# Monthly Environmental Data October 2016

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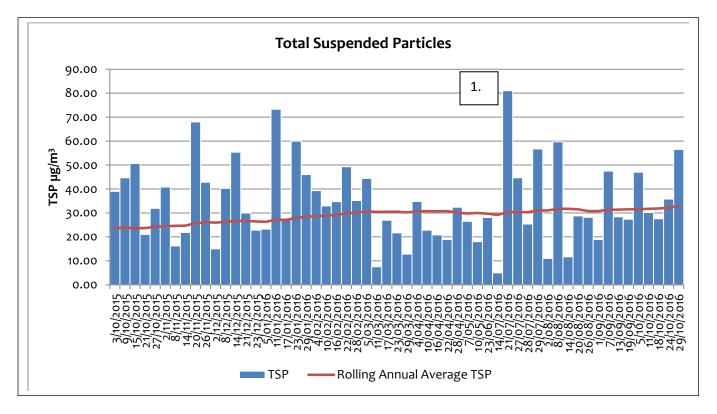
### 1 Air Quality

#### 1.1 High Volume Air Samplers

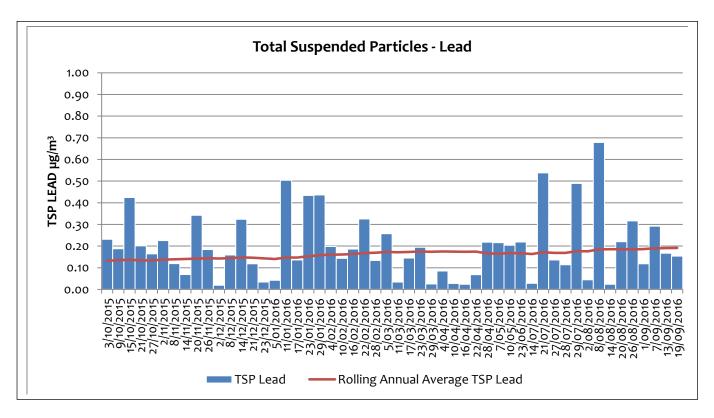
High volume air samplers at Silver Tank both failed calibration during May 2016. Both units were sent back to Ecotech in Melbourne for repair. The units were underservice for the duration of May. In early June the transformer located at Silver Tank failed thus rendering the local power source for high volume samplers 1 and 2 under service. A back up genset was put in place to power the samplers however heavy diesel particulate contamination was found on the resulting filters. The EPA were approached on the 29 June proposing to shift the monitors to the closest operational switchboard near the change rooms. The EPA indicated their preferred option would be to leave the hi vols in situ and run a sufficient lead to them to provide power and avoid contamination (provided it can be done safely). Longer leads were put in place however subsequent samples found the genset was faulting under high voltage. The load on the genset was increased in an attempt to mitigate the high voltage faults and the supply was run through two separate UPS units but the problem persisted. Diagnosis was a possible fault with the genset. With all of the available gensets already in use the next alternative was to pair the high volume samplers with another genset close by. Another unit was in place operating at the essential communications hut adjacent the weather station. The high volume units are currently being trialled here. The first samples collected have again shown signs of diesel contamination even with 10 meters of separation between the genset and the samplers. Currently the ETA of the new transformer is 20 December 2016 as it will have to be engineered and custom built.

**EPL10 - SILVER TANK HI VOL TSP - ON SITE** 

DATE	TSP (µg/m³)	Lead (µg/m³)
5/10/2016	47.00	0.49
11/10/2016	30.20	0.03
18/10/2016	27.60	0.14
24/10/2016	35.80	0.19
29/10/2016	56.50	0.39



