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Dear Mr Astill

APPLICATION FOR AN LICENCE (L9048/2017/1) UNDER THE *ENVIRONMENTAL* PROTECTION ACT 1986 – NOTICE OF DECISION TO GRANT

I refer to your application for a licence relating to the Janet Ivy mine dewatering project located in Part Mining Tenements M26/446 and M26/629 City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

After considering the comments you provided, I have granted the licence which is now attached.

In accordance with section 102(1)(c) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, if you are aggrieved by my decision to specify conditions in the licence, you may lodge an appeal with the Minister for Environment in writing, setting out the grounds of that appeal, within 21 days of this notification. Should you wish to lodge an appeal, please contact the Office of the Appeals Convenor on 6567 5190 or by email at admin@appealsconvenor.wa.gov.au.

If you have any queries please call me on 9333 7480.

Yours sincerely

Tim Gentle

MANAGER LICENCING - RESOURCE INDUSTRIES (SOUTH)

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

25 October 2017

Att:

Decision Report

Final Instrument

Licence

Licence Number

L9048/2017/1

Licence Holder

Paddington Gold Pty Ltd

ACN

008 585 886

Registered business address

Level 1, Viskovich House

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KALGOORLIE WA 6430

File Number

DER2017/000505

Duration

25 October 2017 to 24 October 2022

Date of issue

25 October 2017

Prescribed Premises

Category 6 - mine dewatering

Premises

Janet Ivy Dewatering Project

Part Mining Tenements M26/446 and M26/629

City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder

This Licence is granted to the Licence Holder, subject to the following conditions, on 25 October 2017, by:

Tim Gentle

Manager Licensing (Resource Industries)

an officer delegated under section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)

Explanatory notes

These explanatory notes do not form part of this Licence.

Defined terms

Definition of terms used in this Licence can be found at the end of this Licence. Terms which are defined have the first letter of each word capitalised throughout this Licence.

Department of Environment Regulation

The Department of Environment Regulation (DER) is established under section 35 of the *Public Sector Management Act 1994* and designated as responsible for the administration of Part V, Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA) (EP Act). The Department also monitors and audits compliance with licences, takes enforcement action and develops and implements licensing and industry regulation policy.

Licence

Section 56 of the EP Act provides that an occupier of Prescribed Premises commits an offence if Emissions are caused or increased, or permitted to be caused or increased, or Waste, noise, odour or electromagnetic radiation is altered, or permitted to be altered, from Prescribed Premises, except in accordance with a works approval or licence.

Categories of Prescribed Premises are defined in Schedule 1 of the *Environment Protection Regulations* 1987 (WA) (EP Regulations).

This Licence does not authorise any activity which may be a breach of the requirements of another statutory authority including, but not limited to the following:

- conditions imposed by the Minister for Environment under Part IV of the EP Act;
- conditions imposed by DER for the clearing of native vegetation under Part V, Division 2 of the EP Act;
- any requirements under the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2007:
- any requirements under the Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004; and
- any other requirements specified through State legislation.

It is the responsibility of the Licence Holder to ensure that any action or activity referred to in this Licence is permitted by, and is carried out in compliance with, other statutory requirements.

The Licence Holder must comply with the Licence. Contravening a Licence Condition is an offence under s.58 of the EP Act.

Responsibilities of a Licence Holder

Separate to the requirements of this Licence, general obligations of Licence Holders are set out in the EP Act and the regulations made under the EP Act. For example, the Licence Holder must comply with the following provisions of the EP Act:

- the duties of an occupier under section 61; and
- restrictions on making certain changes to Prescribed Premises unless the changes are in accordance with a works approval, Licence, closure notice or environmental protection notice (s.53).

Strict penalties apply for offences under the EP Act.

Reporting of incidents

The Licence Holder has a duty to report to DER all discharges of waste that have caused or are likely to cause Pollution, Material Environmental Harm or Serious Environmental Harm, in accordance with s.72 of the EP Act.

