reduced to a legible form;
  - b) kept for at least 4 years after the monitoring or event to which they relate took place; and
  - c) produced in a legible form to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.
- M1.3 The following records must be kept in respect of any samples required to be collected for the purposes of this licence:
  - a) the date(s) on which the sample was taken;
  - b) the time(s) at which the sample was collected;
  - c) the point at which the sample was taken; and
  - d) the name of the person who collected the sample.

### M2 Requirement to monitor concentration of pollutants discharged

- M2.1 For each monitoring/discharge point or utilisation area specified below (by a point number), the licensee must monitor (by sampling and obtaining results by analysis) the concentration of each pollutant specified in Column 1. The licensee must use the sampling method, units of measure, and sample at the frequency, specified opposite in the other columns:
- M2.2 Water and/ or Land Monitoring Requirements

#### POINT 1

| Pollutant              | Units of measure                            | Frequency | Sampling Method |
|------------------------|---|-----------|-----------------|
| BOD                    | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Faecal Coliforms       | colony forming units per<br>100 millilitres | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (ammonia)     | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (total)       | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Oil and Grease         | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| рН                     | рН  | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Phosphorus (total)     | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |
| Total suspended solids | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly   | Grab sample     |



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| Pollutant              | Units of measure                            | Frequency                | Sampling Method |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|
| BOD                    | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Faecal Coliforms       | colony forming units per<br>100 millilitres | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (ammonia)     | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (total)       | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Oil and Grease         | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| pH                     | рН  | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Phosphorus (total)     | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Total suspended solids | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |

#### POINT 7

| Pollutant               | Units of measure                            | Frequency                | Sampling Method |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Electrical conductivity | deciSiemens per metre                       | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Faecal Coliforms        | colony forming units per<br>100 millilitres | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (ammonia)      | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Nitrogen (total)        | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| рН                      | pH  | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Phosphorus (total)      | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |
| Total suspended solids  | milligrams per litre                        | Monthly during discharge | Grab sample     |

#### POINT 19,20,21,22,23,24

| Pollutant               | Units of measure                            | Frequency | Sampling Method |
|-------------------------|---|-----------|-----------------|
| Calcium                 | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Chloride                | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Depth                   | metres                                      | Yearly    | Inspection      |
| Electrical conductivity | deciSiemens per metre                       | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Faecal Coliforms        | colony forming units per<br>100 millilitres | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Fluoride                | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Magnesium               | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Nitrate                 | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| рН                      | рН  | Yearly    | Grab sample     |
| Phosphorus (total)      | milligrams per litre                        | Yearly    | Grab sample     |



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| Potassium               | milligrams per litre    | Yearly | Grab sample |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|-------------|
| Sodium                  | milligrams per litre    | Yearly | Grab sample |
| Sodium Adsorption Ratio | sodium adsorption ratio | Yearly | Grab sample |
| Sulfate                 | milligrams per litre    | Yearly | Grab sample |

#### M3 Testing methods - concentration limits

- M3.1 Subject to any express provision to the contrary in this licence, monitoring for the concentration of a pollutant discharged to waters or applied to a utilisation area must be done in accordance with the Approved Methods Publication unless another method has been approved by the EPA in writing before any tests are conducted.
- M3.2 The requirements of condition M3.1 also apply to the monitoring of the concentration of pollutants in waters.

### M4 Recording of pollution complaints

- M4.1 The licensee must keep a legible record of all complaints made to the licensee or any employee or agent of the licensee in relation to pollution arising from any activity to which this licence applies.
- M4.2 The record must include details of the following:
  - a) the date and time of the complaint;
  - b) the method by which the complaint was made;
  - c) any personal details of the complainant which were provided by the complainant or, if no such details were provided, a note to that effect;
  - d) the nature of the complaint;
  - e) the action taken by the licensee in relation to the complaint, including any follow-up contact with the complainant; and
  - f) if no action was taken by the licensee, the reasons why no action was taken.
- M4.3 The record of a complaint must be kept for at least 4 years after the complaint was made.
- M4.4 The record must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.

#### M5 Telephone complaints line

- M5.1 The licensee must operate during its operating hours a telephone complaints line for the purpose of receiving any complaints from members of the public in relation to activities conducted at the premises or by the vehicle or mobile plant, unless otherwise specified in the licence.
- M5.2 The licensee must notify the public of the complaints line telephone number and the fact that it is a complaints line so that the impacted community knows how to make a complaint.
- M5.3 The preceding two conditions do not apply until 3 months after: the date of the issue of this licence.