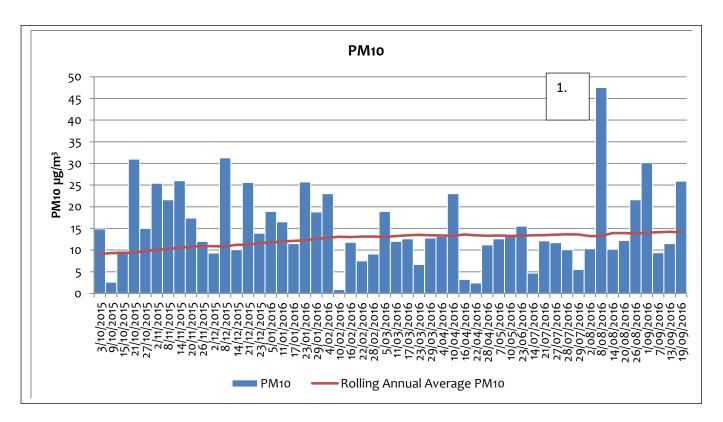
1. The spike on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July coincided with maintenance being performed on a genset from which the high volume samplers were powered. Some diesel contamination was found on the filters as a result of the diesel generator running nearby approximately 10m away. Values are still well below the Project Approval limit of 90ug/m3 as an annual average.



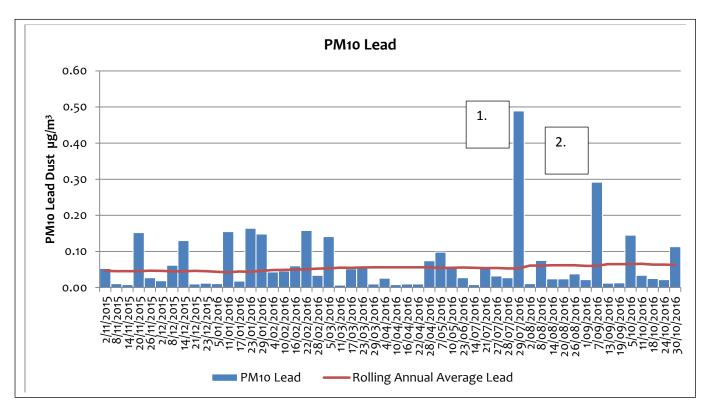
Averaged values are below the National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure standard of 0.50ug/m3 averaged over 1 year (no size limit).

EPL11 - Silver Tank Hi Vol PM10 - On Site

DATE	PM10 (μg/m³)	Lead (µg/m³)
5/10/2016	21.60	0.15
11/10/2016	30.20	0.03
18/10/2016	9.40	0.03
24/10/2016	11.50	0.02
30/10/2016	25.90	0.11



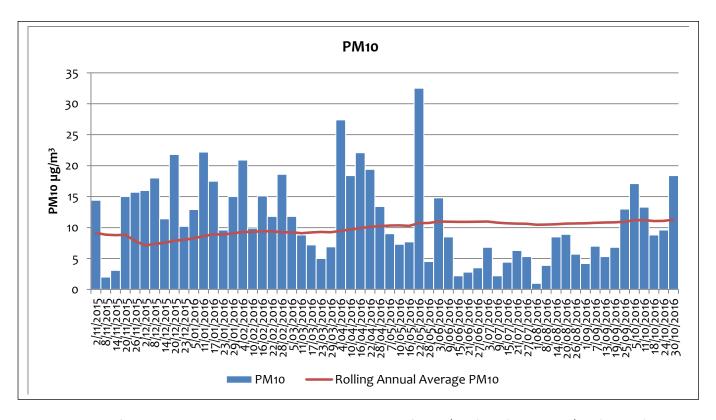
1. The spike on the 7 September corresponds with a small spike in the TSP values recorded for the same day however the spike in the PM10 material is more pronounced. Winds were from the NE with maximum gusts of 42km/h. Operations at the time were normal however this may have corresponded with street sweeping on the adjacent haul road. Averaged values for PM10 are below the Project Approval limits of 50ug/m3 (24hr) and 30ug/m3 (annual).



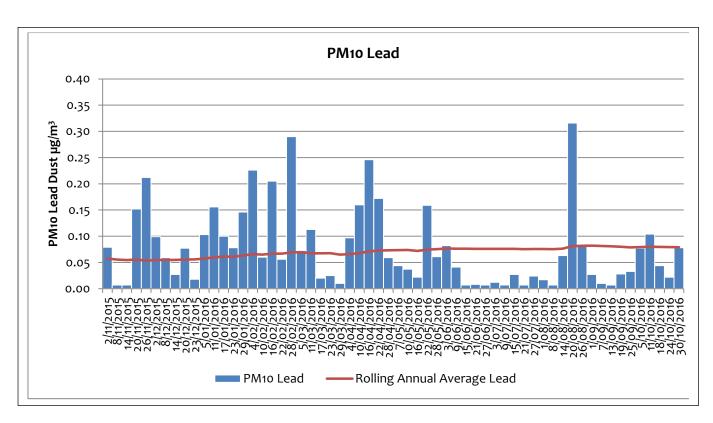
- 1. A spike in lead concentration occurred on July 29. A concentration of 0.49ug/m3 was recorded which may have been due to vehicles passing close by during servicing of a diesel genset which was powering the high volume sampler. Values are still below the National Environment Protection (Ambient Air Quality) Measure standard of 0.50ug/m3 averaged over 1 year (no size limit).
- 2. See comment on previous graph