Offences and defences

The EP Act and its regulations set out a number of offences, including:

- Offence of emitting an Unreasonable Emission from any Premises under s.49.
- Offence of causing Pollution under s.49.
- Offence of dumping Waste under s.49A.
- Offence of discharging Waste in circumstances likely to cause Pollution under s.50.
- Offence of causing Serious Environmental Harm (s.50A) or Material Environmental Harm (s.50B).
- Offence of causing Emissions which do not comply with prescribed standards (s.51).
- Offences relating to Emissions or Discharges under regulations prescribed under the EP Act, including materials discharged under the Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004 (WA).
- Offences relating to noise under the *Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations* 1997 (WA).

Section 53 of the EP Act provides that a Licence Holder commits an offence if Emissions are caused, or altered from a Prescribed Premises unless done in accordance with a Works Approval, Licence or the requirements of a Closure Notice or an Environmental Protection Notice.

Defences to certain offences may be available to a Licence Holder and these are set out in the EP Act. Section 74A(b)(iv) provides that it is a defence to an offence for causing Pollution, in respect of an Emission, or for causing Serious Environmental Harm or Material Environmental Harm, or for discharging or abandoning Waste in water to which the public has access, if the Licence Holder can prove that an Emission or Discharge occurred in accordance with a Licence.

This Licence specifies the Emissions and Discharges, and the limits and Conditions which must be satisfied in respect of Specified Emissions and Discharges, in order for the defence to offence provision to be available.

Authorised Emissions and Discharges

The Specified and General Emissions and Discharges from Primary Activities conducted on the Prescribed Premises are authorised to be conducted in accordance with the Conditions of this Licence.

Emissions and Discharges caused from other activities not related to the Primary Activities at the Premises have not been Conditioned in this Licence. Emissions and Discharges from other activities at the Premises are subject to the general provisions of the EP Act.

Amendment of licence

The Licence Holder can apply to amend the Conditions of this Licence under s.59 of the EP Act. An application form for this purpose is available from DER.

The CEO may also amend the Conditions of this Licence at any time on the initiative of the CEO without an application being made.

Amendment Notices constitute written notice of the amendment in accordance with s.59B(9) of the EP Act.

Duration of Licence

The Licence will remain in force for the duration set out on the first page of this Licence or until it is surrendered, suspended or revoked in accordance with s.59A of the EP Act.

Suspension or revocation

The CEO may suspend or revoke this Licence in accordance with s.59A of the EP Act.

Fees

The Licence Holder must pay an annual licence fee. Late payment of annual licence fees may result in the licence ceasing to have effect. A licence that has ceased to have effect due to non-payment of annual licence fees continues to exist; however, it ceases to provide a defence to an offence under s.74A of the EP Act.

Late fees are a component of annual licence fees and should a Licence Holder fail to pay late fees within the time specified the licence will similarly cease to have effect.

Definitions and interpretation

Definitions

In this Licence, the terms in Table 1 have the meanings defined.

Table 1: Definitions

Definition	
has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
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Australian Company Number	
means Chief Executive Officer.	
CEO for the purposes of notification means:	
Director General Department Administering the Environmental Protection Act 1986 Locked Bag 33 Cloisters Square PERTH WA 6850 info@der.wa.gov.au	
means a report in a format approved by the CEO as presented by the Licence Holder or as specified by the CEO (guidelines and templates may be available on the Department's website).	
means an amendment granted under s.59 of the EP Act in accordance with the procedure set out in s.59B of the EP Act.	
means a 12 month period commencing from 1 January until 31 December.	
means a condition to which this Licence is subject under s.62 of the EP Act.	
means the department established under s.35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> and designated as responsible for the administration of Part V, Division 3 of the EP Act.	
means a request for Books or other sources of information to be produced, made by an Inspector or the CEO to the Licence Holder in writing and sent to the Licence Holder's address for notifications, as described at the front of this Licence, in relation to:	
(a) compliance with the EP Act or this Licence;	
(b) the Books or other sources of information maintained in accordance with this Licence; or	

