





Environmental Monitoring Summary Report Port Kembla Gas Terminal

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1 Project background

AIE is responsible for the development of a liquefied natural gas (LNG) import terminal at Port Kembla, south of Wollongong, NSW (the Project). The Project will be the first of its kind in NSW and will provide a simple and flexible solution to the state's gas supply challenges.

The Project has been declared Critical State Significant Infrastructure (CSSI) in accordance with Section 5.13 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) (NSW) and Schedule 5 of the *State Environmental Planning Policy State and Regional Development* (SRD SEPP). The Project received Infrastructure Approval from the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces on 29 of April 2019.

The construction of the Project is primarily associated with the establishment of a new berth facility at Port Kembla to enable a Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) Carrier to berth alongside the Floating Storage and Regasification Unit (FSRU) and new infrastructure to connect the terminal to the existing gas network. The location of the Project is shown on the Environmental Monitoring Location Plan provided as Appendix A.

An Environment Protection Licence (EPL) (EPL No. 21529) was issued for the Project by the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 2 June 2021. The details of the EPL are provided below in Table 1-1.

EPL No.	21529						
Anniversary Date:	2 June						
	Australian Industrial Energy Pty Ltd						
Licensee:	PO Box 3155 Broadway						
	Nedlands WA 6009						
Premises:	Port Kembla Gas Terminal, Port Kembla NSW 2505						
	Contaminated soil treatment						
Scheduled Activity	Crushing, grinding or separating						
	Petroleum products storage						

Table 1-1 EPL Details





2 Report purpose

This Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report has been prepared to provide an overview of project activities undertaken during the reporting period and those forecast for the next reporting period (refer to Section 3) and to satisfy the requirements associated with the publishing of monitoring data and results and reporting requirements required under the relevant conditions of approval and environmental management plans as detailed further in Table 2-1.



Document	Clause or section	Requirement	Addressed:		
	Sch. 4 Cond. 8	Regular Reporting – The Proponent must provide regular reporting on the environmental performance of the development on its website in accordance with the reporting requirements in any strategies, plans or programs approved under the conditions of this approval.	This report which will be made available on the		
DPIE SSI-9471		Access to information – From the commencement of development under this approval, the Proponent shall: (a) Make copies of the following information publicly available on its website:	Project Website.		
	Sch. 4 Cond. 12	 a comprehensive summary of the monitoring results of the development, reported in accordance with the specifications in any conditions of this approval, or any approved plans and programs 	Section 4		
		- a summary of complaints, which is to be updated monthly	Section 5		
AIE Air Quality Management Plan (Stage 2A)	Section 11.4	A monthly environmental monitoring report will be developed for each calendar month which will include details of the monitoring results and frequencies and inclusion of any exceedance of EPL No. 21529 air monitoring limits / criteria. A copy of the monthly environmental monitoring report will be made available on the AIE Project website.	Air quality monitoring results and frequencies and inclusion of any exceedance provided in Section 4.1		
AIE Water Quality Management Plan (Stage 2A)	Section 9.4	A monthly environmental monitoring report will be developed for each calendar month which will include details of the monitoring results and frequencies and inclusion of any exceedance of EPL (No. 21529) water quality monitoring limits / criteria. A copy of the monthly environmental monitoring report will be made available on the AIE Project website.	Water quality monitoring results and frequencies and inclusion of any exceedance provided in Section 4.2		
EPL 21529	Condition M6.2	The licensee must monitor and record temperature, humidity, wind direction, wind velocity and rainfall at either the project weather station, or through analysis of equivalent weather information obtained from the Australian Bureau of Meteorology. Whilst there are no specific requirements to provide weather data in the monthly report, AIE has included the data for transparency and to assist with context for any monitoring results where required.	Section 4.3		



3 **Project activities**

3.1 Project status

The project has progressed to Stage 2A: Marine Berth Construction – Land Based. The Stage 2A works include:

- Quay wall construction
- Installation of communications conduit, potable water line, and 11kV power cable and Pad-mount Substation within the Marine Berth Construction and Dredging (MBD) Site Compound
- Construction of the Onshore Receiving Facilities (ORF), which comprises three areas: Wharf Topside Area; Utility Area; and Common Area
- Pipeline construction and associated ancillary infrastructure within MBD Site Compound delivered as part of ORF scope
- 3.2 Project activities for the reporting month
 - Installation of wharf king piles
 - Installation of rear sheet pile wall
 - Installation of tie-rods
- 3.3 Project activities for the upcoming month
 - Ongoing installation of wharf king piles
 - Installation of tie-rods and backfilling of completed wall sections
 - Commence installation of capping beam



4 Environmental monitoring data

The following sections present a summary of the air quality, water quality and weather monitoring data for the reporting month.

