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Address	Argent St, Broken Hill, NSW 2880
Environmental Protection Licence	2683 (North Mine and Potosi Operations)
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Environmental Protection Licence 2683

Dust Deposition

Perilya Broken Hill Limited (PBHL) has eleven (11) deposition dust gauge stations that are located around the North Mine and Potosi Operation (Figure 1). Licence point 20 is located on a private residence on Hall Street. A summary of Environmental Protection Licence (EPL) 2683 conditions is shown in Table 1.

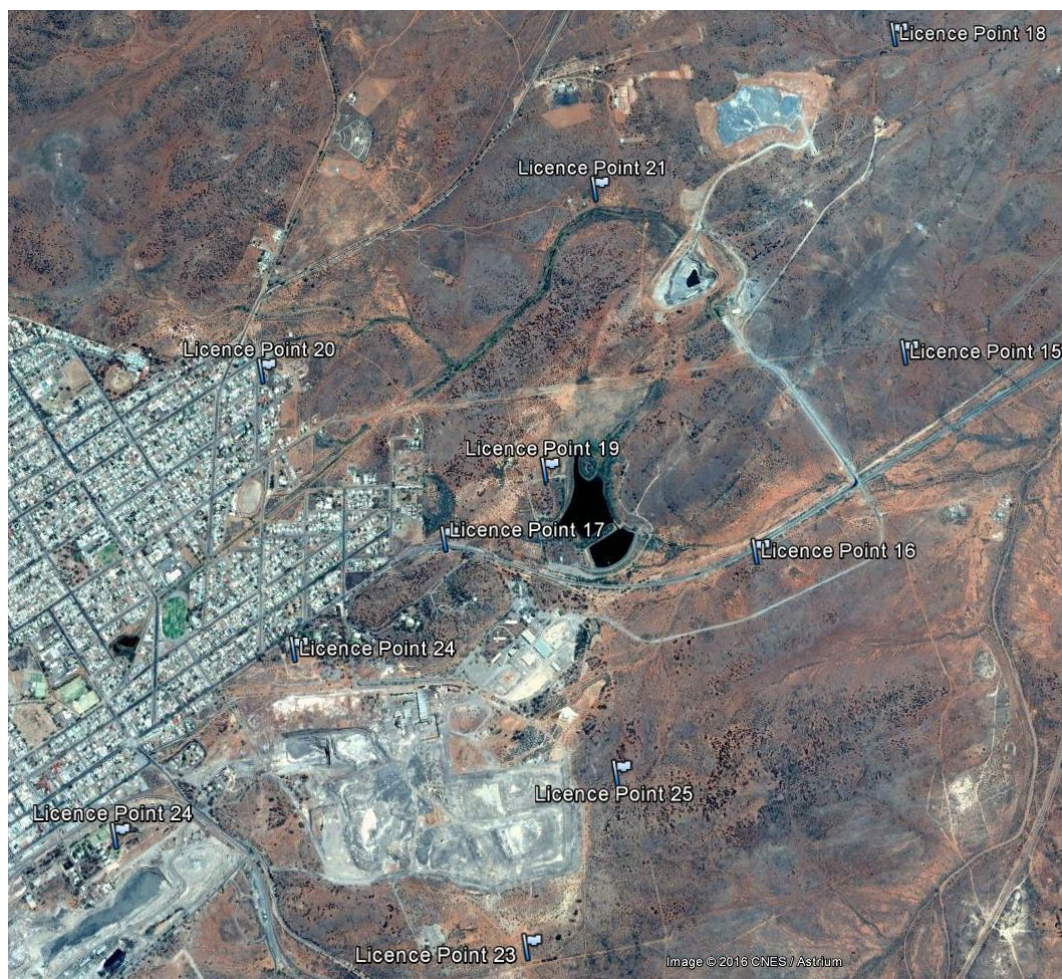


Figure 1. Location of the deposition dust gauges associated with EPL 2683.

Table 1. Summary of EPL 2683 conditions for deposition dust gauges.

Dust Gauges EPL 2683 Conditions	
Condition	Licence Requirement
Licence Point	15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25
Pollutant/s	Particulates -deposited matter
	Total Lead
Unit of measure	Grams per square meter per month (g/m ² /month)
Sampling Method	AM-19
Monitoring frequency	Every 30 days ± two (2) days
Data Reporting	Monthly

Dust Deposition Results

February 2017 particulates – deposited matter and total lead results are presented in Table 2. Results of laboratory analyses were received by Perilya on 23-02-2017.

Table 2. February 2017 dust deposition gauge results.

