

(Pursuant to section 34 of the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act)

Licensee HUMPTY DOO BARRAMUNDI PTY LTD

Licence Number EPL239 - 04

Registered Business

Address

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1105 Anzac Parade Parade

Middle Point NT 0822

ACN 059 248 038 ABN 87 059 248 038

Premises Address Section 01773 Hundred of Guy plan(s) LTO2016/051

1105 ANZAC PDE, MIDDLE POINT

Anniversary Date: 06 June

Commencement Date: 06/06/2023

Expiry Date: 05/06/2028

**Scheduled Activity** Collecting, transporting, storing, re-cycling, treating or

disposing of a listed waste (as per Table 1) on a commercial or

fee for service basis, other than in or for the purpose of a

sewage treatment plant.

Operating **premises**, other than a sewage treatment plant, associated with collecting, transporting, storing, re-cycling, treating or disposing of a **listed waste** (as per Table 1) on a

commercial or fee for service basis.

**Description** Operation of an aquaculture facility, of which the main

business is cultivating Barramundi for export to overseas markets and for sale within Australia. Listed waste (animal effluent and residues) is treated in the wetland treatment exercises and recorded back into the production pends for further

system and **recycled** back into the production ponds for further

use. Wastewater is **disposed** of via five authorised discharge points into the Adelaide River, subject to conditions this licence.

Table 1 - Listed Wastes Authorised to be Handled

Listed Waste	Collection	Transport	Storage	Treatment	Recycling	Disposal
Animal effluent and residues	×	×	×	✓	✓	✓

<sup>✓</sup> Activity authorised by this licence

<sup>×</sup> Activity not authorised by this licence

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- 2 Attachment B Environmental Management Plan.pdf
- 3 Attachment C Monitoring Program.pdf
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#### INFORMATION ABOUT THIS LICENCE

This licence does not in any way relieve the licence holder from its obligations to comply with the Waste
Management and Pollution Control Act 1998 (WMPC Act), including the general environmental duty in
section 12 of the WMPC Act and the duty to notify of incidents causing or threating to cause pollution
under section 14 of the WMPC Act.

#### Duration of a licence (section 40, 43 and 45 of the WMPC Act)

- A licence will remain in force until its expiry date or until it is surrendered by the licensee or is suspended
  or cancelled in accordance with the WMPC Act.
- The licensee must notify the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) within 14 days after ceasing to conduct the activity.
- The licensee may, with the approval of the NT EPA, surrender the licence to the NT EPA.

#### Amendment or Revocation of a licence (section 37 of the WMPC Act)

- The licensee may apply to amend or revoke a condition of this licence.
- A fee applies and the application must be made using the designated form via NT EPA Online.
- The NT EPA may also amend or revoke a condition of this licence as set out in section 38 of the WMPC Act.

#### Transfer of a licence (section 46 of the WMPC Act)

The licensee can apply to transfer their licence to another person.

#### Renewal of a licence (section 40 of the WMPC Act and section 3 of the Regulations)

- The licensee may apply for the renewal of their licence not earlier than 90 days, and not later than 30 days, before their licence expires.
- A fee applies and the application must be made via NT EPA Online.

#### **Public Register**

- A copy of environment protection licences and any plans for environmental management, reports, submissions or documents required as a condition of an environment protection licence, will be placed on a register in accordance with section 9 of the WMPC Act.
- A copy of the Annual Return will be placed on the register.
- The NT EPA makes this register freely available from the NT EPA website.

# Environment Protection Objectives (Part 4 of the WMPC Act), and Water Quality Standards (section 73 of the Water Act)

- An Environment Protection Objective (EPO) is a statutory instrument to establish principles on which:
  - a. environmental quality is to be maintained, enhanced, managed or protected;
  - **b.** pollution, or environmental harm resulting from pollution, is to be assessed, prevented, reduced, controlled, rectified or cleaned up; and
  - c. effective waste management is to be implemented or evaluated.
- In accordance with section 18 of the WMPC Act a beneficial use, quality standard, criteria or objective declared under section 73 of the Water Act and in force is an environment protection objective for the purposes of the WMPC Act.

