

A. Statement of Compliance - Licence Details

ALL Licence holders must check that the Licence details in Section A are correct.

If there are changes to any of these details, **you must advise Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and apply as soon as possible for a variation to your Licence or for a Licence transfer.**

Licence variation and transfer application forms are available on the EPA website at: <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/licensing-and-regulation/licensing> or from regional offices of the EPA, or by contacting by telephone 02 9995 5700.

If you are applying to vary or transfer your Licence, you must still complete and submit this Annual Return.

A1. Licence holder

Licence number : 21286
Licence holder : BWF NOMINEES PTY LTD
Trading name (if applicable) :
ABN :
ACN : 633 105 405
Reporting period : From: 1-7-2019 To: 30-6-2020

A2. Premises to which Licence Applies (if applicable)

Common name (if any) : Bango Wind Farm
Premises : Lachlan Valley Way YASS 2582 NSW

A3. Activities to which Licence Applies

Crushing, grinding or separating
 Electricity generation

A4. Other Activities (if applicable)

Concrete batching

A5. Fee-Based Activity Classifications

Note that the fee based activity classification is used to calculate the administrative fee.

Fee-based activity	Activity scale	Unit of measure
Crushing, grinding or separating	> 100,000.00 - 500,000.00	T annual processing capacity

Electricity works (wind farms)	> 450.00 - 1,000.00	GWh annual generating capacity
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A6. Assessable Pollutants (if applicable)

Note that the identification of assessable pollutants is used to calculate the **load-based fee**.

The following assessable pollutants are identified for the fee-based activity classifications in the licence:

B. Monitoring and Complaints Summary

B1. Number of Pollution Complaints

Pollution Complaint Category	Complaints
Air	1
Water	0
Noise	1
Waste	0
Other	0
Total complaints recorded by the licensee during the reporting period	2

B2. Concentration Monitoring Summary

For each concentration monitoring point identified in your licence, details are displayed below. If concentration monitoring is not required by your licence, **no data** will appear below.

If data was provided from an uploaded file, the file name will be displayed below instead of any data.

Note that this does not exclude the need to conduct appropriate concentration monitoring of assessable pollutants as required by load-based licensing (if applicable).

B3. Volume or Mass Monitoring Summary

For each volume or mass monitoring point identified in your licence, details are displayed below. If volume or mass monitoring is not required by your licence, **no data** will appear below.

If data was provided from an uploaded file, the file name will be displayed below instead of any data.

Note that this does not exclude the need to conduct appropriate volume or mass monitoring of assessable pollutants are required by load-based licensing (if applicable).

C. Statement of Compliance - Licence Conditions

C1. Compliance with Licence Conditions

Were all conditions of the licence complied with (including monitoring and reporting requirements)?	No
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C2. Details of Non-Compliance with Licence

Licence condition number not complied with ▼
L1.1
Summary of particulars of the non-compliance ▼
Sediment-laden water was discharged between 20 - 21 June 2020, during a rainfall event at the project site, to a waterway.
Further details on particulars of non-compliance, if required ▼
The incident was reported to the EPA Environment Line on 22 June 2020. The EPA conducted a site inspection at Bango Wind Farm on 8 July 2020.
Number of times occurred ▼
1
Date(s) when the non-compliance occurred, if applicable ▼
21 June 2020
Cause of non-compliance ▼
A rainfall event occurred at the Project site overnight between 20 and 21 June 2020, and it is estimated that over 30mm of heavy rain was received at the Project in the vicinity of the Incident. As a result of the heavy rainfall and surface runoff, erosion and sediment controls at two locations were exceeded and damaged and this has resulted in the release of sediment and sediment-laden water.
Action taken or that will be taken to mitigate any adverse effects of the non-compliance ▼
<p>On 21 June 2020 (morning after the rainfall event), the contractor carried out inspections across the accessible areas of the Project site, noting that safe access could not be achieved in some areas. On 22 June 2020 the contractor was able to inspect previously inaccessible areas and observed that sediment had breached controls near wind turbine generator 22 and that turbid water was flowing through the farm dam and out of the Project site into Hardiman Creek.</p> <p>The Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) was activated following identification of the Incident. The contractor notified BWF on the afternoon of 22 June 2020 after the Incident was identified and following preliminary assessments. Based on the information provided to BWF at the time, BWF notified the EPA at 5:45pm on 22 June 2020 (EPA ref. C09497-2020).</p> <p>BWF Representatives and their third-party Soil Conservationist visited the Project site on the following morning (23 June 2020) to undertake further inspections and to liaise with the site teams responding to the Incident.</p> <p>On the morning of 23 June 2020 the contractor brought additional environmental controls to the area of the incident to trap sediment escaping the work area, and to slow the flows discharging from the farm dam.</p> <p>Consultation with the relevant landowner is ongoing to determine how the dam and surrounding impacted areas will be cleaned up and rehabilitated to pre-construction conditions.</p>
Action taken or that will be taken to prevent a recurrence of the non-compliance ▼

The contractor has undertaken a review of the erosion and sediment control plans, in conjunction with the design engineer. All erosion and sediment control plans are progressively reviewed and updated to ensure that erosion and sediment controls are commensurate with the stage of earthworks and level of disturbance within the catchment.