Licence Point	Particulates – deposited matter (g/m ² /month)	Total Lead (g/m ² /month)
15	0.5	*NR
16	1.9	*NR
17	0.8	*NR
18	4.2	*NR
19	0.8	*NR
20	1.2	*NR
21	0.9	*NR
22	0.7	*NR
23	0.7	*NR
24	1.6	*NR
25	1.0	*NR

*Total lead could not be analysed due to cross contamination in the laboratory. Total solids analysis consumes the sample completely and therefore reanalysis could not be conducted.

High Volume Air Samplers

PBHL currently operates two (2) high volume air samplers (HVAS) in relation to EPL 2683, one located at the Potosi Operations and the other at the North Mine (Figure 2). HVAS sampling stations operate (sample) for a 24-hour period every six (6) days on a routine basis.



Figure 2. Location of HVAS associated with EPL 2683.

Table 3 provides a summary of EPL 2683 conditions.

Table 3. Summary of EPL 2683 conditions for HVAS samplers.

High Volume Air Sampler EPL 2683 Conditions	
Condition	Licence Requirement
Licence Point	26 and 27
Pollutant/s	Total Suspended Particles
	Total Lead
Unit of measure	Micrograms per cubic meter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)
Sampling Method	AS 3580.9.15:2014
	AS/NZS 3580.9.3:2015
Monitoring frequency	Every six days for 24 hours
Data Reporting	Every 6 days

HVAS Results

Total suspended particulate (TSP) and total lead results are presented in Table 4. Monthly averages for TSP and total lead for the previous 12 months are shown in Figure 3 and Figure 4 respectively. Results were received on the 6-03-2017, 16-03-2017, 31-03-2017 and 3-04-2017.

Table 4. February 2017 HVAS total lead and TSP results.

Licence Point	Pollutant	No. times measured in the month	Min. value	Mean Value	Median Value	Max. Value
26	TSP ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	5	25	40	44	49
	Total Lead ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	5	0.050	0.132	0.097	0.230
27	TSP ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	5	87	159	135	263
	Total Lead ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$)	5	0.590	1.520	1.300	2.810

Results that are above industry standards influenced by seasonal climatic conditions and offsite factors. Recent construction and land clearing activities in the vicinity of the HVAS is also considered an influencing factor.

Annual monthly average TSP (previous 12 months)

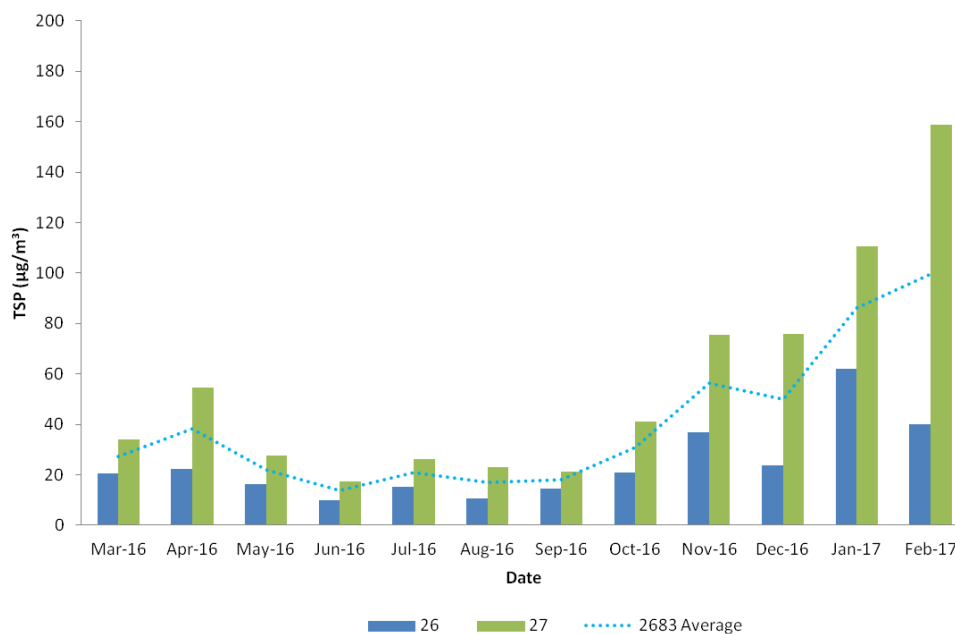


Figure 3. Average TSP results for the 12 months up to and including February 2017.