EPL12 - Blackwoods Pit Hi Vol PM10 - On Site

DATE	PM10 (μg/m³)	Lead (μg/m³)
5/10/2016	17.10	0.08
11/10/2016	13.30	0.10
18/10/2016	8.80	0.04
24/10/2016	9.60	0.02
30/10/2016	18.40	0.08



Averaged values for PM10 are below the Project Approval limits of 50ug/m3 (24hr) and 30ug/m3 (annual).



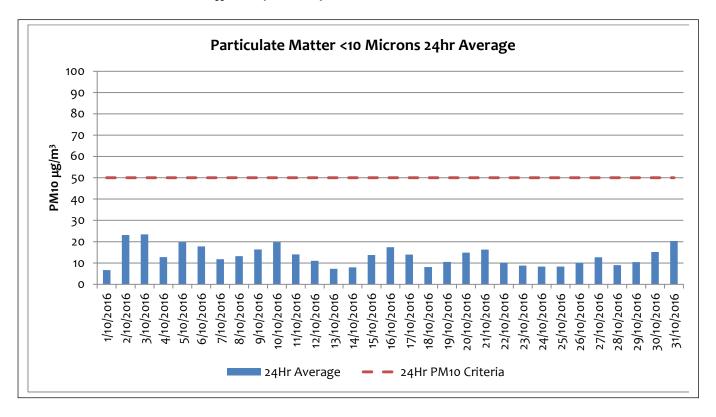
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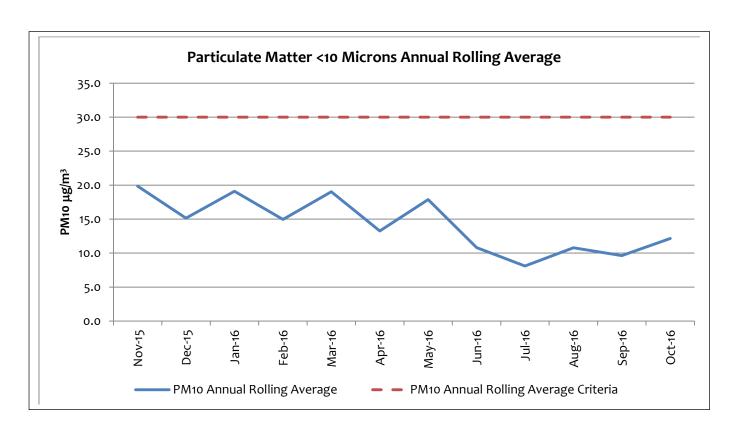
# 1.2 Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance Sampling (TEOM)

