

Chain Valley Colliery Monthly Website Report – July 2023

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Summary

Environmental monitoring results are presented in this report for monitoring undertaken during the period of July 2023.

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) publicly available;
- 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 2023.

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	EPL 1770 – June 2023

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 PM₁₀
- Air Quality PM_{2.5}; 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 2023

ALS Group - Dust Deposition Report July 2023

Development Consent SSD-5465 (as modified)

Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 1770 (Licence version date: 5 June 2023)

Monitoring Results

W	Vater – Quality	
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Water quality results for July 2023 monthly surface water sampling at Chain Valley Colliery, Licensed Discharge Point (LDP 1) are presented below.

July 2023			
EPL	1770		
Licensee	Great Southern Ener	gy Pty Ltd	
Premises	Chain Valley Colliery		
Date Sampled	19-07-2023		
Date Obtained	26-07-2023		
Sampling Point	LDP 1		
Parameter	Units	Limit	Result
Biochem. Oxygen Demand	mg/L	-	<2
Enterococcus	col/100mL	-	2
Faecal Coliforms	CFU/100mL	200	9
pH	рН	6.5-8.5	7.84
Total Sus. Solids (TSS)	mg/L	50	22
Electrical Conductivity	μS/cm	-	30,300

There were no water quality exceedances at CVC's licensed discharge points for monitoring undertaken in July 2023.

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Water – Vo	lume
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Monthly water volumes discharged from the site are summarised below. There was no exceedance of volumetric discharge recorded at CVC for the period of July 2023.

EPL	1770
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd
Premises	Chain Valley Colliery
Date Sampled	Daily
Date Reported	Refer report date
Discharge volume limit	12,161 kilolitres per day
Sampling Point	1

Date (24 hour period)	LDP 1 Volume (kL)	Rainfall (mm)
01/07/2023	6152.5	0
02/07/2023	6124.6	0
03/07/2023	6709.85	0
04/07/2023	7487.21	8.2
05/07/2023	9475.72	0.2
06/07/2023	7768.5	0
07/07/2023	7334.95	0
08/07/2023	7190.85	0
09/07/2023	6782.83	0
10/07/2023	8798.67	0
11/07/2023	5720.66	0
12/07/2023	7055.36	0
13/07/2023	5618.11	0.2
14/07/2023	7004.09	0.2
15/07/2023	5617.75	0
16/07/2023	7096.53	14.4
17/07/2023	5710.08	0.2
18/07/2023	5825.39	0.2
19/07/2023	5392	0
20/07/2023	5341.78	0.2
21/07/2023	3857.62	0.2
22/07/2023	4468.29	0
23/07/2023	3843.49	6.2
24/07/2023	5475.85	9.2
25/07/2023	4246.79	0.4
26/07/2023	5818.82	0
27/07/2023	4457.86	0.2
28/07/2023	4981.71	0.2
29/07/2023	8029.95	0
30/07/2023	5437.45	0
31/07/2023	8196.85	0
Average	6226.52	1.3
Minimum	3843.49	0
Maximum	9475.72	14.4

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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 calendar) with a roll-over entitlement up to a maximum of 8,886 megalitres.

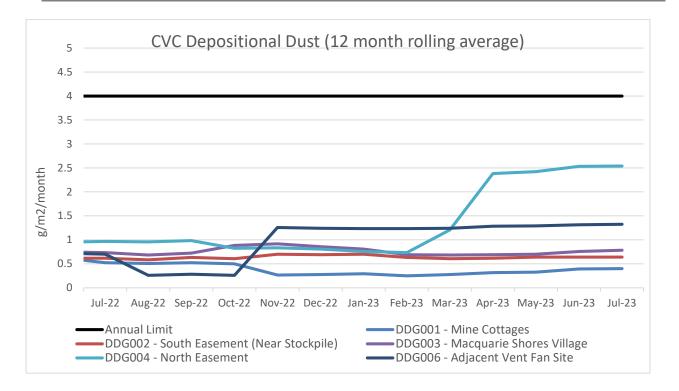
CVC Groundwater to Surface Totals FY2023-2024			
Date (month)	GW Discharge (ML/Month)	GW Discharge (Cumulative ML YTD)	
July 2023	200	200	
August 2023			
September 2023			
October 2023			
November 2023			
December 2023			
January 2024			
February 2024			
March 2024			
April 2024			
May 2024			
June 2024			

Air Quality - Depositional Dust

Monthly depositional dust results are shown below. Dust deposition gauges were sampled and analysed in accordance with the development consent, Delta Coal Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan, and relevant Australian Standards.

July 2023			
EPL 1770			
Limit 4g/m² /month / Annum 2g/m² /month increase from previous result			
Sampling Date	05/06/2023 – 06/07/2023		
Site	Insoluble Matter (g/m2/month)		
DDG001	0.2		
DDG002	0.5		
DDG003	0.4		
DDG004	0.7		
DDG006 0.3			
Notes:			
For site locations refer to the D	Pelta Coal Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan.		

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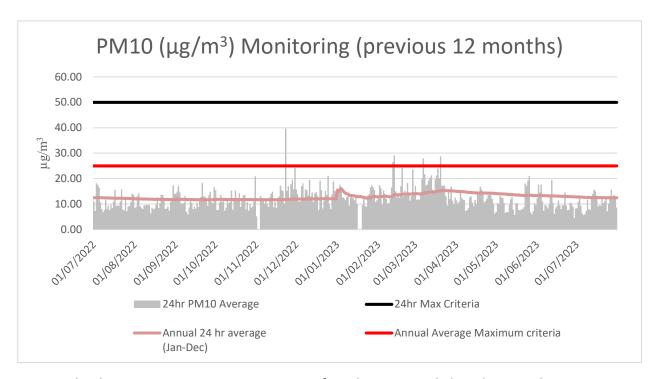


A 12-month rolling average of depositional dust concentrations has been presented below. Dust Gauges DDG001, DDG002, DDG003 and DDG004 are located within a closer proximity to Chain Valley Colliery and DDG006 is positioned in a location representative of the Chain Valley Colliery ventilation fan site at Summerland Point.

