Licence Variation

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NOTICE OF VARIATION OF LICENCE NO. 12365

BACKGROUND

- A. TARRAWONGA COAL PTY LTD ("the licensee") is the holder of Environment Protection Licence No. 12365 ("the licence") issued under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* ("the Act"). The licence authorises the carrying out of activities at 469 GOONBRI ROAD, BOGGABRI, NSW, 2382 ("the premises").
- B. Following on from a phone conversation between the Licensee and EPA on Tuesday 26 September 2023 the EPA has varied condition U1.1 regarding SB25 Inlet Drain and Spillway Works to change the milestone from 30 September 2023 to 31 December 2023. Other works required by the PRP conditions have been delivered ahead of schedule.

VARIATION OF LICENCE NO. 12365

- 1. By this notice the EPA varies licence No. 12365. The attached licence document contains all variations that are made to the licence by this notice.
- 2. The following variations have been made to the licence:
 - Condition U1.1 amended to read By 31 December 2023, the licensee must stabilise the inlet drain
 of SB25 so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion occurring at the inlet drain.

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(by Delegation)

INFORMATION ABOUT THIS NOTICE

- This notice is issued under section 58(5) of the Act.
- Details provided in this notice, along with an updated version of the licence, will be available on the EPA's Public Register (http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeo/index.htm) in accordance with section 308 of the Act.

Appeals against this decision

• You can appeal to the Land and Environment Court against this decision. The deadline for lodging the appeal is 21 days after you were given notice of this decision.

When this notice begins to operate

- The variations to the licence specified in this notice begin to operate immediately from the date of this notice, unless another date is specified in this notice.
- If an appeal is made against this decision to vary the licence and the Land and Environment Court directs that the decision is stayed the decision does not operate until the stay ceases to have effect or the Land and Environment Court confirms the decision or the appeal is withdrawn (whichever occurs first).



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Licence Details	
Number:	12365
Anniversary Date:	09-January

Licensee

TARRAWONGA COAL PTY LTD

PO BOX 600

GUNNEDAH NSW 2380

Premises

TARRAWONGA COAL MINE

469 GOONBRI ROAD

BOGGABRI NSW 2382

Scheduled Activity

Coal works

Extractive activities

Mining for coal

Fee Based Activity	<u>Scale</u>
Coal works	> 2000000-5000000 T annual handing capacity
Extractive activities	> 50000-100000 T annually extracted
	or processed
Mining for coal	> 2000000-3500000 T annual
	production capacity

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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:

TARRAWONGA COAL PTY LTD
PO BOX 600
GUNNEDAH NSW 2380

subject to the conditions which follow.



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1 Administrative Conditions

A1 What the licence authorises and regulates

A1.1 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
Coal works	Coal works	> 2000000 - 5000000 T annual handing capacity
Extractive activities	Extractive activities	> 50000 - 100000 T annually extracted or processed
Mining for coal	Mining for coal	> 2000000 - 3500000 T annual production capacity

A2 Premises or plant to which this licence applies

A2.1 The licence applies to the following premises:

Premises Details
TARRAWONGA COAL MINE
469 GOONBRI ROAD
BOGGABRI
NSW 2382
THE LAND APPROVED UNDER PROJECT APPROVAL 11_0047- INDICATED IN APPENDIX 1- SCHEDULE OF LAND OF PROJECT APPROVAL 11_0047 AND SHOWN AS 'TARRAWONGA MINE LEASE BOUNDARY' ON THE MAP TITLED 'EPL 12365 MONITORING LOCATIONS ONSITE AND OFFSITE' RECEIVED BY THE EPA ON 18 NOVEMBER 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).

A3 Information supplied to the EPA

A3.1 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; and



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b) 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 points referred to in the table below are identified in this licence for the purposes of monitoring and/or the setting of limits for the emission of pollutants to the air from the point.

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EPA identi- fication no.	Type of Monitoring Point	Type of Discharge Point	Location Description
28	Ambient air monitoring		Real time air quality monitor located on property 'Flixton' and labelled as 'RTM - Flixton' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).

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.

