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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.

| able 1 Noise Limits, dBA | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Noise Assessment | Receivers | Day | Evening | Night | | | | |
| 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 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.







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 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.

| Б., | T: (1) | Descrip | tor (dBA re | e 20 µPa) | EPL | N 1 1 | D ' ' ' 10D1 1D4 |
|---------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------------------|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Date | Time (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Limit | Meteorology ¹ | Description and SPL, dBA |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | Insects <33 |
| 5/06/18 | 21:44 | 46 | 34 | 29 | 36 | 0.5 m/s | Distant highway traffic 33-35 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind 34-46 |
| | Т | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | TGO Inaudible |
| | | | | | | Dir: CE | Insects <32 |
| E/06/40 | 6/18 22:00 86 56 30 36 | 26 | Dir: SE | Distant highway traffic <36 | | | |
| 5/06/18 | 22:00 | 86 | 50 | 30 | 36 | 1 m/s | Wind <32 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: F | Local traffic 35-86 |
| | Т | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | TGO Inaudible |
| 6/06/18 19:37 | | | | | | Dir: E | Distant highway traffic 28-33 |
| | 82 | 53 | 29 | 36 | 0.5 m/s | General mine noise 28-31 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | Local traffic 36-82 |
| | Т | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | 30 |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | Wind in trees 32-46 |
| 6/06/18 | 22:20 | 80 | 53 | 34 | 36 | 2 m/s | General mine noise <32 |
| 0/00/10 | 22.20 | 00 | 55 | 34 | 30 | Stab Class: D | Distant highway traffic <32 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class. D | Local traffic 34-80 |
| | Т | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | <32 |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Wind in trees 34-63 |
| 7/06/18 | 21:45 | 63 | 41 | 37 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | General mine noise <34 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Distant highway traffic <34 |
| | Т | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | <34 |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | |
| 7/06/18 | 22:02 | 57 | 40 | 35 | 36 | 2 m/s | Wind in trees 34-57 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | |
| | T | GO Site L | Aeq(15-min) | Contributio | n | | 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 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.

| Date | Time | Descrip | tor (dBA re | 20 μPa) | . EPL Limit | Meteorology ¹ | Description and CDL dD | |
|---------|-------|----------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| Date | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | . LFL LIIIII | Weteorology | Description and SPL, dBA | |
| 5/06/18 | 21:13 | 84 | 66 | 45 | 40 | Dir: SE 0.5 m/s Stab Class: D | Highway traffic 32-84 | |
| | | TGO Site | e LAeg(15-m | in) Contribu | ıtion | Stab Class. D | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | 100 3116 | : LAeq(15-III | iii) Continot | 111011 | Dir: SE | 100 maddible | |
| 5/06/18 | 22:38 | 82 | 62 | 34 | 40 | 0.5 m/s Stab Class: F | Highway traffic 32-82 | |
| | | TGO Site | e LAeq(15-m | in) Contribu | ution | | TGO Inaudible | |
| 6/06/18 | 19:02 | 81 | 63 | 40 | 40 | Dir: E 0.5 m/s Stab Class: D | Highway traffic 36-81 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-m | in) Contribu | ution | | TGO Inaudible | |
| 6/06/18 | 22:55 | 84 | 64 | 36 | 40 | Dir: NE 0.5 m/s Stab Class: E | Highway traffic 36-84 Idling highway traffic 42- Wind in trees 34-38 | |
| | | TGO Site | e LAeq(15-m | in) Contribu | ution | | TGO Inaudible | |
| 7/06/18 | 21:10 | 81 | 61 | 36 | 40 | Dir: N 1.5 m/s Stab Class: D | Wind in trees 40-50 Highway traffic 40-81 Birds 40-58 | |
| | | TGO Site | e LAeq(15-m | in) Contribu | ution | | TGO Inaudible | |
| 7/06/18 | 22:40 | 82 | 62 | 38 | 40 | Dir: N 1 m/s Stab Class: D | Highway traffic 36-82 Wind in trees <36 Idling highway traffic 53- | |
| | | TGO Site | E LAeq(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.



4.3 Assessment Results - Location R4

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R4 for Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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 | tor (dBA re | 20 μPa) | EPL | Meteorology ¹ | Description and SPL, dBA | |
|---------|-------|----------|-------------|--------------|-------|--------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Date | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Limit | Meteorology | Description and SFE, dBA | |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | Insects <33 | |
| 5/06/18 | 20:24 | 52 | 37 | 31 | 36 | 1 m/s | Wind 33-52 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | WIIIQ 33-32 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: S | Wind 22 CE | |
| 5/06/18 | 23:22 | 65 | 42 | 32 | 36 | 2 m/s | Wind 32-65 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Distant highway traffic <32 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | Insects <24 | |
| 6/06/18 | 18:20 | 49 | 35 | 22 | 36 | 0.5 m/s | | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Distant highway traffic 24-4 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | | |
| 6/06/18 | 23:31 | 69 | 57 | 48 | 36 | 2.5 m/s | Wind in trees 46-69 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | W. I. I. 00 50 | |
| 7/06/18 | 20:25 | 56 | 42 | 32 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | Wind in trees 36-56 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Distant highway traffic <3 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | | |
| 7/06/18 | 23:23 | 67 | 54 | 46 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | Wind in trees 42-67 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | on | | TGO Inaudible | |

