Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority

SECTION 14 INCIDENT REPORT (*Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*)

Date and Time of Notification:	26/07/2026
Person / Company:	Mikaela Baillie, Resource Recovery Program Leader, Litchfield Council
Incident:	Small fire in scrap metal bailer, Humpty Doo Waste Transfer Station

(a) the incident causing or threatening to cause pollution	Small fire in scrap metal bailer.
(b) the place where the incident occurred	Humpty Doo Waste Transfer Station 225 Strangways Rd, Humpty Doo.
(c) the date and time of the incident	25/07/2025 at 15:45
(d) how the pollution has occurred, is occurring or may occur	At approximately 3:45 pm, while a contractor was onsite processing scrap metal using a baler, a fire occurred during the crushing process. The ignition source is unknown; however, it is suspected that a lithium battery may have been present within the scrap metal.
(e) the attempts made to prevent, reduce, control, rectify or clean up the pollution or resultant environmental harm caused or threatening to be caused by the incident	The fire was extinguished using a fire extinguisher and dirt and was completely out by approximately 4:00 pm. The affected bale was moved to a bare earth area as a precaution. The site manager was notified immediately. Following assessment, there was no ongoing risk, and the site remained operational.
(f) the identity of the person notifying the NT EPA	Mikaela Baillie.