

## CLEANAWAY REFINERS RUTHERFORD ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REPORT 2022

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#### 1 Title Block

#### **TABLE 1: ANNUAL REVIEW TITLE BLOCK**

| Name of operation                     | Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility, 41 Kyle Street, Rutherford 2320 NSW |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Name of operator                      | Cleanaway Refiners  |
| Project Approval                      | 05_0037   |
| Name of project                       | Construction and operation of a Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility      |
| Name of holder of development consent | Cleanaway Pty Ltd   |
| Annual Review start date              | 29 September 2021   |
| Annual review end date                | 28 September 2022   |

I Scott McLeod, certify that this audit report is a true and accurate record of the compliance status of Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility for the 2021 reporting period and that I am authorised to make this statement on behalf of Cleanaway.

| Name of authorised reporting officer      | Scott McLeod                  |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Title of authorised reporting officer     | Regional Manager - Refineries |
| Signature of authorised reporting officer |                               |
| Date                                      | 15 December 2022              |

#### 2 Introduction

Cleanaway Refiners operates an oil refinery at 41 Kyle Street, Rutherford, New South Wales. The refinery processes up to 40,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) of re-refined used lubricating oil. This oil is further refined via hydrogenation into base oil for use in lube oil blending and industrial processes (Refer Figure 1 and Figure 2).

The refinery has been operating since May 2007. During this time Cleanaway Refiners has been progressively improving operations.

Operation of the refinery is subject to the conditions of the Project Approval (05\_0037), as modified, and Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 12555.

Schedule 2, Condition 5.2 of Project Approval 05\_0037 requires that an Annual Environmental Management Report (AEMR) is submitted to the Office of Environment and Heritage<sup>1</sup> (OEH), Maitland City Council and the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) annually on the 22 December. The requirements of Condition 5.2 and where they have been addressed are detailed in Table 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To be submitted to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (NSW EPA)

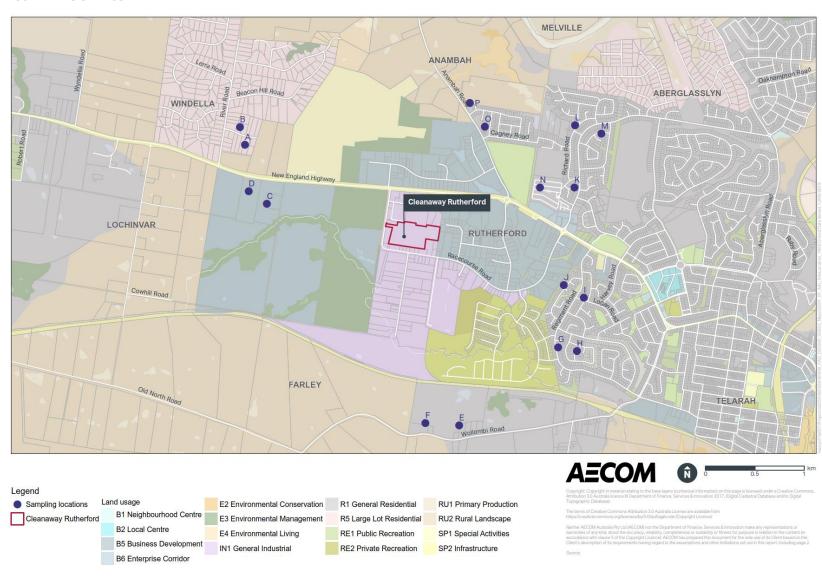
This AEMR has been prepared for the 12-month reporting period of 29 September 2021 to 28 September 2022 (herein referred to as the reporting period).

**TABLE 2: AEMR REQUIREMENTS** 

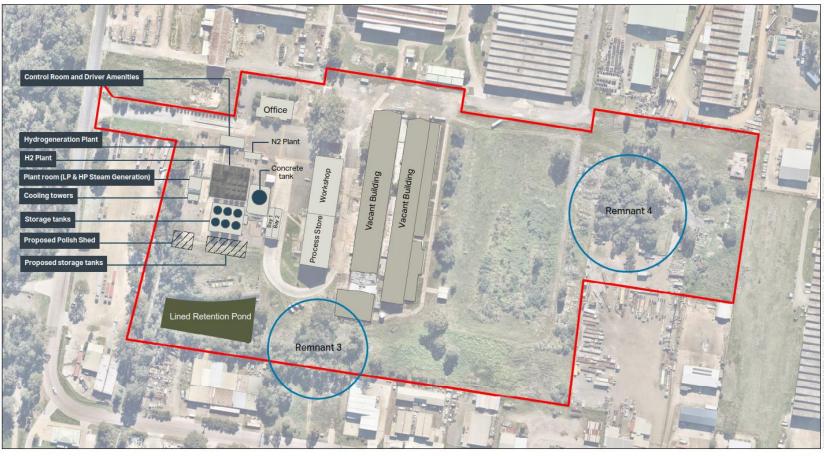
| Condition | Requirement   | Where addressed               |
|-----------|---|-------------------------------|
| 5.2 a)    | Details of compliance with the conditions of this approval, and any other licences and approvals for the project  | Section 3 and<br>Appendix A   |
| b)        | A list of variations obtained to approvals applicable to the development and to the site during the preceding twelve month period   | Section 4                     |
| c)        | A copy of the Complaints Register for the preceding twelve month period (exclusive of personal details); and a description of how these complaints were addressed and resolved  | Section 8.2 and<br>Appendix G |
| d)        | Results of all environmental monitoring required under this approval and other approvals including interpretations and discussion by a suitably qualified person  | Section 7                     |
| e)        | A list of all occasions in the preceding twelve month period when environmental performance goals have not been achieved, indicating the reason for failure to meet the goals and the action taken to prevent recurrence of that type of incident | Section 7                     |
| f)        | A comparison of the environmental impacts and performance of<br>the development against the environmental impacts and<br>performance predicted in the EA and the additional information<br>listed under Condition 1.1                             | Section 7                     |
| g)        | Identification of trends in monitoring data over the life of the development to date  | Section 7                     |
| h)        | Environmental management targets and strategies for the following twelve month period taking into account identified trends in monitoring results   | Section 7 and<br>Section 10   |

Copies of this AEMR will be provided to the NSW EPA, Maitland City Council and the DPE. A copy of the AEMR will also be placed on the Cleanaway Public Website: <a href="http://www.Cleanaway.com.au">http://www.Cleanaway.com.au</a>

#### FIGURE 1 REGIONAL CONTEXT



#### FIGURE 2 RUTHERFORD REFINERY SITE LAYOUT



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Legend

Site boundary

### 3 Approvals

Operations at Rutherford are regulated by Project Approval 05\_0037 and EPL 12555, which are summarised below.

#### Project Approval 05 0037

The Site was initially granted project approval (05\_0037) on 4 July 2006 for the construction and operation of a resource recovery and recycling facility.

Project Approval MP05\_0037 was modified on five occasions between 2006 and 2022. This included the following modifications:

- Modification 1 (MOD 1): Construction of additional plant to improve the quality of the final waste oil product, determined 16 May 2007.
- Modification 2 (MOD 2): Modification of monitoring requirements to ensure consistency with the EPL, determined 18 October 2011.
- Modification 4 (MOD 4): replacement of the stack at monitoring point 19, determined
   10 December 2014
- Modification 5 (MOD 5): Construction and operation of new equipment (oil polishing system, multi-fuel burner, six additional oil storage tanks with total combined storage of 2.4 ML and safety and fire-fighting systems) and increase the height of the Multi-Fuel Burner Stack, to enable the facility to produce both Class I and Class II product oils, determined 9 September 2016.
- Modification (MOD 6): Construction and operation of a Mobile Oil Polishing Plant (MOPP) for a trial period of 30 months, determined 20 August 2021.

Please note, Modification 2<sup>2</sup> for the relocation of oil storage tanks was withdrawn. Works associated with MOD 5 have not physically commenced, while MOD 6 is still within the 30 month trial period.

On the 1 April 2021, Cleanaway Refiners lodged a formal request to the Department to transition the existing approval to State Significant Development (SSD). The transition to SSD was completed with the same reference number (05 0037) on 16 April 2021.

#### **Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 12555**

Cleanaway Refiners operates Rutherford hydrogenation plant under EPL 12555, with an anniversary date of 29 September. Monitoring results are reported to the EPA as part of the Rutherford EPL Annual Return and this monitoring data is available on the Cleanaway website.

Activities to which the EPL applies are: "Petroleum products and fuel production" and "Chemical storage".

EPL 12555 was varied on the 1 December 2020 to include an 'Improvement Program' under Condition 8 "Pollution Studies and Reduction Programs" in response to issues identified during an EPA site inspection in June 2020. Cleanaway Refiners completed the assessments, reviews and studies required by the Improvement Plan and submitted them to the EPA by the required dates. The EPA reviewed the relevant submissions and was satisfied that they fulfilled the requirements of the conditions and subsequently the EPL was varied to remove the conditions of the Pollution Studies and Reduction Programs (variation notice issued 23 November 2021). Follow up EPA site inspections did not identify any issues. EPL 12555 was further varied on the 15 September 2022 to continue the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> It is noted that there are two separate modifications called Modification 2, as result there is no Modification 3.

use of the MOPP on a permanent basis at the premises. Previously the operation of the MOPP on a trial basis was included on EPL 21402 held by REOIL Pty Ltd, the owners of the MOPP. The following changes were made to the licence:

- Addition of air emission Discharge Point no.24 (Stack discharge point serving MOPP).
- Addition of concentration limits for DP24 and a note that the limits are initial limits only that will be reviewed by the EPA for suitability following each stack test.
- Addition of Condition O1.2 (general operating condition) for consistency across similar licences.
- Amendment of Condition O3.1 (emergency response) for consistency across similar licences.
- Removal of Condition O4.3 relating industrial plant control equipment as not appliable for current operations and legislation.
- Addition of new conditions O4.3, O4.4 and O4.5 to reflect operations of MOPP.
- Addition of monitoring requirements for DP24.
- Deletion of requirement to provide air quality monitoring results to the EPA on a quarterly basis as they are provided with the Annual Return.

#### Trade Wastewater Deed

The site discharges trade waste to sewer under a Trade Wastewater Deed dated 16 December 2019 (expiring on 16 December 2024).

## 4 Operations summary

A summary of production from the hydrogenation plant and a comparison against the Project Approval limit is provided in Table 3 below.

**TABLE 3: PRODUCTION SUMMARY** 

| Material                      | Approved limit (tpa) | Previous reporting period (tpa) | This reporting period (tpa) | Next reporting period (forecast) (tpa) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Product: waste lubricant oils | 40,000               | 27,954                          | 27,026                      | 28,050                                 |

Commissioning of the MOPP associated with MOD 6 commenced on 31 August 2021. Commissioning operations continued until the 8 October 2021, from when the unit was deemed operational.

Cleanaway progressed the detailed design of the diversification project approved by MOD 5. This includes an Oil Polishing System, Multi-Fuel Burner and additional oil storage tanks.

Cleanaway commenced works associated with decommissioning the legacy, lined retention dam located in the south western corner of site. The dam was installed by historical operators of the site prior to Cleanaway commencing operations. The works were conducted as part of Cleanaway's proactive environmental risk mitigation program and were undertaken by Reditus Consulting. The following activities were undertaken during the reporting period:

 Site establishment, including the removal of trees and shrubs surrounding the dam. A review of Maitland Council's Development Control Plan by Reditus and consultation with Maitland Council confirmed that a permit was not required for the removal of the trees as they did not meet the criteria specified.

- Decommissioning of redundant dam infrastructure including concrete and brick lined pits and associated pipework to the north and east of the dam. Bricks and concrete were broken up and reused on site. Steel pipes have been segregated for metal recycling.
- Dewatering of the dam. A total of 4,256 kL of liquid waste (classified as Z140 non-controlled liquids) was removed and tankered off site to Cleanaway's liquid treatment plant at Homebush, a facility licensed to accept such waste.
- Removal of underlying HDPE liner. The liner was disposed of by Cleanaway at its Enviroguard Erskine Park Landfill Facility, a facility licensed to accept such waste.
- Removal of sediment from the base of the dam. Waste classification samples collected in-situ
  classified the material as General Solid Waste. A total volume of 1,405 tonnes of material was
  disposed by Cleanaway at its Enviroguard Erskine Park Landfill Facility, a facility licensed to
  accept such waste.
- Collection of soil samples from the base of the dam and testing by a NATA accredited laboratory
  for analyses of a suite of contaminants including: total recoverable hydrocarbons, benzene,
  toluene, ethyl benzene, xylenes and naphthalene, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons,
  organochlorine pesticides, organophosphate pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, heavy metals,
  and per and poly fluorinated alkyl substances.
- Reinstatement of dam and backfilling of concrete lined pits with bricks and concrete salvaged during decommissioning works and Virgin Excavated Material (VENM). A total of 3,907 tonnes of VENM sourced from Woodbury Civil's Black Hill Quarry was imported to site. A VENM Certificate was provided by Woodbury Civil for this material.

The results of the soil analysis indicated that the concentrations of the contaminants of potential concern at each validation sample location were below the adopted NEPC (2013) NPEM Health Investigation Levels Commercial / Industrial criteria and the Ecological Investigation Levels and Ecological Screening Levels.

The 2021 Independent Environmental Audit (IEA) was undertaken by AECOM in February 2022. The IEA covered an audit period from 11 September 2018 to 2 February 2022 and assessed compliance with the Project Approval and EPL as well as a review of the Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) and sub plans. The IEA identified a number of non-compliances across the audit period and made a number of recommendations. The IEA and Cleanaway's response to the recommendations were submitted to DPE on the 2 April 2022 and are available on the Cleanaway website.

#### Next reporting period

Cleanaway plans on commencing construction works associated with MOD 5 during the next reporting period.

The operation of the MOPP will continue throughout the next reporting period. The output from the unit will help Cleanaway Refiners develop market acceptance for the product and assess the technology against long term quality and operational requirements.

An additional stack to split the waste gas from the Fired heater and Thermal Oil heater has been sought and is planned on being installed to address stack corrosion issues during the next reporting period.

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## 5 Statement of compliance

This section details compliance with the conditions of approval and any other licence and approvals for the project. The compliance status with the Project Approval and EPL is provided in Table 4.

**TABLE 4: STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE** 

| Approval                    | No. of<br>Conditions<br>Compliant | No. of<br>Conditions Non-<br>compliant | No. of<br>Conditions Not<br>triggered | No. of<br>Conditions<br>Noted / Closed<br>Out |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| Project Approval<br>05 0037 | 36                                | 2                                      | 17                                    | 18  |
| EPL 12555                   | 51                                | 0                                      | 12                                    | 11  |

A summary of the non-compliances is proved in Table 5 below. The complete Compliance Tables are provided in Appendix A.

TABLE 5: SUMMARY OF NON-COMPLIANCES RECORDED DURING REPORTING PERIOD

| Reference   | Summary of Requirement  | Phase      | Evidence and Comment   |
|-------------|---|------------|--|
| Project App | proval 05_0037  |            |  |
| 3.1         | Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent shall employ a suitably qualified and experienced environmental representative/s, whose appointment has been endorsed by the Planning Secretary. The Proponent shall employ this representative/s throughout the life of the project, and notify the Director General of any changes to the appointment that may occur from time to time. This environmental representative must be:  a) the primary contact point in relation to the environmental performance of the project; b) responsible for all the environmental requirements under this approval; c) responsible for considering and advising on matters specified in the conditions of this approval, and all other licences and approvals related to the environmental performance and impacts of the project; d) responsible for receiving and responding to complaints about the project; and e) given the authority and independence to require reasonable steps be taken to avoid or minimise unintended or adverse environmental impacts, and failing the effectiveness of such steps, to direct that relevant actions be ceased immediately should an adverse impact on the environment be likely to occur. | Throughout | During the reporting period, the Senior Environmental Business Partner, Orhan Cambaz, was acting as the nominated Environmental Representative however formal endorsement of this appointment was not obtained from the DPE. Cleanaway nominated the Regional Manager Refineries, Scott McLeod, as the Environmental Representative on the 18 October 2022 (outside the reporting period) and received formal endorsement for the appointment from the DPE by letter dated 19 October 2022. Cleanaway received a Warning Letter from the DPE dated 20 October 2022 (outside the reporting period) relating to this breach. On the basis, that during the reporting period, the nominated Environmental Representative was not endorsed, this condition has been reported as non-compliant. The responsibilities of the Environmental Representative are included in the OEMP (Revision 5) and have been assigned to the Senior Environmental Business Partner. This will be updated in the next revision of the OEMP to reflect DPE's endorsement of the Regional Manager as the Environmental Representative. |

| Reference | Summary of Requirement  | Phase      | Evidence and Comment  |
|-----------|---|------------|---|
| 6.1       | Subject to confidentiality, the Proponent shall make all documents required under this approval publicly available. | Throughout | Cleanaway received a Warning Letter from the DPE dated 20 October 2022 for not complying with this condition by making all documents required under the approval publicly   |
|           |   |            | available. Specifically, the following documents were noted in<br>the 2022 IEA as not available at the time of the audit in April<br>2022: Soil Contamination Validation Report, Groundwater<br>Contamination Assessment, Construction Safety Study,<br>Operational Air and Noise Validation Report, IEA's 2008 and<br>2018, 2021 AEMR. |
|           |   |            | The Cleanaway website was updated in June 2022 and now includes all documents required under this approval.   |

## 6 Actions required from previous Annual Review

DPE reviewed the 2021 AEMR and provided Cleanaway with a Request for Additional Information dated 20 October 2022. In response, the 2021 AEMR was revised and submitted to DPE on the 4 November 2022. A letter from DPE accepting the revised 2021 AEMR was received on the 8 November 2022. A summary of the actions required by DPE and how they were addressed is provided in Table 6.

TABLE 6 SUMMARY OF DPE ACTIONS FROM 2021 AEMR REVIEW AND HOW THEY HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED

| DPE comment                               | Cleanaway Response                                | Section<br>Updated |
|---|---|--------------------|
| Clarify the Ground Water                  | Section 7.3.1 was updated to reference the        | Section            |
| Management Plan (GWMP)                    | GWMP as well as EPL monitoring requirements       | 7.3.1              |
| monitoring requirements for the           | and include GWMP requirements for                 |                    |
| reporting                                 | measurement of field quality parameters.          |                    |
| Clarify whether monitoring                | Section 7.3.2 was updated to state that annual    | Section            |
| occurred in accordance with the           | groundwater monitoring occurred in accordance     | 7.3.2              |
| GWMP                                      | with the GWMP.                                    |                    |
| Present all available ground water        | Table 17 was updated to include groundwater       | Table 17           |
| monitoring data required to be            | levels. It is noted other monitoring required by  |                    |
| monitored, in accordance with the         | GWMP (pollutant and field quality parameters)     |                    |
| GWMP (including ground water              | were already included in Table 17.                |                    |
| level if relevant).                       |   |                    |
| Clarify the Operational                   | Section 7.4.2 was revised to clarify the surface  | Section            |
| Environmental Management Plan             | water monitoring requirements of the OEMP and     | 7.4.2              |
| (OEMP) surface water monitoring           | the Stormwater Management Plan. It is noted       |                    |
| requirements for the reporting            | that the criteria and frequency of monitoring has |                    |
| period.                                   | since been revised in Revision 5 of the OEMP.     |                    |
| Clarify whether monitoring                | - Section 7.4.2 was updated to include the        | Section            |
| occurred in accordance with the           | number of discharges during the reporting         | 7.4.2              |
| OEMP, i.e.: -How many discharges occurred | period Section 7.4.2 was updated to clarify what  |                    |
| during the reporting period.              | surface water monitoring was undertaken during    |                    |
| - Were discharges monitored to            | the reporting period.                             |                    |
| determine compliance with OEMP            | - Sampling and testing was undertaken on three    |                    |
| surface water quality criteria.           | occasions during the 2021 reporting period.       |                    |
| - Were all the six-monthly samples        | occasions during the 2021 reporting period.       |                    |
| collected in accordance with the          |   |                    |
| OEMP                                      |   |                    |
| Provide a plan showing all water          | A plan of groundwater monitoring locations was    | Appendix C         |
| quality monitoring sampling points.       | included as Appendix C.                           | and                |
|   | A plan of the surface water monitoring location   | Appendix E         |
|   | was been included as Appendix E                   |                    |
| Include previous years complaints         | A new section 8.2.1 was added to discuss trends   | Section            |
| numbers to show trends.                   | in complaints and includes a table of previous    | 8.2.1              |
|   | years complaints numbers.                         |                    |

## 7 Results of environmental monitoring

## 7.1 Meteorology

In accordance with Schedule 3, Condition 2.6 of SSD 05\_0037, and Condition P1.1 of EPL 12555, Cleanaway continued to operate the meteorological station throughout the reporting period. The meteorological station is located on the rooftop close to the southwest corner of the control room.