A copy of this report will be made available on the Project website at the following web-address:

https://ausindenergy.com/environmental-information/

4.1 Air quality

4.1.1 Air Quality Monitoring Locations and Frequency

Air quality monitoring equipment is installed to the north and south of the MBD site compound (Berth 101), and to the east and west and central portion of the Outer Harbour stockpile area.

A summary of the air quality monitoring locations is provided below in Table 4-1 and a monitoring location plan is provided in Appendix A.

Table 4-1 Air quality monitoring locations

EPL Ref.	Monitoring location	Monitoring type	Monitoring parameter	Monitoring frequency	
8	Northern boundary of the premises, adjacent the southern boundary of Port Kembla Coal Terminal	Dust Deposition	Particulates - Deposited Matter	Monthly	
10	Southern boundary of Berth 101	Gauge	(gm/m²/month)		
12	Southern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour	and Ambient Air Monitoring -	and		
14	Eastern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour	High Volume Air Sampler	Total suspended particles (TSP)	Special Frequency 1 (24-hour period every 6 days)	
22	Northern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour		(ug/m³)		
9	Northern boundary of the premises, adjacent the southern boundary of Port Kembla Coal Terminal				
11	Southern boundary of Berth 101				
13	Southern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour	Real time dust monitoring	PM10 (ug/m³)	Continuous	
15	Eastern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour				
23	Northern side of emplacement area, Outer Harbour				



4.1.2 Air Quality Monitoring Results

The air quality monitoring results for the reporting month are presented below in Table 4-2.

		Monitoring parameter												
Monitorir	NG.	Particulates	Total	Suspended F	Particles									
Location	ig	Deposited	(High	Volume Air S	ampler)		Events							
(EPL Reference	2)	Matter (Depositional dust gauge)**	Average	Minimum	Maximum	Average	Minimum	Maximum	above criteria [*]					
Unit		g/m²/month	mg/m ³	mg/m ³	mg/m ³	ug/m³/24 hours	ug/m³/24 hours	ug/m³/24 hours	No.					
Criteria		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	200	NA					
Berth 101	EPL 8	1.80	0.13	0.04	0.39	No PM10	No PM10 monitoring required at this EPL Point							
North	EPL 9	No Dust Dep	osition Gau this EPL	-	equired at	54.34	23.87	135.53	0					
Berth 101	EPL 10	2.10	0.10	0.04	0.16	No PM10	NA							
South	EPL 11	No dust gauge	e or HiVol re	equired at thi	s EPL Point	41.91	13.94	78.63	0					
Outer Harbour	EPL 12	1.10	0.04	0.02	0.06	No PM10	required at this nt	NA						
South	EPL 13	No dust gauge	e or HiVol re	equired at thi	s EPL Point	9.82	2.92	24.12	0					
Outer	EPL 14	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.08	No PM10) monitoring EPL Poir	required at this nt	NA					
Harbour East	EPL 15	No dust gauge	e or HiVol re	equired at thi	s EPL Point	14.48	4.60	36.14	0					
Outer	EPL 22	0.80	0.05	0.02	0.09	No PM10 monitoring EPL Poin		•	NA					
Harbour North	EPL 23	No dust gauge	e or HiVol re	equired at thi	s EPL Point	17.78	4.57	43.11	0					

*Includes individual number of times results recorded above Stage 2A performance criteria (200 ug/m³/24 hours). Refer to Appendix B for event above criteria reports.

**Assessed as Total Insoluble.



4.2 Water quality

4.2.1 Water Quality Monitoring Locations and Frequency

Water quality monitoring is undertaken at five (5) locations within the Port Kembla Harbour. Each water quality monitoring location is securely anchored/moored in its location. Details of each of the water quality monitoring locations and corresponding EPL license reference is provided below in Table 4-3.