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



4.4 Assessment Results - Location R5

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R5 for Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.

| Date | Time | Descrip | tor (dBA re | 20 μPa) | EPL | Meteorology ¹ | Description and SPL, dB |
|---------|-------|----------|-------------|---------------|-------|--------------------------|---|
| Date | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Limit | Wetcorology | Description and or E, ab |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | Wind 38-47 |
| 5/06/18 | 19:59 | 88 | 65 | 36 | 37 | 1.5 m/s | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | Highway traffic 38-88 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | ion | | TGO Inaudible |
| | | | | | | Dir: S | Llighway traffic 22.04 |
| 5/06/18 | 23:44 | 84 | 60 | 25 | 37 | 1 m/s | Highway traffic 32-84 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: F | Insects <32 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | ion | | TGO Inaudible |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | General mine noise 28-3 |
| 6/06/18 | 18:00 | 85 | 65 | 32 | 37 | 1.2 m/s | Highway traffic 32-85 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind in trees 30-34 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | ion | | 30 |
| | | | | | | Dir: NE | Wind in trees 31-45 |
| 6/06/18 | 23:51 | 83 | 62 | 39 | 37 | 1.5 m/s | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Highway traffic 38-8 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | ion | | TGO Inaudible |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Llighway troffia 24 0E |
| 7/06/18 | 20:06 | 85 | 63 | 36 | 37 | 1 m/s | Highway traffic 34-85 Wind in trees 30-36 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | Wind in trees 30-36 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | ion | | TGO Inaudible |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Llighway traffia 20.00 |
| 7/06/18 | 23:43 | 82 | 56 | 43 | 37 | 2 m/s | Highway traffic 38-82 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind in trees 38-45 |

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



4.5 Assessment Results - Location R6

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R6 for Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.

| Date | Time | Descript | tor (dBA re | 20 μPa) | EPL | Meteorology ¹ | Description and CDL dD |
|---------|-------|----------|-------------|--------------|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Date | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Limit | Welediology | Description and SPL, dB |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | Wind in trees 36-53 |
| 5/06/18 | 20:53 | 53 | 36 | 31 | 36 | 2 m/s | Highway traffic 36-42 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | General mine noise 28-3 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | 30 |
| | | | | | | Dir: S | Distant traffic 32-49 |
| 5/06/18 | 22:59 | 49 | 36 | 31 | 36 | 1 m/s | Rock crushing 30-36 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: F | Insects <32 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | 33 |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | Rock crushing 29-38 |
| 6/06/18 | 18:42 | 59 | 37 | 32 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | Distant traffic 29-34 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind in trees 44-59 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | 33 |
| | | | | | | Dir: NE | Wind in trees 38-62 |
| 6/06/18 | 23:09 | 62 | 45 | 41 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | Highway traffic 38-47 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | General mine noise <35 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | <35 |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Highway traffic 32-38 |
| 7/06/18 | 20:50 | 58 | 45 | 42 | 36 | 1.5 m/s | Wind in trees 34-58 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | General mine noise <35 |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contribut | ion | | <35 |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | |
| 7/06/18 | 23:01 | 61 | 49 | 46 | 36 | 2.5 m/s | Wind in trees 39-61 |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | |

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 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 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.

| Date | Time | Descript | tor (dBA re | 20 μPa) | EPL | Meteorology ¹ | Description and SPL, dB/ | |
|---------|-------|----------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| Date | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Limit | Meteorology | Description and SFE, dBA | |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | Highway traffic 38-56 | |
| 5/06/18 | 21:27 | 56 | 44 | 34 | 39 | 0.5 m/s | Dog bark <38 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: E | Idling highway traffic 36-4 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: SE | 11: 1 1 10: 04.04 | |
| 5/06/18 | 22:21 | 61 | 43 | 36 | 39 | 1 m/s | Highway traffic 34-61 | |
| | | | | | Stab Class: D | Insects <34 | | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: E | | |
| 6/06/18 | 19:18 | 55 | 44 | 38 | 39 | 0.5 m/s | Highway traffic 38-55 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: NE | | |
| 6/06/18 | 22:40 | 59 | 47 | 40 | 39 | 0.5 m/s | Highway traffic 34-59 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Llighway traffic 40 CE | |
| 7/06/18 | 21:26 | 65 | 46 | 37 | 39 | 1 m/s | Highway traffic 42-65 Wind in trees 36-42 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind in trees 36-42 | |
| | | TGO Site | LAeq(15-mir | n) Contributi | on | | TGO Inaudible | |
| | | | | | | Dir: N | Highway traffic 26 62 | |
| 7/06/18 | 22:23 | 63 | 47 | 39 | 39 | 1 m/s | Highway traffic 36-63 | |
| | | | | | | Stab Class: D | Wind in trees <36 | |

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



5 Discussion

5.1 Discussion of Results - Location R2

Monitoring between Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 2018 identified that TGO mine noise was audible during three of six occasions. Emissions from the mine ranged between 30dBA and <34dBA, therefore, the relevant noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min) was satisfied during this monitoring period. Extraneous sources such as insects, distant highway traffic, wind, local traffic and wind in trees 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 June 2018 survey. TGO mine noise was inaudible on all six occasions, hence satisfied the noise limit of 40dBA LAeq(15-min). Highway traffic and trucks idling on the highway, wind in trees and birds were audible during the measurements at R3/R29.