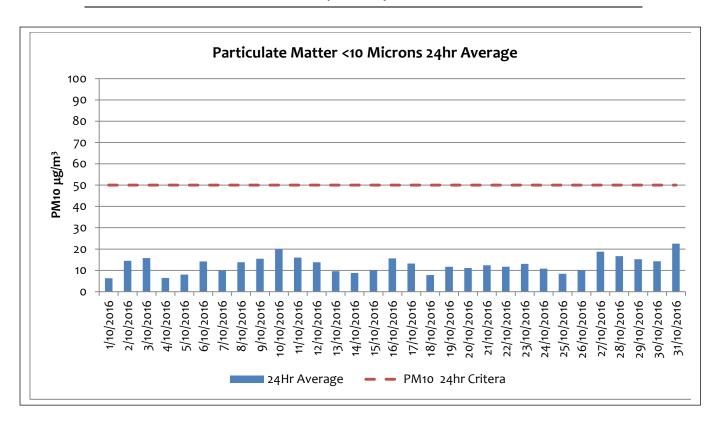
Particulate Matter <10 Micr	ons 24Hr Average	
Date	TEOM 1 - EPL 13 (μg/m <sup>3</sup> )	TEOM 2 – EPL 14 (μg/m³)
	Essential Water – Off Site	Blackwoods Pit – On Site
1/10/2016	6.7	6.32
2/10/2016	23.13	14.47
3/10/2016	23.42	15.74
4/10/2016	12.77	6.45
5/10/2016	19.82	8.02
6/10/2016	17.79	14.22
7/10/2016	11.82	9.97
8/10/2016	13.19	13.78
9/10/2016	16.39	15.46
10/10/2016	19.79	19.87
11/10/2016	14.02	16.01
12/10/2016	11.01	13.81
13/10/2016	7.25	9.58
14/10/2016	7.99	8.75
15/10/2016	13.7	10.12
16/10/2016	17.39	15.62
17/10/2016	13.94	13.18
18/10/2016	8.12	7.82
19/10/2016	10.51	11.71
20/10/2016	14.86	11.12
21/10/2016	16.26	12.37
22/10/2016	10.13	11.73
23/10/2016	8.79	13.07
24/10/2016	8.35	10.83
25/10/2016	8.35	8.4
26/10/2016	10.05	10.11
27/10/2016	12.72	18.74
28/10/2016	8.99	16.7
29/10/2016	10.46	15.21
30/10/2016	15.15	14.3
31/10/2016	20.35	22.52

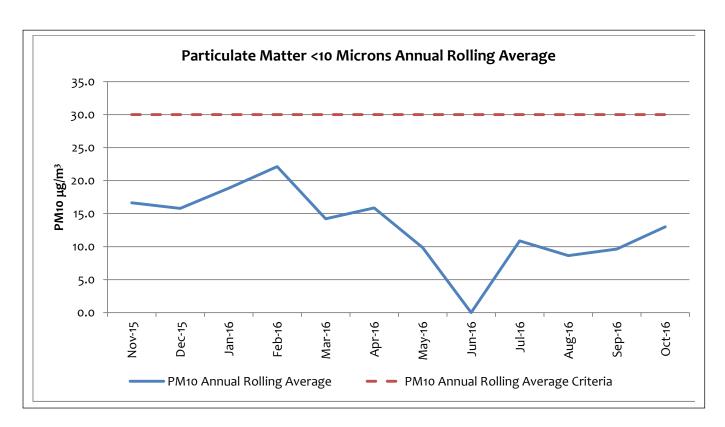
PM10 μg/m³ 12 M	PM10 μg/m³ 12 Month Rolling Average														
	Nov-15	Dec-15	Jan-16	Feb-16	Mar-16	Apr-16	May-16	Jun-16	Jul-16	Aug-16	Sep-16	Oct-16			
TEOM 1 EPL13 Essential Water Off Site	15.2	19.1	15.0	19.0	13.3	17.9	10.8	8.1	10.8	9.6	12.1	13.3			
TEOM 2 EPL14 Blackwoods Pit On Site	16.6	15.8	18.8	22.1	14.2	15.9	9.8	0.0	10.9	8.6	9.6	13.0			

### EPL13 - Essential Water - Off Site (TEOM1)





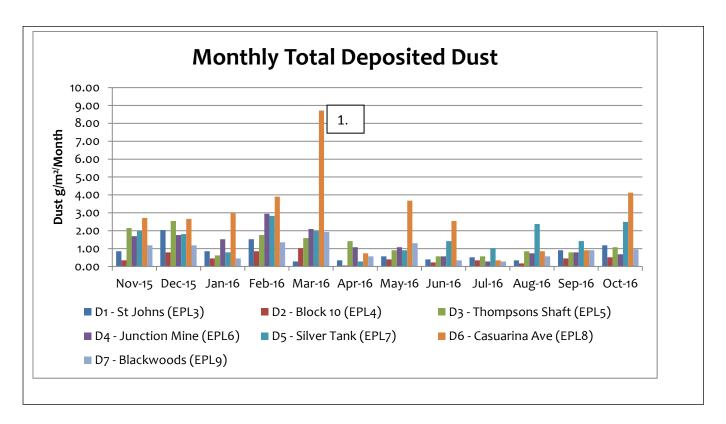




TEOM 2 was calibrated by an external manufacturer's technician on May 5. The technician failed to reset the machine, this lead to the machine failing to record data for the remainder of May and the whole of June. The error was found by the Environmental Officer during the monthly data download.