Table 4-3 Harbour water quality monitoring locations

EPL			Parameters					
Ref.	Monitoring location	Type of monitoring	Continuous monitoring at 15 min intervals	Weekly grab sample				
1	WQM1 - North of Berth 101	Primary- impact works area receiver		- Aluminium - Arsenic				
16	WQM2 - North of the emplacement cell, Outer Harbour.	Primary- impact works area receiver	- Turbidity	 Cadmium Chromium (total) Cobalt 				
17	WQM3 - South West of Berth 101	Primary- impact works area receiver	- Temperature - pH	- Copper - Lead				
18	WQM4 - Near the Pacific Ocean entrance to Outer Harbour	Background water quality	Salinity (EC)Dissolved oxygen	- Mercury - Nickel - Total PAHs - TSS				
19	WQM5 - Near entrance to Allans Creek, near Bluescope Steel	Background water quality		- Tributyltin - Zinc				

In addition to the monitoring requirements listed above for the harbour, monitoring is also required for any discharge event from the on-site sedimentation basin located at the southern end of Berth 101. Details of the monitoring requirements associated with the sediment basin discharge point are included below in Table 4-4.

Table 4-4 Sediment basin discharge monitoring

EPL	Monitoring location	Type of monitoring	Parameters							
Ref.		Type of monitoring	Prior to discharge	Daily grab sample	during discharge					
20	Sediment basin discharge point at the southern end of Berth 101	Wet weather discharge quality	 Oil and grease (visual) Total suspended solids (TSS) 	 Aluminium Arsenic Cadmium Chromium Cobalt Copper Lead Mercury 	 Nickel Oil and grease (visual) pH Total PAHs Tributyltin TSS Zinc 					



4.2.2 Continuous Water Quality Monitoring Results

A summary of the results for the continuous water quality monitoring in the harbour is presented below in Table 4-5. Further details for exceedances as indicated below are provided in Appendix B.

Table 4-5 Harbour water quality – Continuous monitoring results

		Results - basec	d on indivi	dual 15-m	inute media	n
Monitoring location	Statistic	Turbidity (NTU)	Temperature (Deg. C)	Hď	Electrical conductivity (uS/cm)	Dissolved Oxygen (%sat)
Criteria		50 + BG ¹	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Average	8.4	22.3	8.2	46718.2	89.3
WQM1/EPL1	Minimum	2.0	18.4	7.3	70.2	77.8
	Maximum	377.7	24.5	8.2	52666.2	100.4
	Events above criteria ²	3	-	-	-	-
	Average	4.0	21.9	8.1	49063.1	94.4
WQM2 / EPL 16	Minimum	1.5	19.2	7.8	27.3	84.1
	Maximum	99.8	23.1	8.2	52351.8	105.3
	Events above criteria ²	1	-	-	-	-
	Average	7.3	22.3	8.1	47017.6	92.7
WQM3 / EPL 17	Minimum	1.3	17.6	7.3	10.6	83.5
	Maximum	416.6	25.0	8.2	52581.0	101.9
	Events above criteria ²	3	-	-	-	-
WQM4 / EPL 18	Average	4.5	22.1	8.2	48803.7	93.6
(Background)	Minimum	1.0	18.5	7.5	15688.7	86.9
	Maximum	168.2	23.6	8.2	52682.3	104.4
WQM5 / EPL 19	Average	45.4	23.8	8.0	44258.2	92.2
(Background)	Minimum	2.5	17.2	6.9	1.8	1.6
	Maximum	1564.5	29.0	8.2	52178.1	116.6

¹The Stage 2A performance criteria is only set for total suspended solids (TSS). This parameter is monitored in real time using turbidity in NTU and the NTU-TSS correlation as recommended in the current EPL or from in-field study approved by the EPA, whichever is more appropriate at the time of measurement. BG = Background.

²Includes number of days where results exceeded performance criteria. Refer to Appendix B for exceedance reports.



4.2.3 Water Quality Monitoring Results – Port Kembla Harbour Grab Samples

A summary of the results for the Port Kembla Harbour weekly grab samples is presented below in Table 4-6. Further details for exceedances as indicated below are provided in Appendix B.