### 7.2 Air quality

The Rutherford refinery operates in accordance with the EPL 12555 and an approved Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP). The AQMP was revised in June 2022 and is available on the Cleanaway website. The AQMP describes air quality management and monitoring requirements associated with the hydrogenation plant.

### 7.2.1 Emissions criteria

Air quality monitoring locations, pollutant criteria and concentration limits are presented in Table 7. A new discharge and monitoring point (DP24) was included in the EPL on the 15 September 2022 to monitor emissions from the stack serving the MOPP. Prior to this, monitoring at the MOPP stack was undertaken by REOIL under an EPL held by REOIL for operation of the MOPP. DP24 will be captured in future monitoring events by Cleanaway.

TABLE 7: EPL 12555 AIR QUALITY MONITORING LOCATIONS AND CRITERIA

| EPA<br>Reference | Location            | Pollutant   | Concentration limit (mg/m³) |
|------------------|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 2                | 3.0MW boiler stack  | Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)                             | 10                          |
|                  |                     | Nitrogen oxides   | 350                         |
|                  |                     | Solid particles   | 10                          |
| 3                | 0.2MW boiler stack  | VOCs  | 10                          |
|                  |                     | Nitrogen oxides   | 350                         |
|                  |                     | Solid particles   | 10                          |
| 5                | Light ends scrubber | VOCs  | 20                          |
| 19               | Fired heaters stack | Solid particles   | 50                          |
|                  |                     | Hydrogen sulphide   | 5                           |
|                  |                     | VOCs  | 10                          |
|                  |                     | Nitrogen oxides   | 350                         |
|                  |                     | Sulfuric acid mist and sulphur trioxide (as SO <sub>3</sub> ) | 100                         |
|                  |                     | Sulphur dioxide   | 1,360                       |
|                  |                     |   |                             |

| EPA<br>Reference | Location          | Pollutant       | Concentration limit (mg/m³) |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 20               | Hydrogen reformer | VOCs            | 10                          |
|                  |                   | Nitrogen oxides | 350                         |
|                  |                   | Solid particles | 10                          |
| 24               | MOPP Stack        | VOCs            | 20                          |
|                  |                   | Nitrogen oxides | 350                         |
|                  |                   | Sulphur dioxide | 100                         |
|                  |                   | Carbon monoxide | 125                         |
|                  |                   | Solid particles | 10                          |

Annual load limits prescribed in EPL 12555 are presented in Table 8.

**TABLE 8: ANNUAL LOAD LIMITS** 

| Assessable pollutant             | Load limit (kg) |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Arsenic (air)                    | N/A             |
| Benzene (air)                    | 26              |
| Benzo(a)pyrene (air)             | 4.6             |
| Fine particulates                | 1,360           |
| Hydrogen sulphide (air)          | 64              |
| Lead (air)                       | N/A             |
| Mercury (air)                    | N/A             |
| Nitrogen Oxides (air)            | 10,000          |
| Sulphur Oxides (air)             | 46,000          |
| Volatile organic compounds (air) | 850             |

## 7.2.2 Monitoring results during the reporting period

Air quality data collected from each monitoring location during the reporting period is summarised below. Testing was undertaken over the course of the 1 -4 November 2021.

Results for all pollutants were significantly below prescribed concentration limits for all EPL discharge points.

TABLE 9: DISCHARGE POINT 2: 3MW BOILER

| Pollutant  | Unit of measure | Result | Limit Conditions |
|--|-----------------|--------|------------------|
| Temperature  | °C              | 190    | N/A              |
| Nitrogen oxides at 8%O <sub>2</sub>                            | mg/m³           | 85.2   | 350              |
| Volatile organic compounds (n-<br>propane) at 8%O <sub>2</sub> | mg/m³           | 2.57   | 10               |
| Oxygen   | %               | 5.18   | N/A              |
| Velocity   | m/s             | 4.14   | N/A              |
| Dry gas density  | kg/m³           | 1.31   | N/A              |
| Molecular weight of stack gases                                | g/g-mol         | 29.3   | N/A              |
| Volumetric flowrate  | m³/s            | 0.730  | N/A              |
| Moisture   | %               | 9.04   | N/A              |
| Solid particles  | mg/m³           | 3.02   | 10               |

TABLE 10: DISCHARGE POINT 3: 0.2MW BOILER

| Pollutant  | Unit of measure | Result | Limit Conditions |
|--|-----------------|--------|------------------|
| Temperature  | °C              | 255    | N/A              |
| Nitrogen oxides at 8%O <sub>2</sub>                        | mg/m³           | 102    | 350              |
| Volatile organic compounds (n-propane) at 8%O <sub>2</sub> | mg/m³           | 2.57   | 10               |
| Oxygen   | %               | 8.22   | N/A              |
| Velocity   | m/s             | 6.61   | N/A              |
| Dry gas density  | kg/m³           | 1.31   | N/A              |
| Molecular weight of stack gases                            | g/g-mol         | 29.4   | N/A              |
| Volumetric flowrate  | m³/s            | 0.0985 | N/A              |
| Moisture   | %               | 8.45   | N/A              |
| Solid particles at 8% O <sub>2</sub>                       | mg/m³           | 5.35   | 10               |

TABLE 11: DISCHARGE POINT 5: LIGHT END SCRUBBER

| Pollutant  | Unit of measure   | Result | Limit Conditions |
|--|-------------------|--------|------------------|
| Temperature  | °C                | 23.7   | N/A              |
| Volatile organic compounds as propane at 8% O <sub>2</sub> | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | <2.75  | 20               |
| Benzo(a)pyrene (equivalent - total)                        | mg/m³             | 0.00   | N/A              |
| Volumetric flowrate  | m³/s              | 0.063  | N/A              |
| Moisture   | %                 | 1.66   | N/A              |
| Odour  | OU                | 1144   | N/A              |

TABLE 12: DISCHARGE POINT 19: FIRED HEATER

| Pollutant   | Unit of measure   | Result | Limit Conditions |
|---|-------------------|--------|------------------|
| Temperature   | °C                | 121    | N/A              |
| Nitrogen Oxides at 8% O <sub>2</sub>  | mg/m³             | 129    | 350              |
| Volatile organic compounds as propane at 8% O <sub>2</sub>  | mg/m³             | <2.58  | 10               |
| Hydrogen sulphide at 8% O <sub>2</sub>  | mg/m³             | 1.35   | 5                |
| Oxygen  | %                 | 5.32   | N/A              |
| Velocity  | m/s               | 2.75   | N/A              |
| Dry gas density   | kg/m³             | 1.32   | N/A              |
| H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> and SO <sub>3</sub> (as SO <sub>3</sub> equivalent) at 8% O <sub>2</sub> | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 11.1   | 100              |
| Odour   | OU                | 2621   | N/A              |
| Molecular weight of stack gases   | g/g-mol           | 29.6   | N/A              |
| Volumetric flowrate   | m³/s              | 0.473  | N/A              |
| Moisture  | %                 | 14.8   | N/A              |
| Solid particles at 8%O <sub>2</sub>   | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 16.6   | 50               |
| Sulphur dioxide at 8%O <sub>2</sub>   | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | <0.625 | 1360             |
| Formaldehyde at 8%O <sub>2</sub>  | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | <0.149 | N/A              |

TABLE 13: DISCHARGE POINT 20: REFORMER

| Pollutant  | Unit of measure   | Result | Limit Conditions |
|--|-------------------|--------|------------------|
| Temperature  | °C                | 773    | N/A              |
| Nitrogen Oxides at 4% O <sub>2</sub>                       | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 94.8   | 350              |
| Volatile organic compounds as propane at 4% O <sub>2</sub> | mg/m³             | <2.25  | 10               |
| Hydrogen sulphide at 4% O <sub>2</sub>                     | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | <0.685 | N/A              |
| Oxygen   | %                 | 5.62   | N/A              |
| Velocity   | m/s               | 10     | N/A              |
| Dry gas density  | kg/m³             | 1.34   | N/A              |
| Odour  | OU                | 2427   | N/A              |
| Molecular weight of stack gases                            | g/g-mol           | 30.0   | N/A              |
| Volumetric flowrate  | m³/s              | 0.225  | N/A              |
| Moisture   | %                 | 14.5   | N/A              |
| Solid particles at 4% O <sub>2</sub>                       | mg/m³             | <1.81  | 10               |

Annual assessable loads during the reporting period are provided in Table 14. Results for all assessable pollutants were below load limits.

TABLE 14: ANNUAL ASSESSABLE LOADS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

| Assessable pollutant             | Assessable load (kg) | Load limit (kg) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| Arsenic (air)                    | 0.088                | N/A             |
| Benzene (air)                    | 4.7                  | 26              |
| Benzo(a)pyrene (air)             | 0.0                  | 4.6             |
| Fine particulates                | 213                  | 1,360           |
| Hydrogen sulphide (air)          | 31.4                 | 64              |
| Lead (air)                       | 0.27                 | N/A             |
| Mercury (air)                    | 0.006                | N/A             |
| Nitrogen Oxides (air)            | 4,624                | 10,000          |
| Sulphur Oxides (air)             | 399                  | 46,000          |
| Volatile organic compounds (air) | 116                  | 850             |

## **7.2.3** Trends

Table 15 shows the comparison of the air emission monitoring results for the last three reporting periods. Graphical presentations of historical data from 2018 are provided in Appendix B.

TABLE 15: COMPARISON OF EMISSION MONITORING RESULTS FOR PREVIOUS THREE AEMR REPORTING PERIODS

| Parameter                                 | Unit              | Emission Point | 2020 AEMR<br>Result | 2021 AEMR<br>Result | 2022 AEMR<br>Result |
|---|-------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|   |                   | EPL Point 2    | 47.0                | 89.7                | 85.2                |
| A111                                      | 3                 | EPL Point 3    | 112                 | 101                 | 102                 |
| Nitrogen oxides                           | mg/m³             | EPL Point 19   | 89                  | 146                 | 129                 |
|   |                   | EPL Point 20   | 112                 | 192                 | 94.8                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 2    | 3.24                | 6.34                | 3.02                |
| 6 1:10 .:1                                | / 3               | EPL Point 3    | 2.64                | <3.77               | 5.35                |
| Solid Particles                           | mg/m³             | EPL Point 19   | 19.9                | 48.1                | 16.6                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 20   | 4.44                | 6.96                | 1.81                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 2    | <1.63               | <1.38               | <2.57               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 3    | <1.40               | <1.92               | <2.57               |
| Volatile Organic<br>Compounds             | mg/m³             | EPL Point 5    | <1.84               | <1.88               | <2.75               |
| Compounds                                 |                   | EPL Point 19   | <1.68               | <1.57               | <2.58               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 20   | <2.24               | <2.21               | <2.25               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 5    | 1,266               | 1,896               | 1,144               |
| Odour                                     | OU                | EPL Point 19   | 2,891               | 2,142               | 2,621               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 20   | 2,311               | 815                 | 2,427               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 2    | <1.63               | 4.33                | 0.262               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 3    | <1.39               | 1.89                | 0.215               |
| Hydrogen Sulphide                         | mg/m³             | EPL Point 5    | <1.82               | 3.71                | 0.383               |
|   |                   | EPL Point 19   | <1.51               | <1.61               | 1.35                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 20   | <2.22               | <3.91               | 0.685               |
| Sulphuric Acid<br>Mist                    | mg/m³             | EPL Point 19   | 2.67                | 6.58                | 11.1                |
| Sulphur Dioxide                           | mg/m3             | EPL Point 19   | 31.4                | 10.6                | 0.625               |
| Benzo(a)pyrene<br>(equivalent –<br>total) | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | EPL Point 5    | 0.000594            | <0.000013           | 0.00                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 2    | <1.64               | <1.5                | 8.71                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 3    | 2.81                | 4.79                | 4.23                |
| Formaldehyde                              | mg/m³             | EPL Point 5    | <1.84               | <0.186              | 1.84                |
|   |                   | EPL Point 19   | 4.68                | 0.32                | 0.149               |

The results show the following trends for the 2022 AEMR reporting period compared to previous years:

- Nitrogen dioxide emissions were fairly consistent with previous years and were well below the EPL limit. Nitrogen dioxide emissions at EPL Point 20 decreased from last year.
- Solid particle emissions at EPL Point 2, 19 and 20 decreased slightly from last year. Solid particle emissions from EPL Point 3 were consistent with previous years.

- Volatile Organic Compound emissions were consistent for all monitoring points and well below the EPL limit.
- Odour levels were consistent with previous years.
- Hydrogen Sulphide emissions were lower for all monitoring points.
- Sulphuric acid mist at EPL Point 19 continued to remain significantly below the EPL limit.
- Sulphur Dioxide emissions at EPL Point 19 continued to decrease and remain significantly below the EPL limit.
- Benzo(a)pyrene emissions at EPL Point 5 continued to remain very low.
- Formaldehyde emissions were fairly consistent across all monitoring points with a slight increase at EPL Point 2

# **7.2.4** Comparison to Environmental Assessment predictions

A comparison of the 2022 AEMR reporting period measured air emissions against the predictions made in the 2006 revised Air Quality Assessment, prepared by PAE Holmes as part of the Preferred Project, and the 2010 Air Quality Impact Assessment, prepared by PAE Holmes as part of an EPL variation, are provided in Table 16.

**TABLE 16: PREDICTED VERSUS ACTUAL EMISSIONS** 

| Emission<br>Point | Parameter                     | Unit              | 2006 Air Quality<br>Assessment | 2010 Air Quality<br>Impact Assessment | 2022 Emission<br>Result |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                   | Nitrogen Dioxide              | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 350                            | N/A                                   | 85.2                    |
| EPL Point         | Solid Particles               | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 50                             | N/A                                   | 3.02                    |
| 2                 | Volatile Organic<br>Compounds | mg/m³             | 6                              | 4.3                                   | <2.57                   |
|                   | Nitrogen Dioxide              | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 350                            | N/A                                   | 102                     |
| EPL Point3        | Solid Particles               | mg/m³             | 50                             | N/A                                   | 5.35                    |
|                   | Volatile Organic<br>Compounds | mg/m³             | 7                              | 8                                     | <2.57                   |
| EPL Point<br>5    | Volatile Organic<br>Compounds | mg/m³             | N/A                            | 7.7                                   | <2.75                   |
|                   | Nitrogen Dioxide              | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 350                            | N/A                                   | 129                     |
|                   | Solid Particles               | mg/m³             | 50                             | N/A                                   | 16.6                    |
| EPL Point         | Volatile Organic<br>Compounds | mg/m³             | 5                              | N/A                                   | <2.58                   |
| 19                | Hydrogen Sulphide             | mg/m³             | N/A                            | 6.6                                   | 1.35                    |
|                   | Sulphuric Acid Mist           | mg/m³             | N/A                            | 110                                   | 11.1                    |
|                   | Sulphur Dioxide               | mg/m³             | 3709                           | N/A                                   | 0.625                   |
|                   | Nitrogen Dioxide              | mg/m³             | 350                            | N/A                                   | 94.8                    |
| EPL Point         | Solid Particles               | mg/m <sup>3</sup> | 50                             | N/A                                   | 1.81                    |
| 20                | Volatile Organic<br>Compounds | mg/m³             | 7                              | 7.6                                   | <2.25                   |

All measured air emission results for the 2021 reporting period were below the levels predicted and assessed in the 2006 and 2010 Air Quality Assessment reports.

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## 7.2.5 Management implications

Cleanaway Refiners will continue to implement the approved AQMP and continue monitoring the licenced discharge points in alignment with EPL 12555.

## 7.3 Groundwater quality

The Rutherford Refinery operates in accordance with the EPL 12555 and an approved Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP). The GWMP was revised in June 2022 and is available on the Cleanaway website. The GWMP describes groundwater quality management and monitoring requirements associated with the hydrogenation plant.

#### 7.3.1 Groundwater criteria

The GWMP includes groundwater assessment criteria for a range of parameters as required by Condition 3.6 of SSD 05\_0037. Groundwater monitoring locations, monitoring frequency and pollutants as specified by EPL 12555 and the GWMP are presented in Table 17. The EPL does not specify concentration limits for groundwater pollutants.

TABLE 17: EPL 12555 GROUNDWATER QUALITY MONITORING LOCATIONS AND POLLUTANTS

| EPA<br>Monitoring<br>Point | Location  | Pollutants                             | Units | Frequency |
|----------------------------|-----------|--|-------|-----------|
| 6                          | Bore MW21 | Tetrachloroethene                      |       |           |
| 10                         | Bore MW12 | (tetrachloroethylene)  Total petroleum |       |           |
| 22                         | Bore MW15 | hydrocarbons (TPH) C10-C36             | μg/l  | Yearly    |
| 23                         | Bore MW19 | Fraction TPH C6-C9 Fraction            |       |           |

Notes:

Previously reported Bores MW18, 17 and 20 have been removed from EPL 12555.

In addition to the above pollutants, the GWMP also requires that the following field groundwater quality parameters are measured during each sampling event:

- Temperature
- Dissolved oxygen
- pH
- Oxidation-reduction potential
- Electrical conductivity
- Groundwater level

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## 7.3.2 Monitoring results during the reporting period

Annual groundwater monitoring in accordance with the GWMP was undertaken in December 2021. The results of the monitoring at each location are summarised in Table 18. Table 18 also includes the groundwater assessment criteria adopted by the GWMP for the parameters / pollutants monitored. A plan showing the groundwater monitoring locations is included in Appendix C.

**TABLE 18: GROUNDWATER QUALITY RESULTS** 

| San   | nple ID |                  | MW12       | MW15        | MW19        | MW21       |
|---|---------|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| Date  |         |                  | 17/12/2021 | 17/12/2021  | 17/12/2021  | 17/12/2021 |
| Sampled by  |         |                  |            | Assured Env | vironmental |            |
| Parameter / pollutant Units Assessment criteria   |         |                  |            |             |             |            |
| Temperature                                       | °C      |                  |            | 21.2        | 20.3        |            |
| Dissolved oxygen                                  | mg/l    |                  |            | 1.4         | 2.4         |            |
| рН  | рН      | -                |            | 5.0         | 5.5         |            |
| Oxidation-reduction potential                     | mV      |                  |            | 147         | 88.6        |            |
| Electrical conductivity                           | ms/cm   |                  |            | 3100        | 2200        | _          |
| Groundwater level                                 | m       |                  | Dry        | 13.2        | 13.3        | Dry        |
| Tetrachloroethene                                 | μg/l    | 10 <sup>1</sup>  |            | <1          | <1          |            |
| Total Recoverable<br>Hydrocarbons (TRH) C6-<br>C9 | μg/l    | -                |            | <10         | <10         |            |
| TRH C10-C36                                       | μg/l    | -                |            | <50         | <50         |            |
| TRH C10-C40                                       | μg/l    | 600 <sup>2</sup> |            | <50         | <50         |            |

#### Notes:

- 1. Guidelines for Managing Risks in Recreational Waters (NHMRC 2013), Agriculture, primary contact recreation and aesthetics
- 2. Aquatic systems criteria in Dutch 2000 Groundwater Intervention Value.

#### **Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons**

Concentrations of Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons (TRH) C6-C9 fraction and TRH C10-C36 fraction were reported below the laboratory limit of reporting (LOR) in groundwater extracted from all sampled monitoring wells. Concentrations of the TRH C10-C40 fraction were below the adopted assessment criteria.

#### Tetrachloroethene

Concentrations of Tetrachloroethene were reported below the LOR of <1  $\mu$ g/l in groundwater extracted from all sampled monitoring wells and below the adopted assessment criteria.

#### **7.3.3** Trends

Historical groundwater quality monitoring results are provided in Appendix D.

Concentrations of semi-volatile TRH fractions have remained below the laboratory LOR in each of the groundwater monitoring wells sampled.

