

Notice

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Decision to approve a draft transitional environmental program

This notice is issued by the administering authority pursuant to section 340 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994 (the Act) to advise of a decision made on a draft transitional environmental program.

The Mt Windsor Joint Venture partners of:
Thalanga Copper Mines Pty Ltd and BML Holdings Pty Ltd

C/O Stephen Kent
Caloundra Environmental
PO Box 242
Golden Beach, QLD, 4551

Your reference: EPML00550413

Our reference: MAN17020

27 August 2013

Dear Sir

Take notice: that under the provisions of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (the Act) this notice advising of the decision to approve a draft transitional environmental program is served on you by the administering authority. The administering authority is the Chief Executive of the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (the department).

This notice is issued in respect to the activities of the Mt Windsor Joint Venture at the Highway Reward mining project on land described as ML1571, ML1734, ML1739, ML10028 located 40km south-west of Charters Towers (the premises).

A. Application details

Your application for the approval of a draft transitional environmental program (TEP) was received by the department on 6 August 2013.

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This draft program relates to non-compliance with condition C1-1 of EPML00550413 which licenses surface water characteristics at statutory monitoring points SW5 and SW6 and to gather additional data for the calibration of the pit groundwater model.

B. Decision

The administering authority has decided to approve your application.

Please note that this decision has removed your immunity from prosecution for the continuation of the original offence stated in the program notice.

The approved TEP consists of the following:

- the submitted application documents including any amendments made at the request of, or with the agreement of, the department; and
- a copy of the certificate of approval, including conditions (**attached**).

The TEP will remain in force until **30 September 2016**.

C. Fee and annual return

Fees apply for the assessment of a draft TEP and any subsequent annual returns lodged. The applicable fees are outlined in the attached operational policy - transitional environmental program fees (EM335).

A total fee of \$1405.60 has been determined as appropriate for the assessment of the application, and is in accordance with the operational policy. This fee is payable and an invoice will follow shortly.

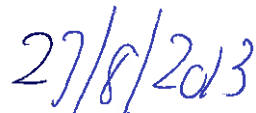
As your TEP is valid for 12 months or more, an annual return and assessment fee apply while the TEP has effect. These must be submitted to the administering authority no later than 22 business days after each anniversary date. A blank annual return for a TEP has been attached.

Should you have any queries in relation to this notice, please contact Laura Rehn of the department on telephone number (07) 4722 5354.

Decision regarding a draft transitional environmental program



Signature



Date

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Attachments

Certificate of approval (MAN17020)
Information sheet - Internal review and appeal to Planning and Environment Court (EM1866)
Operational policy - Transitional Environmental Program Fees (EM335) |