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- M5.4 For the purpose of condition M5.1, operating hours are defined as twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week
- M5.5 The public notification referred to in condition M5.2 must include specific reference to the fact that the complaints line may be used by the community for the reporting of overflows.

#### M6 Requirement to monitor volume or mass

- M6.1 For each discharge point or utilisation area specified below, the licensee must monitor:
  - a) the volume of liquids discharged to water or applied to the area;
  - b) the mass of solids applied to the area;
  - c) the mass of pollutants emitted to the air;
  - at the frequency and using the method and units of measure, specified below.

#### POINT 3

| Frequency                   | Unit of Measure    | Sampling Method                  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Continuous during discharge | kilolitres per day | Flow meter and continuous logger |

#### POINT 8

| Frequency                   | Unit of Measure    | Sampling Method                  |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| Continuous during discharge | kilolitres per day | Flow meter and continuous logger |

- M6.2 In the event that the licensee cannot comply with a volume monitoring method as required by this licence solely due to the failure or malfunction of essential monitoring equipment, volume may be estimated using another agreed method approved in writing by the EPA. This provision only applies for the duration of the failure or malfunction. The licensee is to rectify the failure or malfunction as soon as practicable.
- M6.3 The licensee must:
  - a) submit in writing to the EPA a proposal for a method of volume estimation; or
  - b) use a method of volume estimation already approved in writing by the EPA,

to be used in the event that essential monitoring equipment referred to in the previous condition has failed or malfunctioned.

#### M7 Requirement to record bypass incidents from sewage treatment plants

- M7.1 The licensee must record the following details in respect of each bypass of any treatment process or processes which may be reasonably expected to adversely affect the quality of the final discharge:
  - a) the EPA point identification number through which the bypass discharged;
  - b) the date, estimated start time and estimated duration of the bypass;
  - c) the estimated volume of the bypass;
  - d) the level of treatment of the sewage at the STP prior to discharge;
  - e) the probable cause of the bypass;



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- f) any actions taken to stop the bypass happening; and
- g) any actions taken to prevent the bypass happening again.
- M7.2 The licensee must record the following details in relation to each observed or reported overflow from the reticulation system and from the sewage treatment plant:
  - a) the location of the overflow;
  - b) the date, estimated start time and estimated duration of the overflow;
  - c) the estimated volume of the overflow;
  - d) a description of the receiving environment of the overflow;
  - e) classification as a dry or wet weather overflow;
  - f) the probable cause of the overflow;
  - g) any actions taken to stop the overflow happening;
  - h) any actions taken to clean up the overflow; and
  - i) any actions taken to prevent the overflow happening again.

### M8 Other monitoring and recording conditions

M8.1 Biosolids at the premises must be recorded, monitored and classified in accordance with the Biosolids Guidelines, to the extent that those Guidelines are applicable, or as otherwise approved in writing by the EPA.

## 6 Reporting Conditions

#### R1 Annual return documents

- R1.1 The licensee must complete and supply to the EPA an Annual Return in the approved form comprising:
  - 1. a Statement of Compliance,
  - 2. a Monitoring and Complaints Summary,
  - 3. a Statement of Compliance Licence Conditions,
  - 4. a Statement of Compliance Load based Fee,
  - 5. a Statement of Compliance Requirement to Prepare Pollution Incident Response Management Plan,
  - 6. a Statement of Compliance Requirement to Publish Pollution Monitoring Data; and
  - 7. a Statement of Compliance Environmental Management Systems and Practices.

At the end of each reporting period, the EPA will provide to the licensee notification that the Annual Return is due.

- R1.2 An Annual Return must be prepared in respect of each reporting period, except as provided below.
- Note: The term "reporting period" is defined in the dictionary at the end of this licence. Do not complete the Annual Return until after the end of the reporting period.
- R1.3 Where this licence is transferred from the licensee to a new licensee:
  - a) the transferring licensee must prepare an Annual Return for the period commencing on the first day of the reporting period and ending on the date the application for the transfer of the licence to the new licensee is



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granted; and

b) the new licensee must prepare an Annual Return for the period commencing on the date the application for the transfer of the licence is granted and ending on the last day of the reporting period.