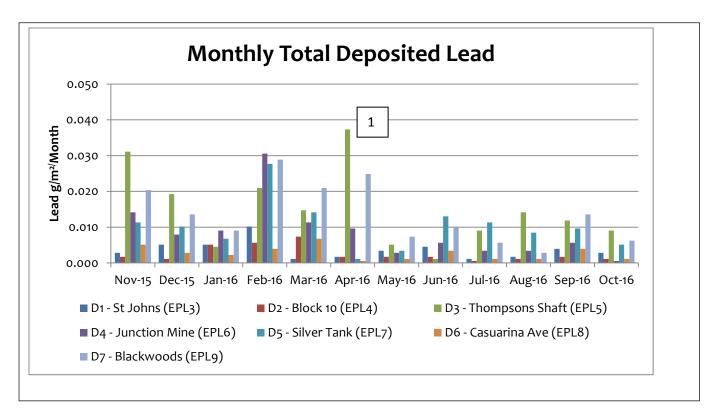
### 1.3 Dust Deposition Sampling

Total Deposited Dust (g/m²/Month)											
Date	D1 (off site)	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6 (off site)	D7				
October 2016	0.68	0.11	1.41	1.13	0.79	2.26	0.91				
<b>Background Average</b>	4.0	3.1	4.3	5.7	n/a	5.8	n/a				



1. When the sample for February was collected the sample stand had been relocated within the back yard of the residence. The resident was asked to move the stand back to its original location. Contamination from a nearby greenhouse is suspected in this sample. The maximum allowable total concentration of deposited dust is 4g/m2/month (annual average) with the maximum allowable contribution from the mine being 2g/m2/month (annual average) as per the site Environment Protection Licence. D6 Casuarina Avenue is the designated background sample all other sample sites are for measurement of site contribution.

Total Deposited Lead (g/m²/Month)												
Date	D1 (Off Site)	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6 (Off Site)	D7					
October 2016	0.004	0.001	0.002	0.005	0.005	0.003	0.004					
<b>Background Average</b>	0.0000	0.001	0.0018	0.0040	0.0010	0.004	0.014					



1. Samples at Thompson's shaft spiked in lead concentration in October (2015) and again in March (2016). Nearby vegetation and buildings have been identified as potential sources. Nearby vegetation was removed in October. A clean up of the haul road adjacent Thompsons Shaft was also carried out. The haul road will continue to be monitored. Further investigation is required with regard to nearby buildings, it is suspected the paint on the buildings contains lead and is in poor condition. There is also exposed remnant ore body at the surface in this location which may also contribute as a slightly higher than background influence. The dust bottle location was moved approximately 10m away from the buildings and has delivered a lower total deposited lead reading for December however levels are slightly higher again in January. Essential Water were performing earth works near the western boundary of the site during January which may have contributed in some way. Additionally some lead shipping containers were cleaned during January at the rail load out. The latest monthly results from April onwards have been much lower and coincide with the annual application of dust suppression chemical.

#### 2 Blasting (Vibration and Overpressure)

Note: Vibration is recorded in Peak Particle Velocity (ppv), Overpressure is recorded in Decibels (dBL)

#### October Summary Block 7, Zinc Lode:

- 1 production firing
- 12 development firings
- 0 Blasts recorded a ppv of >3mm/s
- 0 Blasts recorded a ppv of >10mm/s
- 0 Blasts recorded an over pressure level over 115dBL
- 0 Blasts recorded an over pressure above 120dBL

#### 12 Month Summary of Zinc Lode:

- % of all blasts over 3mm/sec = **2.61**% (licence requirement <5%) calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 until 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2016;
- % of production blasts over 3mm/sec = **5.44**% (licence pollution reduction plan target <5%) %) calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 until 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2016