TRH C6-C9 concentrations in monitoring wells MW17, MW18 and MW21 have historically reported concentrations above the LOR and below the assessment criterion, with a preliminary trend of decreasing concentrations in MW17 and MW18. These wells were not sampled in the monitoring event undertaken for the current reporting period as the EPL was varied in June 2017 to remove three groundwater monitoring points MW17, MW18 and MW20 from the licence and replace them with two alternative groundwater monitoring points MW15 and MW19.

Tetrachloroethene concentrations have historically reported concentrations above the LOR in monitoring wells MW12, MW17, MW18, MW20 and MW21, exceeding the assessment criteria in MW17 and MW21 in the 2016 monitoring event. Concentrations have decreased in all wells sampled since detection. MW21 has not been sampled since 2016 when it reported concentrations a magnitude over the assessment criteria (150  $\mu\text{g/L}$ ) as the bore was found to be dry during recent monitoring events.

Groundwater monitoring undertaken to date indicates that:

- 1. Groundwater impacts appear localised around the original point of contamination, namely the former dye and finishing warehouse located in the centre of the property, and not Cleanaway activities.
- 2. Concentrations from the monitoring event undertaken for the current reporting period are below the laboratory LOR and assessment criteria for TRH and tetrachloroethene.

# 7.3.4 Comparison to Environmental Assessment Predictions

The groundwater investigation undertaken as part of the Environmental Assessment indicated the presence of TRH, copper and nickel, tetrachloroethene and chloroform above investigation levels as a result of previous site activities. The risk of groundwater contamination from Rutherford refinery activities was assessed as minimal as the groundwater in the alluvial sand is protected from surface contamination by overlying sandy clay alluvium and as activities on site will be conducted on imperviously bunded areas.

Groundwater monitoring since 2017 has reported TRH and tetrachloroethene levels below the laboratory LOR.

## 7.3.5 Management implications

Cleanaway Refiners will continue to implement the approved GWMP to minimise and manage groundwater impacts associated with site operations and ensure compliance with licence and approval requirements.

## 7.4 Surface water quality

The Rutherford refinery can be divided into the following three surface water catchment areas:

- Bunded areas which drain to trade waste.
- Paved areas around the refinery operations on the west of the site which discharge to off-site stormwater.
- Undeveloped areas (mostly grassed) in the east and south of the site which are not actively managed.

Surface water is managed in accordance with the OEMP, Stormwater Management Plan and the site's Trade Wastewater Deed.

#### 7.4.1 Surface water criteria

EPL 12555 does not include any surface water discharge points or concentration limits and requires that Cleanaway comply with Section 120 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 which prohibits the pollution of waters. Revision 4 of the OEMP included that surface water discharged from site meets criteria which were derived from the Water Quality Objectives (WQO) for the Hunter River presented in the 2006 Environmental Assessment. The OEMP was revised in June 2022 to include updated water quality guideline values based on the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines (ANZG) 95% Protection Limit and the ANZECC Guideline for Lowland Rivers in SE Australia. A summary of both criteria is presented in Table 19.

**TABLE 19: OEMP SURFACE WATER QUALITY CRITERIA** 

| Parameter                   | June 2019 OEMP Water Quality<br>Objectives | June 2022 OEMP Water<br>Quality Guideline Values |
|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Total phosphorus            | 50 μg/L                                    | 500 μg/L   |
| Total nitrogen              | 600 μg/L                                   | -  |
| Total ammonia               | -  | 900 μg/L*  |
| Chlorophyll a               | 3 μg/L                                     | -  |
| Nitrogen oxides as nitrogen | 5 μg/L                                     | -  |
| Salinity                    | 300-900 μS/cm                              | 125 – 2200 μS/cm**                               |
| Dissolved Oxygen            | 60% - 120%                                 | -  |
| рН                          | Between 6.5 -9                             | 6.5-8**  |
| Total Oil and Grease        | -  | 5 mg/L   |
| Suspended Solids            | -  | 50 mg/L**  |
| TRH/TPH                     | -  | No limit set                                     |

<sup>\*</sup>Based on ANZG 95% Protection Limit

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<sup>\*\*</sup>Based on ANZECC Guideline for Lowland Rivers in SE Australia

## 7.4.2 Monitoring results during reporting period

Revision 4 of the OEMP stated that surface water quality will be monitored for the parameters outlined in Table 19 during discharge off-site from the stormwater system. The frequency and parameters to be monitored was updated to quarterly in the June 2022 OEMP. The Stormwater Management Plan was also revised in June 2022 to align the monitoring requirements with the June 2022 OEMP. The Stormwater Management Plan includes additional details on the stormwater sampling and discharge process. It requires visual inspection as well as pH and electrical conductivity testing prior to every discharge.

Discharges from the stormwater system occurred on 37 occasions during the reporting period, 13 of which occurred in March 2022 during heavy rain. All discharges were related to rainfall events with the exception of two. One was during fire monitor testing on site and the other overflow from high pressure cleaning. Prior to each discharge, the stormwater pit was visually inspected and the pH measured. The pH results ranged between 6.7 to 8.4 with an average pH of 7.4.

Samples were taken from the Refinery outlet at the South Western point of the site and sent to a NATA accredited laboratory for analysis on seven occasions. Table 20 summarises the results of the monitoring undertaken during the reporting period. A plan showing the surface water monitoring location is included in Appendix E.

**TABLE 20: SURFACE WATER QUALITY MONITORING RESULTS** 

| Parameter         | 2022 OEMP           | Monitoring Results |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------|------------|---------|------------|----------|---------|--|
|                   | Guideline<br>Values | 13/10/21           | 12/11/21 | 7/02/22    | 8/03/22 | 24/03/22   | 23/05/22 | 4/07/22 |  |
| Total             |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| phosphorus        | 500                 | 210                | 230      | 170        | 520     | 700        | 200      | 210     |  |
| (μg/L)            |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| Total nitrogen    | _                   | 700                | 110      | 500        | 600     | 1000       | 500      | 1100    |  |
| (μg/L)            | _                   | 700                | 110      | 300        | 000     | 1000       | 300      | 1100    |  |
| Total ammonia     | 900                 | _                  | _        |            |         |            |          | 110     |  |
| (μg/L)            | 300                 |                    |          |            |         |            |          | 110     |  |
| Nitrite & nitrate |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| as nitrogen       | -                   | 290                | 220      | 60         | 10      | 90         | 120      | 30      |  |
| (μg/L)            |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| Electrical        |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| Conductivity      | 125-2200            | 226                | 175      | 185        | 180     | 58         | 109      | 164     |  |
| (μS/cm)           |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| рН                | 6.5-8.0             | 7.57               | 7.45     | 7.36       | 7.41    | 7.19       | 7.59     | 6.93    |  |
|                   | 0.5-0.0             | 7.57               | 7.43     | 7.50       | 7.41    | 7.13       | 7.55     | 0.55    |  |
| Oil and Grease    | 5                   | 5                  | 11       | <5         | 14      | <5         | <5       | 23      |  |
| (mg/L)            | 5                   | 5                  | 11       | <b>\</b> 5 | 14      | <b>\</b> 3 | \5       | 25      |  |
| Total             |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| Suspended         | 50                  | <5                 | 26       | <5         | 16      | 20         | 7        | 43      |  |
| Solids (mg/L)     |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          |         |  |
| Total Dissolved   | _                   | 142                | 103      | 118        | 142     | 40         | 66       | 115     |  |
| Solids (mg/L)     | _                   | 142                | 103      | 110        | 142     | 40         | 00       | 113     |  |
| TRH C6-C10        |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          | <20     |  |
| Fraction (µg/L)   |                     |                    |          |            |         |            |          | \20     |  |

Total phosphorus levels above the OEMP guideline values were recorded on two occasions in March 2022. Electrical conductivity was below the lower of the guideline values on two occasions during the reporting period.

Oil and grease levels above the OEMP guideline values were recorded on three occasions during the reporting period. In response, Cleanaway replaced absorbent pads / pillows and stormwater drain socks. Cleanaway will continue to monitor for trends.

#### **7.4.3** Trends

Graphical presentations of historical surface water monitoring results are provided in Appendix F.

The results show the following trends for the 2022 AEMR reporting period compared to previous years:

- Total phosphorus concentrations generally remained below 500 µg/L with occasional elevated results.
- Total nitrogen concentrations were generally lower than previous years.
- Electrical conductivity decreased slightly from previous years.
- Elevated oil and grease concentrations have been recorded on more occasions in recent times. It
  is noted however that monitoring has occurred more frequently (monitoring was undertaken on
  seven occasions during the reporting period compared to one or two in previous reporting
  periods).
- Total suspended solids concentrations consistently remain below OEMP criteria.

# 7.4.4 Comparison to Environmental Assessment predictions

The 2006 Environmental Assessment included water quality testing from the drain above the point of site discharge and comparison with the water quality objectives for the Hunter River. The monitoring results were higher than the water quality objectives for most parameters and the Environmental Assessment concluded that the quality of the water in the drain is likely to be generally poor.

The Environmental Assessment predicted surface water quality impacts to be minimal provided the mitigation measures outlined where implemented. These included separation of clean stormwater from potentially contaminated stormwater, first flush system, impervious surfaces for trafficable areas, stormwater interceptors, bunded tank farms and an inspection and maintenance regime. The above mitigation measures were implemented and continue to be maintained.

## 7.4.5 Management implications

Cleanaway Refiners will continue to implement the OEMP and SWMP to minimise and manage stormwater quality impacts associated with site operations and ensure compliance with licence and approval requirements.

### 7.5 Noise

The Rutherford Refinery operates in accordance with EPL 12555 and an approved OEMP. The OEMP describes management and monitoring requirements to reduce potential noise impacts.

#### 7.5.1 Noise criteria

Condition 2.20, Schedule 2 of SSD 05\_0037 and EPL Condition L5.1 require that noise from the premises must not exceed the noise criteria presented in Table 21.

TABLE 21: PROJECT APPROVAL AND EPL NOISE CRITERIA

| Location                     | Day<br>7am – 6pm Mon to Sat<br>8am – 6pm Sun & Public<br>Holidays | Evening<br>6pm – 10pm Mon to Sat | Night<br>10pm – 7am Mon to Sat<br>10pm – 8am Sun |                                   |  |
|------------------------------|---|----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--|
|                              | LAeq(15 minute) (dB(A))   | LAeq(15 minute) (dB(A))          | L <sub>Aeq(15 minute)</sub> (dB(A))              | L <sub>A1(1 minute)</sub> (dB(A)) |  |
| Receptor B                   | 37  | 37                               | 37   | 49                                |  |
| Receptor A – P (excluding B) | 35  | 35                               | 35   | 49                                |  |

## 7.5.2 Monitoring results during reporting period

Noise monitoring was not undertaken during the reporting period. Attended noise monitoring was undertaken in March 2020 by acoustic consultants, Global Acoustics at 5 locations considered representative of Receptors A – P, as shown in Figure 3.



FIGURE 3 NOISE MONITORING LOCATIONS

The results indicated that noise levels from the Rutherford operations complied with the relevant noise criteria at all monitored locations. At location C, an  $L_{Aeq}$  of 32 dB and an  $LA_{1,1\,minute}$  of 33 dB was measured. At all other locations the Rutherford operations were inaudible.

#### **7.5.3** Trends

The noise monitoring undertaken in March 2020 was the first noise monitoring to be undertaken in recent times. No noise complaints have been received by Cleanaway in recent history.

# 7.5.4 Comparison to Environmental Assessment predictions

The 2006 Noise Impact Assessment prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff made the following conclusions relating to operational noise:

- The operational noise criteria adopted for the assessment (Day time 46 dB(A), Evening 45 dB(A), Night time 38 dB(A)) were achieved at each location under each scenario.
- Operational noise from the site was predicted to be inaudible to barely audible at each nearest potentially affected receiver during all periods of operations.

The noise criteria specified by SSD 05\_0037 and EPL 12555 were more stringent than the operational noise criteria adopted for the Environmental Assessment. Noise monitoring undertaken in March 2020 indicated that compliance with the more stringent SSD and EPL noise criteria was achieved and that noise from the Rutherford operations was inaudible at most receivers during the night.

## 7.5.5 Management implications

Cleanaway will continue to implement the noise management controls outlined in the OEMP.

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## 8 Community

#### 8.1 Website

Cleanaway operates a website (<u>www.cleanaway.com.au</u>) where members of the community can access information about the Rutherford site, including the latest reports, management plans and environmental monitoring data, including previous Annual Reviews.

### 8.2 Environmental complaints

Cleanaway maintains the following methods for receiving community complaints:

- (i) a 24-hour telephone number (1800 158 447)
- (ii) a postal address 'PO Box 246, Rutherford NSW 2320'
- (iii) Cleanaway Facebook page: www.facebook.com/CleanawayAU
- (iv) General Enquiry Form via Cleanaway Corporate website

Complaints are recorded in a Cleanaway 'Incident Non-Conformance Report' and transferred to an incident recording system (known as Myosh).

No complaints were received by Cleanaway for the site during the reporting period. A copy of the Complaints Register is included as Appendix G.

#### **8.2.1 Trends**

Table 22 shows the number of complaints received in previous years.

TABLE 22 NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED 2017-2021

| 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019 | 2018 | 2017 |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 0    | 1    | 0    | 0    | 0    | 0    |

# 9 Proposed environmental management activities during the next reporting period

Cleanaway propose to undertake the following environmental management activities during the next reporting period:

- Develop and Trial a Computerised Maintenance Management System (CMMS) for managing scheduled maintenance of plant and equipment.
- Implement recommendations and opportunities for improvement identified during IEA.
- Investigate technology for onsite water treatment to remove requirement for off-site transport and disposal.

## **Appendix A: Compliance Tables**

## Project Approval 05\_0037

|           |  |            |   | Compliance    |
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| Reference | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  | Phase      | Evidence & Comments   | Status        |
| 1         | ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS  |            |   |               |
|           | TERMS OF APPROVAL  The Proponent shall carry out the project generally in accordance with the:  a) EAR as amended by the preferred project report (Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility, Rutherford – Preferred Project Report) prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff Australia Pty Ltd, and dated May 2006 |            | The Rutherford Refinery is generally operated in accordance with the EAR as amended by the Preferred Project report with the exception of the truck wash bay and transport vehicle depot and industrial cleaning depot which are no longer required.  |               |
|           | b) statement of commitments, prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff<br>Australia Pty Ltd, and dated 19 May<br>2006;  |            | The Rutherford Refinery is generally operated in accordance with the SoC. It is noted a number of SoC are no longer relevant under the Preferred Project.   |               |
| 1.1       | c) Modification assessments  | Throughout | MOD 1 approved the continued use of infrastructure not previously approved in the original project approval.  MOD 2 approved the streamlining of monitoring requirements within the Project Approval with the EPL. The Rutherford Refinery has generally complied with the requirements to undertake environmental monitoring in accordance with this Modification. Refer to specific monitoring requirements of CoA and EPL.  MOD 4 approved the replacement of a stack at the Site. This was completed in 2014. The stack was 25 m in height as per the Modification Application.  MOD 5 approved the construction and operation of new equipment (oil polishing system, multi-fuel burner, six additional oil storage tanks with total combined storage of 2.4 ML and safety and fire-fighting systems) and increase the height of the Multi-Fuel Burner Stack, to enable the facility to produce both Class I and Class II product oils. Physical works are yet to commence under MOD 5.  MOD 6 approved installation and operation of a MOPP, a scaled-down version of the oil polishing plant approved under MOD 5, to trial the effectiveness of the oil polishing process. The Site is generally operating the MOPP in accordance with the Modification Assessment. | Compliant     |
|           | d) conditions of this approval   |            | The Rutherford Refinery has generally operated in accordance with the CoA. Refer to assessment against specific CoA.  |               |
| 1.2       | If there is any inconsistency between the above, the conditions of this approval shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.   | Throughout | Noted   | Not-triggered |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase           | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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|           | The Proponent shall comply with any reasonable requirement/s of the Planning Secretary arising from the Department's assessment of: a) any reports, plans or correspondence that are submitted by the Proponent in accordance with this approval; and  |                 | Cleanaway responded to DPE requirements following its review of the OEMP and associated management plans. The re-submitted OEMP addressing DPE requests was approved 8/03/2021.Cleanaway updated the 2021 AEMR following DPE review. This is discussed further in Section 6 of the AEMR. |                      |
| 1.3       | b) the implementation of any actions or measures contained in those reports, plans or correspondence submitted by the Proponent.   | Throughout      | No requests from the Planning Secretary were received relating to the implementation of actions or measures contained in reports, plans or correspondence during the reporting period.   | Compliant            |
| 1.3       | Note: Note: nothing in this consent approves the following components of the original project:  • the oily water treatment and waste oil transfer facility;  • the Chemical Fixation, Stabilisation and Solidification (CFS) process facilities;  • the waste water treatment plant;  • the dangerous goods store; and  • the soil conditioning and composting facility. | Tilloughout     | The listed components of the original project have not been constructed.   | Compilant            |
|           | The Applicant shall:   |                 | Detailed design of MOD 5 commenced in September 2021 and continued during the reporting period.  |                      |
| 1.3A      | <ul><li>a) design and construct tanks in MOD 5 in accordance with API</li><li>650: Welded Steel Tanks for Oil Storage</li></ul>  | Design &        | The Project Approval requirements formed part of the consultants scope.  Evidence of compliance will be provided in future reporting periods.  | Not-triggered        |
| 1.5A      | b) comply with the requirements of the current edition of AS1940: The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids  | Construct MOD 5 |  | Not-triggered        |
| 1.4       | Limits of Approval The Proponent shall not process more than 40,000 tonnes of waste lubricant oils a year at the hydrogenation plant.  | Operation       | The Rutherford Refinery processed 27,954 tonnes of waste lubricant oil during the reporting period.  | Compliant            |
| 1.5       | This approval shall lapse five years after the date on which it is granted, unless the works the subject of this approval are physically commenced on or before that time.   | Throughout      | Commencement of physical works associated with the original approval, MOD 2, MOD 4 and MOD 6 commenced within five years of the date granted.  Works associated with MOD 5 which was granted on 9/09/2016 are yet to physically commence.  | Compliant            |
|           | The Applicant must ensure the Mobile Oil Polishing Plant (MOPP) trial as described under MOD 6:  a) operates in accordance with the requirements of EPL 21402;   |                 | The MOPP is owned and maintained by REOIL Pty Ltd. Previously REOIL held EPL 21402 for operation of the MOPP. This was transferred to the Cleanaway EPL 12555 on 15 September 2022.  |                      |
| 1.6       | b) is commissioned, operated and decommissioned for a total combined period of 30 months, unless otherwise agreed by the Secretary; and  | MOPP Trial      | Commissioning of the MOPP commenced in August 2021 and continued through this reporting period.  | Compliant            |
|           | c) is decommissioned prior to the construction and operation of MOD 5.   |                 | Not triggered  |                      |
| 1.7       | For the purposes of the MOPP under MOD 6, the Applicant must notify the Secretary in writing 7 days prior to the following:  a) the commencement of commissioning; and   | MOPP Trial      | The Secretary was notified of the commencement of commissioning in July 2022 which was not within required timeframe. This condition was reported as non-compliant in the previous reporting period. This requirement has been closed out.   | Not-triggered        |
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|           | b) decommissioning   |            | Not triggered  |                      |
| 2         | SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS  |            |  |                      |
|           | WASTE  |            |  |                      |
| 2.1       | Except as provided in condition 2.2 of this consent and/or expressly permitted by an EPL, the Proponent shall not cause, permit or allow any waste generated outside the site to be received at the site for storage, treatment, processing, reprocessing or disposal.  Note: The above condition only applies to the storage, treatment processing, reprocessing or disposal of waste at the site if it requires an EPL under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.  | Operation  | No other waste types except those permitted by EPL Condition L4.1 are received on site.  | Compliant            |
| 2.2       | The Proponent shall only receive, store, treat, process or reprocess the following wastes at the site: - waste lubricant oils  | Operation  | No other waste types except those permitted by EPL Condition L4.1 are received on site.  | Compliant            |
| 2.3       | The Proponent is prohibited from storing green waste and septic waste on site.   | Operation  | No green waste or septic waste is stored on site.  | Compliant            |
|           | AIR QUALITY  |            |  |                      |
| 2.4       | Dust The Proponent shall design, construct, operate and maintain the project in a manner that prevents and/or minimises air pollution.   | Throughout | The majority of the Rutherford facility is covered in hard stand and dust generation from onsite activities is minimal. Cleanaway implements the AQMP including undertaking visual monitoring for dust during routine inspections and implementing dust controls (e.g. street sweeper) as required. It is noted the requirement to monitor depositional dust was removed from the Project Approval by MOD 3. | Compliant            |
| 2.5       | Odour The Proponent shall not cause or permit the emission of offensive odours from the site, as defined under 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 Proponent must not cause or permit the emission of any offensive odour from the site, 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. | Operation  | Cleanaway implements the AQMP to minimise and manage odour. This includes ensuring plant is maintained and operated efficiently, conducting odour assessments as part of routine workplace inspections, recording and managing odour complaints and undertaking odour monitoring as required by the EPL.  No complaints relating to odour were received during the reporting period.                         | Compliant            |
| 2.6       | Air Quality Criteria  The Proponent shall design, operate and maintain the project in a manner that would achieve emissions compliance with the EPL.  The Proponent must advise the Department of any variations to the EPL as approved by EPA   | Throughout | Air quality monitoring undertaken during the reporting period indicated compliance with EPL limits at all discharge points for all pollutants. Refer Section 7 of AEMR.  | Compliant            |