- The following EPOs and Beneficial Use Declarations (BUDs) are relevant to this licence:
  - Darwin Rural Water Control District (Agriculture, aquaculture, public water supply, environment, cultural, industry, rural stock and domestic, mining activity and petroleum activity)

#### **Environmental Interests**

- This section highlights sensitivity of the surrounding land use and environment associated with the location of the approved activity.
- Sites of Conservation Significance (SOCS):
  - Adelaide River coastal floodplain SOCS No.12

#### **Cultural Interests**

• It is the licensee's responsibility to contact the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority, appropriate land council or other governing body and ensure that any Authority Certificates required as a result of conducting the licenced activity are obtained and complied with.

#### RULES FOR INTERPRETING THE CONDITIONS OF THIS LICENCE

- Where there is a discrepancy between the conditions of this licence and any plan, standard, guideline or other document referred to in this licence, the conditions of this licence prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.
- Any reference to any standard (Australian or international) in this licence means the relevant parts of the current version of that standard.
- A reference to any guideline or code of practice (or to the relevant parts of any guideline or code of practice) in this licence means the current version of the guideline or code of practice.
- Under section 39 of the WMPC Act, any contravention of or failure to comply with this licence by the licensee may be an offence.
- In determining whether the licensee has committed an offence, the licensee may be liable for the conduct of its directors, employees or agents.
- The licensee should ensure that each of its directors, employees, contractors or agents are aware of, and comply with, this licence.
- In this licence, unless the contrary intention appears, words that are defined in the WMPC Act are intended to have the meaning given to them in that Act.

#### LICENCE CONDITIONS

#### **GENERAL**

- 1 The licensee must ensure the contact details recorded in NT EPA Online for this licence are correct at all times.
- 2 The licensee must at all times have a 24-hour emergency contact.
- The licensee must pay the annual fee calculated in accordance with the method prescribed in the Regulations within 50 business days of the anniversary of the commencement date of this licence, for each year or part of a year that this licence is in force.
- The licensee must cause clear and legible signage, in English, to be displayed in a prominent location at each public entrance to the premises that includes the following details:
  - 4.1 environment protection licence number issued under the WMPC Act; and
  - 4.2 24 hour emergency contact details.
- 5 The licensee must cause a copy of this licence to be available:
  - 5.1 for inspection by any person, in hard copy form, at the premises; and
  - 5.2 on the licensee's website.
- The licensee must provide to the NT EPA, within 10 business days of a request, a copy of any document, monitoring data or other information in relation to the activity, in the format requested by the NT EPA.
- All notices, reports, documents or other correspondence required to be provided as a condition of this licence, unless otherwise specified as a condition of this licence, must be provided in electronic form by uploading the document via NT EPA Online (or by emailing environmentalregulation@nt.gov.au).
- The licensee must maintain and implement the documents listed in Table 2:

Table 2 - Documents relevant to licenced activity

Document Number	Document Title	
1	Environmental Management Plan	
2	Water Quality Monitoring Plan	
3	Emergency Response Plan	
4	Consultation and Communication Plan	

- 9 Within 10 business days of any amendment being made to a document listed in Table 2 the licensee must provide the amended document to the NT EPA, along with:
  - 9.1 a tabulated summary of the amendment(s) with document references;
  - 9.2 reasons for the amendment(s); and
  - 9.3 an assessment of environmental risk associated with the amendment(s).
- The NT EPA may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit any document. Where the NT EPA requires a document to be resubmitted, the licensee must submit it to the NT EPA by the date specified by the NT EPA.

- The licensee must, for the duration of this licence, implement, maintain and follow a Consultation and Communication Plan which includes a strategy for communicating with persons who are likely to have a real interest in, or be affected by, the activity.
- The licensee must maintain a Complaint Log for all complaints received by the licensee in relation to the activity.
- The licensee must ensure that the Complaint Log includes, for each complaint received by the licensee, the following information:
  - 13.1 the person to whom the complaint was made;
  - 13.2 the person responsible for managing the complaint;
  - 13.3 the date and time the complaint was reported;
  - 13.4 the date and time of the event(s) that led to the complaint;
  - the contact details of the complainant if known, or where no details are provided a note to that effect;
  - 13.6 the nature of the complaint;
  - 13.7 the nature of event(s) giving rise to the complaint;
  - 13.8 prevailing weather conditions at the time (where relevant to the complaint);
  - 13.9 the action taken in relation to the complaint, including any follow-up contact with the complainant; and
  - 13.10 if no action was taken, why no action was taken.
- The licensee must implement, maintain and follow an Emergency Response Plan that addresses procedures for responding to emergencies associated with the activity that may cause environmental harm.

