

# Chain Valley Colliery Monthly Website Report – July 2021

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#### Introduction

Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd (trading as Delta Coal) operates the Chain Valley Colliery, an underground coal mine at the southern end of Lake Macquarie.

Chain Valley Colliery operates under the following regulatory instruments:

- Section 66(6) of the *Protection of the Environmental Operations Act 1997*, to make monitoring data related to an Environment Protection Licence (EPL) publically available;
- Conditions 8 & 11, Schedule 6, of Development Consent SSD-5465 (as modified), issued under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* to provide details of monitoring results and environmental performance;
- An Environment Protection Licence (EPL 1770) issued under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997*; and
- A Water Access Licence (WAL41508), Aquifer (Sydney Basin North Coast Groundwater Source) for 4,443 unit shares (megalitres).

The above development consent and licences require various monitoring and reporting requirements to be undertaken by Delta Coal for Chain Valley Colliery.

This report provides environmental monitoring data from Chain Valley Colliery for the month of July 2021.

Details of the Chain Valley Colliery EPL 1770 are provided below.

Chain Valley Colliery Information	
Premises name	Chain Valley Colliery
Address	Construction Road, Chain Valley Bay, NSW, 2259
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd
EPL#	1770
EPL location	http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/ViewPOEOLicence.aspx?DOCID=50980&SYS UID=1&LICID=1770

The overall purpose of this monthly report is to keep stakeholders informed of the environmental monitoring results at Chain Valley Colliery and maintain a transparent and accountable reporting system.

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#### Scope

This report presents the results from the various environmental monitoring programs undertaken for Chain Valley Colliery. Results are presented monthly with annual data and averages.

Where applicable, the results of the monitoring programs are compared with the relevant criteria (from the EPL or Development Consent) to assess compliance. Monitoring results presented in this report include:

- Water quality;
- Water volume;
- Air Quality Depositional Dust
- Air Quality PM<sub>10</sub>
- Air Quality PM<sub>2.5</sub>; and
- Meteorological data.

#### **Definitions**

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g/m²/month – grams per square metre per month;
kL – kilolitre;
ML – megalitre;
mg/L – milligrams per litre;
TSS – total suspended solids;
μg/L – micrograms per litre; and
μS/cm – microSiemens per centimetre.
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#### **References**

ALS Group - Monthly Water Monitoring Results July 2021

ALS Group - Dust Deposition Report July 2021

Development Consent SSD-5465 (as modified)

Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 1770 (Licence version date: 2 April 2019)

#### **Monitoring Results**

Water –	Quality		

Water quality results for July 2021 monthly surface water sampling at Chain Valley Colliery, EPA Discharge Point 1 (LDP1) are presented below.

July 2021			
EPL	1770		
Licensee	Great Southern Ener	gy Pty Ltd	
Premises	Chain Valley Colliery		
Date Sampled	22-07-2021		
Date Obtained	01-08-2021		
Sampling Point	LDP1		
Parameter	Units	Limit	Result
Biochem. Oxygen Demand	mg/L	-	2
Enterococci	col/100mL	-	13
Faecal Coliforms	CFU/100mL	200	<1
pH	рН	6.5-8.5	7.72
Total Sus. Solids	mg/L	50	10
Electrical Conductivity	μS/cm	-	30900

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Water – Volume

Monthly water volumes discharged from the site are summarised below.

The daily water volumes at EPA Discharge Point 1 (LDP1) during July 2021 did not exceed the EPL 1770 discharge limit.

EPL	1770
Licensee	Great Soutehrn Energy Pty Ltd
Premises	Chain Valley Colliery
Date Sampled	Daily
Date Reported	Refer report date
Discharge volume limit	12161 kilolitres per day
Sampling Point	1

Date (24 hour period)	Unit	LDP 1 Volume
01/07/2021	kL	8216.76
02/07/2021	kL	4369.00
03/07/2021	kL	5964.39
04/07/2021	kL	6460.66
05/07/2021	kL	7719.45
06/07/2021	kL	7110.54
07/07/2021	kL	2748.35
08/07/2021	kL	7236.28
09/07/2021	kL	5180.80
10/07/2021	kL	4570.69
11/07/2021	kL	8123.14
12/07/2021	kL	6989.46
13/07/2021	kL	6146.23
14/07/2021	kL	6956.22
15/07/2021	kL	7202.19
16/07/2021	kL	6033.46
17/07/2021	kL	5562.67
18/07/2021	kL	5642.28
19/07/2021	kL	5768.27
20/07/2021	kL	6342.37
21/07/2021	kL	5723.43
22/07/2021	kL	7677.40
23/07/2021	kL	5835.66
24/07/2021	kL	6323.30
25/07/2021	kL	6964.05
26/07/2021	kL	6399.65
27/07/2021	kL	7578.14
28/07/2021	kL	6167.18
29/07/2021	kL	6316.95
30/07/2021	kL	7030.41
31/07/2021		6344.03

Average	kL	6345
Minimim	kL	2748
Maximum	kL	8216

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Water – Groundwater Discharge

Groundwater discharged from underground workings to the CVC sedimentation ponds within the surface operational area has been detailed below. Chain Valley Colliery operates Water Access License (WAL 41508) permitting the extraction of 4,443 megalitres per water year (financial year calander) with a roll-over entitlement up to a maximum of 8,886 megalitres.