Water and land

EPA Identification no.	Type of Monitoring Point	Type of Discharge Point	Location Description
1	Wet weather discharge	Wet weather discharge	Discharge point located on the western boundary and labelled
	Discharge water quality monitoring	Discharge water quality monitoring	'SD17' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
2	Wet weather discharge	Wet weather discharge	Spillway on Storage Dam 9 located on southern boundary of premises labelled 'SD9' on the map titled 'EPL
	Discharge water quality monitoring	Discharge water quality monitoring	12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).



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3	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Spillway on Sediment Dam 28 located on the southern boundary & labelled 'SD28' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
5	Ambient water quality monitoring		Bollol Creek upstream of discharge from premises labelled 'BCU' on the map entitled titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816)
6	Ambient water quality monitoring		Bollol Creek downstream of discharge from premises labelled 'BCD' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
9	Groundwater monitoring		Groundwater monitoring bore located on property 'Thuin' labelled 'MW1' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
10	Groundwater monitoring		Groundwater monitoring bore located on property 'Bollol Ck Station' labelled 'MW2' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
12	Groundwater monitoring		Groundwater monitoring bore located on the property 'Tarrawonga' labelled 'MW4' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816)
13	Surface water quality monitoring		Mining void (variable location) labelled 'VOID' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).



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26	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Spillway on Sediment Basin 23B located on the south- western side of the premises labelled 'SB23B' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
27	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Wet weather discharge Discharge water quality monitoring	Spillway on Sediment Basin 18 located on south eastern side of premises labelled 'SB24B' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816)

P1.3 The following point(s) in the table are identified in this licence for the purpose of the monitoring of weather parameters at the point.

EPA Identification number	Type of Monitoring Point	Description of Location
W1	Weather analysis	Weather station located on the property 'Templemore' labelled 'W1' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by the EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).

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



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Pollutant	Units of Measure	50 percentile concentration limit	90 percentile concentration limit	3DGM concentration limit	100 percentile concentration limit
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre				10
рН	рН				6.5 - 8.5
Total suspended solids	milligrams per litre				50

- L2.5 The Total Suspended Solids concentration limits specified for Points 1, 2, 3, 26 and 27 may be exceeded for water discharged provided that:
 - (a) the discharge occurs solely as a result of rainfall measured at the premises that exceeds 38.4 millimetres over any consecutive 5 day period immediately prior to the discharge occurring; and (b) all practical measures have been implemented to dewater all sediment dams within 5 days of rainfall such that they have sufficient capacity to store run off from a 38.4 millimetre, 5 day rainfall event.

Note: 38.4 mm equates to the 5 day 90%ile rainfall depth for Gunnedah sourced from Table 6.3a Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Volume 1: 4th edition, March 2004.

L3 Waste

- L3.1 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.
- L3.2 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.
- L3.3 Reject material from the Whitehaven CHPP can be disposed of at the premises in accordance with the disposal method outlined in the Environmental Assessment titled 'Tarrawonga Coal Project Environmental Assessment', prepared by Resource Strategies, or as modified, or as otherwise approved by the EPA.
- L3.4 The licensee may dispose of up to 441 tonnes of end-of-life mining heavy plant tyres on the premises in each annual return year period up until 8 January 2023.

Should the report provided in accordance with condition R3.5:



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- 1. be submitted to the EPAs satisfaction at intervals of 2 years; and
- 2. find that recycling options are not feasible;

then the onsite disposal of the end-of life heavy mining plant tyres may continue for the subsequent 2 annual reporting periods.

Only waste tyres generated at the premises may be disposed of in accordance with this condition.

L4 Noise limits

L4.1 Noise generated at the premises must not exceed the noise limits in the table below.

Locality and Location	Day- LAeq (15 minute)	Evening- LAeq (15 minute)	Night- LAeq (15 minute)	Night- LA1 (1 minute)
All other surrounding residences	35	35	35	45

- L4.2 The noise limits identified in the above table do not apply at privately owned residences that are:
 - a) identified as residences subject to acquisition or noise mitigation on request within the Project Approval; or
 - b) subject to a private agreement, relating to the noise levels, between the licensee and the land owner.
- L4.3 For the purpose of the table above:
 - a) Day is defined as the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and 8am to 6pm Sundays and Public Holidays;
 - b) Evening is defined as the period from 6pm to 10pm;
 - c) Night is defined as the period from 10pm to 7am Monday to Saturday and 10pm to 8am Sundays and Public Holidays.

