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1 Introduction

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been commissioned by Tomingley Gold Operations Pty Ltd (TGO) to complete a Noise Monitoring Assessment (NMA) for Tomingley Gold Mine ('the mine').

The NMA involved quantifying the noise contribution of the mine by direct attended measurements to determine mining noise emissions so that effective management and controls can be implemented where required. The monitoring has been conducted in accordance with the TGO Noise Management Plan and in general accordance with Conditions L4.2 to L4.7 of the EPL at six representative receiver locations. It is noted that this assessment has been completed as part of an internal noise management initiative and does not form part of the annual noise monitoring program to address conditions of the Environmental Protection License (EPL).

The assessment has been conducted in accordance with the following documents:

- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Noise Policy for Industry (NPI) 2017;
- Environment Protection Licence EPL 20169 (EPL); and
- Standards Australia AS 1055.1:1997 Acoustics Description and measurement of environmental noise - General Procedures.

A glossary of terms, definitions and abbreviations used in this report is provided in Appendix A.



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2 Environmental Protection License Noise Limits

Historic assessments for the mine categorise receivers into Noise Assessment Groups (NAGs). The NAGs were derived based on ambient noise data that controlled receiver RBLs.

Table 1 reproduces the operational and sleep disturbance noise limits for assessed receivers referenced from the EPL that have been adopted for this NMA and are consistent with historic EPL monitoring locations.

Table 1 Noise Limits, dE	BA				
Noise Assessment	Receivers	Day	Evening	Nig	ıht
Group	Receivers	LAeq(15-min)	LAeq(15-min)	LAeq(15-min)	LA1(1-min)
NAG A -	R6, R4	36	36	36	45
NAG A —	R5	37	37	37	45
NAG B	R2	36	36	36	45
NAG C -	R3	49	40	40	45
NAG C —	R29	48	40	40	45
NAG D	R23	43	39	39	46

Note: Refer to figure in Appendix 4 of Project Approval 09-0155 for noise locations. However, these criteria do not apply if the Proponent has an agreement with the relevant owner(s) of these residences / land to generate higher noise levels, and the Proponent has advised the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and EPA in writing of the terms of this agreement.



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3 Methodology

3.1 Locality

TGO is located to the south of the village of Tomingley, NSW. Receivers in the locality surrounding the mine are primarily rural/residential and for consistency the naming conventions for each receiver has been retained from historic noise assessments. The monitoring locations with respect to the mine are presented in the locality plan shown in **Figure 1**.

3.2 Assessment Methodology

The attended noise survey was conducted in general accordance with the procedures described in Australian Standard AS 1055-1997, "Acoustics - Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise" and the EPL. Measurements were carried out using Svantek Type 1, 971 noise analyser from Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018. The acoustic instrumentation used carries current NATA calibration and complies with AS IEC 61672.1-2004-Electroacoustics - Sound level meters - Specifications. Calibration of all instrumentation was checked prior to and following measurements. Drift in calibration did not exceed ±0.5dBA.

Both evening and night measurements were of 15 minutes duration. Where possible, throughout each survey the operator quantified the contribution of each significant noise source. Extraneous noise sources were excluded from the analysis to calculate the LAeq(15-min) mine noise contribution for comparison against the relevant EPL limit.

Prevailing meteorological conditions for the monitoring period were sourced from TGO's meteorological station and analysed in accordance with Appendix E4 of the NPI to determine the stability category present at the time of each measured sample. This was undertaken to determine applicability of results in accordance with Condition L4.3 of the EPL. Results obtained during non-prevailing meteorological conditions (ie F Class Stability in conjunction with a 2m/s drainage wind or a G Class Stability) are considered not applicable against the EPL criteria.



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FIGURE 1 - LOCALITY PLAN AND ASSESSMENT LOCATIONS TOMINGLEY GOLD MINE EPL NOISE MONITORING

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4 Results

The monitoring and assessment results are presented in individual tables for each assessment location.