CVC Groundwater to Surface Totals FY2021-2022				
Date (month)	GW Discharge (ML/Month)	GW Discharge (Cumulative ML YTD)		
July 2021	189.98	189.98		
August 2021				
September 2021				
October 2021				
November 2021				
December 2021				
January 2022				
February 2022				
March 2022				
April 2022				
May 2022				
June 2022				

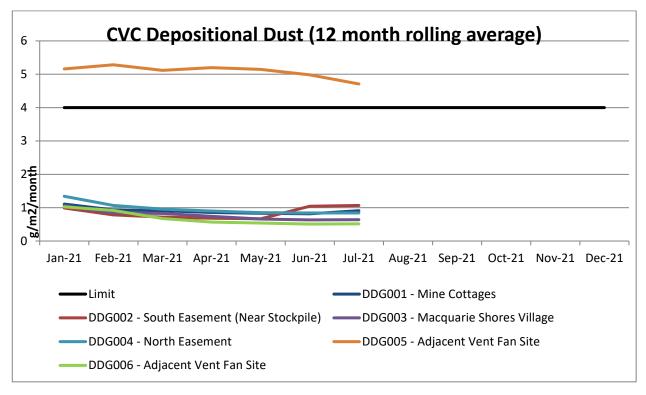
Air Quality - Depositional Dust

Monthly depositional dust results are shown below. Dust deposition gauges were sampled and analysed in accordance with the project approval, CVC Air Quality Management Plan and relevant Australian Standards.

July	2021	
EPL 1770		
Limit	4g/m²/month/Annum	
Sampling Date	11/06/2021 to 13/07/2021	
Site	Insoluble Matter (g/m2/month)	
DDG001	1.3	
DDG002	0.5	
DDG003	0.3	
DDG004	0.4	
DDG005	3.0	
DDG006 (proposed DDG005 Replacement)	0.5	
Notes:		
- For site locations refer to Chain Valley Coll	iery Air Quality Management Plan.	

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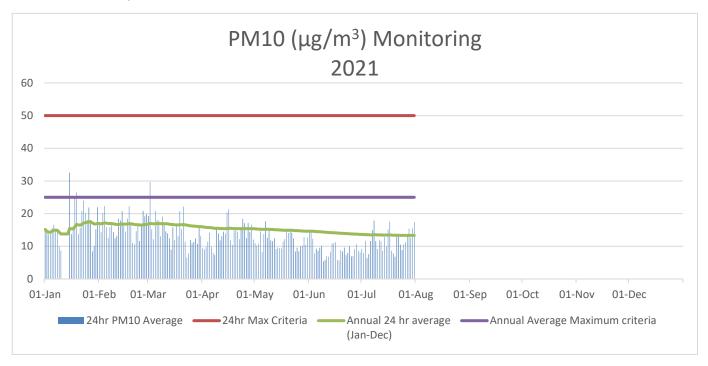
A 12 month rolling average of depositional dust concentrations has been presented below. Dust Guages DDG001, DDG002, DDG003 and DDG004 are located within a closer proximity to Chain Valley Colliery. DDG005 was intended to represent the fan site however has been frequently contaminated by factors outside of mine operations (bird droppings, insects, land maintenance activities and vegetation), subsequently, DDG006 was installed in a location more representative of the CVC vent fan site. Delta Coal currently have a submission with DPIE to amend the Chain Valley Colliery Air Quality Management Plan to replace location DDG005 with DDG006.



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Air Quality - PM<sub>10</sub>

The 24hr  $PM_{10}$  average from Delta Coal's Tapered Element Osciliating Microbalance (TEOM) is presented below for the year to date.



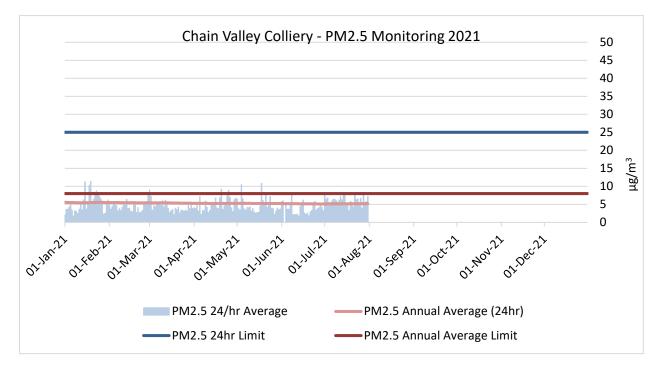
Annual 24hr  $PM_{10}$  average maximum criteria for July 2021 was below the annual average maximum criteria limit. A summary of data availability for Delta Coal's TEOM is presented below for the year to date.



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Air Quality – PM<sub>2.5</sub>

Delta Coal utilises PM<sub>2.5</sub> data obtained from Delta Electricity owned and operated beta attenuation monitor (BAM). The PM<sub>2.5</sub> monitor is located on Tingley Road, Wyee.



For the period of May 2021, the daily  $PM_{2.5}$  average concentration and annual average  $PM_{2.5}$  concentration did not exceed limits of 25  $\mu g/m^3$  and 8  $\mu g/m^3$  respectively.

PM<sub>2.5</sub> data availability for:

- July 2021 data availability was 99.9%; and
- 2021 year to date data availability has been 98%.

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#### Weather Data

A summary of weather data recorded by a meteorological monitoring station at the adjacent Mannering Colliery is presented below for the year to date. (EPA ID no. 26).

	Monthly Weather Data 202	1	
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd		
Location	Mannering Colliery Meteorological station		
Date published	Refer report date		
Date sampled	Daily		_
Date obtained	12 <sup>th</sup> July 2021		
Month	Total Rainfall/Month (mm)	Min Temp	Max Temp
Jan-21	108.4	12.5	38.2
Feb-21	110.2	13.9	33.1
Mar-21	551.6	13.1	31.1
Apr-21	56.8	6.2	28.3
May-21	30.8	4.1	25.6
June-21	74.6	3.3	21.5
July-21	37.2.	2	24.8