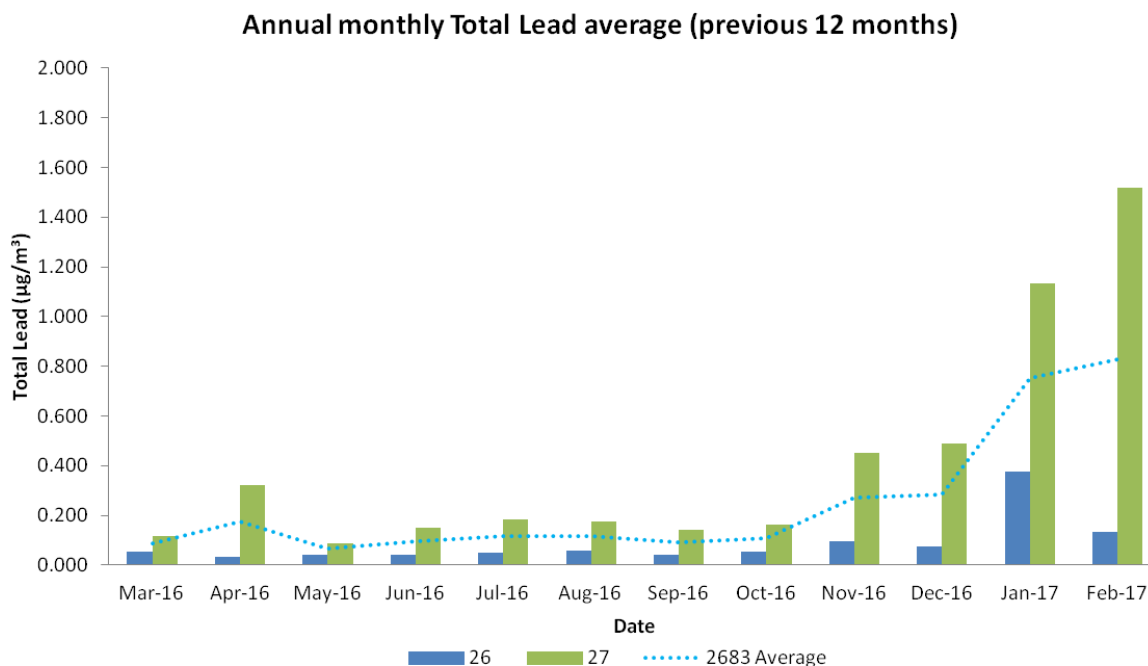


Figure 4. Average total lead results for the 12 months up to and including February 2017.

Noise Monitoring

North Mine is currently under Care & Maintenance; hence, no noise monitoring is conducted at this site.

PBHL’s Potosi Operation is currently being actively mined and noise monitoring is conducted at this site. A summary of the EPL requirements for noise monitoring is shown in Table 5.

Table 5. A summary of the EPL 2683 conditions for noise monitoring.

Noise EPL 2683 Conditions	
Condition	Licence Requirement
Pollutant	Noise
Unit of measure	Decibels (dB)
Limits	
Monday to Friday - 0700 hours (h) to 1800 h	An *Leq (15 minute) of 40 decibels (A weighted)
Monday to Friday - 1800 h to 2200 h	An Leq (15 minute) of 39 decibels (A weighted)
All other times	An Leq (15 minute) of 35 decibels (A weighted)

*Leq is the equivalent continuous noise level – the level equivalent to the energy average of noise levels emitted by the premises over the stated measurement period (Source: Environmental Protection Licence 2683).

The location of Potosi noise monitoring is shown in Figure 5.



Figure 5. The location of the noise monitoring associated with EPL 2683.

Noise results

Rather than undertaking noise monitoring on a monthly or quarterly basis, Perilya has opted to conduct noise monitoring for its Potosi Operations on a more frequent basis. This monitoring consists of one (1) 15-minute interval each week conducted between 0730 hours and 1530 hours, Monday to Friday. Actual time that the monitoring commences is selected at random within the designated hours of the monitoring time period.

During the monitoring interval, noise identified by the operator as coming from the Potosi Operation is noted. Results of noise monitoring for the month of February 2017 are provided in Table 6.

Table 6. A summary of the noise monitoring results for the month of February 2017.

Date Noise Monitoring Undertaken	Time (24 hour)	LAeq (15 min) (dB)	Non-mine noise		Potosi Operations (mine contribution)		
			Observed sources*	Duration (min)	Observed Mine Source	Duration (min)	Adj. LAeq (dB)
10/02/2017	8:30-8:45	38.3	Various	15	NIL	0.00	NIL
17/02/2017	10:45-11:00	41.9	Various	15	NIL	0.00	NIL
24/02/2017	14:45-15:00	44.8	Various	15	NIL	0.00	NIL

* Typically, 'various' includes commonly occurring non-mine noise such as wind interference, birds, overflying aircraft, vehicles and motorbikes.

Blasting

With North Mine currently under Care & Maintenance, no blast monitoring is conducted at this site. Potosi Operations currently are under active mining, blast vibration is monitored at this site. The blast monitor used to undertake this monitoring is located on site and

adjacent to the Potosi Pit. Location of this monitor is shown in Figure 6 and labeled as 'Potosi' in this figure.