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| 2.7       | Design Requirements The Proponent shall design, operate and maintain the project in a manner that would achieve Best Available Control Technology for toxic air pollutants specified in Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air pollutants in New South Wales (August 2005)  | Design    | The Rutherford Refinery implements burners, flares and activated carbon mitigation systems along with nitrogen blanketing which are considered best practice for the control of emissions  | Compliant            |
| 2.8       | The Proponent shall ensure that all stack air emission points at the site are designed to: a) broadly conform to the general requirements of Guidelines for Determination of Good Engineering Practice Stack Height (Technical Support Document for the Stack Height Regulations) (US EPA); and b) to accommodate and be built with sampling ports that   | Design    | Stack air emission points were designed to broadly conform to stack height guidelines.  Stack air emission points were designed to accommodate sampling ports conforming to sample port  | Compliant            |
|           | conform with TM-1 as specified in Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales (August 2005)   |           | standards.   |                      |
| 2.9       | The Proponent shall ensure that the flare is designed, constructed and operated in accordance with the requirements of Clauses 38 – 41 of the Protection of the Environment (Clean Air) Amendment (Industrial and Commercial Activities and Plant) Regulation 2005.  The manufacture's design specification for the flare must include the design destruction efficiency and must be submitted to the OEH for approval. The OEH's approval in writing must be obtained by the Proponent prior to the installation of the flare. | Design    | The flare was designed and constructed in accordance with requirements and EPA approval obtained.  | Compliant            |
| 2.10      | The Proponent shall design, operate and maintain the project in a manner that complies with all requirements of the OEH as specified in the EPL for the project with respect to volatile organic liquid control equipment prescribed in Part 5 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Amendment (Industrial and Commercial Activities and Plant) Regulation 2005.  | Design    | The regulation referred to is no longer in force and was repealed when the Clean Air Regulation was promulgated in 2010.  Notwithstanding, the storage tanks at the Cleanaway facility are controlled with vapour reduction unit to capture and control emissions from the tanks and the loading / unloading area. The light end capture system (nitrogen blanketing and vapour capture) are scrubbed by the activated charcoal system prior to the VOC wet scrubber. The flare is only used when the system experiences interruptions or shutdowns known as an 'upset' as shown on the Flare Log. | Compliant            |
| 2.11      | Operation of Flare The Proponent shall not vent the flare except during start-up, shutdown and process upsets. For the purposes of this condition, process upsets shall not exceed 2% of the process operating time per annum. This excludes the initial commissioning period of the project, which is defined as being three months from the start-up date of the project.   | Operation | Flaring is tracked using the SCADA system and then transferred onto a manual flare log by the control room. A Flaring Time Rolling Total spreadsheet is maintained which records the total cumulative flare time and records process operating times.  All flare events during the reporting period were during start-up, shut down and process upsets. In 2022 process upsets totalled approximately 1.5% of process operating time which is below 2% as required by EPL Condition O6.2.  | Compliant            |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase     | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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| 2.12      | Throughout the life of the project, the Proponent shall keep and maintain detailed records of each use of the flare on site, and the details of all process upsets, start-ups and shutdowns.  The records shall be made available to the OEH upon request, and shall include: | Operation | Flare logs are completed and maintained by the control room which include the date, time flaring started, time flaring finished, duration of flaring, stack appearance (visible plume or no visible plume) and reason for flaring. | Compliant            |
|           | <ul><li>a) the flare start and stop time, and the reasons for its use;</li><li>b) the process start and stop time, and the reason for each process upset.</li></ul>   |           | Process start and stop times and details of process upsets are recorded in the monthly Plant KPI Reports.  |                      |
| 2.13      | BoilersThe Proponent shall not burn or use waste oil and other non-standard fuels as fuel at the site.  | Operation | The Rutherford Refinery uses natural gas to fuel operations. No waste oil or non-standard fuels are used as fuel.  | Compliant            |
| 2.14      | Air supply to the boilers at the site may include vent air emissions from the hydrogenated oil storage, feed stock storage, light ends storage and sour water storage.  | Operation | Air supply to the boilers does not include vent air from air emissions from the hydrogenated oil storage, feed stock storage, light ends storage and sour water storage.   | Not-triggered        |
| 2.14A     | The sulphur composition of all fuel utilised for the project must not exceed 0.5 per cent   | Operation | This condition is a MOD 5 requirement which has not been triggered.  Notwithstanding, the refinery uses natural gas as fuel which has trace amounts of sulphur well below 0.5%.  | Not-triggered        |
|           | SOIL AND WATER  |           |  |                      |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase            | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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| 2.15      | Except as may be expressly provided in an EPL for the project, the Proponent shall comply with section 120 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.  | Throughout       | Management measures to prevent pollution of waters are outlined in the OEMP, GWMP and Stormwater Management Plan. The following measures were implemented during the reporting period:  - Surface water captured in the storage tank area, hydrogenation plant and truck unloading bay was directed to the Puraceptor and Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) unit prior to discharge to sewer under a Trade Wastewater Agreement.  - Surface water from other hardstand areas including Cooling Towers, HP Boiler, LP Boiler, N2 Plant and H2 Plant, flows to the back (southwestern) corner of the Site for pollution collection and retention. The surface water flows into two grated drains that collect at a stormwater pit (Hydrodynamic Vortex Separator) designed to remove solid sediment, pollutants, oil and other floatables in the water.  - The stormwater pit is isolated from the surface water drainage system by maintaining the stormwater shut-off valve in a closed position unless release is allowed under controlled conditions.  - Inspection and maintenance of the stormwater management is undertaken on a daily, weekly, monthly, 3-monthly, 6-monthly and annual basis.  - The OEMP and Stormwater Management Plan were updated during the reporting period to require quarterly stormwater monitoring (previously six monthly). Refer to Section 7.  - Groundwater monitoring is undertaken annually. Refer to Section 7.  There were no incidents recorded during the reporting period which resulted in the pollution of waters. | Compliant            |
| 2.16      | Prior to the commencement of operations, the Proponent shall ensure that stormwater management measures are implemented to mitigate the impacts of stormwater run-off from and within the site in a manner that is consistent with the Stormwater Management Plan for the catchment. Where a Stormwater Management Plan has not yet been prepared, the measures shall be consistent with the guidance contained in Managing Urban Stormwater: Council Handbook (DEC).   | Pre-operation    | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |
| 2.17      | Soil Contamination Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent shall submit to the Planning Secretary for approval, a soil contamination validation report to confirm the presence, or otherwise, of any contamination within the construction footprint of the development, and to demonstrate that any contamination on the site is not inconsistent with the development. The validation report shall be prepared by a suitably qualified and independent person(s), and shall detail any additional measures that shall be implemented to address contamination, if identified, and if required. | Pre-construction | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase   | Evidence & Comments                    | Compliance<br>Status |
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| 2.18      | Within six months of the granting of modified consent, the Proponent must complete the following groundwater contamination investigations and works which includes, but need not be limited to, the following: (a) An assessment of the potential for off-site migration of chemicals of potential concern (including Tetrachloroethene);  (b) Identification, based on the activities carried out on the site, of suspected source locations. If suspected source locations are identified, an evaluation of the presence of DNPLs trapped in or above lower permeability zones above the regional groundwater aquifer must be undertaken (note that care must be taken to ensure that the regional aquifer is not penetrated at suspected source locations);  (c) Works to assess regional groundwater and determination of hydrogeological characteristics (such as flow and direction). Such works must include the installation of additional wells across the site to:  - enable the groundwater flow direction to be determined; - further investigate the lateral and vertical extent of groundwater contamination; - enable more accurate falling head tests and/or a pump test to be undertaken; and - allow collection of soil samples within the water bearing zone. d) Soil samples collected must be analysed for organic carbon content and cation exchange capacity to allow fate and transport modelling to assess the potential for adsorption and retardation of dissolved organic compounds; e) An assessment of risk posed by the contamination and recommendations for appropriate management requirements. The Planning Secretary and the EPA must be provided with a copy of the report detailing the results of the investigations within seven months of the modified development consent being granted. The Proponent shall comply with all reasonable requirements of the Planning Secretary and the EPA in respect of the implementation of any measures presented in the Report. Any such works shall be completed within such time as the Planning Secretary or the EPA may require. Note: shou | By November<br>2007 (within 6<br>months of<br>granting MOD 1) | Completed outside of reporting period. | Closed out           |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase  | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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| 2.18A     | Prior to commencement of operations of MOD 5, the Applicant shall submit to the EPA details of an inventory system to accurately measure and report product losses from the tank farm.  | Pre-operation<br>MOD 5                             | MOD 5 operations had not commenced during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered        |
| 2.18B     | The Applicant shall ensure the bund for the tank farm in MOD 5: a) includes a bund lining system to achieve an impermeable barrier; b) is designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with AS 1940:2004 and the DECC Technical Guideline Bunding and Spill Management; c) includes the installation of an early warning leak detection and prevention systems, prior to commencement of operations, that are certified by a site auditor accredited under the Contaminated Land Management Act, 1997; d) includes measures to manage liquids within the bund to ensure no migration of contaminants occurs that could cause pollution of land and/or groundwater; e) demonstrates that materials contained within the bund are compatible with bund construction such that its long-term function is not impaired; and f) is included in monitoring programs to ensure the bund achieves its performance objectives and continues to provide an effective barrier for the prevention of pollution of land and waters | Design,<br>Construction &<br>Operation of MOD<br>5 | Detailed design of MOD 5 commenced in September 2021 and continued during the reporting period. The Project Approval requirements formed part of the consultants scope.  Construction and operation had not commenced during the reporting period.  Evidence of compliance will be provided in future reporting periods. | Not-triggered        |
| 2.18C     | Prior to commencement of operations of MOD 5, the Applicant shall submit to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary, a report confirming the bunds have been installed in accordance with condition 2.18B. The report shall include:  a) as-constructed drawings from field surveys depicting the base elevation of the bund, upper surface of the liner(s), geotextiles, engineered liners and sealed layers of the bund; b) construction quality control results; and c) written advice from the person(s) overseeing the works that the bunds were installed in accordance with the approved design and construction specifications.  | Pre-operation<br>MOD 5                             | MOD 5 operations had not commenced during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered        |
| 2.18D     | Prior to commencement of operations of MOD 5, the Applicant shall implement a Containment Bund, Tank and Pipeline Integrity Assessment Program. The program must detail measures to assess and maintain the integrity of the tank farm containment bund, other containment structures, tanks and pipelines during the life of the facility  NOISE   | Pre-operation<br>MOD 5                             | MOD 5 operations had not commenced during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered        |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase            | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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| 2.19      | Construction Hours The Proponent shall only undertake construction activities associated with the project, that are audible at any residential receptor, between the following hours: a) 7:00 am to 6:00 pm, Mondays to Fridays, inclusive; b) 8:00 am to 1:00 pm on Saturdays; and c) at no time on Sundays or public holidays.   | Throughout       | The following construction activities were undertaken during the reporting period:  - Decommissioning of the legacy, lined retention pond located in the south western corner of site.  This was undertaken during approved construction hours.  No noise complaints have been received. | Compliant            |
| 2.20      | Noise Limits  The Proponent shall ensure that noise from the project at the nearest sensitive receiver does not exceed the criteria specified in Table 1 at those locations and during those periods indicated.  Note: for the purposes of this condition:  a) noise emission limits apply under meteorological conditions of wind speeds up to 3m/s at 10 metres above ground level and temperature inversions conditions of 3 degrees Celsius per 100m.  To determine compliance with this condition, noise from the development must be measured at any point within the residential boundary of a noise sensitive receiver location, or at any point within 30 metres of the dwelling at a noise sensitive receiver location where the dwelling is more than 30 metres from the boundary. However, where it can be demonstrated that direct measurement of noise from the development is impractical, the EPA may accept alternative means of determining compliance (see Chapter 11) of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy). The modification factors in Section 4 of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy shall also be applied to the measured noise levels where applicable.  b) Locations specified in Table 2 as per Noise Impact Assessment, Figure ES-1 as presented in the EAR. | Throughout       | Monitoring undertaken in 2020 indicated compliance with the specified noise criteria. Refer to Section 7.  | Compliant            |
|           | HAZARDS AND RISKS  Prior to the commencement of construction of the project, the   |                  | Completed outside of reporting period.   |                      |
| 2.21      | Proponent shall prepare and submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary, the following studies:  a) a Fire Safety Study covering the relevant aspects of the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 2 - Fire Safety Study Guidelines and the NSW Government's Best Practice Guidelines for Contaminated Water Retention and Treatment Systems. In addition to approval from the Planning Secretary, approval for this study shall also be obtained from the Commissioner of the NSW Fire Brigades/Rural Fire Service.   | Pre-construction |  | Closed out           |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase                     | Evidence & Comments                    | Compliance<br>Status |
|-----------|--|---------------------------|--|----------------------|
| Reference | b) a Hazard and Operability Study, undertaken by an independent qualified person approved by the Planning Secretary. The study shall be carried out in accordance with Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 8 - HAZOP Guidelines. The study report shall be accompanied by a program for the implementation of all recommendations made in the report. If the Proponent proposes to defer the implementation of a recommendation, full justification must be included. In particular, the HAZOP must address:  i) the adequacy of the vent and pressure relief systems, such as relief valves and busting discs, in the hydrogen system and the process systems;  ii) the adequacy of measures to ensure that oil/sludge is not built up on the upstream side of relief devices;  iii) that adequate provision has been made for isolating the hydrogen line and the process area with 'blowing through' with inert gas prior to maintenance work such as welding in the vicinity;  iv) the details of the hazardous classification area and the adequacy of safety measures for the hydrogen manufacturing area, process area and the area surrounding the hydrogen supply pipes; and  v) the separation distances between the hydrogen system, and the natural gas and the boiler house system.  c) a Final Hazard Analysis prepared in accordance with the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory | FIIASE                    |  | Juanus               |
|           | Paper No. 6 – Guidelines for Hazard Analysis.  d) a Construction Safety Study prepared in accordance with the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 7 - Construction Safety Guidelines. The "commissioning" portion of the study may be completed prior to the commencement of operations rather than prior to the commencement of construction. In particular, risks during the construction period from and to the existing plant shall be considered in the study.  Construction, other than of preliminary works, shall not commence until approval is given to the studies listed in a)-d). The Proponent shall consider and implement, as appropriate, all recommendations arising out of the studies and/or shall comply with all reasonable requirements of the Planning Secretary in respect of the implementation of any measures presented in the Report. Any such works shall be completed within such time as   |                           |  |                      |
| 2.21A     | the Planning Secretary may require.  Prior to the commencement of stack demolition associated with MOD 4, the Proponent shall submit a Construction Safety Study prepared in accordance with the Department of Planning's  | Pre-construction<br>MOD 4 | Completed outside of reporting period. | Closed out           |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase                     | Evidence & Comments   | Compliance<br>Status |
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|           | Hazard Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 7, 'Construction safety' to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary.  |                           |   |                      |
| 2.21B     | At least one month prior to the commencement of construction of MOD 5, or within such further period as the Planning Secretary may agree, the Applicant shall prepare and submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary an update of the following studies to include MOD 5.  Construction of MOD 5, other than preliminary works, shall not commence until approval has been given by the Planning Secretary and, with respect to the Fire Safety Study, approval has also been given by Fire and Rescue NSW.  a) Fire Safety Study: An updated Fire Safety Study in accordance with Condition 2.21 a). b) Final Hazard Analysis: A Final Hazard Analysis in accordance with Condition 2.21 c) and include the implementation of recommendations of the Preliminary Hazard Analysis in MOD 5.   | Pre-construction<br>MOD 5 | MOD 5 construction had not commenced during the reporting period. | Not-triggered        |
|           | c) Construction Safety Study: An updated Construction Safety Study in accordance with Condition 2.21 d).  Pre-commissioningPrior to the commencement of operation of the project, the Proponent shall prepare and submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary, the following studies: a) an Emergency Plan and detailed emergency procedures shall for the site. An update of the existing site Emergency Plan will be acceptable for the purpose of this condition. The plan shall include detailed procedures for the safety of all people outside of the development who may be at risk from the development. The plan shall be prepared in accordance with the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 1 - Industry Emergency Planning Guidelines.   |                           | Completed outside of reporting period.                            |                      |
| 2.22      | b) a Safety Management System covering all on-site operations and associated transport activities involving hazardous materials. The document shall clearly specify all safety related procedures, responsibilities and policies, along with details of mechanisms for ensuring adherence to the procedures. Records shall be kept onsite and shall be available for inspection by the Planning Secretary or nominee. The Safety Management System shall be developed in accordance with the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 9 - Safety Management.  Operations shall not commence until approval is given to the studies outlined in a) - b). The Proponent shall consider and implement, as appropriate, all recommendations arising out of the studies and/or shall comply with all reasonable requirements of the Planning Secretary in respect of the implementation of any measures presented in the Report. Any such works shall be | Pre-operation             |   | Closed out           |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase                      | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance<br>Status |
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|           | completed within such time as the Planning Secretary may require.   |                            |  |                      |
| 2.22A     | At least two months prior to the commencement of commissioning of MOD 5, or within such further period as the Planning Secretary may agree, The Applicant shall submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary, an updated Emergency Plan including updated emergency procedures to incorporate changes due to MOD 5. The Emergency Plan shall be prepared in accordance with Condition 2.22 a).   | Pre-commissioning<br>MOD 5 | MOD 5 commissioning had not commenced during the reporting period. | Not-triggered        |
| 2.22B     | At least two months prior to the commencement of commissioning of MOD 5, or within such further period as the Planning Secretary may agree, The Applicant shall submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary, an updated Safety Management System to incorporate changes due to MOD 5. The Safety Management System shall be prepared in accordance with Condition 2.22 b).  | Pre-commissioning<br>MOD 5 | MOD 5 commissioning had not commenced during the reporting period. | Not-triggered        |
| 2.23      | Post commissioning Prior to commencement of operations, the Proponent shall submit to the Planning Secretary, a Pre-Start up Compliance Report, detailing compliance with conditions 2.21 and 2.22, including: a) dates of commissioning of plant; b) an action plan to implement the recommendations made in the studies listed in conditions 2.21 and 2.22; and c) responses to each requirement imposed by the Planning Secretary in respect of the implementation of any measures arising from recommendations of the studies or reports referred to in conditions 2.21 and 2.22 above and the hazards-related conditions of this approval, within such time as the Planning Secretary may agree. | Pre-operation              | Completed outside of reporting period.                             | Closed out           |

