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1 INTRODUCTION

This Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) is applicable to the Premises as defined in the Environment Protection Licence (EPL) and details are outlined in **Table 1**.

Table 1 - Site Details

SITE	Local Authority	EPL ID	ACTIVITY
Tarrawonga Coal Pty Ltd –	Narrabri Shire Council	12365	Coal Works (>2,000,000 – 5,000,000 T annual handling capacity), Mining for coal (>2,000,000 – 3,500,000 T annual production capacity).

Actions to be taken during or immediately after pollution incident are detailed in Appendix.

2 NOTIFICATION AND COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS

2.1 Internal

All contractors and Workers must notify Whitehaven of any pollution incident in accordance with Section 148 of the POEO Act.


In the event of an incident that requires an emergency response, the site's emergency management processes shall be implemented.

2.2 External

If the incident presents an immediate threat to the human health or property the site must contact "000" prior to any other action. Emergency services are the first responders and are responsible for controlling and containing incidents.

If the incident is determined to be notifiable under this Plan, and irrespective of whether emergency services have been contacted on 000, the site must contact the following authorities in the order listed:

1. **Environment Protection Authority Environment Line – 131 555**
2. **Public Health Unit – Tamworth – (02) 6764 8000**
3. **Safework NSW – 131 050**
4. **Local Government (Narrabri Shire Council) – (02) 6799 6866**
5. **Fire and Rescue NSW - 1300 729 579**

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6. Natural Resource Access Regulator (NRAR)- 1800 633 362

The following information must be provided in accordance with Section 150 of the POEO Act:

- 1. The time, date, nature, duration and location of the incident,**
- 2. The location of the place where pollution is occurring or is likely to occur,**
- 3. The nature, the estimated quantity or volume and the concentration of any pollutants involved, if known,**
- 4. The circumstances in which the incident occurred (including the cause of the incident, if known),**
- 5. The action taken or proposed to be taken to deal with the incident and any resulting pollution or threatened pollution, if known,**
- 6. Other information prescribed by the regulations.**

In addition to the above agencies, notifications about the incident may also be required to be made outside of the requirements of this Plan. Additional notifications will be considered on a case by case basis and will generally be made to the regular Officer of the relevant Department.(i.e.: Department of Planning and Environment)


2.3 Community

The site may partake in an awareness campaign, or campaigns, for relevant neighbours and community members prior to any incidents occurring so that those individuals are prepared in the event of an incident occurring.

In the event of a notifiable pollution incident occurring, which impacts on neighbouring properties or the wider community, the affected landholder/s will be notified about the incident as soon as possible and informed as to any measures that could minimise the risk of harm as well as the control/containment and clean up mechanisms to be applied.

The type and frequency of follow up correspondence on the incident will be determined on a case by case basis.

Further details including neighbours and other relevant community members (contact details, location in relation to the site etc) are provided in the internal version of the Plan.

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Appendix – Actions to be taken during or immediately after pollution incident