L4.4 Determining Compliance

To determine compliance:

- a) with the Leq(15 minute) noise limits in the Noise Limits table, the noise measurement equipment must be located:
- i) approximately on the property boundary, where any dwelling is situated 30 metres or less from the property boundary closest to the premises; or
- ii) within 30 metres of a dwelling façade, but not closer than 3m, where any dwelling on the property is situated more than 30 metres from the property boundary closest to the premises; or, where applicable
- iii) within approximately 50 metres of the boundary of a National Park or a Nature Reserve.
- b) with the LA1(1 minute) noise limits in the Noise Limits table, the noise measurement equipment must be located within 1 metre of a dwelling façade.
- c) with the noise limits in the Noise Limits table, the noise measurement equipment must be located:
- i) at the most affected point at a location where there is no dwelling at the location; or
- ii) at the most affected point within an area at a location prescribed by part (a) or part (b) of this condition.



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- L4.5 The noise limits set out in the Noise Limits table apply under all meteorological conditions except for the following:
 - a) Wind speeds greater than 3 metres/second at 10 metres above ground level; or
 - b) Stability category F temperature inversion conditions and wind speeds greater than 2 metres/second at 10 metres above ground level; or
 - c) Stability category G temperature inversion conditions.

For the purposes of this condition:

- a) Data recorded by the meteorological station identified as EPA Identification Point(s) W1 must be used to determine meteorological conditions; and
- b) Temperature inversion conditions (stability category) are to be determined by the sigma-theta method referred to in Part E4 of Appendix E to the NSW Industrial Noise Policy.
- L4.6 For the purposes of determining the noise generated at the premises the modification factors in Section 4 of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy must be applied, as appropriate, to the noise levels measured by the noise monitoring equipment.

L5 Blasting

- L5.1 The overpressure level from blasting operations at the premises must not exceed 120dB (Lin Peak) at any time and at any point within 30 metres of any non project related residential building or other noise sensitive location. Error margins associated with any monitoring equipment used to measure this are not to be taken into account in determining whether or not the limit has been exceeded.
- L5.2 The overpressure level from blasting operations at the premises must not exceed 115dB (Lin Peak) for more than five per cent of the total number of blasts over each reporting period at any time and at any point within 30 metres of any non-project related residential building or other noise sensitive location. Error margins associated with any monitoring equipment used to measure this are not to be taken into account in determining whether or not the limit has been exceeded.
- L5.3 Ground vibration peak particle velocity from the blasting operations at the premises must not exceed 10mm/sec at any time and at any point within 3.5 metres of any non project related residential building or other noise sensitive location. Error margins associated with any monitoring equipment used to measure this are not to be taken into account in determining whether or not the limit has been exceeded.
- L5.4 Ground vibration peak particle velocity from the blasting operations at the premises must not exceed 5mm/sec for more than five per cent of the total number of blasts over each reporting period at any point within 3.5 metres of any non project related residential building or other noise sensitive location. Error margins associated with any monitoring equipment used to measure this are not to be taken into account in determining whether or not the limit has been exceeded.
- L5.5 Blasting operations on the premises must only be carried out between the hours 9am to 5pm, Monday to Saturday, inclusive.
- L5.6 The hours during which blasting is permitted may be varied by the EPA upon consideration of the impact any variation may have on the amenity of the residents in the locality.
- L5.7 Blasting at the premises is limited to 1 blast on each day on which blasting is permitted.



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Note: Additional blasts are permitted where it is demonstrated to be necessary for safety reasons and the EPA and neighbours have been notified of the intended blast prior to the additional blast being fired.

Note: Condition L5.7 does not apply to blasts that generate ground vibration of 0.5mm/s or less at any residence on privately-owned land.

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.

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.