Table 4-6 Harbour water quality – Weekly grab sample results summary

Monitoring Location	Statistic	Aluminium ³	Anthracene	Arsenic	Benzo(a)pyrene	Cadmium	Chromium (total) ³	Cobalt	Copper ³	Lead	Mercury	Naphthalene	Nickel ³	Total PAHs	Total Suspended Solids (TSS) ³	Tributyltin	Zinc ³
Unit		ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	Ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	ug/L	mg/L	ngSn/L	ug/L
Criteria		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	50 + BG ²	N/A	N/A
	Average	5.00	<0.1	1.43	<0.05	<0.05	0.35	0.20	0.98	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.85	<0.05	236.00	<2	3.50
WQM1/	Minimum	<5	<0.1	0.80	<0.05	<0.05	<0.2	<0.2	<0.5	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<5	<2	<1
EPL 1	Maximum	5.00	<0.1	2.00	<0.05	<0.05	0.50	0.30	1.40	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	1.60	<0.05	928.00	<2	5.00
	Events above criteria ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Average	5.00	<0.1	1.60	<0.05	<0.05	0.35	0.28	1.05	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.83	<0.05	8.25	<2	3.25
WQM2/	Minimum	<5	<0.1	1.40	<0.05	<0.05	<0.2	<0.2	<1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<5	<2	<1
EPL16	Maximum	5.00	<0.1	2.00	<0.05	<0.05	0.50	0.60	1.60	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	1.80	<0.05	18.00	<2	5.00
	Events above criteria ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Average	5.00	<0.1	1.48	<0.05	<0.05	0.35	0.23	0.93	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.83	<0.05	123.25	<2	3.25
WQM3/	Minimum	<5	<0.1	0.90	<0.05	<0.05	<0.2	<0.2	<0.5	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<5	<2	<1
EPL17	Maximum	5.00	<0.1	1.90	<0.05	<0.05	0.50	0.40	1.20	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	1.80	0.10	478.00	<2	5.00
	Events above criteria ¹	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Average	5.00	<0.1	1.50	<0.05	<0.05	0.35	0.28	0.93	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.93	<0.05	50.50	<2	3.25
WQM4/ EPL18	Minimum	<5	<0.1	1.00	<0.05	<0.05	<0.2	<0.2	<0.5	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<5	<2	<1
	Maximum	5.00	<0.1	2.00	<0.05	<0.05	0.50	0.60	1.20	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	2.00	0.10	187.00	<2	5.00
	Average	7.25	<0.1	1.33	<0.05	<0.05	0.35	0.18	1.05	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.78	<0.05	654.50	<2	3.75
WQM5/ EPL19	Minimum	<5	<0.1	0.40	<0.05	<0.05	<0.5	<0.2	<1	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<0.05	<5	<2	<5
	Maximum	14.00	<0.1	1.90	<0.05	<0.05	0.50	0.30	1.60	<0.2	<0.1	<0.1	1.20	<0.05	2570.00	<2	5.00

¹Includes individual number of times results exceeded background. Refer to Appendix B for exceedance reports.

²BG = Background (WQM4 / WQM5)

³In place of a non-detect, the Limit of Reporting (LOR) for this analyte and method has been substituted to calculate the listed statistics.



4.2.4 Water Quality Monitoring Results – Sediment basin discharge

During the reporting month, there were twelve (12) authorised discharge events and no discharge events as a result of excessive rainfall exceeding the design criteria of the basin (>43.5 mm in any 5-day period). Refer to Section 4.3 for site weather monitoring details. The date of the events and a summary of the water quality results for the authorised discharge events from the sediment basin is included below in Table 4-7.

Date of discharge/ sampling	Aluminium	Arsenic	Cadmium	Chromium	Cobalt	Copper	Lead	Mercury	Nickel	Zinc	Tributyltin	TSS	Hd	Oil & Grease	Total PAH	Overflow Discharge?	Re
Criteria	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	µg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	μg/L NA	mg/L 50	- NA	- Visible	μg/L NA	- NA	mm NA
01/04/2022	18	0.3	<0.05	1.8	<0.1	1.0	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	1	<2	<5	7.54	<5	<0.05	N	-
04/04/2022	6	0.2	<0.05	1.5	<0.1	1.2	<0.1	<0.1	0.6	4	<2	9	6.93	<5	<0.05	N	-
05/04/2022	5	0.2	<0.05	1.6	<0.1	1.0	<0.1	<0.1	1.1	13	<2	<5	7.23	<5	<0.05	N	-
06/04/2022	8	0.2	<0.05	1.6	0.1	0.7	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	3	<2	<5	7.23	<5	<0.05	N	-
07/04/2022	7	0.3	<0.05	1.6	<0.1	0.9	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	3	<2	<5	6.83	<5	<0.05	Ν	-
08/04/2022	611	0.9	<0.05	1.7	<0.1	0.8	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	<1	<2	<5	7.98	<5	<0.05	N	-
11/04/2022	14	<0.2	<0.05	1.6	<0.1	0.6	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	2	<2	5	7.00	<5	<0.05	N	-
12/04/2022	12	<0.2	<0.05	1.6	<0.1	0.6	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	2	<2	<5	7.53	<5	<0.05	Ν	-
14/04/2022	12	0.2	<0.05	1.6	<0.1	1.4	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	2	<2	<5	6.87	<5	<0.05	Ν	-
13/04/2022	9	0.2	<0.05	1.5	<0.1	1.8	<0.1	<0.1	0.5	3	<2	<5	6.97	<5	<0.05	Ν	-
19/04/2022	<5	0.3	<0.05	1.5	<0.1	1.3	<0.1	<0.1	1.1	6	<2	<5	6.75	<5	<0.05	Ν	-
27/04/2022	8	0.3	<0.05	1.4	<0.1	0.8	<0.1	<0.1	<0.5	4	<2	<5	6.96	<5	<0.05	Ν	-