	(c) the Books or other sources of information relating to Emissions from the Premises.	
Discharge	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Emission	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Environmental Harm	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
EP Act	means the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA).	
EP Regulations	means the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA).	
Implementation Agreement or Decision	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Inspector	means an inspector appointed by the CEO in accordance with s.88 of the EP Act.	
Licence	refers to this document, which evidences the grant of a Licence by the CEO under s.57 of the EP Act, subject to the Conditions.	
Licence Holder	refers to the occupier of the premises being the person to whom this Licence has been granted, as specified at the front of this Licence.	
Material Change	means a change to the activities carried out on the Premises as described by the Primary Activities set out in Schedule 2 and:	
	(a) that may result in an increased risk to public health, amenity or the environment; and	
	(b) includes the types of changes specified in Schedule 2; and	
	(c) does not include the excluded changes specified in Schedule 2.	
Material Environmental Harm	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Pollution	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Premises	refers to the premises to which this Licence applies, as specified at the front of this Licence and as shown on the map in Schedule 1 to this Licence.	
Prescribed Premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
Primary Activities	refers to the Prescribed Premises activities listed on the front of this	

	Licence as described in Schedule 2, at the locations shown in Schedule 1.
Serious Environmental Harm	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Unreasonable Emission	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Waste	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.

Interpretation

In this Licence:

- (a) the words 'including', 'includes' and 'include' will be read as if followed by the words 'without limitation';
- (b) where any word or phrase is given a defined meaning, any other part of speech or other grammatical form of that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning;
- (c) where tables are used in a Condition, each row in a table constitutes a separate Condition;
- (d) any reference to an Australian or other standard, guideline or code of practice in this Licence means the version of the standard, guideline or code of practice in force at the time of granting of this Licence and includes any amendments to the standard, guideline or code of practice which may occur from time to time during the course of the Licence; and
- (e) unless specified otherwise, any reference to a section of an Act refers to that section of the EP Act.

Conditions

Emissions

1. The Licence Holder must not cause any Emissions from the Primary Activities on the Premises except for specified Emissions and general Emissions described in Column 1 of Table 2 subject to the exclusions, limitations or requirements specified in Column 2 of Table 2.

Table 2: Authorised Emissions table

Column 1	Column 2	
Emission type	Exclusions/Limitations/Requirements	
Specified Emissions		
Fort William discharge point	Requirements: Mine dewater from Janet Ivy pit only is permitted to be discharged into Fort William pit at the approved discharge point.	
General Emissions (excluding Specified Emissions)		
arise from the Primary Activities set out in Schedule 2; or	 Emissions excluded from General Emissions are: Unreasonable Emissions; or Emissions that result in, or are likely to result in, Pollution, Material Environmental Harm or Serious Environmental Harm; or Discharges of Waste in circumstances likely to cause Pollution; or Emissions that result, or are likely to result in, the Discharge or abandonment of Waste in water to which the public has access; or Emissions or Discharges which do not comply with an Approved Policy; or Emissions or Discharges which do not comply with a prescribed standard; or Emissions or Discharges which do not comply with the conditions in an Implementation Agreement or 	

Column 1	Column 2	
Emission type	Exclusions/Limitations/Requirements	
	Decision; or	
	 Emissions or Discharges the subject of offences under regulations prescribed under the EP Act, including materials discharged under the Environmental Protection (Unauthorised Discharges) Regulations 2004. 	

Infrastructure and equipment

2. The Licence Holder must ensure that the infrastructure and equipment specified in Column 1 of Table 3 is maintained in good working order and operated in accordance with the requirements specified in Column 2 of Table 3.

Table 3: Infrastructure and equipment controls table

Column 1	Column 2	
Site infrastructure and equipment	Operational requirements	
Discharge infrastructure		
For William Pit	 An abandoned mine pit located approximately 1,000 m to the south of the Janet Ivy pit, that was previously used to dispose of mine dewater from the Fort Scott pit under licence L8914/2015/1 	
	A minimum vertical freeboard of 6 m must be maintained below the lowest crest level at all times	
	 Must be inspected quarterly (whilst operating) for freeboard capacity. A written log is required to be maintained for each inspection. 	
110 mm single weld HDPE pipeline	An inspection is required for visual integrity and leak detection each 12 hourly shift. The inspections are to be at least 6 hours, and no more than 18 hours, apart. A written log is required to be maintained for each inspection, with the record of each inspection signed by the responsible person.	
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Monitoring

- 3. The Licence Holder must monitor the parameters specified in Column 1 from the locations specified in Column 2 of Table 4. Parameters must be monitored in the units specified in Column 3, at the frequency specified in Column 4.
- 4. Table 4: Mine dewatering monitoring table