O3 Dust

- O3.1 All operations and activities occurring at the premises must be carried out in a manner that will minimise the emission of dust from the premises.
- O3.2 Trucks transporting coal from the premises must be covered immediately after loading to prevent wind blown emissions and spillage. The covering must be maintained until immediately before unloading the trucks.

O4 Waste management

O4.1 The Licensee is authorised to dispose of heavy plant-tyre waste generated on the premises in accordance with condition L3.4, in the waste rock/overburden emplacements.

The Licensee must:

- 1. ensure that heavy plant waste tyres are re-used on the premises as much as practical;
- 2. ensure that any surplus heavy plant waste tyres can be emplaced by being spread out within the waste rock/overburden emplacement and buried as deep as practical, but covered by at least 20m of inert material beneath any final rehabilitated surface;
- 3. place heavy plant waste tyres at least 15 metres away from coarse reject material or tailings emplacement



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areas.;

- 4. not emplace any heavy plant waste tyres directly on the pit floor or in a location that is likely to impede or contaminate saturated aquifers;
- 5. not emplace any heavy plant waste tyres in a position that compromises the stability of the final rehabilitation landform;
- 6. not emplace any heavy plant waste tyres within 15m of heated or potentially acid forming materials;
- 7. not place any heavy plant waste tyres in an area likely to leach to any watercourse; and
- 8. record the co-ordinates (easting, northing and elevation) of each disposal location.
- O4.2 Stockpiles of any heavy plant waste tyres stored at the premises awaiting disposal must;
 - 1. be less than 3 metres height and;
 - 2. not over an area of more than 200 square metres; and
 - 3. not be located within 10 metres of any other flammable or combustible materials.

O5 Other operating conditions

Blast Fume

O5.1 Offensive blast fume must not be emitted from the premises.

Definition: Offensive blast fume means post-blast gases (whether visible or invisible, odorous or odourless) from the detonation of explosives at the premises that by reason of their nature, duration, character or quality, or the time at which they are emitted, or any other circumstances:

(i) are harmful to (or is likely to be harmful to) a person that is outside the premises from which it is emitted, or (ii) interferes unreasonably with (or is likely to interfere unreasonably with) the comfort or repose of a person who is outside the premises from which it is emitted.

Pollution Incident Response Management Plan

- O5.2 The licensee must maintain, and implement as necessary, a current Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) for the premises. The PIRMP must document systems and procedures to deal with all types of incidents (e.g. spills, explosions, fire) that may occur at the premises or that may be associated with activities that occur at the premises and which are likely to cause harm to the environment.
- O5.3 The licensee must keep the PIRMP on the premises at all times.

5 Monitoring and Recording Conditions

M1 Monitoring records



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- 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.
- M1.4 The licensee must provide the EPA with an Annual Heavy Plant-Tyre Disposal Report. The report must be submitted with the licence Annual Return each year and must include:
 - 1. A plan of the disposed heavy plant waste tyres on the premises for the period that includes

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 Air Monitoring Requirements

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Pollutant	Units of measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
PM10	micrograms per cubic metre	Continuous	AM-22

M2.3 Water and/ or Land Monitoring Requirements

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Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
рН	pH	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
Total suspended solids	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample

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Pollutant	Units of measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
рН	рН	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
Total suspended solids	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample

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Pollutant	Units of measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	Every 6 months	Grab sample
Lead	milligrams per litre	Every 6 months	Grab sample
рН	рН	Every 6 months	Grab sample
Standing Water Level	metres	Every 6 months	In situ

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Pollutant	Units of measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	Quarterly	Grab sample
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre	Quarterly	Grab sample
рН	рН	Quarterly	Grab sample
Total suspended solids	milligrams per litre	Quarterly	Grab sample

M2.4 For the purposes of the table(s) above Special Frequency 1 means the collection of samples as soon as practicable after a discharge from points 1, 2, 3, 26, and 27 commences and in any case not more than 12 hours after a discharge commences.