Note: An application to transfer a licence must be made in the approved form for this purpose.

- R1.4 Where this licence is surrendered by the licensee or revoked by the EPA or Minister, the licensee must prepare an Annual Return in respect of the period commencing on the first day of the reporting period and ending on:
  - a) in relation to the surrender of a licence the date when notice in writing of approval of the surrender is given; or
  - b) in relation to the revocation of the licence the date from which notice revoking the licence operates.
- R1.5 The Annual Return for the reporting period must be supplied to the EPA via eConnect *EPA* or by registered post not later than 60 days after the end of each reporting period or in the case of a transferring licence not later than 60 days after the date the transfer was granted (the 'due date').
- R1.6 The licensee must retain a copy of the Annual Return supplied to the EPA for a period of at least 4 years after the Annual Return was due to be supplied to the EPA.
- R1.7 Within the Annual Return, the Statements of Compliance must be certified and the Monitoring and Complaints Summary must be signed by:
  - a) the licence holder; or
  - b) by a person approved in writing by the EPA to sign on behalf of the licence holder.

#### R2 Notification of environmental harm

- R2.1 Notifications must be made by telephoning the Environment Line service on 131 555.
- R2.2 The licensee must provide written details of the notification to the EPA within 7 days of the date on which they became aware of the incident.
- Note: The licensee or its employees must notify all relevant authorities of incidents causing or threatening material harm to the environment immediately after the person becomes aware of the incident in accordance with the requirements of Part 5.7 of the Act.

#### R3 Written report

- R3.1 Where an authorised officer of the EPA suspects on reasonable grounds that:
  - a) where this licence applies to premises, an event has occurred at the premises; or
  - b) where this licence applies to vehicles or mobile plant, an event has occurred in connection with the carrying out of the activities authorised by this licence,
  - and the event has caused, is causing or is likely to cause material harm to the environment (whether the harm occurs on or off premises to which the licence applies), the authorised officer may request a written report of the event.
- R3.2 The licensee must make all reasonable inquiries in relation to the event and supply the report to the EPA within such time as may be specified in the request.



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- R3.3 The request may require a report which includes any or all of the following information:
  - a) the cause, time and duration of the event;
  - b) the type, volume and concentration of every pollutant discharged as a result of the event;
  - c) the name, address and business hours telephone number of employees or agents of the licensee, or a specified class of them, who witnessed the event;
  - d) the name, address and business hours telephone number of every other person (of whom the licensee is aware) who witnessed the event, unless the licensee has been unable to obtain that information after making reasonable effort:
  - e) action taken by the licensee in relation to the event, including any follow-up contact with any complainants;
  - f) details of any measure taken or proposed to be taken to prevent or mitigate against a recurrence of such an event; and
  - g) any other relevant matters.
- R3.4 The EPA may make a written request for further details in relation to any of the above matters if it is not satisfied with the report provided by the licensee. The licensee must provide such further details to the EPA within the time specified in the request.

### R4 Annual system performance report

- R4.1 The licensee must supply to the EPA an Annual System Performance Report not later than 60 days after the end of each reporting period.
- R4.2 The report is to supplement the Annual Return and must include but need not be limited to:
  - a) the 50 percentile, 90 percentile, 100 percentile and 3DGM values calculated from the monitoring data required by this licence for the reporting period for each pollutant which has corresponding concentration limits specified in this licence;
  - b) the total amounts of biosolids, as classified in the Biosolids Guideline, disposed of on-site, off-site and to landfill during the reporting period;
  - c) a diagram showing the major process elements, discharge points and monitoring points at the premises' sewage treatment plant(s), where there has been any significant change since the previous reporting period or this information has not been provided previously to the EPA;
  - d) the number of dry and wet weather bypasses recorded over the reporting period (recorded in accordance with condition M7):
  - e) a breakdown of the total number of complaints received by the licensee during the reporting period in relation to the premises into categories of "odours sewage treatment plant", "odours reticulation system", "water pollution sewage treatment plant", "water pollution reticulation system" and any other category indicated by the complaints;
  - f) a summary of observed, reported or recorded wet weather overflows and observed, reported or recorded dry weather overflows and sewage treatment plant bypasses. These data are to be for the current reporting period and for the four previous twelve-month periods, for which data has been collected. Any significant actions taken to address bypasses or overflows are to be noted; and
  - g) the amount of rainfall measured at a rain gauge at the STP, or at the rain gauge closest to the centre of the catchment of the sewage treatment system, for each month of the reporting period.
- R4.3 The Annual System Performance Report must be presented in a format approved in writing by the EPA.