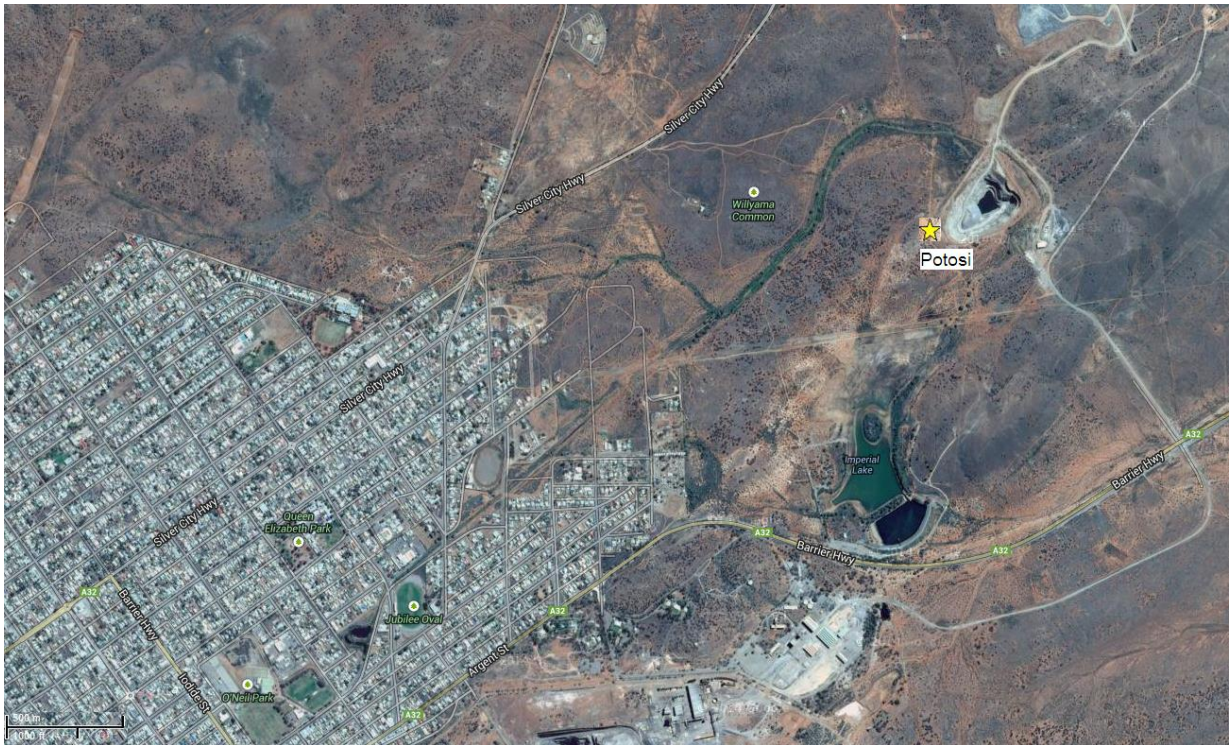


Figure 6. Location of the blast monitors associated with EPL 2683.

A summary of Licence conditions for blasting is provided in Table 7.

Table 7. Summary of EPL 2683 conditions for blasting.

Blasting EPL 2683 Conditions	
Condition	Licence Requirement
Licence Points	56 North Mine, 48 Junction Circle (North Mine is in care and maintenance), Potosi
Pollutant/s	Ground Vibration
	Overpressure
Unit of measure	Millimetres per second (mm/s), Decibels (dB)
Sampling method	AS 2187.2-2006
Monitoring frequency	All blasts
Data Reporting	All blasts
Date results received	Immediately following each blast
Limits	
Ground Vibration – 95% of blasts	Five (5) millimetres per second (mm/s)
Ground Vibration – Upper limit	Ten (10) millimetres per second (mm/s)
Overpressure – 95% of blasts (not including Potosi) between 0700 h -1900 h	115 decibels (dB)
Overpressure – upper limit (not including Potosi) between 0700 h -1900 h	120 decibels (dB)
Overpressure – upper limit (not including Potosi) between 1900 h -0700 h	95 decibels (dB)
Overpressure - 95% of blasts (Potosi) between 0700 h – 1900 h	130 decibels (dB)
Overpressure – upper limit (Potosi) between 0700 h – 1900 h	135 decibels (dB)
Overpressure – upper limit (Potosi) between 1900 h – 0700 h	110 decibels (dB)

Blasting Results

A total of 54 blasts were conducted during February 2017 (Table 8).

Table 8. February 2017 blast vibration for EPL 2683.

Licence Point	Parameter	No. times measured in the month	Minimum Value	Mean Value	Median Value	Maximum Value
Potosi	Overpressure (dB)	51	88	94.6	94	111.8

Complaints

No complaints were received under EPL 2683 during February 2017.