M3 Testing methods - concentration limits

- M3.1 Monitoring for the concentration of a pollutant emitted to the air required to be conducted by this licence must be done in accordance with:
 - a) any methodology which is required by or under the Act to be used for the testing of the concentration of the



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pollutant; or

- b) if no such requirement is imposed by or under the Act, any methodology which a condition of this licence requires to be used for that testing; or
- c) if no such requirement is imposed by or under the Act or by a condition of this licence, any methodology approved in writing by the EPA for the purposes of that testing prior to the testing taking place.
- M3.2 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.
- Note: The *Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Regulation 2022* requires testing for certain purposes to be conducted in accordance with test methods contained in the publication "Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in NSW".

M4 Weather monitoring

M4.1 For each monitoring point specified in the table below the licensee must monitor (by sampling and obtaining results by analysis) the parameters specified in Column 1. The licensee must use the sampling method, units of measure, averaging period and sample at the frequency, specified opposite in the other columns.

Point W1

Parameter	Units of Measure	Frequency	Averaging Period	Sampling Method
Temperature @ 2 metres	°C	Continuous	15 minute	AM-4
Wind direction @ 10 metres	0	Continuous	15 minute	AM-2 & AM-4
Wind speed @ 10 metres	m/s	Continuous	15 minute	AM-2 & AM-4
Sigma theta @ 10 metres	0	Continuous	15 minute	AM-2 & AM-4
Rainfall	mm/h	Continuous	1 hour	AM-4
Solar Radiation	W/m2	Continuous	15 minute	AM-4
Temperature @ 10 metres	°C	Continuous	15 minute	AM-4
Additional requirements - Siting - Measurement				AM-1 & AM-4 AM-2 & AM-4

M4.2 The meteorological weather station must be maintained so as to be capable of continuously monitoring the parameters specified in this section.

M5 Recording of pollution complaints

M5.1 The licensee must keep a legible record of all complaints made to the licensee or any employee or agent of



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the licensee in relation to pollution arising from any activity to which this licence applies.

- M5.2 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.
- M5.3 The record of a complaint must be kept for at least 4 years after the complaint was made.
- M5.4 The record must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.

M6 Telephone complaints line

- M6.1 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.
- M6.2 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.
- M6.3 The preceding two conditions do not apply until 3 months after: the date of the issue of this licence.

M7 Other monitoring and recording conditions

M7.1 For each monitoring point specified below, the Licensee must monitor the noise or vibration parameter 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.

Points: TN2, TN3, TN4

Parameter	Units of Measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
Ambient Noise	LAeq (15 minute) LAmax LA1 LA10 LA90 LAmin	Quarterly	As detailed in the most recently approved "Noise Management Plan" for the premises.

M7.2 Points: TB2



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Parameter	Units of measure	Frequency	Sample Method
Blast Noise	DB(Lin Peak)	Every Blast	Type 1 Noise Blast Logger
Blast Vibration	mm/s	Every Blast	Geophone Logger or Similar

M7.3 For the purpose of conditions M7.1, M7.2 and M7.3 the monitoring locations are described as:

EPA Identification No.	Description of Location
N2	Portable monitor
TN2	Within 30 metres of the 'Matong' property boundary and labelled 'TN2' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
TN3	Within 30 metres of the residence on the property 'Barbers Lagoon' and labelled 'TN3' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
TN4	Within 30 metres of the residence on the property 'Bungalow' and labelled 'TN4' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).
TB2	Within 30 metres of the residence on the property 'Coomalgah' and labelled 'TB2' on the map titled 'EPL 12365 Monitoring Locations Onsite and Offsite' received by EPA on 18 November 2021 (CM9: DOC21/1057816).

Note: Point N2 is a portable monitor enabling the monitor to be relocated to areas of potential greatest impact. The licensee is responsible to ensure that it is located at the most suitable location.

Note: The location, frequency of monitoring and the parameters to be monitored may be varied by the EPA once the variability of the noise impact is established.

- M7.4 To assess compliance with the noise limits presented in the Noise Limits table, attended noise monitoring must be undertaken in accordance with the condition titled Determining Compliance, outlined above, and:
 - a) at each one of the monitoring locations TN2, TN3 and TN4;
 - b) occur Quarterly in a reporting period;
 - c) occur during each day, evening and night period as defined in the NSW Industrial Noise Policy for a minimum of:
 - i) 1.5 hours during the day;
 - ii) 30 minutes during the evening; and
 - iii) 1 hour during the night.
 - d) occur for three consecutive operating days.