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Air Quality - PM₁₀

The 24hr PM_{10} average from Delta Coal's Tapered Element Osciliating Microbalance (TEOM), located at the Mannering Park Sewage Treatment Plant, is presented below for the previous 12 months.



Annual 24hr PM_{10} average maximum criteria for July 2023 was below the annual average maximum criteria limit. A summary of data availability for Delta Coal's TEOM is presented below for the reporting period. Delta Coals TEOM had a data availability of **100%** for the month of July 2023.

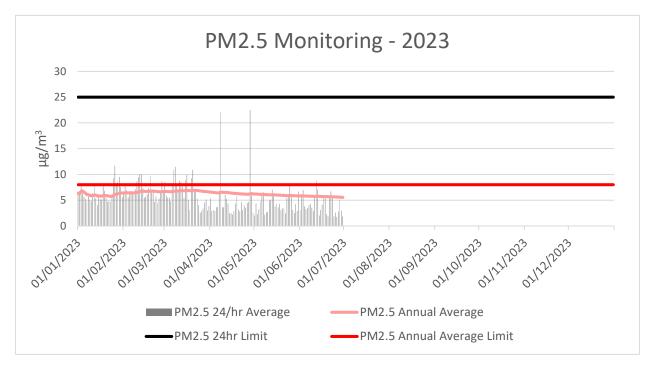
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Variable	July	Total	Valid
A/C Temp	100%	8928	8927
A1	100%	8928	8927
A1_Scaled	100%	8928	8927
Bypass Flow	100%	8928	8927
Cap Temp	100%	8928	8927
Case Temp	100%	8928	8927
Config	100%	8928	8927
Dew Point	100%	8928	8927
Dig-In	100%	8928	8927
Dig-Latch	100%	8928	8927
ESN	100%	8928	8927
Filter Freq	100%	8928	8927
Filter Load	100%	8928	8927
Humidity	100%	8928	8927
MC	100%	8928	8927
MC 12Hr	100%	8928	8927
MC 1Hr	100%	8928	8927
MC 24Hr	100%	8928	8927
MC 30min	100%	8928	8927
MC 8Hr	100%	8928	8927
MC Total	100%	8928	8927
Mobile Signal	100%	8928	8927
Noise	100%	8928	8927
PM10 Flow	100%	8928	8927
Pressure	100%	8928	8927
Site	0.0%	8928	0
Temperature	100%	8928	8927
Tube Temp	100%	8928	8927
Vac Pressure	100%	8928	8927
Volts	100%	8928	8927

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Air Quality – PM2.5

Delta Coal utilises PM_{2.5} data obtained from Delta Electricity owned and operated beta attenuation monitor (BAM). The PM_{2.5} monitor is located on Tingley Road, Wyee.



There were no exceedances of the $PM_{2.5}$ daily average limit in July 2023. The 12-month rolling average $PM_{2.5}$ value on 31 July 2023 was 5.55 $\mu g/m^3$. $PM_{2.5}$ data availability in July 2023 was 99%. The 2023 year to date $PM_{2.5}$ data availability is 98.94%.

It is noted that due to the external validation of $PM_{2.5}$ results, there is a one-month delay in publishing $PM_{2.5}$ results, however, real-time alarms remain active to ensure mitigation responses to elevated results can be applied when necessary.

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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	3	
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd		
Location	Mannering Colliery Meteorological station		
Date published	Refer report date		
Date sampled	Daily		
Date obtained	3 August 2023		
Month	Total Rainfall/Month (mm)	Min Temp	Max Temp
Jan-23	112	14.4	31.7
Feb-23	91	12.6	33.2
Mar-23	116	9.4	38.7
Apr-23	96	6.8	26.7
May-23	59.2	2.8	23.9
June-23	8.4	1.6	24.7
July-23	40.2	1.9	25.4

Variable	July	Total	Valid
Baro (Corrected)	99.5%	2976	2961
10m Temp	99.5%	2976	2961
2m Temp	99.5%	2976	2961
A1	99.5%	2976	2961
A1_Scaled	99.5%	2976	2961
Assumed Temp	99.5%	2976	2961
Barometric	99.5%	2976	2961
Config	99.5%	2976	2961
Daily Evap	99.5%	2976	2961
Daily Rain	99.5%	2976	2961
Delta T	99.5%	2976	2961
Dew Point	99.5%	2976	2961
Dig-In	99.5%	2976	2961
Dig-Latch	99.5%	2976	2961
ESN	99.5%	2976	2961
FDI	99.5%	2976	2961
Heat Index	99.5%	2976	2961
Humidity	99.5%	2976	2961
Mobile Signal	99.5%	2976	2961
Rain	99.5%	2976	2961
Raw Evap	99.5%	2976	2961
S Class	99.5%	2976	2961
Scalar WS	99.5%	2976	2961
Sigma	99.5%	2976	2961
Site	0.0%	2976	0
Solar Radiation	99.5%	2976	2961
Vector WD	99.5%	2976	2961
Vector WS	99.5%	2976	2961
Volts	99.5%	2976	2961
Wind Chill	99.5%	2976	2961
Wind Direction	99.5%	2976	2961
Wind Speed	99.5%	2976	2961
WS Avg	99.5%	2976	2961
WS Gust	99.5%	2976	2961