4.1 Assessment Results - Location R2

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R2 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 2** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

D-4-	T: (l)	Descript	or (dBA re	e 20 μPa)	EDI 1::4	Mata 1	Di-ti	
Date	Time (hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	- EPL Limit	Meteorology ¹	Description and SPL, dBA	
16/01/18	21:42	54	48	40	36	Dir: S 1 m/s Stab Class: E	Insects 40-48 Wind in trees 42-47	
		TGO Site L	.Aeq(15-m	iin) Contribu	ıtion		TGO Inaudible	
16/01/18	22:00	53	48	39	36	Dir: S 1.5 m/s Stab Class: E	Insects 43-51 Wind in trees 42-53	
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-m	iin) Contribu	ıtion		TGO Inaudible	
17/01/18	21:37	80	53	32	36	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: E	Insects <31 Livestock 31-36 Local traffic 36-80	
		TGO Site L	.Aeq(15-m	iin) Contribu	ıtion		TGO Inaudible	
17/01/18	22:00	52	39	31	36	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: F	Insects 30-34 Livestock 36-40	
		TGO Site L	.Aeq(15-m	iin) Contribu	ıtion		TGO Inaudible	
18/01/18	21:36	51	41	32	36	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: D	Insects <32 Livestock 32-38 Distant traffic 34-36	
		TGO Site L	.Aeq(15-m	iin) Contribu	ıtion		TGO Inaudible	
18/01/18	22:00	49	42	33	36	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: F	Insects 32-46	
		TGO Site L	Aea(15-m	in) Contribu	ution		TGO Inaudible	

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



4.2 Assessment Results - Location R3/R29

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R3/R29 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 3** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 3 Ope	erator-Att	ended No	ise Surve	y Results	- Location I	R3/R29	
	Time	Descript	or (dBA re	20 µPa)	EDI II II	. 1	D . I. 10DI IDA
Date	(hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	EPL Limit	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dBA
						Dir: S	Highway traffic 39-82
16/01/18	21:07	83	63	40	40	0.5 m/s	Insects <39
						Stab Class: E	Crushing plant 35-37
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		36
						Dir: S	Llimburgu traffic 40.0E
16/01/18	22:37	87	66	40	40	0.5 m/s	Highway traffic 42-85
						Stab Class: E	Insects <44
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Highway traffic 27.00
17/01/18	20:58	84	64	40	40	0.5 m/s	Highway traffic 37-82
					Stab Class: E	Idle highway traffic 37-40	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Himboon to ## 40.04
17/01/18	22:37	88	69	44	40	0.5 m/s	Highway traffic 42-84
						Stab Class: F	Idle highway traffic 45-48
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Hi-l
18/01/18	21:00	83	64	38	40	0.1 m/s	Highway traffic 36-80
						Stab Class: F	Idle highway traffic 57-59
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Highway traffic 38-81
18/01/18	22:37	86	63	35	40	0.1 m/s	Insects <35
						Stab Class: D	Idle highway traffic 38-44
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



4.3 Assessment Results - Location R4

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R4 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 4** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Date	Time	Descript	or (dBA re	20 μPa)	EPL	Meteorology ¹	Description and CDL dD	
Date	(hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Limit	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dBA	
						Dir: S	Wind in trees 28-31	
16/01/18	20:19	58	34	28	36	1 m/s	Local residential noise <3	
						Stab Class: E	Local residential hoise No	
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S	Insects <27	
16/01/18	23:28	73	52	31	36	1.5 m/s	Wind in grass 27-70	
						Stab Class: D	Dog bark 50-52	
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible	
							Distant traffic 20-25	
						Dir: SE	Insects <19	
17/01/18	20:07	63	35	22	36	1 m/s	Birds 26-42	
						Stab Class: D	Dog bark 36-39	
							Wind in trees 26-32	
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S		
17/01/18	23:25	41	28	26	36	0.1 m/s	Insects 21-32	
						Stab Class: D		
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S	lat- 10 00	
18/01/18	20:12	45	26	21	36	0.1 m/s	Insects 19-22	
						Stab Class: E	Local residential noise 21-	
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S		
	23:24	43	34	29	36	0.1 m/s	Insects 27-33	
18/01/18								

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



4.4 Assessment Results - Location R5

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R5 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 5** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