5.3 Discussion of Results - Location R4

TGO mine noise was inaudible during all six measurements conducted from Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 2018 at R4. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min) was not exceeded during the June 2018 period and therefore satisfied relevant criteria. Insects, wind, distant highway traffic and wind in trees were audible during the measurements at R4.

5.4 Discussion of Results - Location R5

TGO mine noise was audible during one of six attended noise measurements at R5 for the June 2018 period. Emissions from TGO were measured at 30dBA LAeq(15-min) during the evening period on 6 June 2018, therefore relevant noise limits of 37dBA LAeq(15-min) were satisfied. Highway traffic was the dominant source at this receiver with the other non-mining sources including wind, insects and wind in trees.

5.5 Discussion of Results - Location R6

TGO mine noise was audible during five of six occasions throughout the June 2018 monitoring period at R6. Emissions from the mine ranged between 30dBA and <35dBA LAeq(15-min) therefore satisfying the relevant EPL noise limit of 36dBA LAeq(15-min). Non-mining sources included wind in trees, highway traffic and insects during the attended surveys.



5.6 Discussion of Results - Location R23

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



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 June 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.



| Assessment | Time | | escriptor . re 20 µl | | Criteria | Mine Noise | Meteorology ¹ | Description and SPL, |
|------------|-------|-------|-------------------------|------|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Type | (hrs) | LAmax | LAeq | LA90 | Contribution | | eteereregy | dBA |
| | | | | | Tuesday | 5 June 2018 | | |
| Attended | 21:27 | 56 | 44 | 34 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: SE 0.5 m/s | Highway traffic 38-56 Dog bark <38 Idling highway traffic 36-41 |
| Unattended | 21:21 | 57 | 45 | 33 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Stab Class: E | Highway traffic |
| Attended | 22:21 | 61 | 43 | 36 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: SE | Highway traffic 34-61 Insects <34 |
| Unattended | 22:21 | 53 | 43 | 35 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Stab Class: D | Highway traffic |
| | | | | | Wednesda | ay 6 June 2018 | | |
| Attended | 19:18 | 55 | 44 | 38 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: E | Highway traffic 38-55 |
| Unattended | 19:21 | 59 | 46 | 35 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | 0.5 m/s - Stab Class: D | Wind Highway traffic |
| Attended | 22:40 | 59 | 47 | 40 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: NE · 0.5 m/s - | Highway traffic 34-59 |
| Unattended | 22:36 | 59 | 45 | 37 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Stab Class: D | Highway traffic |
| | | | | | Thursday | 7 June 2018 | | |
| Attended | 21:26 | 65 | 46 | 37 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: N | Highway traffic 42-65 Wind in trees 36-42 |
| Unattended | 21:21 | 56 | 42 | 32 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Stab Class: D | Highway traffic |
| Attended | 22:23 | 63 | 47 | 39 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | Dir: N | Highway traffic 36-63 Wind in trees <36 |
| Unattended | 22:21 | 58 | 42 | 35 | 39 | TGO Inaudible | 1 m/s - Stab Class: D | Wind |

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



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 Tuesday 5 June 2018 to Thursday 7 June 2018, identified that TGO mine noise was audible on several occasions although did not exceed relevant limits during the June 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**.

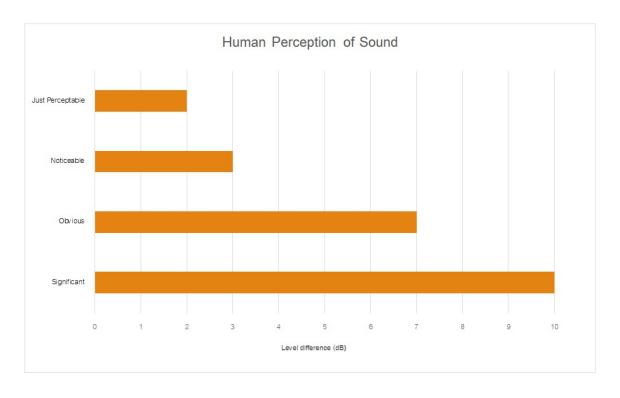
| Term | Description |
|-------------------------|---|
| 1/3 Octave | Single octave bands divided into three parts |
| Octave | A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being |
| | twice the lower frequency limit. |
| ABL | Assessment Background Level (ABL) 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 huma |
| | 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 P | ressure 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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