#### **EARLY SURRENDER OF LICENCE**

Any reports, records or other information required or able to be provided by the licensee under this licence must be submitted to the NT EPA prior to the licensee surrendering the licence. If the date on which a report, record or other information is required falls after the date the licensee requests to surrender this license, the licensee must provide the report, record or information as far as possible using data available to the licensee up to and including the date the request to surrender the licence is made.

#### **OPERATIONAL**

- The licensee must not collect, transport, store, recycle, treat or dispose of listed waste other than the listed waste specified in Table 1.
- 17 The licensee must ensure any plant and equipment used by the licensee in conducting the activity:
  - 17.1 is reasonably fit for the purpose and use to which it is put;
  - 17.2 is maintained:

- 17.3 is operated by a person trained to use the plant and equipment; and
- 17.4 is operated by, or operated by a person accompanied by, a person trained to handle, store or dispose of listed waste in connection with the activity.
- No change, replacement or alteration of plant and equipment is permitted if the change, replacement of alteration increases the risk of environmental harm for the licenced activity, unless approved by the NT EPA.

#### **DISCHARGES AND EMISSIONS**

#### Discharges to water

This licence authorises the discharge of wastewater to the Adelaide River from the authorised discharge points as identified in Table 3, in accordance with the conditions of this licence:

Table 3 - Authorised Discharge Points

Authorised Discharge Point	Source of Discharge Water	Location
DP1	Discharge Point 1. Receives wastewater from the North Farm wetland treatment system.	Latitude: -12.54778 Longitude:131.37553
DP2	Discharge Point 2. Receives wastewater from the Stage 1 Nursery and the Stage 2 Nursery.	Latitude: -12.55530 Longitude: 131.37485
Al	Adelaide River Intake and South/West Farm Discharge Point. Receives wastewater from the South and West Farm Stage 1 wetland treatment systems. This is also the intake channel used to deliver water to the farm when pumping from Adelaide River.	Latitude: -12.55416 Longitude: 131.37390
EF DP	East Farm Discharge Point. Receives wastewater from the East Farm wetland treatment system.	Latitude: -12.55740 Longitude: 131.37800
EF CE DP	East Farm Controlled Emergency Discharge Point. Receives wastewater from the East Farm wetland treatment system.	Latitude: -12.55690 Longitude: 131.37500

- The licensee must ensure that all discharge events at each authorised discharge point consist only of wastewater from the sources specified in Table 3.
- 21 The licensee must measure and record, for each discharge event:
  - 21.1 the time the discharge commenced and the duration of the discharge;
  - 21.2 the discharge rate of flow; and
  - 21.3 the discharge volume.
- The licensee must ensure that the discharge from all discharge events does not cause exceedances of trigger values in the Adelaide River at the compliance point, in accordance with Attachment A.

- The licensee must ensure that the discharge from all discharge events at each authorised discharge point does not:
  - 23.1 contain any floating debris, oil, grease, petroleum hydrocarbon sheen, scum, litter or other objectionable matter;
  - 23.2 cause or generate odours which would adversely affect the use of surrounding waters;
  - 23.3 cause algal blooms in the receiving water;
  - 23.4 cause visible change in the natural behaviour of fish or other aquatic organisms in the receiving water;
  - 23.5 cause mortality of fish or other aquatic organisms; or
  - 23.6 cause adverse impacts on plants.

#### **MONITORING**

- The licensee must conduct water quality monitoring at all Monitoring Points, in accordance with Attachment A and shown in Attachment B.
- The licensee must ensure that all samples and field environmental data are representative of the conditions at the time of sampling.
- In implementing the monitoring program the licensee must ensure, to the extent practicable, that samples collected for a discharge event are collected on the same date at all discharge and monitoring points.
- The licensee must consider tidal influence when collecting samples in accordance with Attachment A to ensure monitoring samples are representative of discharge-influenced and ambient water quality at the time of sampling, respectively.
  - 27.1 All receiving environment samples must be collected on an outgoing tide.
- The licensee must ensure that all samples and field environmental data are collected in accordance with recognised Australian Standards and guidelines (such as AS/NZS 5667, ANZG 2018).
- The licensee must ensure that all monitoring samples are analysed at a laboratory with current NATA accreditation or equivalent, for the parameters to be measured.
- The licensee must ensure that all samples are analysed at detection and reporting limits appropriate for the determination of trigger value exceedances.
- The licensee must for all land based monitoring points specified in Attachment A and shown in Attachment B:
  - 31.1 install and maintain appropriate identification signage so that they are reasonably identifiable at all times; and
  - 31.2 maintain safe access and egress, as is reasonably practicable.
- The licensee must ensure any samples collected in accordance with Attachment A or in connection with the activity or this licence, are obtained by, or under the supervision of, a qualified sampler.
- The licensee must ensure that, for each sample collected in accordance with Attachment A or the activity the following information must be recorded and retained:

- 33.1 the date on which the sample was collected;
- 33.2 the time at which the sample was collected;
- 33.3 the location at which the sample was collected;
- 33.4 the name of the person who collected the sample;
- 33.5 the chain of custody forms relating to the sample;
- 33.6 the tidal influence at the time of sampling;
- 33.7 the field measurements (if any) and analytical results (if any) relating to the sample; and
- 33.8 laboratory quality assurance and quality control documentation.

#### RECORDING AND REPORTING

- The licensee must retain records relating to listed waste, for a period of 2 years after the end of the 12 month period to which the record relates.
- The licensee must keep records of all non-compliances with this licence. These records must be adequate to enable the licensee to comply with the non-compliance notification conditions of this licence.
- A non-compliance with this licence includes:
  - 36.1 an exceedance of a trigger value at the compliance point, as specified in Attachment A, on three consecutive sampling occasions;
  - 36.2 an exceedance of three times or more a trigger value at the compliance point, as specified in Attachment A, on a single sampling occasion;
  - 36.3 when Electrical Conductivity, Turbidity or Dissolved Oxygen measured at the compliance point exceed the ambient water quality of the Adelaide River upstream monitoring point on three consecutive sampling occasions, in accordance with Attachment A;
  - 36.4 when Electrical Conductivity, Turbidity or Dissolved Oxygen measured at the compliance point exceed three times or more the ambient water quality of the Adelaide River upstream monitoring point on a single occasion, in accordance with Attachment A.
- The licensee must notify the NT EPA of any non-compliance with this licence by completing the Non-Compliance Notification via NT EPA Online (or by emailing environmentalregulation@nt.gov.au), as soon as practicable after (and in any case within 24 hours after) first becoming aware of the non-compliance.
- 38 The licensee must include in the notification of non-compliance the following information:
  - 38.1 when the non-compliance was detected and by whom;
  - 38.2 the date and time of the non-compliance;
  - 38.3 the actual and potential causes and contributing factors to the non-compliance;
  - 38.4 the risk of environmental harm arising from the non-compliance;
  - 38.5 the action(s) that have or will be undertaken to mitigate any environmental harm arising from the non-compliance;
  - 38.6 if discharge, from an Authorised Discharge Point specified in Table 2, was occurring at the time of the non-compliance;

- 38.7 corrective actions that have or will be undertaken to ensure the non-compliance does not reoccur;
- 38.8 if no action was taken, why no action was taken; and
- 38.9 a date when an incident investigation report will be submitted to the NT EPA.
- The licensee must keep records of all exceedances of trigger values, as specified in Attachment A. These records must include the following information:
  - 39.1 when the exceedance was detected and by whom;
  - 39.2 the date and time of the exceedance:
  - 39.3 the actual and potential causes and contributing factors to the exceedance;
  - 39.4 the risk of environmental harm arising from the exceedance;
  - 39.5 the action(s) that have or will be undertaken to address the exceedance and/or environmental harm; and
  - 39.6 if no action was taken, why no action was taken.
- The licensee must submit a completed Annual Return via NT EPA Online within 10 business days after each anniversary date of this licence, which report relates to the preceding 12 month period.
- The licensee must complete and provide to the NT EPA a Monitoring Report, as prescribed by this licence, by 30 April each year
- The licensee must ensure that each Monitoring Report:
  - 42.1 is prepared in accordance with the requirements of the NT EPA 'Guideline for Reporting on Environmental Monitoring';
  - 42.2 includes a tabulation of all monitoring data required as a condition of this licence, in Microsoft <sup>(R)</sup> Excel <sup>(R)</sup> format;
  - 42.3 includes a discharge summary for each discharge event, which consists of the:
    - 42.3.1 water quality data for all monitoring points in accordance with Attachment A;
    - 42.3.2 flow data, discharge volumes and discharge times;
    - 42.3.3 a tabulation of monthly and annual contaminant loadsdischarged from the authorised discharge points specified in condition 19 for the preceding 12-month period. Contaminant loads must be calculated for metals, metalloids, nutrients and other parameters (excluding field parameters) listed Appendix A. The calculations must be based on the daily discharge volume and the concentration of contaminant present in the discharge on that day. On the days when a sample was not taken then the concentration of the contaminant must be estimated using Linear Interpolation methodology; and
    - 42.3.4 a summary of exceedances of trigger values in accordance with conditions 38 and 39.
  - 42.4 includes long term trend analysis of monitoring data to demonstrate any environmental impact associated with the activity over a minimum period of three years (where the data is available); and
  - 42.5 includes an assessment of environmental impact from the activity.