Installation of permanent drainage works was prioritised in the area of the sediment discharge incident (WTG 22, Tracks 1, 11 and 12), including rock lining of drains, rock armouring of culvert outlets.

The areas around the incident are constantly monitored and reviewed as earthworks progress, to ensure that environmental controls are adequately planned, constructed and maintained. Specifically, the controls aim to: break up the catchment into smaller sub-catchments, minimise erosion, slow runoff velocity, and enhance sediment trapping capacity.

The contractor has incorporated the use of suitable flocculants/coagulants to treat sediment-laden construction runoff prior to it discharging from the site via established sediment controls.

Inspections continue to be undertaken across all areas prior to forecast rainfall events to ensure that erosion and sediment control measures are installed and in proper working order.

Inspections continue to be undertaken during and immediately following rainfall events to monitor the performance of controls, and to ensure that any improvement or maintenance requirements can be implemented in a timely manner.

Uploaded Document Name ▼

200628_BWF EPA notification - sediment discharge.pdf

Uploaded Document Description ▼

Written report submitted to the EPA on 28 June 2020.

D. Statement of Compliance - Load Based Fee Calculation

If you are not required to monitor assessable pollutants by your licence, **no data** will appear below.

If assessable pollutants have been identified on your licence, the following worksheets for each assessable pollutant will determine your load based fee for the licence fee period to which this Annual Return relates.

Loads of assessable pollutants must be calculated using any of the methods provided in EPA's Load Calculation Protocol for the relevant activity. A Load Calculation Protocol would have been already sent to you with your licence. If you require additional copies, you can download the Protocol from the EPA's website or you can contact us on telephone 02 9995 5700.

You are required to keep all records used to calculate licence fees for four years after the licence fee was paid or became payable, whichever is the later date.

E. Statement of Compliance - Requirement to Prepare PIRMP

Have you prepared a Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) as required under section 153A of the Protection of the Environment Operations (POEO) Act 1997?	Yes
Is the PIRMP available at the premises?	Yes
Is the PIRMP available in a prominent position on a publicly accessible website?	Yes
Address of the web page where the PIRMP can be accessed ▼	
https://bangowindfarm.com.au/planning-and-approvals/	
Has the PIRMP been tested?	Yes

The PIRMP was last tested on	21-7-2020
Has the PIRMP been updated?	Yes
The PIRMP was last updated on	21-7-2020
Number of times the PIRMP was activated in this reporting period?	1
The PIRMP was activated on	22/06/2020

F. Statement of Compliance - Requirement to Publish Pollution Monitoring Data

Are there any conditions attached to your licence that require pollution monitoring to be undertaken as required under section 66(6) of the Protection of the Environment Operations (POEO) Act 1997?	No
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G. Statement of Compliance - Environment Management System and Practices

Do you have an ISO 14001 certified Environmental Management System (EMS) OR any other system that EPA considers is equivalent to the accountability, procedures, documentation and record keeping requirements of an ISO 14001 certified EMS?	No
Have you conducted an assessment of your activities and operations to identify the aspects that have a potential to cause environmental impacts and implemented operational controls to address these aspects?	Yes
Have you established and implemented an operational maintenance program, including preventative maintenance?	Yes
Do you keep records of regular inspections and maintenance of plant and equipment?	Yes
Do you conduct regular (at least yearly) environmental audits at the premises that are conducted by a competent and independent person?	Yes
Have you undertaken an independent environmental audit covering documented environmental practices, procedures and systems in place during the annual return period?	Yes
Have you established and implemented an environmental improvement or management plan?	Yes
Do you train staff in environmental issues that may arise from your activities and operations at the premises and keep records of this?	Yes

H. Signature and Certification

This Annual Return may only be signed by person(s) with legal authority to sign it as set out in following categories: an Individual, a Company, a Public authority or a Local council.

It is an offence under section 66 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 to supply any information in this form that is false or misleading in a material respect, or to certify a statement that is false or misleading in a material respect. There is a maximum penalty of \$250,000 for a corporation and \$120,000 for an individual.

I/We

- declare that the information in the Monitoring and Complaints Summary in Section B of this Annual Return application is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect, and
- certify that the information in the Statement and Compliance in sections A, C, D, E, F, G and H and any other pages attached to Section C is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect.

Signature		Signature	
Name		Name	
Position		Position	
Date	/ /	Date	/ /
Declaration <p>I declare that the information in the Monitoring and Complaints Summary in section B of this Annual Return is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect, and</p> <p>I certify that the information in the Statement of Compliance in section A,C,D,E,F and G and any pages attached to Section C is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect.</p>		Declaration <p>I declare that the information in the Monitoring and Complaints Summary in section B of this Annual Return is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect, and</p> <p>I certify that the information in the Statement of Compliance in section A,C,D,E,F and G and any pages attached to Section C is correct and not false or misleading in a material respect.</p>	