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30 June 2026

Dear Ms Donovan,

Subject: Quarterly Report – Transitional Environmental Program MAN-E-100998085

RTA Yarwun Pty Ltd (RTAY) submits this quarterly report in accordance with Transitional Environmental Program (TEP) MAN-E-100998085 condition TEP 7 Reporting as issued under section 340 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

This report provides an update on progress against the TEP conditions from 1 April 2026 to 30 June 2026 (reporting period), including the status of Authority to Operate (ATO) controls associated with the cogeneration gas turbine operation, HRSG steam drum replacement milestones, monitoring activities, and any issues encountered. No non-compliances with TEP conditions were identified during the reporting period.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,



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a. Actions undertaken during the reporting period

During the reporting period, RTAY continued implementation of controls and activities required under TEP Conditions 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6. Authority to Operate (ATO) controls for the HRSG steam drum were maintained, including restricted access and remote monitoring.

A quarterly review of ATO safety controls was completed by the Superintendent - Boilers and Calcination and the Manager - Utilities, including an on-ground physical inspection, supported by weekly reviews of ATO control actions. These activities satisfy the requirements of TEP 1 and TEP 5 for maintaining and reviewing ATO controls.

Routine monitoring and quarterly review of cogeneration gas turbine performance confirmed stable operation in accordance with TEP 2 and TEP 6.

Significant progress was also achieved on the HRSG steam drum replacement, with detailed design and engineering activities completed and approved with minor comments. Fabrication commenced following progressive design approval, including completion of the shell assembly and longitudinal welds and commencement of nozzle fit-up and welding. Manufacture of internal components is underway.

QA/QC systems, including inspection and test plans, welding procedures and associated documentation, were established and applied throughout fabrication, supported by ongoing contractor engagement and regular progress meetings.

b. Effectiveness of controls and operational stability utilised during the TEP period

Controls implemented under the TEP remained effective throughout the reporting period. Quarterly ATO inspections and routine reviews confirmed that controls remain appropriate to maintain safe operation of the HRSG steam drum, with no corrective actions required, satisfying TEP 1 and TEP 5. Cogeneration gas turbine operation remained stable, operating in conjunction with low NOx burners and within the required 40–100% load range, satisfying TEP 2 requirements.

The gas turbine was taken offline on two occasions: a planned shutdown on the 4th of May 2026 and an unplanned trip on the 1st of June 2026 due to a low oil pressure signal associated with an electrical fault.

During the May 4th event, the duration of operation below 71 MW (40% load) was approximately two hours, consistent with permitted ramp-down and ramp-up timeframes. In both instances, the unit was safely shut down and returned to service following rectification activities.

Ramp-up following both events remained controlled and within normal operational expectations, with restarts completed within approximately one hour, consistent with observed load profiles. These events did not result in sustained operation outside required load constraints and did not impact compliance with TEP requirements.

Review of gas turbine performance data, including load profiles (Appendix 1), confirmed operation within the required load range, while departmental monitoring data for nitrogen dioxide at Boat Creek (Appendix 2) indicated ambient NO_2 levels remained stable and well below the 1-hour guideline. Review of available monitoring data confirms NOx emissions are likely to have remained within the release limits specified under Condition A3, satisfying TEP 6 requirements.

c. Status of the HRSG steam drum replacement

Progress on the HRSG steam drum replacement advanced during the reporting period, transitioning from design completion to active fabrication in line with TEP 3 milestones. The detailed design was completed and approved as fit-for-purpose by 30 June 2026, meeting the requirements of TEP 3, and no issues requiring notification to the administering authority were identified.

Fabrication activities progressed with completion of shell assembly, welding of longitudinal seams, and commencement of nozzle fit-up and welding. Manufacture and prefabrication of internal components also commenced. QA/QC processes are being applied throughout fabrication, including inspection and test plans, welding procedures and non-destructive examination activities.

Fabrication commenced later than originally scheduled due to delays in submission and approval of detailed nozzle drawings and the introduction of additional scope; however, these impacts have been mitigated through utilisation of schedule contingency, progressive approval of design deliverables and additional fabrication shifts.