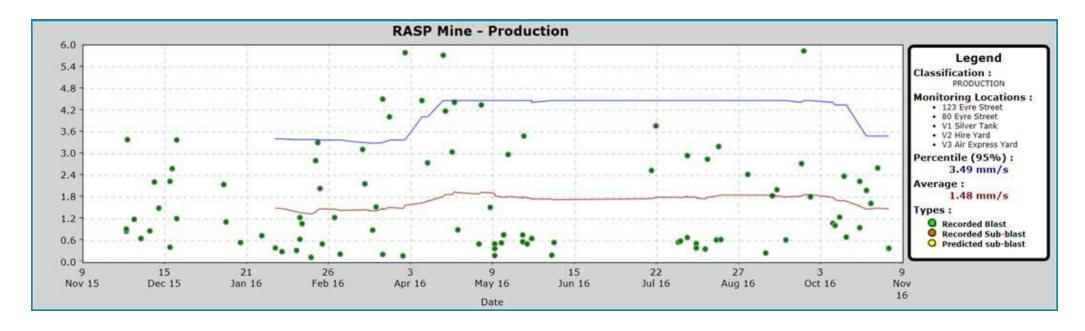
#### October Summary Rest of Mine, Western Mineralisation and Main Lode:

- 16 production firings
- 160 development firings
- 0 Blasts recorded a ppv of >5mm/s
- 0 Blasts recorded a ppv of >10mm/s
- 0 Blasts recorded an over pressure level over 115dBL
- 0 Blasts recorded an over pressure above 120dBL

#### 12 Month Summary Rest of Mine, Western Mineralisation and Main Lode:

- % of all blasts over 5mm/sec = 0.42% (licence requirement <5%) calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015 until 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2016;
- % of production blasts over 5mm/sec = **6.03**% (licence performance target <5%) %) calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015 until 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2016;

### 12 Month Production Blast Progress Chart



#### **Noise**

Noise monitoring is undertaken as per the NSW Industrial Noise Policy at a higher frequency of once per annum. A noise assessment was conducted during July 2016. The data was analysed by EMM and a report was produced, the report found the mine operations satisfied the relevant noise limits at all measured locations. The conclusions of the report are as follows:

EMM has completed a noise monitoring assessment of operational noise from RASP Mine activities at 15 assessment locations as per the site's PA (PA 07\_0018). A review of the meteorological data from the site's weather station identified that noise limits were inapplicable for two of the 15 operator-attended measurements due to meteorological conditions. The monitoring assessment found that noise from RASP Mine operations satisfied the relevant noise limits at all locations. Furthermore, site noise was inaudible at three of the 15 locations. In summary, no non-compliances were observed during this session of monitoring.

## 3 Water

# 3.1 Groundwater (sampled 17, 18 and 19 October) and Surface Water (sampled 19 October)

																Horwood
		UG FEED	SHAFT 7	GW01	GW03	GW04	GW05	GW06	GW07	GW08	GW09	GW10	GW11	GW12	GW16	Dam
pH Value	pH Unit	6.16	6.29	4.86	5.17	7.17	6.43	6.46	6.33	6.16	7.52	7.06	7.06	6.62	5.01	6.40
Electrical Conductivity @ 25°C	μS/cm	9900	13300	10900	14700	14400	16400	13300	12700	11300	12000	13600	4330	11300	5320	11200
Total Dissolved Solids @180°C	mg/L	7870	14100	10200	13600	9640	15600	11900	11500	11100	9340	11600	3540	10200	4960	9560
Hydroxide Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/L	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Carbonate Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/L	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/L	47	49	<1	5	268	123	47	21	15	290	166	71	77	<1	8
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/L	47	49	<1	5	268	123	47	21	15	290	166	71	77	<1	8
Sulfate as SO4 - Turbidimetric	mg/L	4150	8100	4870	4700	4390	6640	4430	4550	4210	2830	4280	1670	4410	2890	4160
Chloride	mg/L	1250	1550	1220	3150	2850	3280	2510	1980	1820	2980	2620	469	1370	281	1540
Calcium	mg/L	496	544	293	576	598	545	567	545	576	935	622	239	396	474	501
Magnesium	mg/L	235	401	497	416	575	731	471	394	300	604	555	149	497	272	299
Sodium	mg/L	1300	1670	1610	2310	2500	2810	2130	1950	1410	1380	2240	583	2000	426	1400
Cadmium	mg/L	1.59	4.62	0.21	0.646	0.0466	0.679	0.936	16.1	1.95	0.018	0.82	0.0384	1.05	1.04	2.6
Lead	mg/L	0.11	2.31	0.313	1.37	0.035	0.18	0.118	0.789	0.711	0.002	0.011	0.013	0.042	0.08	1.59
Manganese	mg/L	247	630	328	563	26.2	323	267	302	586	0.435	46.1	33.7	51.8	12.2	339
Zinc	mg/L	837	1500	268	395	15.8	299	188	321	703	2.18	83.3	32	139	200	487
Iron	mg/L	0.05	0.12	0.21	46.3	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05

### 3.2 Downstream Locations (EPL Points 35 and 36)

Not sampled during the current month. Last sampled during September 2016.