D-+-	Time	Descript	tor (dBA re	20 μPa)	EPL	NA-+	Danasiation and CDL alD
Date	(hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Limit	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dB.
						Dir: S	Highway traffic 39-75
16/01/18	19:48	84	66	37	37	1 m/s	Wind in trees <42
						Stab Class: D	Birds 37-49
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Highway traffic 38-81
16/01/18	23:52	84	62	31	37	1 m/s	Insects <34
						Stab Class: D	Wind in trees 34-38
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: SE	Highway traffic 36-81
17/01/18	19:43	83	62	29	37	0.5 m/s	Birds 34-41
						Stab Class: D	Wind in trees 28-33
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Insects <32
17/01/18	23:48	84	64	29	37	0.5 m/s	_
						Stab Class: F	Highway traffic 32-78
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: S	Birds 20-24
18/01/18	19:46	82	59	21	37	0.5 m/s	Insects <20
						Stab Class: D	Highway traffic 24-76
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
						Dir: SE	Incasts 04.40
18/01/18	23:45	84	62	28	37	0.5 m/s	Insects 24-42
						Stab Class: F	Highway traffic 26-82

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



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4.5 Assessment Results - Location R6

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R6 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 6** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Б.,	Time	Descript	or (dBA re	20 μPa)	EDI II II	N 1 1	D ' ' ' 10D1 ID	
Date	(hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	EPL Limit	Meteorology	Description and SPL, dB	
						Dir: S	Insects 33-36	
16/01/18	20:46	46	34	29	36	0.5 m/s	Birds <33	
						Stab Class: D	Dog bark 35-39	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S	Inconto <21	
16/01/18	22:59	48	32	29	36	0.5 m/s	Insects <31	
						Stab Class: E	Distant traffic 31-3	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: SE	Directo 22 20	
17/01/18	20:33	57	38	32	36	1.2 m/s	Birds 33-39	
						Stab Class: E	Insects <29	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: S	Insects <28	
17/01/18	22:59	52	33	29	36	0.1 m/s	Low level mine noise 26-	
						Stab Class: E	Low level mine noise 26	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		31	
						Dir: S	Birds 36-43	
18/01/18	20:38	53	38	34	36	0.1 m/s		
						Stab Class: D	Insects <34	
		TGO Site	LAeq(15-m	nin) Contrib	ution		TGO Inaudible	
						Dir: SE	Incosts <07	
18/01/18	22:59	50	30	27	36	0.5 m/s	Insects <27	
						Stab Class: D	Distant traffic 27-35	
		TGO Site					TGO Inaudible	

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



4.6 Assessment Results - Location R23

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R23 for Tuesday 16 January 2018 to Thursday 18 January 2018 are summarised in **Table 7** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 7 Ope	erator-Att	ended No	ise Surve	y Results	– Locatio	n R23	
D 1	Time	Descript	or (dBA re	20 μPa)	EPL	1	D ' 1' 1 1001 1DA
Date	(hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Limit	Meteorology ¹	Description and SPL, dBA
16/01/18	21:23	64	47	39	39	Dir: S 0.5 m/s Stab Class: E	Highway traffic 37-52 Insects <37
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
16/01/18	22:20	60	46	39	39	Dir: S 1 m/s Stab Class: E	Highway traffic 40-48 Insects <38
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
17/01/18	21:15	56	45	37	39	Dir: S 0.2 m/s Stab Class: E	Insects <31 Highway traffic 31-50
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
17/01/18	22:21	64	46	38	39	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: E	Highway traffic 36-50 Idle highway traffic 36-40 Dog bark 48-52 Local traffic 38-64
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
18/01/18	21:17	64	46	37	39	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: D	ldle highway traffic 40-43 Highway traffic 40-48
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible
18/01/18	22:20	63	48	40	39	Dir: S 0.1 m/s Stab Class: F	Highway traffic 34-52 Insects <34 Idle highway traffic 45-47
		TGO Site L	Aeq(15-mi	n) Contribu	tion		TGO Inaudible

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.



5 Discussion

5.1 Discussion of Results - Location R2

Monitoring between Tuesday 16 January 2018 and Thursday18 January 2018 identified that TGO mine noise was inaudible on all six occasions. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min) was satisfied during this monitoring period. Extraneous sources such as distant highway traffic, wind in trees, insects, local traffic and livestock were audible during the survey periods.