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| 2.24      | Dangerous Goods  All chemicals, fuels and oils shall be stored in appropriately bunded areas, with impervious flooring and sufficient capacity to contain 110% of the largest container stored within the bund. The bund(s) shall be designed and installed in accordance with:  a) the requirements of all relevant Australian Standards; and b) the DEC's Environmental Protection Manual Technical Bulletin Bunding and Spill Management.  In the event of an inconsistency between the requirements listed from a) to b) above, the most stringent requirement shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency. | Throughout                          | An internal bund review of the Process Tank, Storage Tank, FPCC, Hydrogenation Plant (HGP) & Fire Heater, Loading Bay and Dangerous Goods (DG) Storage undertaken in October 2020 confirmed the volume of each bunded area had sufficient capacity to contain 110% of the largest container stored within the bund. The review also included a visual inspection of:  - bunding integrity, including surface condition, coatings, penetration, sealing and sealing joints  - construction material within the bund floor and wall for compatibility with the materials stored within the bund  - tank material compatibility with materials stored within the bund  - conformance to the crest locus limit or compliance of installation of shielding  - location of couplings and suitability of means for collecting and retaining any leaks or spills  - management of drain valves (where fitted) including marking of "open" or "closed" positions  - bund cleanliness, placarding and labelling.  The MOPP is self-bunded (the HAZOP completed for the MOPP takes into account bund capacity impacts).  Cleanaway undertakes Monthly Tank Inspections which include a visual inspection of the bund to check if bunds are free from a build up of rubbish, vegetation and other combustibles. Monthly Workplace Inspections also include a visual inspection of bunded areas. An Annual bund wall inspection is also undertaken and was last completed on the 20 September 2022. | Compliant            |
| 2.25      | Road Improvements Prior to the commencement of operations or as otherwise agreed to by the Planning Secretary, the Proponent shall provide a monetary contribution of \$60,000 to the RTA towards the upgrade of the New England Highway and Kyle Street intersection to accommodate B-Double movements.   | Pre-operation                       | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |
| 2.26      | The Proponent shall ensure that B-Doubles associated with the site do not use the New England Highway and Kyle Street intersection at any time until the intersection has been upgraded to cater for B-Double movements. In the interim, B-Doubles associated with the site shall only use the Racecourse Road/New England Highway intersection to access the site via Racecourse Road and Kyle Street.  | Prior to<br>intersection<br>upgrade | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |
| 2.27      | To enforce the nominated B-Double route, as conditioned in condition 2.26, the Proponent shall implement a Transport Code of Conduct for the project. The Code of Conduct shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following:  a) details of the measures that would be implemented to enforce  | Pre-operation                       | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |

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|           | this route. This shall include, but not be restricted to, contractual arrangements and disciplinary action;  |                  |   |            |
|           | b) a program of driver training to ensure that drivers are aware of route restrictions applicable to the development; c) communication and management strategies for both the Proponent's own fleet and contracted fleet to ensure the requirements of the Code are met; d) the incorporation of a regular audit and monitoring program for the Code to determine compliance with the Strategy by heavy vehicles associated with the development and to evaluate the effectiveness of Code in enforcing this route. The Applicant shall not commence operations until the Director General has approved the Transport Code of Conduct. The Code shall be incorporated into the Operational Environmental Management Plan for the development (refer to condition 3.5 |                  |   |            |
|           | and condition 3.6 of this consent).  |                  |   |            |
|           | Internal Road Works and ParkingThe Proponent shall ensure that: (a) All car parking on the site is constructed in accordance with the relevant requirements in AS 2890.1-2004;   | Pre-construction | Cark park design and construction was completed outside of reporting period.            |            |
| 2.28      | b) the internal road network can accommodate the largest vehicles that would be used on site in accordance with the relevant requirements of AS 2890.2-2002;   | Pre-construction | The internal road network was designed to accommodate the largest vehicle used on site. | Compliant  |
|           | c) no vehicles from the project park, queue or stand in any of the road reserves outside the site.   | Throughout       | There have not been any issues with queuing off-site during the reporting period.       |            |
|           | Prior to the commencement of construction work, the Proponent shall submit to the Planning Secretary documentation detailing the internal traffic management plan, particularly the internal road works and car parking arrangement for the project. This shall include:  (a) Measures to ensure the conflict between passenger vehicles and heavy vehicles are minimised. This includes reversing passenger vehicles into road carriage ways utilised by heavy  |                  | Completed outside of reporting period.  |            |
| 2.29      | vehicles; b) Measures to ensure the conflict between pedestrians and vehicles on-site are minimised; c) The arrangement for the unloading and loading of heavy vehicles; and d) Demonstration of adequate turning-paths for all heavy vehicles accessing various components of the project. This internal traffic management plan shall be prepared in consultation with Council. Documentary evidence of this consultation shall be provided to the Planning Secretary.   | Pre-construction |   | Closed out |

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| 2.30      | Prior to the commencement of construction work, the Proponent shall demonstrate to the Planning Secretary that any applicable consent for the site access road works have been granted under section 138 of the Roads Act 1993. The site access point shall be completed prior to the commencement of operations.  FLORA AND FAUNA  | Pre-construction  | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |
| 2.31      | The Proponent shall minimise any clearing of vegetation during construction work, and shall retain the vegetation community, referred to as 'Remnant 4' on Map Reference 2118506A_2001 (Figure No.11 of the EAR), and partially retain the vegetation community, referred to as 'Remnant 3', throughout the life of the development in a healthy and tidy state.  | Throughout        | Works undertaken to decomission the legacy, lined retention dam located in the south western corner of the site included the removal of trees and shrubs surrounding the dam. A review of Maitland Council's Development Control Plan by the consultants engaged to undertake the dam decomissioning works, Reditus Consulting, and consultation with Maitland Council confirmed that a permit was not required for the removal of the trees as they did not meet the criteria specified.  Remnant 3 and 4 have been fenced and are in a tidy state. | Compliant            |
|           | VISUAL  |                   |  |                      |
| 2.32      | The Proponent shall ensure that all external lighting associated with the project:  a) does not create a nuisance to surrounding properties or roadways; and b) complies with AS 4282(INT) 1995 – Control of Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting  | Throughout        | There were no changes to lighting during the reporting period.  No complaints have been received in relation to lighting.  | Compliant            |
|           | ASBESTOS The Preparent shall handle and dispess of ashestes containing  |                   | The management of Ashertes Containing Materials (ACMA) is outlined in the Ashertes Containing Building   |                      |
|           | The Proponent shall handle and dispose of asbestos containing materials in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 1996.  |                   | The management of Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM) is outlined in the Asbestos Containing Building Materials Management Plan.  No asbestos related activities were undertaken during the reporting period.  |                      |
| 2.33      |   | Throughout        |  | Compliant            |
| 2.34      | Prior to the commencement of construction work at the site, the Proponent shall ensure that all asbestos-containing materials, including friable asbestos particles within soil, are identified, treated and/or removed to ensure no long-term impact on human health and safety for personal located at the site and neighbouring properties.  Note: The Proponent is required to comply with the statutory requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Regulation 2001 to manage risks to human health as a result of handling, treatment and removal of asbestos at the site. | Construction      | The majority of ACM identified on site was removed prior to construction. The remaining ACM has been documented in the Asbestos Containing Materials Management Plan, with the recommendation to "remove in accordance with current regulation and guidance prior to any works in the area that may disturb the material".   | Compliant            |
| 2.35      | The Proponent shall ensure that all demolition work is carried out in accordance with Australian Standard AS 2601-2001: The Demolition of Structures, or its latest version.  | During demolition | No demolition work was carried out during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered        |

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| 2.36      | The Proponent shall ensure that any demolition waste generated as a result of MOD 4 should be classified in accordance with the EPA's waste classification guidelines and disposed of to (or recycled at) an appropriately licenced facility.  | During MOD 4<br>demolition | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |
| 3         | ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING  |                            |  |                      |
|           | Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent shall employ a suitably qualified and experienced environmental representative/s, whose appointment has been endorsed by the Planning Secretary. The Proponent shall employ this representative/s throughout the life of the project, and notify the Director General of any changes to the appointment that may occur from time to time. This environmental representative must be:  a) the primary contact point in relation to the environmental performance of the project;   |                            | During the reporting period, the Senior Environmental Business Partner, Orhan Cambaz, was acting as the nominated Environmental Representative however formal endorsement of this appointment was not obtained from the DPE. Cleanaway nominated the Regional Manager Refineries, Scott McLeod, as the Environmental Representative on the 18 October 2022 (outside the reporting period) and received formal endorsement for the appointment from the DPE by letter dated 19 October 2022. Cleanaway received a Warning Letter from the DPE dated 20 October 2022 (outside the reporting period) relating to this breach. On the basis, that during the reporting period, the nominated Environmental Representative was not endorsed, this condition has been reported as non-compliant. |                      |
| 3.1       | b) responsible for all the environmental requirements under this approval; c) responsible for considering and advising on matters specified in the conditions of this approval, and all other licences and approvals related to the environmental performance and impacts of the project; d) responsible for receiving and responding to complaints about the project; and e) given the authority and independence to require reasonable steps be taken to avoid or minimise unintended or adverse environmental impacts, and failing the effectiveness of such steps, to direct that relevant actions be ceased immediately should an adverse impact on the environment be likely to occur.  OPERATIONAL MONITORING - AIR | Throughout                 | The responsibilities of the Environmental Representative are included in the OEMP (Revision 5) and have been assigned to the Senior Environmental Business Partner. This will be updated in the next revision of the OEMP to reflect DPE's endorsement of the Regional Manager as the Environmental Representative.  | Non-compliant        |
| 3.2       | Air quality monitoring will be undertaken in strict accordance with the requirements set out in the EPL covering the operation of the facility and the Rutherford Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) prepared by Pacific Air and Environment (PAE) dated 20 March 2007.  CONSTRUCTION ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (CEMP)  | Operation                  | Air quality monitoring has been undertaken during the reporting period in accordance with the EPL and AQMP. Refer Section 7 of AEMR.   | Compliant            |
| 3.3       | Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent shall prepare (and following approval implement) a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for the project to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary. This plan must outline the environmental management practices and procedures that would be implemented during each stage of construction, and include: a) a description of all activities to be undertaken on the site  | Construction               | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out           |

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|           | during construction of the project, including an indication of stages of construction, where relevant;  |              |  | 210100               |
|           | b) statutory and other obligations that the Proponent is required to fulfil during construction, including all approvals, consultations and agreements required from authorities and other stakeholders; c) details of how the environmental performance of the construction works would be monitored, and what actions would be taken to address identified adverse environmental impacts;   |              |  |                      |
|           | d) a description of the roles and responsibilities for all relevant employees involved in the construction of the project; and e) complaints handling procedures during construction and site preparation.  Site preparation and construction works associated with any stage of the project shall not commence until the Planning Secretary has approved the CEMP for that stage. Upon receipt of the Planning Secretary's approval, the Proponent shall supply a copy of the CEMP to the OEH, DNR and Council as soon as practicable.   |              |  |                      |
| 3.4       | The CEMP for the project shall include the following Management Plans: a) an Soil, Water and Dust Management Plan to detail measures to minimise the disturbance of soil, erosion and the generation of dust during construction of the project. This plan shall include: i) the results of investigations into soils associated with the site, in particular the presence of friable asbestos and/or contaminants within the construction work footprint; ii) a description of the proposed erosion and sediment control measures, which must be consistent with best practice, including the Landcom's publications Soil and Water Management for Urban Development and the Managing Urban Stormwater – Soils | Construction | Completed outside of reporting period. | Closed out           |
| 3.4       | and Construction; iii) a description of the measures that would be employed to prevent the generation of dust during construction work; iv) a description of the proposed monitoring that would be carried out during construction, clearly indicating who would conduct the monitoring, how the results would be recorded; and, if any non-compliance is detected, what corrective action would be taken; and v) a description of procedures that would be implemented to ensure that the control measures are maintained at all times, and to address any non-compliance, should it occur.  | Construction |  | Closed out           |

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| Neierence | b) a Soil Contamination Protocol to manage soil contamination   | Filase           | LVIGENCE & COMMENTS   | Status               |
|           | during site preparation and construction works. The Protocol  |                  |   |                      |
|           | shall detail procedures for the identification, isolation and   |                  |   |                      |
|           | removal of any contaminated soil, asbestos (including friable   |                  |   |                      |
|           | asbestos fibres) and munitions disturbed during site preparation  |                  |   |                      |
|           | and construction works, and detail measures for addressing any  |                  |   |                      |
|           | detected contamination.   |                  |   |                      |
|           | c) a Vegetation Management Plan to detail measures to minimise  |                  |   |                      |
|           | the impact of vegetation clearing associated with the project and   |                  |   |                      |
|           | manage the rehabilitation of remaining remnants throughout the life of the development. This plan shall include:      |                  |   |                      |
|           | i) a detailed plan showing the area and type of vegetation that is  |                  |   |                      |
|           | to be removed;  |                  |   |                      |
|           | ii) a description of the measures that would be implemented to  |                  |   |                      |
|           | protect the vegetation that would not be cleared (such as   |                  |   |                      |
|           | fencing);   |                  |   |                      |
|           | iii) identification of plant material to be used for rehabilitation,  |                  |   |                      |
|           | and the densities and species mix for areas to be rehabilitated;  |                  |   |                      |
|           | and   |                  |   |                      |
|           | iv) a description of establishment methods, sequencing of tasks,  |                  |   |                      |
|           | maintenance and performance monitoring.   |                  | Construction of MOD 5 is not to commons   |                      |
|           | Prior to the commencement of construction of MOD 5, The Applicant shall prepare (and following approval implement) an |                  | Construction of MOD 5 is yet to commence  |                      |
| 3.4A      | updated CEMP for MOD 5 to the Satisfaction of the Certifying  | Pre-construction |   | Not-triggered        |
| 3         | Authority. The CEMP shall be prepared in accordance with the  | MOD 5            |   | 1100 111880100       |
|           | requirements of Condition 3.3 and Condition 3.4.  |                  |   |                      |
|           | OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN   |                  |   |                      |
|           | Prior to the commencement of operations, the Proponent shall  |                  | The OEMP was updated in June 2022 (Rev 5) in response to the 2021 IEA findings and submitted to DPE |                      |
|           | prepare (and following approval implement) an Operation   |                  | on the 2 July 2022.   |                      |
|           | Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) for the project, in  |                  | The OEMP and management plans were implemented during the reporting period.                         |                      |
|           | consultation with the OEH, DNR, and Council), and to the  |                  |   |                      |
|           | satisfaction of the Planning Secretary. This plan must describe the   |                  |   |                      |
|           | environmental management framework, practices and   |                  |   |                      |
|           | procedures that would be followed during operations, and include:   |                  |   |                      |
|           | a) identification of all statutory and other obligations that the   |                  | Included in Section 2 of the OEMP.  |                      |
| 2.5       | Proponent is required to fulfil in relation to operation of the   | 0                | included in Section 2 of the OLIVII.  | Camadiant            |
| 3.5       | development, including all approvals, licences, approvals and   | Operation        |   | Compliant            |
|           | consultations;  |                  |   |                      |
|           | b) a description of the roles and responsibilities for all relevant   |                  | Included in Section 5 of the OEMP.  |                      |
|           | employees involved in the operation of the development;   |                  |   |                      |
|           | c) overall environmental policies and principles that will be/ are  |                  | Included in Section 4 and Attachment A of the OEMP.   |                      |
|           | applied to the operation of the development;  |                  |   |                      |
|           | d) standards and performance measures that will be applied/ are   |                  | Included in Section 6, 7 and 8 of the OEMP.   |                      |
|           | to the development, and a means by which environmental  |                  |   |                      |
|           | performance can be periodically reviewed and improved;  |                  |   |                      |

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|           | e) management policies to ensure that environmental performance goals are met and to comply with the conditions of this approval;  |           | Included in Section 6 of the OEMP.   |                      |
|           | f) details of all landscaping to be undertaken on the site; g) the various management plans required under this approval; and  |           | Included in Section 6.3 of the OEMP. Included as Attachment C, D and E of the OEMP.  |                      |
|           | h) contingency measures should monitoring of environmental issues under this approval indicate that the development has had, or is having an adverse environmental impact.   |           | Included in Section 8 of the OEMP.   |                      |
|           | Operations shall not commence until the Planning Secretary has approved the OEMP. Upon receipt of the Planning Secretary's approval, the Proponent shall supply a copy of the OEMP to the OEH and Council as soon as practicable.  |           | At the time of writing, formal approval of the June 2022 OEMP was yet to be received. The OEMP and sub plans are due for review in December 2022, following the AEMR.  |                      |
| 3.6       | The OEMP for the project shall include the following Management Plans: a) an Air Quality Management Plan outlining the measures that would be implemented to minimise and manage air quality impacts of the proposal, particularly odour. The Plan shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: i) identification of all point and diffuse sources of air quality emissions associated with the project; ii) a detailed description of the mitigation methods and management practices that would be used throughout the project, particularly methods to ensure offensive odour impacts do not occur off site, and a demonstration that these measures are consistent with industry best practice; iii) a detailed monitoring program for the project; iv) details of the contingency measures that would be implemented if non-compliance with air quality emission criteria is detected or if offensive odour impacts occur; and v) a procedure for handling complaints. | Operation | The AQMP was updated in June 2022 (Rev 2).i) Included in Section 4 of AQMPii) Included in Section 5 and 6 of AQMPiii) Included in Section 7 of AQMPiv) Included in Section 10 of AQMPv) Included in OEMP                     | Compliant            |
|           | b) a Transport Code of Conduct to outline measures to manage all heavy vehicle traffic movements associated with the project to minimise impacts on the local and regional road network, including traffic noise. The Code shall address the requirements of Council and the RTA and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: i) restrictions to routes, where relevant; ii) management measures to reduce volumes of heavy vehicles travelling to and from the site during peak hours, particularly B-Double movements at the Kyle Street/New England Highway intersection during peak hours; and iii) details of what disciplinary actions would be taken should any non-compliance with the Transport Code of Conduct be detected.   |           | The Transport Code of Conduct was updated in June 2022 (Rev 6). i) Included in Section 1 and 4.16 ii) The site operates 24 hours per day, seven days per week, thus reducing peak hour volumes iii) Included in Section 4.19 |                      |

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|           | c) a Groundwater Management Plan to detail measures to monitor, and where applicable, manage the impact on groundwater. The Plan shall be prepared in consultation with DNR and OEH, and shall include, but not necessarily be limited to: i) details of baseline groundwater quality, as present prior to the commencement of construction of the development; ii) groundwater assessment criteria for a broad range of parameters, including, heavy metals, total nitrogen and total phosphorous; iii) monitoring program of groundwater quality, including frequency of monitoring and monitoring locations; iv) details of contingency measures and management options should monitoring of groundwater quality indicate that the development has had, or is having, an adverse effect on groundwater quality; v) details of the nominated contingency measures and management options, should monitoring of groundwater quality indicate that the development has exceeded this criteria. These levels and contingency and management options must be developed to the satisfaction of the OEH and DNR. |                                    | The GWMP was updated in June 2022 (Rev 2). It was provided to the EPA and Maitland Council for consultation on 1 July 2022. No comments were received from either agency.i) Included in Section 4ii) Included in Section 5iii) Included in Section 6iv) Included in Section 7v) Included in Section 7 |                      |
| 3.7       | Within 3 months of the completion of each Independent Environmental Audit (see condition 4.4), the Proponent shall review and update the Operation Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) for the project, in consultation with the OEH and Council, and to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary.  | Operation                          | The OEMP was updated in June 2022 in response to the 2021 IEA findings. The OEMP was consulted with EPA and Maitland Council on the 1 July 2022 and submitted to DPE on the 2 July 2022. At the time of writing, formal approval of the June 2022 OEMP was yet to be received.                        | Compliant            |
| 4         | COMPLIANCE, AUDITING AND INDEPENDENT AUDITING  |                                    |   |                      |
|           | COMPLIANCE   |                                    |   |                      |
| 4.1       | Prior to the commencement of construction and operations, the Proponent shall certify in writing to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary, that it has complied with all the applicable conditions of this approval.  | Pre-construction and Pre-operation | Completed outside of reporting period.  | Closed out           |
|           | AIR QUALITY AND NOISE VALIDATION REPORT  |                                    |   |                      |