The NT EPA may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit any Monitoring Report. Where the NT EPA requires the Monitoring Report to be resubmitted, the licensee must submit it to the NT EPA by the date specified by the NT EPA.

#### PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

- The licensee must conduct further investigation of the effects of discharge from the activity on the receiving environment of the Adelaide River, and provide details of proposed management actions to mitigate impacts, including:
  - 44.1 an investigation of retention time and dispersal of contaminants in discharge from the activity in the Adelaide River; and
  - 44.2 an assessment of the attenuation of nutrients and assimilative capacity of the Adelaide River;
  - 44.3 a risk assessment of potential impact on the receiving environment; and
  - a Trigger Action Response Plan detailing measures and thresholds for management action in the event of threshold breaches, considering the NTEPA Guidance on Adaptive Management ( https://ntepa.nt.gov.au/\_\_data/assets/pdf\_file/0003/622092/guideline\_adaptive\_management.pdf ); and
  - 44.5 a monitoring plan using a multiple lines of evidence approach to impact assessment that includes sediment and biological indicators.
- The licensee must provide to the NT EPA the reports relating to the investigation detailed in condition 44, in accordance with the Document and Reporting Schedule in Table 5:

Table 5 - Document and Reporting Schedule

Document Type	Due Date		
Detailed proposal of investigation	17 March 2023		
Progress Reports	30 May 2023 30 October 2023		
Final Report	30 April 2024		

# **END OF LICENCE CONDITIONS**

This licence is not valid unless signed below:

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Acting Director Environmental Operations Delegate of the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority

Dated: 25/07/2023

#### **DEFINITIONS**

All terms in the Licence which are defined in the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act have the meaning given in that Act unless otherwise or further defined in this section.

**DEFINITION** In this licence, unless a contrary intention appears:

24 hour emergency

contact

the phone number of a person who can be contacted at any time and be capable of responding to and providing information about any incident associated with the

activity.

Activity the Scheduled activity as described on the covering page of this licence.

Annual fee yearly fee payable in respect of the activity as specified in the WMPC Act and the

Regulations.

Annual Return an NT EPA prescribed format for demonstrating and reporting compliance with the

conditions of this licence and providing information on waste volumes for the

preceding 12 month period.

ANZECC/ARMCANZ Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council and

> Agriculture and Resource Management Council of Australia and New Zealand, 2000: National Water Quality Management Strategy: Australian Guidelines for

Water Quality Monitoring and Reporting.

**ANZG** Australian and New Zealand guidelines for fresh and marine water quality, 2018.

Online resource. https://www.waterquality.gov.au/anz-guidelines

a day not Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday, in the Northern Territory. Business days

Complaint Log a register of complaints to be maintained by the Licensee that records the details of

each complaint received in relation to the activity.

Consultation and

a written plan documenting proposed consultation and communications for the activity before, during and after the activity which includes a strategy for Communication Plan

communicating with members of the public who are likely to have a real interest in,

or be affected by, the activity.

Contact details includes the 24 hour emergency contact, and name, position title and phone

number of a representative of the licensee who can be contacted about the licence

and activity.

Contaminant a solid, liquid or gas or any combination of such substances and includes:

(a) noise, odour, heat and electromagnetic radiation;

(b) a prescribed substance or prescribed class of substances; and

(c) a substance having a prescribed property or prescribed class of properties.

Discharges allow a liquid, gas or other substance to flow out from where it has been confined.

**Emergency Response** 

Plan

a written plan documenting the licensee's procedures for responding to

emergencies caused by, resulting from or associated with the activity and that may

cause environmental harm.

Environmental harm (a) any harm to or adverse effect on the environment; or

(b) any potential harm (including the risk of harm and future harm) to or potential

adverse effect on the environment, of any degree or duration and includes

environmental nuisance.

Environmental nuisance

means:

(a) an adverse effect on the amenity of an area that:

(i) is caused by noise, smoke, dust, fumes or odour; and

(ii) unreasonably interferes with or is likely to unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of the area by persons who occupy a place within the area or are

otherwise lawfully in the area; or

(b) an unsightly or offensive condition caused by contaminants or waste.

