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For the attention of Mr Tete Awotedu

Construction Noise Monitoring Mulgrave Substrate Plant 108 Mulgrave Road, Mulgrave

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Acoustic Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd was engaged by Elf Farm Supplies Pty Ltd to conduct a site attended construction noise audit for the construction activities associated with the upgrade works for the existing Mulgrave Substrate Plant.

The purpose of the attended audit was to assess noise emissions from construction activities with reference to the *'Construction Noise & Vibration Management Plant. Substrate Plant. Mulgrave'* Report No. 46.6411.CNVMP\_MUL:GD/DT/CF/2016 Rev07 prepared by Atkins Acoustics and compliance with Schedule 3 - Condition 18 of the Project Approval No. 08\_0255 that states:

## **Construction Noise Criteria**

18. The Proponent shall ensure that the construction noise generated at the Substrate Plant site does not exceed the criteria in Table 1.

Table 1: Construction Noise impact assessment criteria dB(A)

Receiver/Location	Day L <sub>Aeq(15 minute)</sub>	
R1 – 46 Mulgrave Road, Mulgrave	52	
R2 – Mulgrave Industrial area	65	+
R3 – 2 Railway Road, Mulgrave	52	
R4 – 126 Mulgrave Road, Mulgrave	52	
R5 - Chisholm Place, South Windsor	51	

Notes:

## 2.0 SITE ATTENDED NOISE AUDIT

This report presents the results and findings of site attended noise audits conducted from approximately 9.30am to 12.45pm on Friday 13 October 2017. Weather conditions during the audits were clear, dry and calm with occasional very light breeze from the north-northeast and north-east. The site attended noise measurements were conducted at five (5)

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Noise generated by the Project is to be measured in accordance with the relevant procedures and exemptions (including certain meteorological conditions) of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy.

reference residential receivers identified outlined in Project Approval No. 08\_0255 as follows:

*R1* 46 Mulgrave Road (north)

**R2** Mulgrave Industrial Area (east)

**R3** 2 Railway Road (south-east)

**R4** 126 Mulgrave Road (south-east)

**R5** Chisholm Place (west)

The reference receiver locations are identified in *Figure 1*.

Figure 1: Reference Receiver Locations



Measurement instrumentation consisted of a Type 1 SVAN977 sound and vibration analyser and a Type 1 ACO Pacific 7052E prepolarised condenser microphone. The instrumentation was checked before and after the measurements with a SVAN SV30A acoustic calibrator and no drift in calibration was detected.

Measurements at each reference receiver location were conducted over two (2) fifteen (15) minute periods, instantaneous noise levels observed during the audit where appropriate were used to assess source noise contributions from construction activities.

At the time of the audit construction activities comprised of cherry pickers, scissor lifts, compressor, truck and hand held electrical tools including pneumatic rattle guns / drills.

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Construction noise from the upgrade works associated with the Mulgrave Substrate Plant were not audible at measurement locations R1 and R2.

Construction activities associated with the use of hand tools were occasionally audible at measurement location R3, R4 and R5. Whilst the cherry pickers, scissor lifts and truck were occasionally audible at measurement location R5.

Table 1 provides a summary of the site observations and Table 2 the measurement results and estimated noise from construction activities. It should be noted that the measured 15-minute statistical levels presented in Table 2 are for information only and not due to construction activities.

Table 1 Site Observations

Location	Observation					
R1	Construction noise from Mulgrave Substrate Plant inaudible. Noise environment controlled by local and distant road traffic, chickens, birds, planes					
R2	Construction noise from Mulgrave Substrate Plant inaudible. Noise environment controlled by local and distant road traffic, local industrial activities, birds, plane, train					
R3	Construction noise from Mulgrave Substrate Plant generally inaudible. Occasional noise from hand tools just audible. Noise environment controlled by local and distant road traffic, trains, birds, planes, level crossing.					
R4	Construction noise from Mulgrave Substrate Plant associated with hand tools and low level motor noise occasionally audible. Noise environment influences by distant road traffic, trains, birds. Maintenance activities on mobile blender also occasionally audible.					
R5	Construction noise from Mulgrave Substrate Plant associated with cherry pickers, scissor lifts, truck and hand tools were occasionally audible. Noise environment also influenced by local road traffic, trains, planes, birds, chickens and dogs (5 Chisholm Place)					

Table 2 Noise Audit Measurement Results

Location	15-min Statistical Noise Levels (dB(A))			Estimated Construction Noise Contribution	Construction Noise Limit	Compliance	
	L <sub>Aeq</sub>	$L_{A10}$	$L_{A90}$	${ m L_{Aeq,15min}}$	$L_{Aeq,15min}$		
R1	46.9	49.8	41.1	<31	1	52	V
	48.9	52.2	41.3		32	V	
R2	61.5	64.6	51.7	<42	65	ما	
	60.6	63.5	51.6		03	V	
R3	61.2	59.7	48.8	<39	52	$\checkmark$	
	59.2	61.9	49.1		52		
R4	50.2	52.6	41.5	<42	52	ما	
	49.1	51.8	42.0		52	V	
R5	49.6	53.9	39.9	<41	<i>E</i> 1	ما	
	48.3	51.6	41.1		×41 31	51	V

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The results of site attended measurements confirmed that  $L_{Aeq,15min}$  noise levels from construction activities associated with the upgrade of the Mulgrave Substrate Plant satisfied the project noise goals in accordance with Schedule 3 -Condition 18 of Project Approval No. 08\_0255.

We trust the information in this letter is satisfactory. Please do not hesitate to contact our office should further information or clarification be required.

Yours sincerely,

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