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| 4.2       | Within three months of commissioning operations at the site, the Proponent shall submit an Operational Air and Noise Validation Report for the project. This Report shall:  a) be undertaken by a suitability qualified and experienced person(s);  b) assess whether the project is complying with the noise criteria specified in condition 2.20 of this approval, and identify what additional measures could be implemented to ensure compliance should any non-compliance be detected; c) validate that the performance of the project reflects the assumptions and conclusions made in the Preferred Project Report and the Environmental Assessment for Transpacific Refiners, Modifications to Existing Development, dated 12 April 2007; d) undertake air quality validation and performance verification reporting as detailed in the AQMP prepared by PAE, dated 20 March 2007 to validate compliance with the Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Amendment (Industrial and Commercial Activities and Plant) Regulation 2005 and the emissions inventory of the project as detailed in the Environmental Assessment for Transpacific Refiners, Modifications to Existing Development, dated 12 April 2007; e) provide details of each round of Performance Verification Monitoring such that the monitoring frequency for all pollutants can be reviewed, as specified in the AQMP; f) identify what additional measures could be implemented to ensure compliance should any non-compliance be detected; and g) provide details of any complaints received relating to air quality generated by the project, and action taken to respond to those complaints. | Within 3 months of commissioning of operations                                  | Completed outside of reporting period. | Closed out           |
| 4.3       | If the Report identifies any non-compliance with the air quality limits imposed under this approval, an EPL for the development and/or does not reflect the conclusions made within the Environmental Assessment for Transpacific Refiners, Modifications to Existing Development, dated 12 April 2007, the Proponent shall detail what additional measures would be implemented to ensure compliance, clearly indicating who would implement these measures, when these measures would be implemented, and how the effectiveness of these measures would be measured and reported to the Planning Secretary and the OEH. The Proponent shall comply with all reasonable requirements of the Planning Secretary or the OEH in respect to the findings presented in the Report. Any such works shall be completed within such time as the Planning Secretary or the OEH may require.   | Following<br>completion of<br>Operational Air<br>and Noise<br>Validation Report | Completed outside of reporting period. | Closed out           |

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| 4.3A      | Within six (6) months of the date of commencement of the modified operation, the Applicant must submit for the approval of the Planning Secretary, an Operational Air and Odour Validation Report. The Report must:  a) be prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced person(s) in consultation with the EPA; b) include a revised Air Quality Impact Assessment of air quality impacts from the project 'as constructed' and include actual measured emissions; c) assess conclusions made in the documents:  - "Air Quality Impact Assessment – Transpacific Diversification Project 05_0037 Mod 5" prepared by AECOM and dated 15 March 2016; and  - any subsequent air quality impact assessment prepared for the facility 'as constructed'. d) include a complete source emissions monitoring program for the facility to validate compliance with the Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Regulation 2010 ("the Regulation") and to validate the emissions inventory contained within the document "Air Quality Impact Assessment – Transpacific Diversification Project 05_0037 Mod 5" prepared by AECOM and dated 14 January 2016 or any subsequent emissions inventory prepared for the facility 'as constructed'. A copy of the results and recommendations of the source emissions monitoring program must be included in the Report. e) identify what additional measures could be implemented to ensure compliance with the Regulation and approval conditions should any non-compliance be detected; and f) provide details of any complaints received relating to air quality generated by the project and action taken to respond to those complaints  INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT | Within 6 months<br>of commencement<br>of operation of<br>MOD 5 | Works approved under MOD 5 had not commenced during the reporting period.   | Not-triggered        |
| 4.4       | Within one year of the commencement of operations, and then as directed by the Planning Secretary, the Proponent shall commission an Independent Environmental Audit of the development. This audit must:  a) be carried out by a suitably qualified, experienced and independent audit team, that contains an odour specialist and hazard specialist, whose appointment has been endorsed by the Planning Secretary; b) be carried out in accordance with ISO 14010 – Guidelines and General Principles for Environmental Auditing and ISO 14011 – Procedures for Environmental Auditing, the Department's guideline Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 5 – Hazard Audit Guidelines;   | As directed by DPE   | The 2021 IEA was undertaken by AECOM in February 2022 (report dated April 2022) following approval of the extended audit timeframe by the DPE by letter dated 16 November 2021. The audit period was defined as 11 September 2018 to 22 February 2022.  a) The audit team was approved by DPE by letter dated 22 September 2021.  Section 2 of the IEA states that the audit was carried out in accordance with ISO19011 (replaced ISO14010 & 14011). | Compliant            |

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|           | c) assess whether the project is complying with the conditions of both this approval and the EPL for the project;   |  | Section 4 and Appendix A include an assessment of compliance with conditions of approval and the EPL. |                      |
|           | d) assess whether the project is being carried out with industry best practice;   |  | Section 5 includes a review of environmental performance and management.                              |                      |
|           | e) review the adequacy of the Operation Environmental Management Plan for the project; compliance with the requirements of this approval, and other licences and approvals; and   |  | Section 6 includes a review of the OEMP, GMP and AQMP.  |                      |
|           | f) recommend measures or actions to improve the environmental performance of the project, and/or the Operation Environmental Management Plan for the project.   |  | Section 7 includes a summary of recommendations.  |                      |
| 4.5       | Within 2 months of commissioning this audit, or as otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary, the Proponent shall submit a copy of the audit report to the Planning Secretary, with a response to any recommendations contained in the audit report.   | Within 2 months<br>of commissioning<br>IEA             | The 2021 IEA and response to recommendations was submitted to DPE on the 2 April 2022.                | Compliant            |
| 4.6       | Twelve months after the commencement of operations of the MOD 5 project and every three years thereafter, or at such intervals as the Planning Secretary may agree, the Applicant shall carry out a comprehensive Hazard Audit of the proposed project and within one month of each audit submit a report to the Planning Secretary for an approval. The audits shall be carried out at the Applicant's expense by a qualified person or team, independent of the project, approved by the Planning Secretary prior to commencement of each audit. Hazard Audits shall be consistent with the Department of Planning's Hazardous Industry Planning Advisory Paper No. 5, 'Hazard Audit Guidelines'. The audit report must be accompanied by a program for the implementation of all recommendations made in the audit report. If the Applicant intends to defer the implementation of a recommendation, reasons must be documented. | 12 months after<br>commencement of<br>MOD 5 operations | Works approved under MOD 5 had not commenced during the reporting period.                             | Not-triggered        |
| 5         | ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING   |  |   |                      |
| 5.1       | INCIDENT REPORTING  The Proponent shall notify the OEH and the Planning Secretary of any incident with actual or potential significant off-site impacts on people or the biophysical environment as soon as practicable after the occurrence of the incident. The Proponent shall provide written details of the incident to the OEH and the Planning Secretary within seven days of the date on which the incident   | Throughout   | No reportable incidents were recorded during the reporting period.                                    | Not-triggered        |
|           | occurred.   |  |   |                      |
|           | ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORTING  The Presence art shall submit on Approx 5 Faving presented.   |  | This AEMD has been approved for the province 20 Courts as her 2024 to 20 Courts as her 2022           |                      |
| 5.2       | The Proponent shall submit an Annual Environmental Management Report (AEMR) for the project to the OEH, Council, and the Department. The AEMR shall be submitted annually on  | Throughout   | This AEMR has been prepared for the period 29 September 2021 to 28 September 2022.                    | Compliant            |

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|         | the 22 December, unless otherwise approved by the Department, and include:   |            |   |              |
|         | a) details of compliance with the conditions of this approval, and any other licences and approvals for the project;   |            | Table 2 of the AEMR details where each of these requirements have been addressed.   |              |
|         | b) a list of variations obtained to approvals applicable to the development and to the site during the preceding twelve-month period;  |            |   |              |
|         | c) a copy of the Complaints Register for the preceding twelve<br>month period (exclusive of personal details), and a description of<br>how these complaints were addressed and resolved;                         |            |   |              |
|         | d) results of all environmental monitoring required under this approval and other approvals, including interpretations and discussion by a suitably qualified person;  |            |   |              |
|         | e) a list of all occasions in the preceding twelve-month period when environmental performance goals for the development have not been achieved, indicating the reason for failure to meet                       |            |   |              |
|         | the goals and the action taken to prevent recurrence of that type of incident;   |            |   |              |
|         | f) a comparison of the environmental impacts and performance of the development against the environmental impacts and performance predicted in the EA and the additional information listed under condition 1.1; |            |   |              |
|         | g) identification of trends in monitoring data over the life of the development to date; and   |            |   |              |
|         | h) environmental management targets and strategies for the following twelve-month period, taking into account identified trends in monitoring results.   |            |   |              |
| 6       | COMMUNITY INFORMATION, CONSULTATION AND INVOLVEMENT  |            |   |              |
|         | ACCESS TO INFORMATION  |            |   |              |
|         | Subject to confidentiality, the Proponent shall make all documents required under this approval publicly available.  |            | Cleanaway received a Warning Letter from the DPE dated 20 October 2022 for not complying with this condition by making all documents required under the approval publicly available. Specifically the following documents were noted in the 2022 IEA as not available at the time of the audit in April 2022: Soil Contamination Validation Report, Groundwater Contamination Assessment, Construction Safety Study, Operational Air and Noise Validation Report, IEA's 2008 and 2018, 2021 AEMR. |              |
| 6.1     |  | Throughout | The Cleanaway website was updated in June 2022 and now includes all documents required under this approval.   | Non-complian |
|         | COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE   |            |   |              |

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| 6.2       | Prior to the commencement of construction, the Proponent shall establish community complaints system to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary. This system must include:  a) a 24-hour telephone number on which complaints about operations on the site may be registered; b) a postal address to which written complaints may be sent; and c) an email address to which electronic complaints may be transmitted, should the Proponent have email capabilities.  The telephone number, the postal address and the email address shall be advertised in a newspaper circulating within the locality on at least one occasion prior to the commencement of construction of each stage of the development. These details must also be displayed on a sign near the entrance to the site, in a position that is clearly visible to the public and on the Proponent's internet site, should one exist. The telephone number, postal address and email address must be maintained | Throughout | Cleanaway maintains a 24 hour community hotline number (1800 158 447), postal address and email address where complaints may be registered.  These details are displayed on a sign at the entrance to the Rutherford facility and on the Cleanaway website. | Compliant            |
| 6.3       | The Proponent must record details of all complaints received about the project in an up-to-date Complaints Register. This register must record, but not necessarily be limited to:  a) the date and time, where relevant, of the complaint; b) the means by which the complaint was made (telephone, mail or email); c) any personal details of the complainant that were provided, or if no details were provided, a note to that effect; d) the nature of the complaint; e) any action(s) taken by the Proponent in relation to the complaint, including any follow-up contact with the complainant; and f) if no action was taken by the Proponent in relation to the complaint, the reason(s) why no action was taken. The Complaints Register must be made available for inspection by the Planning Secretary upon request.   | Throughout | Complaints are logged in the MYOSH system. The MYOSH system allows for the required information to be captured.  No complaints were recorded during the reporting period. The Complaint Register is included as Appendix E of the AEMR.                     | Compliant            |

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| 1         | ADMINISTRATIVE   |            |   |                   |
| A1        | WHAT THE LICENCE AUTHORISES AND REGULATES  |            |   |                   |
| A1.1      | This licence authorises the carrying out of the scheduled development work listed below at the premises listed 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.  Chemical Storage: >100 T annual volume of waste generated or stored Petroleum products and fuel production: >10000-20000 T  | Throughout | The scheduled activities of chemical storage and petroleum products and fuel production took place during the reporting period.  The Rutherford Refinery processed 27,026 tonnes of waste lubricant oil during the reporting period. This is well below the 200,000 tonne annual production capacity maximum scale specified. | Compliant         |
| A2        | PREMISES OR PLANT TO WHICH LICENCE APPLIES   |            |   |                   |
| A2.1      | The licence applies to the following premises: Cleanaway Refiners Pty Ltd 41 Kyle Street Rutherford NSW 2320 Lot 223 DP 1037300  | Throughout | Noted.  | Noted             |
| A3        | OTHER ACTIVITIES   |            |   |                   |
| A3.1      | This licence applies to all other activities carried on at the premises, including: - Chemical storage   | Throughout | Noted.  | Noted             |
| 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; and (b) the licence information form provided by the licensee to the EPA to assist the EPA in connection with the issuing of this licence. | Throughout | No works and activities outside those specified in the EPL application have been undertaken during the audit period.  | Compliant         |
| 2         | DISCHARGES TO AIR AND WATER AND APPLICATIONS TO LAND   |            |   |                   |
| P1        | LOCATION OF MONITORING / DISCHARGE POINTS AND AREAS  |            |   |                   |

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| 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.  Air  EPA Identification No's 2, 3, 4, 5, 19, 20, 21, 24 | Operation | The air monitoring points outlined in this condition have been established and monitoring has been undertaken as required.  Refer to EPL Condition L3.2 for a discussion of Discharge Points (DP) DP2, DP3, DP5, DP19 and DP20.  Refer to EPL Condition M5.1 for a discussion of the weather station (DP21).  Refer to EPL Condition O6 for a discussion of monitoring at Point 4. | Compliant         |
| P1.2      | 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.                                   | Operation | No utilisation areas noted.  | Noted             |
| P1.3      | 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. <i>Water and land</i> EPA Identification No's 6, 10, 22, 23    | Operation | The groundwater monitoring wells outlined in this condition have been established and monitoring has been undertaken as required. Refer to EPL Condition M2.3 for discussion of groundwater monitoring.  | Compliant         |
| 3         | LIMIT CONDITIONS  |           |  |                   |
| L1        | POLLUTION OF WATERS   |           |  |                   |

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| 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.   | Throughout | Management measures to prevent pollution of waters are outlined in the OEMP, GWMP and Stormwater Management Plan. The following measures were implemented during the reporting period:  - Surface water captured in the storage tank area, hydrogenation plant and truck unloading bay was directed to the Puraceptor and Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) unit prior to discharge to sewer under a Trade Wastewater Agreement.  - Surface water from other hardstand areas including Cooling Towers, HP Boiler, LP Boiler, N2 Plant and H2 Plant, flows to the back (southwestern) corner of the Site for pollution collection and retention. The surface water flows into two grated drains that collect at a stormwater pit (Hydrodynamic Vortex Separator) designed to remove solid sediment, pollutants, oil and other floatables in the water.  - The stormwater pit is isolated from the surface water drainage system by maintaining the stormwater shut-off valve in a closed position unless release is allowed under controlled conditions.  - Inspection and maintenance of the stormwater management is undertaken on a daily, weekly, monthly, 3-monthly, 6-monthly and annual basis.  - Stormwater monitoring is undertaken on a quarterly (previously six monthly basis). Refer to Section 7.4.  - Groundwater monitoring is undertaken annually. Refer to Section 7.3.  There were no incidents recorded during the reporting period which resulted in the pollution of waters. | Compliant         |
| L2        | LOAD LIMITS   |            |   |                   |
| L2.1      | The actual load of an assessable pollutant discharged from the premises during the reporting period must not exceed the load limit specified for the assessable pollutant in the table below.   | Operation  | All assessable pollutants were within the load limits specified. Refer to Section 7.2.  | Compliant         |
| L2.2      | The actual load of an assessable pollutant must be calculated in accordance with the relevant load calculation protocol.  | Operation  | The 2022 Annual Return listed the Source Monitoring Method TM-34, as the calculation method for each of the assessable pollutants. This is listed in the EPA's Load Calculation Protocol as an acceptable method for assessable air pollutants.  Source monitoring was undertaken by external consultants, Assured Environmental for the reporting period.  | Compliant         |
| L3        | CONCENTRATION LIMITS  |            |   |                   |
| L3.1      | 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. | Operation  | Noted. Refer to L3.2.   | Noted             |

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| L3.2      | Air Concentration Limits  Points 2,3,20  VOC: 10 mg/m3  NOx: 350 mg/m3  Solid particles: 10 mg/m3  Point 5  VOC: 20 mg/m3  Point 19  Solid particles: 50 mg/m3  H2S: 5 mg/m3  VOC: 10 mg/m3  NOx: 350 mg/m3  Sulfuric acid mist: 100 mg/m3  S2O: 1360 mg/m3  Point 24  Solid particles: 10 mg/m3  Sulphur dioxide: 100 mg/m3  Nitrogen oxides: 350 mg/m3  VOC: 20mg/m3  Carbon monoxide: 125mg/m3   | Operation | There were no exceedances of air concentration limits. Refer Section 7.2.  | Compliant         |
| 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.  J100 - Waste mineral oils - waste processing - must not exceed 40,000 tonnes per year  J120 - Waste oily/hydrocarbons mixtures in water - waste storage - must not exceed 120 tonnes at any one time  D120 - Spent catalyst - waste storage - must not exceed 120 tonnes at any one time  General or specific exempted waste - As specified in each particular resource recover exemption - limit N/A  Waste - Any waste received on site that is below the licensing thresholds in Schedule 1 of the POEO Act - limit N/A | Operation | J100 - Waste Oil 27,026 tonnes of waste lubricant oil was processed during the reporting period. This is below the 40,000 tonne limit.  J120 - Oily water The following oily water is stored on site: - Two 1,000 L Intermediate bulk containers (IBC) for the storage of oily water (J120) from the puraceptor (predominately) - One 1,000 L IBC of waste oil generated during the refinery process (e.g. from product testing) which gets emptied back into the feed tank for reprocessing. These waste storage activities are well below the storage limits specified.  D210 - Spent Catalyst Spent catalyst is stored in drums housed in modified shipping containers. A monthly stocktake is undertaken and the number of tonnes of spent catalyst recorded in a stocktake spreadsheet. The limit of 120 tonnes was not exceeded during the reporting period.  Waste 3,907 tonnes of Virgin Excavated Natural Material (VENM) was imported to site as part of the dam remediation works. The VENM was sourced from Woodbury Civil's Black Hill Quarry. A VENM Certificate was provided by Woodbury Civil for this material. The importation of only VENM from offsite for application to land is below the waste disposal (application to land) thresholds in Schedule 1 of the POEO Act. | Compliant         |

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| L5        | NOISE LIMITS  |           |  |                   |
|           |   |           | Monitoring undertaken in 2020 indicated compliance with the specified noise criteria. Refer to Section 7.5.  |                   |
| L5.1      | Noise generated at the premises must not exceed: a) 37dB(A) LAeq(15 minute) at (Receptor B); b) 35 dB(A) LAeq(15 minute) at (Receptors A to P excluding B); and c) 49 dB(A) LA1(1 minute) at Receptors A to P during the hours 10pm to 7am Monday to Saturday and 10pm to 8am Sunday at all times, except as expressly provided by this licence. Where LAeq means the equivalent continuous noise level — the level of noise equivalent to the energy-average of noise levels occurring over a measurement period. Where Receptors A to P are identified in the document "Rutherford Resource Recovery and Recycling Facility, Environmental Assessment, Volume 3 Appendix K" prepared by Parsons Brinkerhoff and dated January 2006. | Operation |  | Compliant         |
| L5.2      | To determine compliance with condition(s) of this licence noise must be measured at, or computed for, at the identified noise sensitive receptor. A modifying factor correction must be applied for tonal, impulsive or intermittent noise in accordance with the "Environmental Noise Management - NSW Industrial Noise Policy (January 2000)"   | Operation | Monitoring undertaken in 2020 indicated compliance with the specified noise criteria. Refer to Section 7.5.  | Compliant         |
| L6        | POTENTIALLY OFFENSIVE ODOUR   |           |  |                   |
| L6.1      | 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.   | Operation | Cleanaway implements the AQMP to minimise and manage odour. This includes ensuring plant is maintained and operated efficiently, conducting odour assessments as part of routine workplace inspections, recording and managing odour complaints and undertaking odour monitoring as required by the EPL.  No complaints relating to odour were received during the reporting period. | Compliant         |
| L7        | OTHER LIMIT CONDITIONS  |           |  |                   |
| L7        | Note: The licensee must comply with the conditions as specified in this licence or where no specific conditions are outlined in this licence, the licensee must comply with the "Chemical Control Order in Relation to Materials and Wastes Containing Polychlorinated Biphenyl, 1997".   | Operation | No materials or waste containing PCBs are stored on site.  | Not-triggered     |
| 4         | OPERATING CONDITIONS  |           |  |                   |
| 01        | ACTIVITIES MUST BE CARRIED OUT IN A COMPETENT MANNER  |           |  |                   |