Incident

includes:

(a) an accident, emergency or malfunction; and

(b) a deliberate action, whether or not that action was taken by the person

conducting the activity in the course of which the incident occurred.

Land

includes water and air on, above or under land.

Linear interpolation methodology

a method to construct new data points within the range of known data points.

y = y1 + ((x - x1) \* ((y2 - y1) / (x2 - x1)))

y is the unknown concentration between known concentrations y1 and y2

y1 is the first known concentration
y2 is the second known concentration
x is the day of the unknown concentration y
x1 is the day of the first known concentration y1
x2 is the day of the second known concentration y2

Listed waste

a waste included under Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

Maintain

kept in a manner that it does not present or cause a risk of environmental harm or a hazard to persons or property or, for the purposes of documents including plans, a process of reviewing and amending documentation to ensure it is relevant.

Material environmental

harm

environmental harm that:

(a) is not trivial or negligible in nature;

(b) consists of an environmental nuisance of a high impact or on a wide scale;(c) results, or is likely to result, in not more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount

(whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or

(d) results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of not more than

\$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater).

NATA National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia.

Non-compliance failure or refusal to comply, whether by act or omission, with obligations or

requirements and includes any exceedance of a licence limit.

Non-compliance notification

an NT EPA prescribed format for notifying the NT EPA of a non-compliance.

NT EPA Online online system for Environment Protection Licence (EPL), Environment Protection

Approval (EPA) and Waste Discharge Licence (WDL) lodgement and maintenance.

Plant and equipment all material items used in association with the activity, including (but not limited to)

storage vessels and containers, pipe work and hosing, vehicles (including vessels),

tools, and measuring equipment.

Point source discharge means any discernible, confined or discrete conveyance from which contaminants

or waste are or may be discharged.

Pollute (a) emit, discharge, deposit, or disturb, directly or indirectly, a contaminant or

waste: or

(b) cause, permit, or fail to prevent, directly or indirectly, the emission, discharge, deposition, disturbance or escape of a contaminant or waste.

**Pollution** 

(a) a contaminant or waste that is emitted, discharged, deposited or disturbed or that escapes; or

(b) a contaminant or waste, effect or phenomenon, that is present in the environment as a consequence of an emission, discharge, deposition, escape or disturbance or a contaminant or waste.

**Premises** 

the premises identified in this licence which includes equipment, plant and structures, whether stationary or portable, and the land on which premises are situated.

Public entrance

access to the premises that is utilised by the public.

Qualified professional

a person who has professional qualifications, training and skills and experience relevant to the nominated subject matters and can give authoritative assessment, advice and analysis about performance relevant to the subject matters using relevant protocols, standards, methods and literature.

Qualified sampler

a person who has training and experience in obtaining samples from the relevant environmental medium.

Regulations

Waste Management and Pollution Control (Administration) Regulations.

Serious environmental harm

environmental harm that is more serious than material environmental harm and includes environmental harm that:

- (a) is irreversible or otherwise of a high impact or on a wide scale;
- (b) damages an aspect of the environment that is of a high conservation value, high cultural value or high community value or is of special significance;

- (c) results or is likely to result in more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or
- (d) results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater).

Stormwater

water flowing over ground surfaces, in natural streams and drains as a direct result of rainfall over a catchment and consists primarily of rainfall runoff.

Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP)

A TARP identifies appropriate specific actions to be used in response to observed or measured changes in conditions that are approaching management objectives (i. e. to respond to increasing trends which may be approaching Water Quality Guidelines). TARPs are a proactive measure to avoid non-compliance and to ensure impacts to the receiving environment are avoided.

Trigger values

assigned value for each indicator used to assess the risk to an environmental value, a value that initiates some type of pre-defined management action.

Waste

(a) a solid, a liquid or a gas; or (b) a mixture of such substances,

that is or are left over, surplus or an unwanted by-product from any activity (whether or not the substance is of value) and includes a prescribed substance or class of substances.

Wastewater

water that contains a contaminant or waste.

Water

includes:

- (a) surface water, ground water and tidal waters;
- (b) coastal waters of the Territory, within the meaning of the Coastal Waters
- (Northern Territory Powers) Act 1980 of the Commonwealth; and
- (c) water containing an impurity.

WMPC Act

the Northern Territory Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.