The project remains on track for upcoming milestones, including completion of nozzle welding, non-destructive examination, internal assembly, post-weld heat treatment and hydrotesting. Installation activities required under TEP 4 are not applicable for this reporting period.

d. Issues encountered and proposed mitigation actions

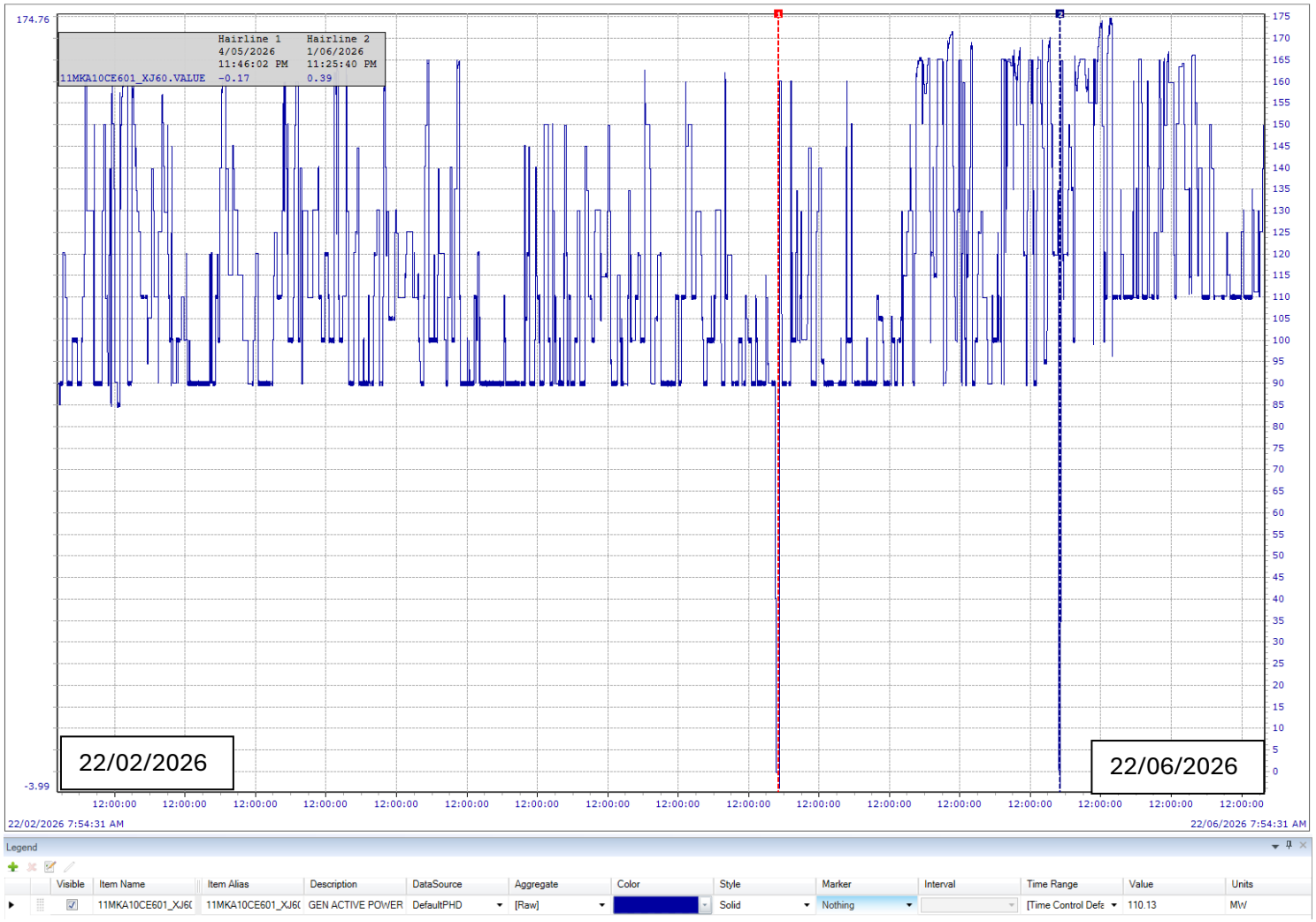
No issues requiring notification to the administering authority under TEP conditions were identified during the reporting period. Minor schedule impacts were identified during the transition from design to fabrication, resulting in an approximate two-week delay to fabrication commencement; however, these impacts were mitigated through utilisation of schedule contingency, progressive design approval and additional fabrication shifts, with no anticipated impact to overall project delivery milestones.

Additional commercial variations associated with nozzle works, inspection requirements and fabrication items are being managed through established project change processes and do not present a material risk. ATO safety controls and gas turbine operational controls remained effective throughout the quarter, and no corrective or mitigation actions were required in relation to operational performance. Planned activities for the next quarter include continued ATO control maintenance and review (TEP 1 and TEP 5), ongoing gas turbine monitoring (TEP 2 and TEP 6), and continued HRSG fabrication activities progressing toward hydrotesting (TEP 3).

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Appendix 1: Cogeneration Gas Turbine Load Profile — 22 February to 22 June 2026

(100% Load = 176 MW; 40% Load = 71 MW)



Appendix 2: Nitrogen Dioxide (NO_2) at Boat Creek — Daily Maximum 1-Hour Average

1 April to 30 June 2026