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Parameter	Location	Unit	Averaging period	Frequency
Volumetric flow rate	Fort William pit	kL	Monthly	Continuous
Standing water level		metres below pit crest level	Spot sample	Quarterly
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Total dissolved solids		mg/L		

Record-keeping

- The Licence Holder must maintain accurate and auditable Books including the following records, information, reports and data required by this Licence:
 - (a) the calculation of fees payable in respect of this Licence;
 - (b) the maintenance of infrastructure required to ensure that it is kept in good working order in accordance with Condition 5 of this Licence;
 - (c) monitoring undertaken in accordance with Conditions 6 and 7 of this Licence:
 - (d) complaints received under Condition 9 of this Licence; and
 - (e) any Material Change.

In addition, the Books must:

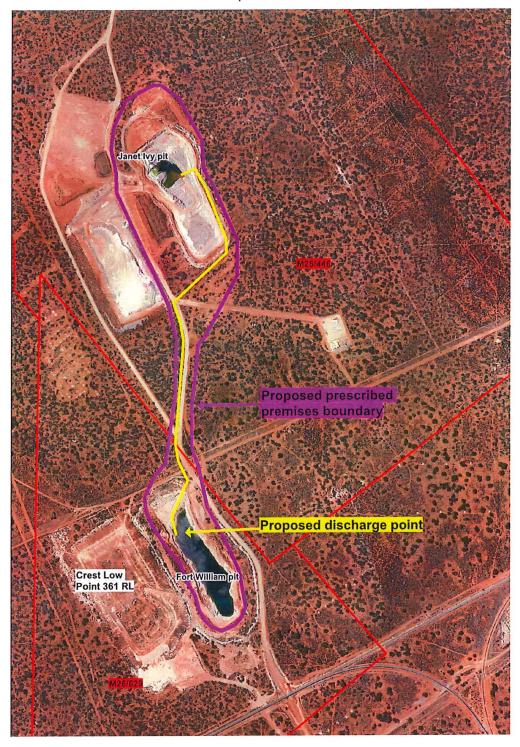
- (f) be legible;
- (g) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and subsequent amendments remain legible and are capable of retrieval;
- (h) be retained for at least 3 years from the date the Books were made; and
- (i) be available to be produced to an Inspector or the CEO.
- 6. The Licence Holder must record the number and details of any complaints received by the Licence Holder relating to its obligations under this Licence and its compliance with Part V of the EP Act at the Premises, and any action taken by the Licence Holder in response to the complaint. Details of complaints must include:
 - (a) an accurate record of the concerns or issues raised, for example a copy of any written complaint or a written note of any verbal complaints made;

- (b) the name and contact details of the complainant, if provided by the complainant;
- (c) the date of the complaint; and
- (d) the details and dates of the actions taken by the Licence Holder in response to the complaints.
- 7. The Licence Holder must submit to the CEO, no later than 31 March, a Compliance Report indicating the extent to which the Licence Holder has complied with the Conditions in this Licence for the preceding Annual Period.
- 8. The Licence Holder must submit to the CEO, no later than 31 March, a Monitoring Report detailing the results to monitoring undertaken in accordance with Conditions 6 and 7 in this Licence for the preceding Annual Period.
- 9. The Licence Holder must comply with a Department Request, within 14 days from the date of the Department Request or such other period as agreed to by the Inspector or the CEO.

Schedule 1: Maps

Premises map

The Premises are shown in the map below.



Schedule 2: Primary Activities

At the time of assessment, Emissions and Discharges from the following Primary Activities were considered in the determination of the risk and related Conditions for the Premises.

The Primary Activities are listed in Table 5:

Table 4: Primary Activities

Primary Activity	Premises production or design capacity
Category 6: premises on which water is extracted and discharged into the environment to allow mining of ore.	500,000 tonnes per year

Infrastructure and equipment

The Primary Activity infrastructure and equipment situated on the Premises is listed in Table 6.

Table 5: Infrastructure and equipment

Infrastructure and equipment	Plan reference
110 mm single weld HDPE pipeline	Premises map (yellow line)

Site layout

The Primary Activity infrastructure and equipment is set out on the Premises in accordance with the site layout specified on the Premises map in Schedule 1.