6 Reporting Conditions



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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.
- 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 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- Note: An application to transfer a licence must be made in the approved form for this purpose.
- R1.8 The licensee must provide the EPA with an Annual Heavy Plant-Tyre Disposal Report. The report must be submitted



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with the licence Annual Return each year.

The Annual Heavy Plant Disposal Report must include and not be limited to:

- 1. Each tyre serial number.
- 2. Supplier of each tyre.
- 3. Purchase date of each tyre
- 4. Disposal date of each tyre.
- 5. Co-ordinates (easting and northings) of the locations where each tyre was disposed of by burial in accordance with condition O4.1.
- 6. The real level (RL) in metres AHD of each tyre emplacement location.
- 7. The number of tyres buried within each emplacement location and
- 8. The cumulative total number and tonnage of tyres disposed of at the premises each year.

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.
- 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



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- 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.
- R3.5 The licensee must undertake a review of available recycling options for end of life heavy plant tyres at least once every 2 years and provide a report to the EPA that contains and is not limited to the following:
 - 1. analysis of the current capacity of recycling facilities that can accept end of life mining heavy plant tyres for processing in NSW and other neighbouring states;
 - 2. evidence of enquiries made by the proponent in the previous 24 months to actively seek recycling options for end of life heavy mining plant tyres generated at the premises;
 - 3. analysis of any pre-treatment options that can be performed at the premises to reduce costs associated with the transport and recycling of end of life mining heavy plant tyres
 - 4. analysis of the specific costs to the licensee associated with the transport and delivery/acceptance of site generated end of life mining heavy plant tyres at the nearest capable recycling facilities;
 - 5. the current costs associated with the continued on site burial of end of life mining heavy plants tyres;
 - 6. A full cost benefit analysis of continued on-site burial of end of life mining tyres compared to their transportation from the site and their recycling/reprocessing.

R4 Other reporting conditions

- R4.1 A noise compliance assessment report must be submitted to the EPA within thirty (30) days of the completion of the quarterly noise monitoring. The assessment must be prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced acoustical consultant and include:
 - a) an assessment of compliance with noise limits detailed in the limit conditions of this licence; and
 - b) an outline of any management actions taken within the monitoring period to address any exceedences of the limits detailed in the limit conditions of this licence.
- R4.2 The licensee must report any exceedence of the licence blasting limits to the regional office of the EPA as soon as practicable after the exceedence becomes known to the licensee or to one of the licensee's employees or agents.

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.



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8 Pollution Studies and Reduction Programs

U1 SB25 - Inlet Drain and Spillway Works

- U1.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must stabilise the inlet drain of SB25 so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion occurring at the inlet drain.
- U1.2 By 31 December 2023 the licensee must re-assess the design of the drain that runs along the north-western boundary, being "Drain A" marked on the map 'Tarrawonga Mine Figure 1:Drain A" dated January 2023 in Attachment A, provided to the EPA on 25 January 2023 (EPA reference DOC23/555298). The licensee must repair the drain according to the revised design.

U2 SB7 - Stabilisation of inlet drain.

U2.1 By 31 July 2023, the License must stabilise the inlet drain of SB7 so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion occurring at the inlet drain.

U3 SD1 - Stabilise inlet Drain

U3.1 By 31 August 2023, the licensee must stabilise the inlet drain of SD1 so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion.

U4 SD1 - Rehabilitate Sediment Dam

U4.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must treat and dewater SD2. The water that is dewatered from SD2 must be disposed of and/or discharged in lawful manner. When SD2 has been dewatered it must be decommissioned and rehabilitated.

U5 SB5B - Stabilise Sediment Dam

U5.1 By 31 August 2023, the License must stabilise the inlet drain of SB5B so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion occurring at the inlet drain.

U6 SB16A - Stabilise Inlet Drain

U6.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must clean out and stabilise the inlet drain of SB16A.