### 3.3 Surface Water Sample Record

### Surface Water Table Nov 2015 to Nov 2016

<b>EPA Identification Number</b>	Frequency	Comment
EPL29 (Federation Way culvert )	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 9/5/16 & 21/7/16
S31-1		
EPL31 (Ryan Street Dam)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 9/5/16 & 21/7/16
S49		
EPL32 (adjacent olive grove)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 9/5/16 & 21/7/16
S1A		
EPL33 (Behind Bowls Club)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 9/5/16 & 21/7/16
S9-B2		
EPL34 (Horwood Dam)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 10/2/16, 9/5/16, 21/7/16,
Horwood Dam		19/10/16
EPL35 (Upstream Bonanza St)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 1/8/16 & 20/9/16
Monitoring location 1		
Downstream		
EPL36 (Downstream Sydney Rd)	2 x per year , six months apart	Sampled 1/8/16 & 20/9/16
Monitoring location 2		
Downstream		

<sup>\*</sup>Due to the ephemeral nature of the surface water bodies at Rasp mine the sample frequency of six months apart is difficult to achieve. Sample times are dictated by the availability of water.

### 4 Weather Data

The weather station continuously monitors the following parameters as per point 55 of the Environmental Protection Licence.

#### POINT 55

Parameter	Sampling method	Units of measure	Averaging period	Frequency
Temperature at 10 metres	AM-4	degrees Celsius	15 minutes	Continuous
Wind Direction at 10 metres	AM-4	Degrees in a clockwise direction from True North	15 minutes	Continuous
Wind Speed at 10 metres	AM-4	metres per second	15 minutes	Continuous
Rainfall	AM-4	millimetres	1 hour	Continuous
Sigma theta	AM-2 & AM-4	Degrees	15 minutes	Continuous

The continuous data can be viewed at any time at the following web site using the username and password.

www.loggermonitor.com/login

user: CBHAdmin

pass: brokenhill

Summary reports for all licence parameters are available from the website however due to the 15 minute data being very large daily summary data was also obtained from the Bureau of Meteorology Broken Hill on the following page:

# Broken Hill Airport, New South Wales November 2016 Daily Weather Observations

		Ten	nps		_	_	Max	wind	gust			9	) am					3	3 pm		
Date	Day	Min	Max	Rain	Evap	Sun				Temp	RH	Cld	Dir	Spd	MSLP	Temp	RH	Cld	Dir	Spd	MSLP
		°C	°C	mm	mm	hours		km/h	local	°C	%	8 <sup>th</sup>		km/h	hPa	°C	%	8 <sup>th</sup>		km/h	hPa
1	Tu	6.6	23.5	0			W	39	14:32	15.3	39		SE	17	1015.9	22.7	22		WNW	22	1012.7
2	We	7.3	24.8	0			WNW	33	12:45	15.1	56		SSE	11	1020.0	22.9	27		W	13	1016.1
3	Th	8.6	28.2	0			W	30	15:27	17.8	39		SE	11	1019.9	26.6	16		WNW	13	1015.9
4	Fr	11.0	33.1	0			WNW	50	14:33	26.2	16		NW	20	1015.7	31.6	10		WNW	35	1011.4
5	Sa	10.4	23.6	0			SSW	48	00:33	13.7	54		S	31	1017.8	22.2	22		SSW	20	1016.1
6	Su	8.8	28.3	0			WSW	33	13:27	16.9	30		S	17	1017.4	26.5	11		SW	13	1012.8
7	Мо	15.7	33.9	0			NW	52	21:47	26.6	12		N	26	1008.3	32.7	9	7	NW	28	1004.1
8	Tu	14.2	25.4	0			NNW	54	00:19	16.4	68	7	S	31	1009.0	25.0	39		S	20	1007.7
9	We	11.2	28.3	0			SSE	33	06:58	18.2	39	7	SE	20	1011.2	26.8	20		SSE	13	1007.3
10	Th	12.7	29.2	0			ESE	24	01:43	20.7	35		SSW	11	1009.7	26.3	24	7	W	7	1008.9
11	Fr	17.5	36.4	0			NW	100	17:38	25.0	53		NNE	24	1006.1	35.1	26		N	31	999.8
12	Sa	17.3	29.2	3.8			WNW	69	14:44	23.0	32		WNW	33	1004.9	28.1	17		WNW	41	1003.4
13	Su	11.4	21.8	0			SW	69	15:58	15.9	48	- 1	W	43	1008.4	20.4	32	8	WSW	46	1007.6
14	Мо	10.4	23.5	0			SW	69	10:07	14.2	49	3	SW	37	1015.8	22.3	27		SSW	28	1015.0
15	Tu	9.5	25.2	0			SSW	35	13:14	14.6	59		S	20	1021.4	24.1	26		SW	19	1018.6
16	We	12.8	29.1	0			SE	30	13:53	20.3	40		ESE	13	1022.2	27.8	20		SE	17	1019.2
17	Th	17.0	34.7	0			NW	41	13:20	26.6	25		NNE	28	1018.6	33.7	12		NW	20	1014.7
18	Fr	19.3	32.6	0			SW	37	15:24	27.5	19		SSW	20	1014.4	31.7	20	8	SSW	24	1013.3
19	Sa	18.1	30.9	0			SSE	41	12:01	23.9	38	5	SSE	26	1015.8	27.0	33	8	S	20	1014.6
20	Su	18.6	37.7	0			N	59	18:56	29.6	25	5	ENE	17	1013.5	35.6	14	8	NW	19	1010.0
21	Мо	20.4	38.7	0.8			SW	59	20:39	32.9	18		N	28	1010.2	36.9	12	5	NNW	26	1006.8
22	Tu	17.5	27.0	1.6			S	56	20:58	21.7	55	8	Е	30	1012.8	21.3	69	8	SSW	20	1012.2
23	We	10.1	22.0	6.8			SSW	56	08:27	13.8	67		S	37	1017.7	20.0	33		S	33	1016.0
24	Th	6.9	23.0	0.2			S	52	14:12	15.0	45		SE	20	1019.4	21.0	26		SSW	24	1016.9
25	Fr	8.9	25.1	0			SSW	44	13:56	15.0	53		S	22	1019.2	23.8	24		SSW	28	1017.4
26	Sa	11.4	26.1	0			SSE	39	12:11	17.5	46		SSE	22	1020.6	24.7	23		S	24	1018.1
27	Su	9.4	29.2	0			SW	39	15:16	19.1	39		SE	17	1018.8	27.8	15		SW	19	1015.4
28	Мо	12.3	34.5	0			SW	43	16:31	25.6	18		NNE	13	1014.8	32.0	11		WSW	17	1011.1
29	Tu	17.6	36.4	0			SW	50	14:27	23.7	26		SSW	17	1010.7	34.6	10		SW	30	1007.8
30	We	16.0	31.4	0			WSW	57	11:53	20.8	34	7	SSW	24	1010.3	27.7	27	6	SSE	9	1008.2
Statis	stics	for I	Vover	nber	2016																
N	lean	13.0	29.1							20.4	39	5		22	1014.7	27.3	22	7		22	1012.0
Lo	west	6.6	21.8	0						13.7	12	1	#	11	1004.9	20.0	9	5	W	7	999.8
Hig	hest	20.4	38.7	6.8			NW	100		32.9	68	8	W	43	1022.2	36.9	69	8	WSW	46	1019.2
1	otal			13.2																	

#### Legend

**Dir** = Direction, **Spd**=Wind Speed, **Temp**=Temperature, **RH**=Relative Humidity, **CLD**=Cloud, **MSLP**=Mean Sea Level Pressure

# 5 Data Log

Sample	<b>Result Received</b>	Date Published
Hi Volume Samples	28/10/2016	7/11/2016
TEOM	Real time	7/11/2016
<b>Dust Deposition</b>	14/10/2016	7/11/2016
Water	13/9/2016	7/11/2016
Blast Vibration and	Real Time	7/11/2016
overpressure		

# **6** Correction Log

There are no corrections for the previous month

### 7 Attachments

There are no attachments.