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| 01.1      | 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. | Operation | Cleanaway maintains a training register in MYOSH which identifies training competencies assigned and completed by each employee.  Different training modules have been developed for different access to the Site e.g., visitor, contractor, truck driver to loading bay. Operator and maintenance staff training is undertaken regularly.  Waste is transported by appropriately licensed transporters to appropriately licensed facilities.   | Compliant                |
| 01.2      | All operations and activities used in connection with the licensed activity must be carried out in a manner that prevents or minimises the emission of air pollutants from where the licensed activity takes place.  | Operation | Air emissions are managed in accordance with the AQMP. The following measures are in place to minimise air emissions: - Storage tanks at the Cleanaway facility are controlled with vapour reduction unit to capture and control emissions from the tanks and the loading / unloading area The light end capture system (nitrogen blanketing and vapour capture) are scrubbed by the activated charcoal system prior to the VOC wet scrubber The flare is only used when the system experiences interruptions or shutdowns known as an 'upset' as shown on the Flare Log.   | Compliant                |
| O2        | MAINTENANCE OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT   |           |   |                          |
| 02.1      | 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.  | Operation | The site operates 24 hours per day, seven days per week and is controlled via the Main Control Room.  The Main Control Room includes monitoring of site conditions and weather forecasts and operating controls as required.  A manual maintenance system is in operation, Safe Compliant Reliable Optimised Assets (SCROA). SCROA is an Excel-based asset register maintained by maintenance personnel. The register contains information on over 1,000 pieces of equipment including the frequency of the routine maintenance, date maintenance was last undertaken and when it is due (amongst other things). Equipment with environmental duties includes: SOX scrubber, flare, weather station, VOC scrubber, stormwater pit silt trap and oily water separator. | Compliant                |
| 02.2      | Waste oil and other non-standard fuels must not be burnt or used as fuel on the site.  | Operation | The Rutherford Refinery uses natural gas to fuel operations. No waste oil or non-standard fuels are used as fuel.   | Compliant                |
| 02.3      | All boilers must be fuelled only by natural gas.   | Operation | The Rutherford Refinery uses natural gas to fuel operations.  | Compliant                |
| O3        | EMERGENCY RESPONSE   |           |   |                          |

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| 03.1      | The licensee must maintain, and implement as necessary, a current Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) in relation to the activity to which this licence relates. The licensee must at all times keep the PIRMP at the location where the licensed activity takes place. The PIRMP must document systems and procedures to deal with all types of incidents (e.g. spills, explosions or fire) that may occur where the licensed activity takes place or that may be associated with activities that occur where the licensed activity takes place and which are likely to cause harm to the environment.  The licensee must, in relation to the PIRMP, comply with the requirements in Part 5.7A of the Act and Regulations made under the Act | Operation | The Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) documents the procedures to deal with incidents which are likely to cause harm to the environment. The PIRMP is supported by the site-specific emergency management plan. The PIRMP is reviewed annually and tested at a minimum every 12 months.  The PIRMP was tested on the 6 August 2022 and reviewed on the 5 September 2022.  A hard copy of the PIRMP is located at the Rutherford office. An electronic version is available on the Cleanaway intranet portal. | Compliant         |
| 04        | PROCESSING AND MANAGEMENT   |           |  |                   |
| O4.1      | The licensee must ensure that any liquid and/or non-liquid waste for treatment, processing, reprocessing or disposal at the premises is assessed and classified in accordance with the Waste Classification Guidelines produced by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) as in force from time to time.  | Operation | The only waste processed at the premises during the reporting period was refined used fuel oil.  No waste is disposed of at the premises.  All waste generated at the site is taken off-site for disposal. Waste tracking certificates are kept on file for waste removed from site.   | Compliant         |
| 04.2      | The licensee must ensure that waste identified for recycling is stored separately from other waste.   | Operation | Separate bins are provided in the office area for paper, comingled recycling and landfill.  Waste metal is separated for collection by local scrap steel recycler.   | Compliant         |
| 04.3      | No more than 30,000 litres of feed oil can be processed prior to the sorbent reactivation cycle being conducted. For the purposes of this condition the quantity of feed oil is taken from the time after the previous reactivation cycle occurred.   | Operation | This condition was included in the EPL on the 15 September 2022. Prior to this it was included in the REOIL EPL and REOIL was responsible for tracking compliance with this requirement. Cleanaway monitors this through its SCADA control system. The MOPP's internal control system will automatically commence the reactivation cycle prior to reaching the 30,000L feed oil limit.   | Compliant         |
| O4.4      | Only base oil processed through the Cleanaway Refiners Pty Ltd facility at 41 Kyle Street, Rutherford, NSW, 2320, (Environment protection licence no. 12555) may be processed through the Mobile Oil Regeneration System  | Operation | The MOPP is supplied from Finished Product Storage Tank 6 and therefore can only process base oil that has been processed by the refinery.   | Compliant         |
| O4.5      | Base oil processed through the Mobile Oil Regeneration System must not contain polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) or other contaminant which the plant is not designed to treat.  |           | The MOPP is supplied from Finished Product Storage Tank 6 and therefore can only process base oil that has been processed by the refinery.  Other Cleanaway facilities are responsible for the pre-treatment of waste oil (including screening for PCB's) prior to it being received at the Rutherford facility for refining.  | Compliant         |
| 05        | WASTE MANAGEMENT  |           |  |                   |

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| O5.1      | All above ground tanks containing material that is likely to cause environmental harm must be bunded or have an alternative spill containment system in place.  | Operation | The following areas with above ground tanks are bunded: Process Tank, Storage Tank, FPCC, Hydrogenation Plant (HGP) & Fire Heater, Loading Bay and Dangerous Goods (DG) Storage area.  An internal bund review of the undertaken in October 2020 confirmed the volume of each bunded area had sufficient capacity to contain 110% of the largest container stored within the bund.  The MOPP is self-bunded (the HAZOP completed for the MOPP takes into account bund capacity impacts).  IBC's used for storage of oily water from the puraceptor and waste oil generated from product testing are stored on pallet bunds. | Compliant                |
| O5.2      | The licensee must ensure that suitable measures (e.g. high/low alarms, control valves with interlock control, one way valves) are installed on all tanks, ponds or clarifiers and associated pipes and hoses to prevent the spillage of waste.  | Operation | Bunds drain to interceptor pits which are pumped through the puraceptor to a balance tank. The balance tank employs high level and low level switches. The effluent pumps were interlocked into the high level switch. In the event that the puraceptor overflows, the overflow drains back to the interceptor pit for reprocessing.  Waste oil is stored in IBCs within the bunded area and attached to the puraceptor via flexi hoses.  Bulk storage tanks are fitted with overflow alarms.   | Compliant                |
| 06        | OTHER OPERATING CONDITIONS  |           |   |                          |
| 06.1      | The flare must not operate except during start up, shutdown and permissible process upsets.   | Operation | Flaring is tracked using the SCADA system and then transferred onto a manual flare log by the control room. A Flaring Time Rolling Total spreadsheet is maintained which records the total cumulative flare time and records process operating times.  All flare events during the reporting period were during start-up, shut down and process upsets.   | Compliant                |
| 06.2      | Process upsets must not exceed 2% of the total process operating time during any 12 month period.   | Operation | In 2022 process upsets were less than 2% of process operating time (approximately 1.5%).  | Compliant                |
| 06.3      | There must be no visible emission from Point 4 other than for a total period of no more than 5 minutes in any 2 hour period.  | Operation | The Flare Log requires a check for visible plumes. No visible plumes were observed during the reporting period.   | Compliant                |
| 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.   | Operation | Results of monitoring required by the EPL (groundwater, air quality and weather) are recorded and retained as required. Refer M1.2 and M1.3.  | Compliant                |
| 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. | Operation | Records are maintained in a legible form on the internal Cleanaway network drive in electronic format. They are maintained for at least four years. The EPA has not requested any data during the reporting period.   | Compliant                |

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| 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.  | Operation | Air Quality Monitoring Air Quality monitoring was undertaken by Assured Environmental during the reporting period. The report provided detailed the date on which samples were taken, the run start and run stop times, the sample locations and the name of the person who collected the sample.  Groundwater Monitoring  Groundwater monitoring was undertaken by Assured Environmental during the reporting period. The report provided detailed the date and time at which samples were taken, the sample locations and the name of the person who collected the samples. | Compliant         |
| 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: | Operation | Noted. Refer to M2.2.   | Noted             |
| M2.2      | Air Monitoring Requirements Points 2,3 (table not reproduced - refer EPL) Point 5 (table not reproduced - refer EPL) Point 19 (table not reproduced - refer EPL) Point 20 (table not reproduced - refer EPL) Point 24 (table not reproduced - refer EPL)   | Operation | Annual Monitoring was conducted from 1 - 4 November 2021 at Points 2, 3, 5, 19 and 20.  The monitoring reports prepared by Assured Environmental stated that the testing was conducted in accordance with 'Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales' (DECC, 2007).   | Compliant         |
| M2.3      | Water and /or Land Monitoring Requirements Point 6, 10, 22, 23 (table not reproduced - refer EPL)  |           | Annual Monitoring was undertaken on the 17/12/2021 at Points 22 (MW15) and 23 (MW19). Points 6 (MW21) and 10 (MW12) were dry so no sampling could be undertaken.  Sampling for tetrachloroethylene, TPH C10-C35 and TPH C6-C9 was undertaken for Points 22 and 23.  | Compliant         |
| M2.4      | For each monitoring/discharge point specified below (by a point number), the licensee must adjust the monitoring results for the pollutants listed in Column 2 to the units of measure and reference conditions specified opposite in the other columns.  (table not reproduced - refer EPL)   | Operation | The monitoring reports prepared by Assured Environmental stated that stack testing was being corrected to 'normal conditions' (dry, 273K and 101.325kPa) as required.   | Compliant         |
| M2.5      | Special Method 1 – means the method described in US-EPA 323  | Operation | Noted.  | Noted             |
|           | TESTING METHODS - CONCENTRATION LIMITS   |           |   |                   |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase      | Evidence & Comments   | Compliance Status |
|-----------|---|------------|---|-------------------|
| 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 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.  Note: The Protection of the Environment Operations (Clean Air) Regulation 2002 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". | Operation  | Noted.  | Noted             |
| 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.  | Operation  | There are no licensed discharge points for discharges to water or to a utilisation area. Stormwater monitoring is undertaken in accordance with the OEMP and Stormwater Management Plan.  | Noted             |
| M4        | TESSTING METHODS - LOAD LIMITS  |            |   |                   |
| M4        | Note: Division 3 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009 requires that monitoring of actual loads of assessable pollutants listed in L2.2 must be carried out in accordance with the relevant load calculation protocol set out for the fee-based activity classification listed in the Administrative Conditions of this licence.  | Operation  | Noted.  | Noted             |
| M5        | WEATHER MONITORING  | -          |   |                   |
| M5.1      | 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 in the other columns.  Point 21 (table not reproduced - refer EPL)   | Operation  | The weather station is located on top of the Control Room and operates continuously.  Weather station data is downloaded to the Control Room where it is viewed on screen. Parameters are measured continuously and averaged at 15 minute periods.  Environdata, the vendor who supplies the unit, also conducts maintenance and calibration of the weather station. The Annual Field Calibration Reports state that sampling is as per the specified sampling methods. | Compliant         |
| M6        | RECORDING OF POLLUTION COMPLAINTS   |            |   |                   |
| M6.1      | 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.   | Throughout | Complaints are logged in the MYOSH system.  No complaints were recorded during the reporting period.  | Compliant         |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase      | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance Status |
|-----------|--|------------|--|-------------------|
| M6.2      | 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. | Throughout | The MYOSH system allows for the required information to be captured.   | Compliant         |
| M6.3      | The record of a complaint must be kept for at least 4 years after the complaint was made.  | Throughout | Complaints are retained for at least 4 years.  | Compliant         |
| M6.4      | The record must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.   | Throughout | The EPA have not requested any record be produced during the reporting period.   | Not-triggered     |
| M7        | TELEPHONE COMPLAINTS LINE  |            |  |                   |
| M7.1      | 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.  | Throughout | Cleanaway maintains a 24 hour community hotline number (1800 158 447 ) which can be used for receiving complaints.   | Compliant         |
| M7.2      | 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.  | Throughout | The complaints line is displayed at the entrance of the Rutherford facility.  The community hotline number is also available on the Cleanaway website.   | Compliant         |
| M7.3      | The preceding two conditions do not apply until 3 months after: the date of the issue of this licence.   | Throughout | Completed outside of reporting period.   | Closed out        |
| M8        | OTHER MONITRING AND RECORDING CONDITIONS   |            |  |                   |
| M8.1      | Detailed records of each use of the flare must be kept on site and made available to the EPA on request.  Each record must include the flare start and stop time and the reason for its use.   | Operation  | Flare logs are completed and maintained by the control room which include the date, time flaring started, time flaring finished, duration of flaring, stack appearance (visible plume or no visible plume) and reason for flaring. | Compliant         |
| M8.2      | Detailed records of all process upsets and process start-ups and shutdowns must be kept. Each record must include the process start and stop time and the reason for each process upset.   | Operation  | Process start and stop times and details of process upsets are recorded in the monthly Plant KPI Reports.  | Compliant         |
| 6         | REPORTING CONDITIONS   |            |  |                   |
| R1        | ANNUAL RETURN DOCUMENTS  |            |  |                   |
|           |  |            |  |                   |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase     | Evidence & Comments   | Compliance Status |
|-----------|--|-----------|---|-------------------|
| R1.1      | The licensee must complete and supply to the EPA an Annual Return in the approved form comprising:  1. a Statement of Compliance; and  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 a copy of the form that must be completed and returned to the EPA. | Operation | The Annual Return for the period 29 September 2020 to 28 September 2021 was submitted to the EPA on the 14 December 2021. It was completed using the provided form and included the required statements of compliance.                          | Compliant         |
| R1.2      | An Annual Return must be prepared in respect of each reporting period, except as provided below.   | Operation | The Annual Return for 2021 was submitted in December 2021. The Annual Return for 2022 was submitted in November 2022 (outside this reporting period).   | Compliant         |
| 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.  | Operation | The licence was not transferred to a new licensee during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered     |
| 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.  | Operation | The licence was not been surrendered or revoked during the reporting period.  | Not-triggered     |
| 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').  | Operation | The Annual Return for the period 29 September 2020 to 28 September 2021 was initially submitted to the EPA on the 26 November 2021. Following consultation with the EPA, the Annual Return was revised and resubmitted on the 14 December 2021. | Compliant         |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase      | Evidence & Comments   | Compliance Status |
|-----------|--|------------|---|-------------------|
|           |  |            | Not triggered.  |                   |
| R1.6      | Where the licensee is unable to complete a part of the Annual Return by the due date because the licensee was unable to calculate the actual load of a pollutant due to circumstances beyond the licensee's control, the licensee must notify the EPA in writing as soon as practicable, and in any event not later than the due date. The notification must specify:  a) the assessable pollutants for which the actual load could not be calculated; and b) the relevant circumstances that were beyond the control of the licensee. | Operation  | Annual Returns are retained for at least four years.  | Not-triggered     |
| R1.7      | 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.   | Operation  | Aumaum neturns are retained for at least four years.  | Compliant         |
| R1.8      | 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.  | Operation  | The Annual Return was signed by the Director and Company Secretary.   | Compliant         |
| R1.9      | The licensee must submit the following information with the Annual Return: a) A comparison of data obtained from emissions monitoring to the emission limits in this licence and other relevant air quality criteria; b) Recommendations for the continuation or discontinuation of monitoring for pollutants which have not been detected or detected consistently at levels significantly below the licence and/or regulatory limits   | Operation  | a) Monitoring data is compared to emission limits and exceedances are reported in Section C2 of the Annual Return as non compliances. The Annual Return also includes a link to the Cleanaway website were monitoring data is published. The monitoring report published on the website includes a comparison of the data with the assessment criteria. b) There was no plan to change the monitoring requirements during the reporting period. | Compliant         |
|           | 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.  | Throughout | Noted   | Noted             |
| R2        | NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HARM   |            |   |                   |
| R2.1      | Notifications must be made by telephoning the Environment Line service on 131 555.   | Throughout | No incidents of environmental harm have occurred during the reporting period.   | Not-triggered     |
| R2.2      | The licensee must provide written details of the notification to the EPA within 7 days of the date on which the incident occurred.  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.   | Throughout | No incidents of environmental harm have occurred during the reporting period.   | Not-triggered     |
| R3        | WRITTEN REPORT   |            |   |                   |

| Reference | Requirement  | Phase      | Evidence & Comments | Compliance Status |
|-----------|--|------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 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. | Throughout | Not triggered.      | Not-triggered     |
| 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.   | Throughout | Not triggered.      | Not-triggered     |
| 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   | Throughout | Not triggered.      | Not-triggered     |
|           | 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      | 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   | Throughout | Not triggered.      | Not-triggered     |

| Reference | Requirement   | Phase     | Evidence & Comments  | Compliance Status |
|-----------|---|-----------|--|-------------------|
| R4.1      | The licensee must notify the EPA of any process start-up, process shut-down and/or process upset which results in the concentration of hydrogen sulphide, as measured by the continuous hydrogen sulphide monitoring system exceeding 15 parts per million for a period of 30 seconds or more. The notification must be made within 24 hours of any of these events. Notification may be made by facsimile to (02) 49086810 or by email to newcastlerequest@environment.nsw.gov.au. | Operation | No process start-up, process shut-down and/or process upset resulted in concentration of hydrogen sulphide, as measured by the continuous hydrogen sulphide monitoring system exceeding 15 parts per million for a period of 30 seconds or more during the reporting period. | Compliant         |
| 7         | GENERAL CONDITIONS  |           |  |                   |
| G1        | COPY OF LICENCE KEPT AT THE PREMISES  |           |  |                   |
| G1.1      | A copy of this licence must be kept at the premises to which the licence applies.   |           | An electronic copy of the EPL is maintained on site. A copy (electronic or printed) is available to anyone on request.   | Compliant         |
| G1.2      | The licence must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see it.   |           | Not triggered.   | Not-triggered     |
| G1.3      | The licence must be available for inspection by any employee or agent of the licensee working at the premises.  |           | An electronic copy of the EPL is maintained on site. A copy (electronic or printed) is available to anyone on request.   | Compliant         |