U7 SB16B - Enlarge and Rock Line Drain

U7.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must enlarge and stabilise the inlet drain of SB16B so that erosion is



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minimised.

U8 SD8 - Rock Lining of Inlet

U8.1 By 31 July 2023, the licensee must improve rock lining of the inlet of SD8 so as to minimise erosion at the inlet.

U9 SD26 - Repairs

- U9.1 By no later than 31 July 2023, the licensee must repair the erosion present at the inlet of SD26
- U9.2 By 31 December 2023 the licensee must complete the final rock lining of the inlet drain of SD26

U10 SB23A and B

U10.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must repair SB23A and B by enlarging and stabilising the inlet drains.

U11 ROM Pad - Repair Concentrated flow paths

U11.1 By no later than 30 September 2023, the Licensee must repair all gully erosion that is occurring in the concentrated flow paths around the ROM coal stockpile. This work is to include reconstruction and lining of the drains.

U12 Material Characterisation

- U12.1 By 31 August 2023, the licensee must undertake material characterisation and erosion modelling of the waste dump north of SB28, to determine overland flow shear stress.
- Note: The intent of this PRP is to ensure that an understanding of the material characterisation of the dump is undertaken at an early stage so that final landform may be properly designed. The EPA acknowledges a review of the current landform model for this area as well as erosion modelling will occur to develop the landform slope lengths and steepness design rules. This information will inform the geomorphic design and identify necessary temporary and permanent slope stability solutions for the high erosion risk period between final shaping, topsoiling placement and permanent vegetation establishment.

U13 Cv Assessment

- U13.1 By 31 July 2023, the Licensee is to engage a suitably qualified expert to undertake a detailed assessment of the volumetric runoff coefficient (Cv) used to size sediment dams and mine water dams at the premises. This assessment must include and not limited to:
 - A comparison of the adopted Cv(s) against the various stages of rehabilitated land present on site as at the



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time of the assessment and

• An assessment of the adopted Cv(s) and if they allow for the short circuiting of drainage systems due to erosion.

U14 Clean Water Management

- U14.1 By 31 December 2023, the licensee must correctly rebuild the clean water drain that diverts water around forward mining area 6D. This work must include and not be limited to:
 - · Lining of the drains to prevent active erosion and
 - Installation of an appropriate energy dissipator to convert concentrated flow back into low velocity sheet flow and
 - Install appropriate erosion/drainage controls on unsealed tracks within the catchment and
 - · Reinstate the dirty water diversion/bank diversion

U15 SD 17 - Inlet works

U15.1 By 31 July 2023, the licensee must stabilise the inlet drain and spillway of SD17 so as to repair and prevent any further active erosion.



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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

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 relation to a concentration limit 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 [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	
тм	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	
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 1 25-Feb-2008.	082112, issued on 25-Feb-2008, which came into effect on			
2	Licence varied by notice 1 10-Nov-2008.	093269, issued on 10-Nov-2008, which came into effect on			
3	Licence varied by notice 1 18-Aug-2009.	103021, issued on 18-Aug-2009, which came into effect on			
4	Licence varied by notice 1 13-Jul-2011.	126949, issued on 13-Jul-2011, which came into effect on			
5	Licence varied by notice	1501194 issued on 20-Dec-2011			
6	Licence varied by notice	1506685 issued on 27-Nov-2012			
7	Licence varied by notice	1510429 issued on 21-Mar-2013			
8	Licence varied by notice	1516121 issued on 06-Sep-2013			
9	Licence varied by notice	1518350 issued on 05-Feb-2014			
10	Licence varied by notice	1522246 issued on 14-Nov-2014			
11	Licence varied by notice	1529401 issued on 14-Jul-2015			
12	Licence varied by notice	1539263 issued on 17-May-2016			
13	Licence varied by notice	1549919 issued on 27-Jun-2017			
14	Licence varied by notice	1579419 issued on 16-Jan-2020			
15	Licence varied by notice	1609127 issued on 06-Jul-2021			
16	Licence varied by notice	1614290 issued on 13-Dec-2021			
17	Licence varied by notice	1624242 issued on 29-Jun-2023			