Table 4-7 Sediment basin discharge water quality – Pre-discharge and daily grab sample results



4.3 Weather station results

Under the EPL (Condition M6.2), AIE is required to monitor and record temperature, humidity, wind direction, wind velocity and rainfall at either a project weather station, or through analysis of equivalent weather information obtained from the Australian Bureau of Meteorology.

AlE established and maintains a weather station for the project site located at the southern point of Berth 101 (EPL monitoring point 21) as shown in Figure of Appendix A. The data obtained from the onsite weather station for the reporting period is provided below in Table 4-8.

Parameter	Unit of measure	Monthly statistic	Result EPL Point 21		
	m/s	Average	4.05		
Wind velocity	(15min average)	Minimum	0.13		
	(Maximum	11.60		
Wind direction at 10m	Degrees (1hr average)	Average	19.45		
	mm/hr	Average	0.49		
Rainfall rate	(1hr average)	Minimum	0.00		
	(Maximum	36.40		
Rainfall (Total)	mm	Monthly total	346.00		
		Average	19.45		
Temperature	Degrees Celsius	Minimum	14.20		
		Maximum	26.30		
		Average	78.59		
Humidity	%	Minimum	35.30		
		Maximum	100.00		

 Table 4-8 Site weather station monitoring results summary
 Image: Comparison of the station monitoring results summary



5 Environmental complaints

A summary of environmental complaints received during the reporting month and follow-up close-out and or corrective actions are presented below in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1 Environmental complaints summary

Date	Complaint Nature of the complaint No.		Follow-up close-out and or corrective action
NA	NA	No environmental complaints received for the reporting month	NA



Appendices

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LEGEND Assist Early enabling works footprint AIE site boundary A Wet weather release point Dust monitoring locations 👌 High volume air sampling 🔴 Real time dust monitoring A Meteorological station 🛆 Monitoring buoy Wet we ather discharge monitoring Construction areas Excavation area Temporary stockpile ABD Site Laydown area Silt curtain around immediate work area 2 Employement Cell Construction Site nearmap Project No. 21-27477 Revision No. -Paper Size ISO A4 Australian Industrial Energy 0.2 0.3 Port Kembla Gas Terminal Date 04/06/2021 Kilometers Map Projection: Transverse Mercator Horizontal Datum: GDA 1994 Grid: GDA 1994 MGA Zone 56 **FIGURE 1** EPL Licence Premises Stage 1

Appendix A - Monitoring location plan

Appendix B – Summary of Events Above Criteria

Each exceedance triggers an investigation including the evaluation of wind direction, comparison of upwind and downwind monitors at the time of the event. Dust prevention controls are continually being assessed to ensure their adequacy.

Air Monitoring Events Above Criteria

D	ate	Location	Exceedance value (ug/m ³ /24 hours)	Investigation & Actions				
N	No events above criteria in reporting period							

Water Monitoring Events Above Criteria

Date	Max. Value Observed (NTU)		Max. Background Value (NTU)		Action Taken & Investigation Outcomes
06/04/2022	EPL1: EPL17:	51.83 64.54	EPL18: EPL19:	12.26 1114.67	Reviewed background WQMB data and shipping traffic. Elevated turbidity due to heavy rainfall with the onsite meteorological station (EPL 21) indicating 18.4 mm of rain on the 5/4/2022 and 100.4 mm on the 6/4/2022.
07/04/2022	EPL1: EPL17:	377.69 416.62	EPL18: EPL19:	168.22 1116.6	Reviewed background WQMB data and shipping traffic. Elevated turbidity due to heavy rainfall with the onsite meteorological station (EPL 21) indicating 35.6 mm of rain on the 7/4/2022.
08/04/2022	EPL1: EPL16: EPL17:	73.44 99.81 47.43	EPL18: EPL19:	21.90 609.15	Reviewed background WQMB data and shipping traffic. Elevated turbidity due to heavy rainfall with the onsite meteorological station (EPL 21) indicating 11.4 mm of rain on the 8/4/2022.