5.2 Discussion of Results - Location R3/R29

Monitoring results for R3/R29 were dominated by highway traffic that was constant for all six measurements conducted for the January 2018 survey. TGO mine noise was audible on one of six occasions. Emissions from the mine during the evening period on 16 January 2018 contributed to 36dBA, therefore satisfying the noise limit of 40dBA LAeq(15-min). Highway traffic, insects, crushing plant, and highway trucks idling nearby were all audible during the measurements at R3/R29.

5.3 Discussion of Results - Location R4

TGO mine noise was inaudible for all six measurements conducted from 16 January 2018 to 18 January 2018 at R4. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min) was not exceeded during the January 2018 period and therefore satisfies relevant criteria. Wind in trees, local residential noise, insects, dog bark and distant traffic were all audible during the measurements at R4.

5.4 Discussion of Results - Location R5

TGO mine noise was inaudible during all six attended noise measurements at R5 for the January 2018 period. The relevant noise limits of 37dBA LAeq(15-min) were satisfied as TGO mine noise remained inaudible. Highway traffic was the dominant source at this receiver with the other non-mining sources including birds, insects, and wind in trees.

5.5 Discussion of Results - Location R6

TGO mine noise was audible during one of six occasions throughout the January 2018 monitoring period at R6, with the one audible measurement during the night period on 17 January 2018. The contribution was measured at 31dBA and therefore satisfied the relevant EPL noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min). Non-mining sources included distant highway traffic, birds, dog bark and insects all audible sources during the attended surveys.



5.6 Discussion of Results - Location R23

TGO mine noise was inaudible on all six occasions at this location and therefore remained in compliance with the relevant EPL criteria of 39dBA LAeq(15-min). Non-mining sources included highway traffic, insects, local traffic, dog bark, and idling trucks.



6 Comparison of Attended and Unattended Monitoring Results

To address Condition 6 of Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, a program to calibrate and validate the real-time noise monitoring results with the attended monitoring results has been completed.

The validation compares monthly attended monitoring results against the closest assessed unattended monitoring location. Currently, TGO has one unattended real-time monitoring terminal installed at the Brooklands property (nearest to R23). **Figure 1** identifies the location of the monitor with respect to the attended monitoring locations. It is noted that the Brooklands unattended monitor is situated 600m west of the attended noise monitoring location R23, therefore, background (LA90) noise levels are significantly lower due to offset distance to highway traffic.

A comparison of mine noise contributions between attended and unattended noise monitoring demonstrates a general consistency between attended and unattended results. It was noted that highway traffic noise influenced measured noise levels for this assessment. Furthermore, for January 2018, results remained below the relevant criteria for both attended and unattended locations.

Table 8 provides a summary comparison of results between the attended and unattended noise surveys for R23.



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Assessment	Time		escriptor . re 20 µl		Criteria	Mine Noise	Meteorology ¹	Description and SPL,
Type	De (hrs) Contribution LAMax LAeq LA90		Contribution		dBA			
					Tuesday 1	6 January 2018		
Attended	21:23	64	47	39	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S 0.5 m/s —	Highway traffic 37-52 Insects <37
Unattended	21:20	55	44	39	39	TGO Inaudible	Stab Class: E	Highway traffic Insects
Attended	22:20	60	46	39	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S	Highway traffic 40-48 Insects <38
Unattended	22:20	51	40	33	39	TGO Inaudible	1 m/s – Stab Class: E	Highway traffic Insects
				١	Wednesday	17 January 2018	}	
Attended	21:15	56	45	37	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S	Insects <31 Highway traffic 31-50
Unattended	21:20	52	43	39	39	TGO Inaudible	0.2 m/s —	Highway traffic
Attended	22:21	64	46	38	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S 0.1 m/s	Highway traffic 36-50 Idle highway traffic 36-40 Dog bark 48-52 Local traffic 38-64
Unattended	22:20	48	39	34	39	TGO Inaudible	Stab Class: E -	Highway traffic Insects
					Thursday 1	8 January 2018		
Attended	21:17	64	46	37	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S 0.1 m/s —	Idle highway traffic 40-43 Highway traffic 40-48
Unattended	21:20	52	37	27	39	TGO Inaudible	Stab Class: D	Highway traffic Insects
Attended	22:20	63	48	40	39	TGO Inaudible	Dir: S 0.1 m/s	Highway traffic 34-52 Insects <34 Idle highway traffic 45-47
Unattended	22:20	51	39	31	39	TGO Inaudible	Stab Class: F	Highway traffic Insects

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station.