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### 7 General Conditions

### G1 Copy of licence kept at the premises or plant

- G1.1 A copy of this licence must be kept at the premises to which the licence applies.
- G1.2 The licence must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see it.
- G1.3 The licence must be available for inspection by any employee or agent of the licensee working at the premises.

### G2 Contact number for incidents and responsible employees

- G2.1 The licensee must operate 24-hour telephone contact lines for the purpose of enabling the EPA to directly contact one or more representatives of the licensee who can:
  - a) respond at all times to incidents relating to the premises; and
  - b) contact the licensee's senior employees or agents authorised at all times to:
  - i) speak on behalf of the licensee; and
  - ii) provide any information or document required under this licence.
- G2.2 The licensee is to inform the EPA in writing of the appointment of any subsequent contact persons, or changes to the person's contact details as soon as practicable and in any event within fourteen days of the appointment or change.

### G3 Signage

G3.1 The location of all licensed discharge and monitoring points under Condition P1.2 of this license must be clearly marked by signs that indicate the point identification number used in this licence and be located as close as practical to the point.

## 8 Special Conditions

### E1 Discharge to Myack Creek

- E1.1 The licensee must not discharge effluent to Myack Creek (Discharge Point 4) unless:
  - a) The golf course storages and the application area are not able to accept any more effluent; or
  - b) Essential maintenance activities are being carried out on the rising main.

#### **E2** Management of Bypass and Over-limit Events

E2.1 Any bypass flow or other flow which may be reasonably expected to not meet the limits prescribed by Condition L2 of this licence must be stored in the incident storage on site until such time as it can be:



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- a) Re-processed to meet the limits prescribed by Condition L2 of this licence prior to discharge; or
- b) Tested to demonstrate that it complies with Condition L2 of this licence and discharged to a appropriate licensed point.



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### **Dictionary**

#### **General Dictionary**

3DGM [in relation to a concentration limit] Means the three day geometric mean, which is calculated by multiplying the results of the analysis of three samples collected on consecutive days and then taking the cubed root of that amount. Where one or more of the samples is zero or below the detection limit for the analysis, then 1 or the detection limit respectively should be used in place of those samples

Act Means the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997

activity Means a scheduled or non-scheduled activity within the meaning of the Protection of the Environment

Operations Act 1997

actual load Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009

AM Together with a number, means an ambient air monitoring method of that number prescribed by the

Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales.

AMG Australian Map Grid

**anniversary date** The anniversary date is the anniversary each year of the date of issue of the licence. In the case of a

licence continued in force by the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, the date of issue of the licence is the first anniversary of the date of issue or last renewal of the licence following the

commencement of the Act.

annual return Is defined in R1.1

Approved Methods Publication Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009

assessable pollutants

Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009

BOD Means biochemical oxygen demand

CEM Together with a number, means a continuous emission monitoring method of that number prescribed by

the Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales.

COD Means chemical oxygen demand

composite sample Unless otherwise specifically approved in writing by the EPA, a sample consisting of 24 individual samples

collected at hourly intervals and each having an equivalent volume.

cond. Means conductivity

environment Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997

environment protection legislation

Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991

**EPA** Means Environment Protection Authority of New South Wales.

fee-based activity classification

Means the numbered short descriptions in Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009.

general solid waste (non-putrescible)

Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act



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| flow weighted composite sample   | Means a sample whose composites are sized in proportion to the flow at each composites time of collection.   |
| general solid waste (putrescible)                                      | Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environmen t Operations Act 1997  |
| grab sample  | Means a single sample taken at a point at a single time  |
| hazardous waste  | Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| licensee   | Means the licence holder described at the front of this licence  |
| load calculation protocol  | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009  |
| local authority  | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| material harm  | Has the same meaning as in section 147 Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| MBAS   | Means methylene blue active substances   |
| Minister   | Means the Minister administering the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| mobile plant   | Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| motor vehicle  | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| O&G  | Means oil and grease   |
| percentile [in<br>relation to a<br>concentration limit<br>of a sample] | Means that percentage [eg.50%] of the number of samples taken that must meet the concentration limit specified in the licence for that pollutant over a specified period of time. In this licence, the specified period of time is the Reporting Period unless otherwise stated in this licence.   |
| plant  | Includes all plant within the meaning of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 as well as motor vehicles.  |
| pollution of waters<br>[or water pollution]                            | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| premises   | Means the premises described in condition A2.1   |
| public authority   | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| regional office  | Means the relevant EPA office referred to in the Contacting the EPA document accompanying this licence   |
| reporting period   | For the purposes of this licence, the reporting period means the period of 12 months after the issue of the licence, and each subsequent period of 12 months. In the case of a licence continued in force by the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, the date of issue of the licence is the first anniversary of the date of issue or last renewal of the licence following the commencement of the Act. |
| restricted solid waste   | Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |
| scheduled activity   | Means an activity listed in Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997  |
| special waste  | Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997   |

Together with a number, means a test method of that number prescribed by the Approved Methods for the

Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales.

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| TSP              | Means total suspended particles   |
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| TSS              | Means total suspended solids  |
| Type 1 substance | Means the elements antimony, arsenic, cadmium, lead or mercury or any compound containing one or more of those elements                               |
| Type 2 substance | Means the elements beryllium, chromium, cobalt, manganese, nickel, selenium, tin or vanadium or any compound containing one or more of those elements |
| utilisation area | Means any area shown as a utilisation area on a map submitted with the application for this licence   |
| waste            | Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997  |
| waste type       | Means liquid, restricted solid waste, general solid waste (putrescible), general solid waste (non-putrescible), special waste or hazardous waste      |
| Wellhead         | Has the same meaning as in Schedule 1 to the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2021.                                      |

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| End Notes |  |  |
|-----------|--|--|
| 1         | Licence varied by notice V/M upgrade, issued on 07-Jul-2000, which came into effect on 07-Jul-2000.            |  |
| 2         | Licence varied by notice 1013004, issued on 21-Nov-2001, which came into effect on 16-Dec-2001.                |  |
| 3         | Licence varied by notice 1019745, issued on 04-Sep-2002, which came into effect on 29-Sep-2002.                |  |
| 4         | Licence varied by notice 1021659, issued on 22-Apr-2003, which came into effect on 17-May-2003.                |  |
| 5         | Licence varied by notice 1029336, issued on 01-Sep-2003, which came into effect on 26-Sep-2003.                |  |
| 6         | EPA Condition ID S40934 amended 13-08-04   |  |
| 7         | Licence varied by notice 1040031, issued on 24-Aug-2004, which came into effect on 18-Sep-2004.                |  |
| 8         | Licence varied by notice 1060642, issued on 30-Jun-2006, which came into effect on 30-Jun-2006.                |  |
| 9         | Licence varied by correction to DEC file number, issued on 28-Feb-2007, which came into effect on 28-Feb-2007. |  |
| 10        | Licence varied by notice 1076710, issued on 15-Jul-2008, which came into effect on 15-Jul-2008.                |  |
| 11        | Condition A1.3 Not applicable varied by notice issued on <issue date=""> which came into effect on</issue>     |  |

- 12 Licence varied by notice 1095551, issued on 02-Dec-2008, which came into effect on 02-Dec-2008.
- 13 Licence varied by notice 1122326, issued on 02-Dec-2010, which came into effect on 02-Dec-2010.
- Licence varied by notice 1126508, issued on 28-Mar-2011, which came into effect on 28-Mar-2011.
- Licence varied by notice 1127424, issued on 20-Apr-2011, which came into effect on 20-Apr-2011.
- 16 Licence varied by notice 1501149 issued on 05-Oct-2011
- 17 Licence varied by notice 1512393 issued on 28-Mar-2013
- 18 Licence varied by notice 1515150 issued on 08-Oct-2013
- 19 Licence varied by notice 1539879 issued on 09-Aug-2016
- 20 Licence transferred through application 1543898 approved on 22-Aug-2016, which came into effect on 12-May-2016

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| 21 | Licence varied by notice | 1556318 issued on 20-Sep-2018 |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 22 | Licence varied by notice | 1591492 issued on 09-Mar-2020 |
| 23 | Licence varied by notice | 1625858 issued on 24-Jul-2023 |