# **Appendix B: Air Quality Trend Analysis**

FIGURE B1: HISTORICAL NITROGEN DIOXIDE (EPL POINTS 2, 3, 19 AND 20) TREND GRAPH

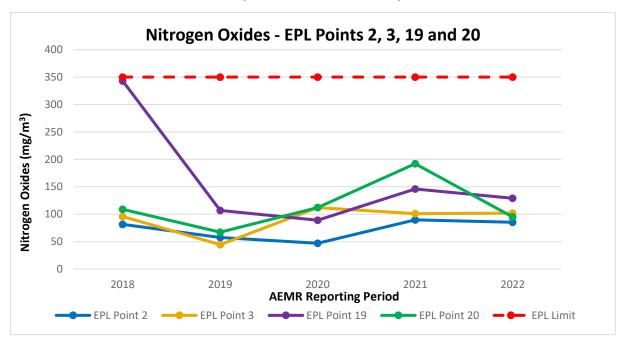


FIGURE B2: HISTORICAL TOTAL PARTICULATE (EPL POINTS 2, 3 AND 20) TREND GRAPH

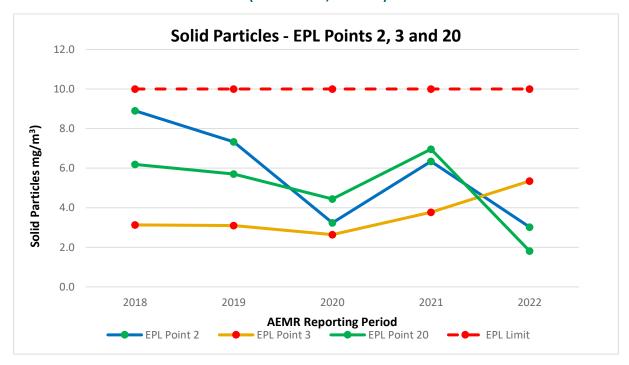


FIGURE B3: HISTORICAL TOTAL PARTICULATE (EPL POINT 19) TREND GRAPH

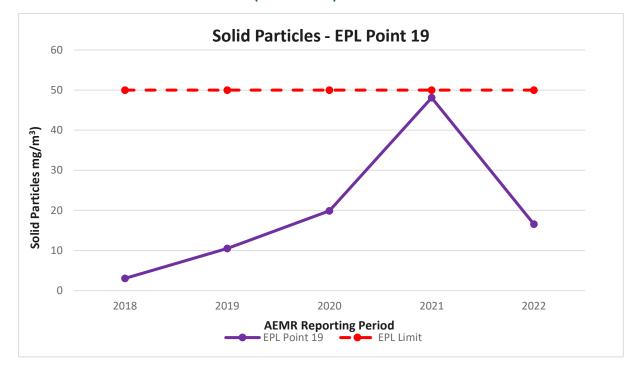


FIGURE B4: HISTORICAL VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (EPL POINTS 2, 3, 19 AND 20) TREND GRAPH

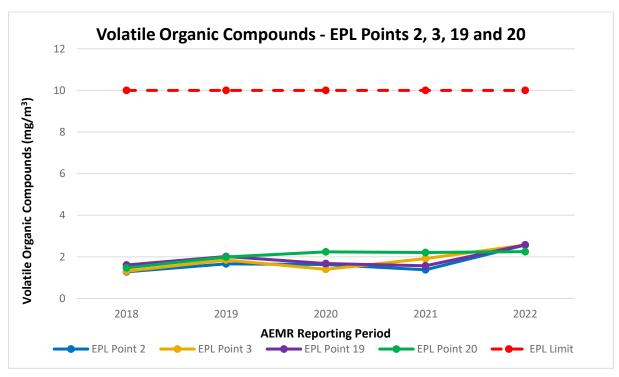


FIGURE B5: HISTORICAL VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS (EPL POINT 5) TREND GRAPH

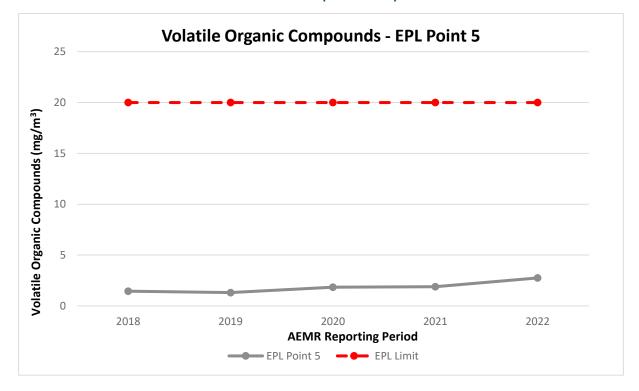


FIGURE B6: HISTORICAL ODOUR (EPL POINTS 5, 19 AND 20) TREND GRAPH

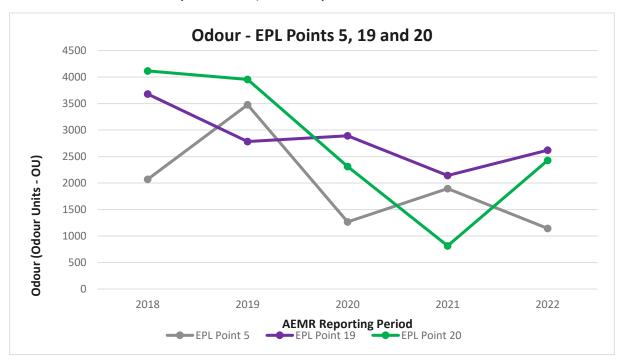


FIGURE B7: HISTORICAL HYDROGEN SULPHIDE (EPL POINT 19) TREND GRAPH

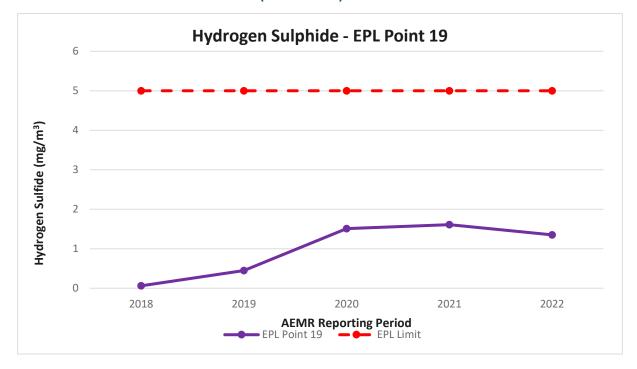


FIGURE B8: HISTORICAL HYDROGEN SULPHIDE (EPL POINTS 2, 3, 5 AND 20) TREND GRAPH

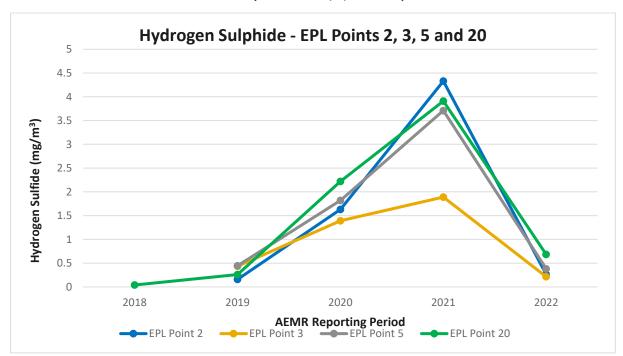


FIGURE B9: HISTORICAL SULPHURIC ACID MIST AND SULPHUR TRIOXIDE (EPL POINT 19) TREND GRAPH

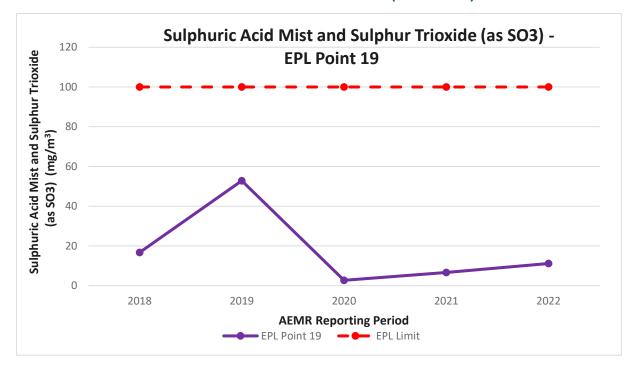


FIGURE B10: HISTORICAL SULPHUR DIOXIDE (EPL POINT 19) TREND GRAPH

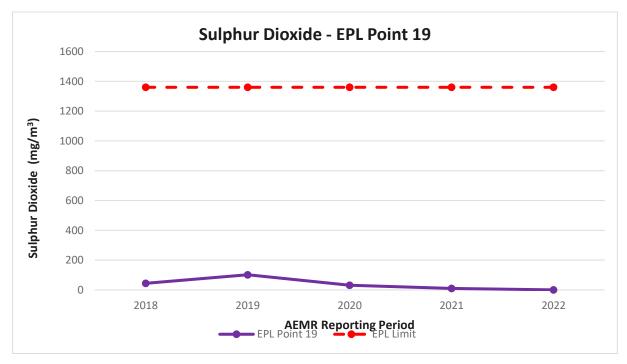


FIGURE B11: HISTORICAL PAH [BENZO(A)PYRENE EQUIVALENT] (EPL POINT 5) TREND GRAPH

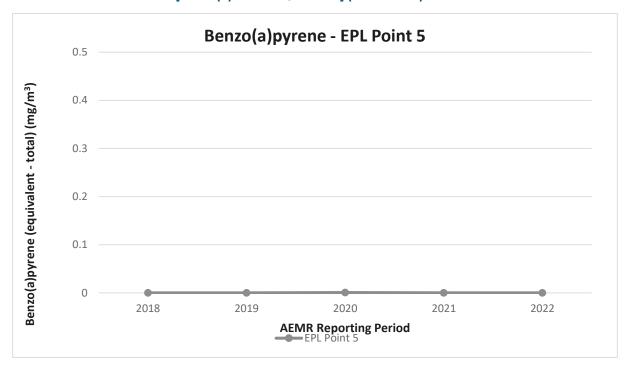
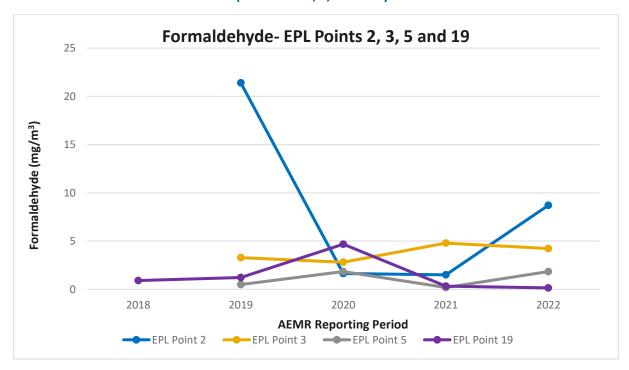
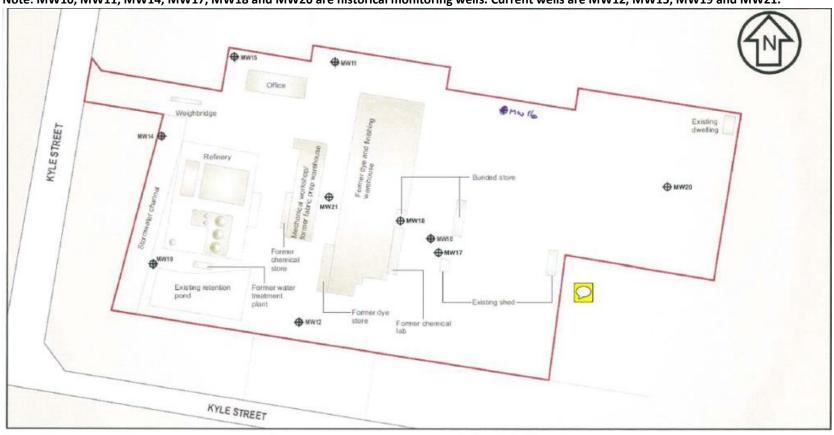


FIGURE B12: HISTORICAL FORMALDEHYDE (EPL POINTS 2, 3, 5 AND 19) TREND GRAPH

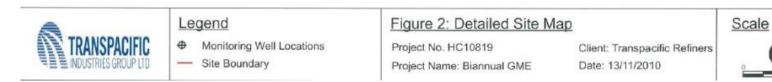


## **Appendix C: Groundwater Monitoring Locations**

Note: MW10, MW11, MW14, MW17, MW18 and MW20 are historical monitoring wells. Current wells are MW12, MW15, MW19 and MW21.



Source: Modified from ENSR (2009)



# **Appendix D: Groundwater Quality Trend Analysis**

| Sample<br>ID | Date<br>Sampled | Groundwater<br>level (m) | Temp<br>(°C) | DO<br>(mg/L) | рН   | EC<br>(mS/cm) | Redox<br>(mV) | C6-C9<br>(µg/L) | C10-C16<br>(µg/L) | C16-C34<br>(µg/L) | C34-C40<br>(µg/L) | C10-C36<br>(µg/L) | Tetrachlor oethene |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| MW12         | 8/12/2016       | 13.1                     | 20.5         | 1.4          | 5.32 | 12980         | 119           | 11              | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | 3                  |
|              | 30/11/2017      | 11.75                    | 26.2         | 2.72         | 6.35 | 12.6          | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 29/11/2018      | 13.5                     | 20.3         | 4.84         | 5.9  | 12600         | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 6/11/2019       | 13.9                     | 24.5         | 2.96         | 5.35 | 10119         | 138           | <20             | -                 | -                 | -                 | <100              | <5                 |
|              | 1/12/2020       | Dry                      | •            | -            | 1    | -             | ı             | ı               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
|              | 17/12/2021      | Dry                      | •            | -            | 1    | -             | ı             | ı               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
| MW15         | 30/11/2017      | 14.25                    | 22.9         | 7.33         | 6.74 | 7.905         | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 29/11/2018      | 16                       | 22.3         | 4.93         | 7.76 | 44010         | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 5/11/2019       | 14.5                     | 20.6         | 4.47         | 6.02 | 8185          | 140           | <20             | -                 | -                 | -                 | <100              | <5                 |
|              | 1/12/2020       | 13.3                     | 20.7         | 6.9          | 6.28 | 6768          | 12            | <20             | <100              | <100              | <100              | <50               | <5                 |
|              | 17/12/2021      | 13.2                     | 21.2         | 1.4          | 5.0  | 3100          | 147           | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | <50               | <1                 |
| MW17*        | 8/12/2016       | 12.9                     | 19.8         | 2.34         | 6.37 | 8120          | -18.8         | 250             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | 54                 |
|              | 13/12/2017      | 12.87                    | 21           | NP           | 7    | 7960          | -50.1         | 140             | <100              | <200              | <200              | -                 | 39                 |
| MW18*        | 8/12/2016       | 12.77                    | 20.5         | 1.45         | 6.4  | 7840          | -99.5         | 75              | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | 26                 |
|              | 13/12/2017      | 12.96                    | 30.2         | NP           | 7.02 | 8030          | 18.2          | 25              | <100              | <200              | <200              | -                 | 12                 |
| MW19         | 30/11/2017      | 14.5                     | 21.7         | 1.88         | 6.51 | 5950          | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 29/11/2018      | 17                       | 20.4         | 8.65         | 6.47 | 48000         | NP            | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | <1                 |
|              | 6/11/2019       | 16                       | 22.1         | 0.65         | 6.06 | 6292          | -199          | <20             | -                 | -                 | -                 | <100              | <5                 |
|              | 1/12/2020       | 13.3                     | 21           | 0.78         | 5.73 | 6766          | -14           | <20             | <100              | <100              | <100              | <50               | <5                 |
|              | 17/12/2021      | 13.3                     | 20.3         | 2.4          | 5.5  | 2200          | 88.6          | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | <50               | <1                 |
| MW20*        | 8/12/2016       | 13.96                    | 20.7         | 2.1          | 6.31 | 7650          | 62.2          | <10             | <50               | <100              | <100              | -                 | 2                  |
|              | 13/12/2017      | 17                       | 22.4         | NP           | 7.18 | 7610          | 91.4          | <10             | <100              | <200              | <200              | -                 | <1                 |
| MW21         | 8/12/2016       | 12.78                    | 33.3         | 3.23         | 6.61 | 5681          | -15.7         | 400             |                   | <100              | <100              | -                 | 150                |
|              | 30/11/2017      | Dry                      | •            | -            | ı    | -             | •             | 1               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
|              | 29/11/2018      | Dry                      | -            | -            | -    | -             | -             | -               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
|              | 5/11/2019       | Dry                      | •            | -            | 1    | -             | -             | 1               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
|              | 1/12/2020       | Dry                      | •            | -            | 1    | -             | -             | 1               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |
|              | 17/12/2021      | Dry                      | -            | -            | -    | -             | -             | -               | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                 | -                  |

Notes:

\*Location removed from EPL12555

NP= Not provided

### **Appendix E: Surface Monitoring Locations**

Figure E1: Site Plan and Stormwater Drainage (from Stormwater Management Plan)

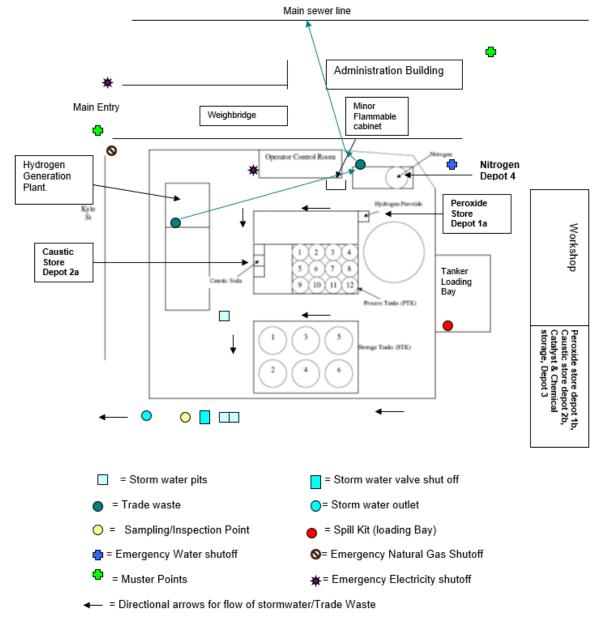


Figure E2: Stormwater Shut off valve (from Stormwater Management Plan)



## **Appendix F: Surface Water Quality Trend Analysis**

FIGURE D1: STORMWATER MONITORING - TOTAL PHOSPHORUS TREND GRAPH

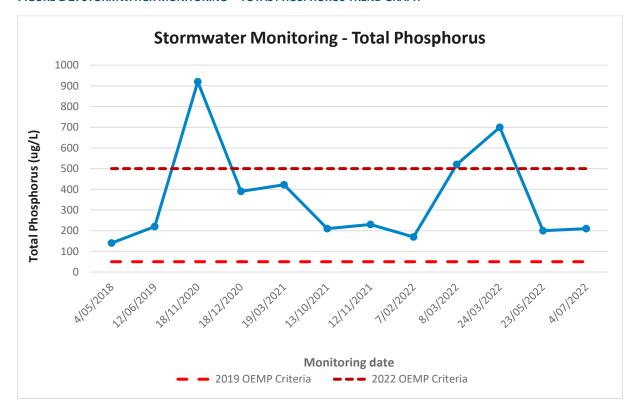
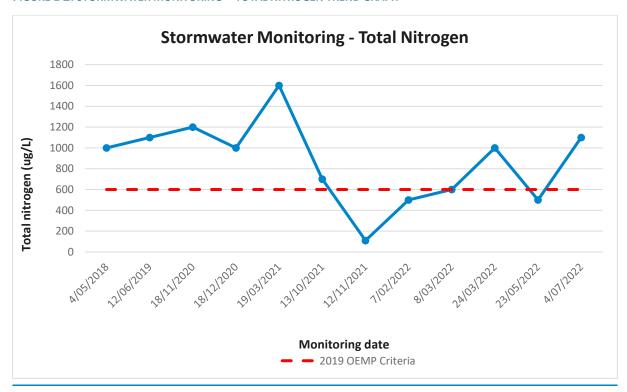


FIGURE D2: STORMWATER MONITORING - TOTAL NITROGEN TREND GRAPH



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FIGURE D3: STORMWATER MONITORING - ELECTRICAL CONDUCTIVITY TREND GRAPH

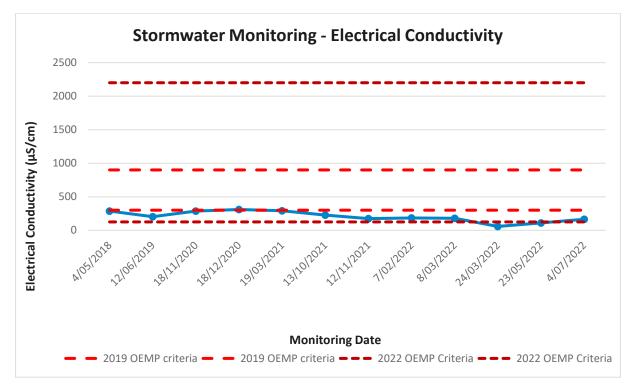


FIGURE D4: STORMWATER MONITORING - OIL AND GREASE TREND GRAPH

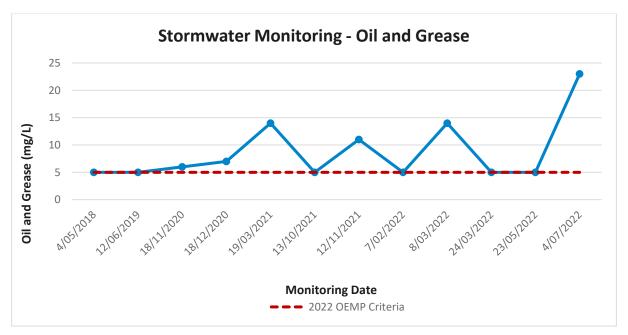
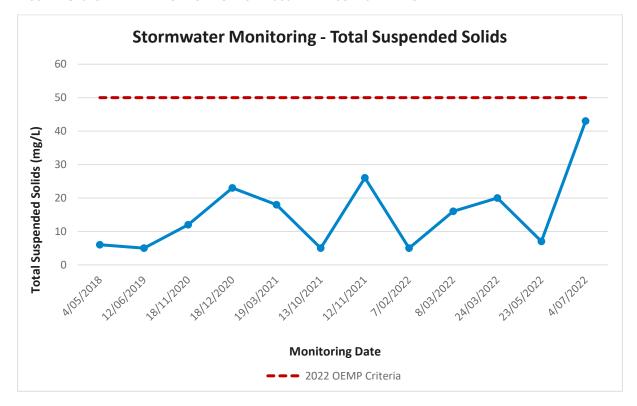


FIGURE D5: STORMWATER MONITORING —TOTAL SUSPENDED SOLIDS TREND GRAPH



# **Appendix G: Complaints Register**

#### TABLE E1: COMPLAINTS REGISTER 29 SEPTEMBER 2021 TO 28 SEPTEMBER 2022

| Date                   | Time | How<br>complaint<br>made<br>(telephone /<br>email / mail) | Nature of complaint | Action taken (including follow up with complainant) |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|------|---|---------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| No complaints received |      |   |                     |   |  |  |  |  |