7 Conclusion

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has completed a Noise Monitoring Assessment on behalf of Tomingley Gold Operations (TGO). The assessment was completed to provide monthly monitoring data so that TGO can actively quantify and manage site noise emissions.

Attended monitoring conducted from 16 January 2018 to 18 January 2018, identified that TGO mine noise was audible on several occasions although did not exceeded relevant limits during the January 2018 assessment period.



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Appendix A - Glossary of Terms



Several technical terms have been used in this report and are explained in **Table A1**.

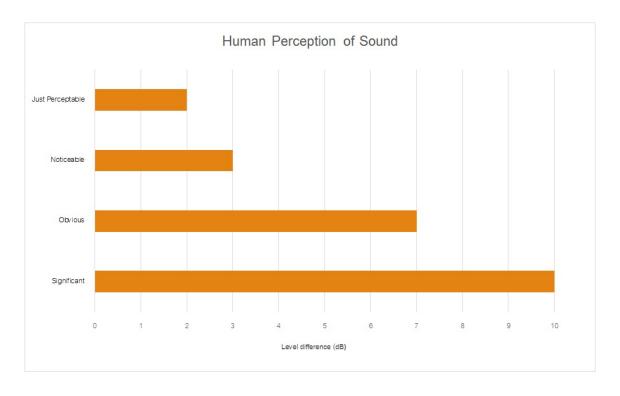
Term	Description
1/3 Octave	Single octave bands divided into three parts
Octave	A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being
	twice the lower frequency limit.
ABL	Assessment Background Level (ABL) is defined in the NPI as a single figure background level
	for each assessment period (day, evening and night). It is the tenth percentile of the measured
	L90 statistical noise levels.
Ambient Noise	The noise associated with a given environment. Typically a composite of sounds from many
	sources located both near and far where no particular sound is dominant.
A Weighting	A standard weighting of the audible frequencies designed to reflect the response of the human
	ear to noise.
dBA	Noise is measured in units called decibels (dB). There are several scales for describing noise,
	the most common being the 'A-weighted' scale. This attempts to closely approximate the
	frequency response of the human ear.
dB(Z)	Decibels Linear or decibels Z-weighted.
Hertz (Hz)	The measure of frequency of sound wave oscillations per second - 1 oscillation per second
	equals 1 hertz.
LA10	A noise level which is exceeded 10 % of the time. It is approximately equivalent to the average
	of maximum noise levels.
LA90	Commonly referred to as the background noise, this is the level exceeded 90 % of the time.
LAeq	The summation of noise over a selected period of time. It is the energy average noise from a
	source, and is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level over a given period.
LAmax	The maximum root mean squared (rms) sound pressure level received at the microphone
	during a measuring interval.
RBL	The Rating Background Level (RBL) is an overall single figure background level representing
	each assessment period over the whole monitoring period. The RBL is used to determine the
	intrusiveness criteria for noise assessment purposes and is the median of the ABL's.
Sound power level (SWL)	This is a measure of the total power radiated by a source. The sound power of a source is a
	fundamental location of the source and is independent of the surrounding environment. Or a
	measure of the energy emitted from a source as sound and is given by :
	= 10.log10 (W/Wo)
	Where: W is the sound power in watts and Wo is the sound reference power at 10-12 watts.



Table A2 provides a list of common noise sources and their typical sound level.

Table A2 Common Noise Sources and Their Typical Sound	Pressure Levels (SPL), dBA
Source	Typical Sound Level
Threshold of pain	140
Jet engine	130
Hydraulic hammer	120
Chainsaw	110
Industrial workshop	100
Lawn-mower (operator position)	90
Heavy traffic (footpath)	80
Elevated speech	70
Typical conversation	60
Ambient suburban environment	40
Ambient rural environment	30
Bedroom (night with windows closed)	20
Threshold of hearing	0

Figure A1 – Human Perception of Sound







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