



# Dampier to Bunbury Pipeline

## DAMPIER TO BUNBURY NATURAL GAS PIPELINE STAGE 5 EXPANSION

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

This report addresses the status and compliance of the Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline (DBNGP) Stage 5 Expansion with the conditions in Statement 735. This report has been prepared for the purpose of meeting the requirements of conditions 4–1 to 4–4 of the Statement, which is to submit annual compliance reports. This report covers the reporting period from 14 December 2020 to 13 December 2021.

## 1.1 Project Background

The DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion project involved construction of eleven pipeline loops adjacent (and connected) to the existing DBNGP. Completion of the expansion resulted, ultimately, in completion of duplication of the pipeline from Dampier to Wagerup. The key characteristics of the proposal are presented in Table 1. The Stage 5 Looping Expansion project, which continues from Stage 4 (completed in 2006), involved a total length of approximately 1,270 km of pipeline.

The proposal for the Stage 5 Looping Expansion was approved for implementation under Part IV of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) with the issue of Statement No. 735 (the Statement) on 13 December 2006. A change to the proposal under s 45C of the EP Act to allow for construction within additional easements granted for the purposes of the DBNGP was approved on 5 August 2011. DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Limited, trading as Dampier Bunbury Pipeline (DBP), is the Proponent of the DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion project.

The Statement requires submission of an annual compliance report to address the status and compliance of the DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion project with Statement conditions and key actions in accordance with the annual compliance reporting requirements of conditions 4–1 to 4–4 of the Statement.

Implementation of the Stage 5 project commenced in February 2007 and was undertaken in three stages. The first stage (Stage 5A) was completed in March 2008. Stage 5B commenced in January 2009 and was effectively completed in early 2010, with the exception of the crossing of the Fortescue River. The Fortescue River Crossing section was undertaken over the period August 2011 to December 2011 inclusive. WestNet Energy (previously Alinta Asset Management) was contracted by DBP to provide project management for Stages 5A and 5B of the DBNGP Looping Expansion Project. DBP undertook project management of the Fortescue River crossing.

Of the total 1,270 km of the Stage 5 approved proposal, 1,011 km have now been constructed. DBP has reassessed the financial viability of full looping and no longer propose construction of the remaining 259 km. As such the construction phase of the project is now formally complete and all construction related conditions were completed.

## 1.2 The Proposal

Table 1 presents the key characteristics of the proposal as presented in the environmental impact assessment report (Strategen 2006).

DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Limited trading as Dampier Bunbury Pipeline (DBP) remains the Proponent of the DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion project and there has been no change in responsibility for proponency.

**Table 1: Key characteristics of the Stage 5 Looping Expansion**

Aspect	Proposal			
Location	There will be eleven loops. The first loop starts at about 2 km south of Dampier. The last loop is south of compressor station 10, which starts at about 17 km southeast of Rockingham, and ends at Wagerup West (Main Line Valve 144).			
Proposed action	Construct eleven pipeline looping lengths of 660 mm in diameter, buried adjacent to the existing DBNGP. These pipeline lengths will be looped to the existing DBNGP to increase flow of natural gas.			
Total length of looping	Approximately 1,270 km			
Characteristics of each loop	No.	Approx. length	Biogeographical region	Shires
	0	137.2 km	Pilbara	Shire of Roebourne
	1	123.3 km	Pilbara	Shire of Ashburton
	2	104.9 km	Carnarvon, Gascoyne	Shire of Ashburton
	3	113.0 km	Carnarvon, Gascoyne	Shire of Carnarvon
	4	112.9 km	Carnarvon	Shire of Carnarvon, Shire of Upper Gascoyne
	5	119.0 km	Carnarvon, Yalgoo	Shire of Shark Bay
	6	131.0 km	Yalgoo, Geraldton Sandplains	Shire of Northampton, Shire of Chapman Valley, Shire of Mullewa
	7	142.4 km	Geraldton Sandplains	Shire of Mullewa, Shire of Irwin, Shire of Carnamah
	8	96.8 km	Geraldton Sandplains, Swan Coastal Plain	Shire of Coorow, Shire of Dandaragan, Shire of Gingin
	9	127.7 km	Swan Coastal Plain	Shire of Gingin, Shire of Chittering, City of Swan, City of Belmont, Shire of Kalamunda, City of Gosnells, City of Armadale, City of Cockburn, Town of Kwinana
	10	61.5 km	Swan Coastal Plain	Shire of Serpentine–Jarrahdale, Shire of Murray, Shire of Waroona
Proposed tenure	The completed pipeline will be wholly within the existing DBNGP easement, which is gazetted under the <i>Dampier to Bunbury Pipeline Act 1997</i> and the easement identified as Easement A as shown on the deposited plan numbered DP67493.			
DBNGP easement width	The existing DBNGP corridor is 30 m wide. The area to be cleared and graded in the northern loops (Dampier to Muchea) was < 30 m and south of Muchea; the area cleared will be 20 to 30 m. In environmentally sensitive areas, working widths will be < 20 m.			
Activities outside the DBNGP easement	Turnarounds, campsites, turkey nests*, laydown areas, water supply sources, access roads, works associated with watercourse and dune crossings.			
Temporary area of disturbance within DBNGP easement	Approximately 3,175 ha, rehabilitated in consultation with landowners.			
Estimated area of vegetation clearing within DBNGP easement	Approximately 1,264 ha, rehabilitated in consultation with landowners.			
Temporary area of disturbance outside the DBNGP easement	Approximately 139 ha, rehabilitated in consultation with landowners.			
Construction duration	The Stage 5 Expansion was constructed in stages, with Stage 5A commencing in February 2007. The subsequent stages were constructed to match the increasing demand in fuel gas.			
Construction workforce	Up to 900 people			

\* Turkey nests are artificially created water storages constructed by hollowing out an area of land and using the fill to build up its sides.

### 1.3 Environmental approval to implement the project

DBP was granted environmental approval for the DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion proposal under Part IV of the EP Act. The Minister for Environment approved the proposal on 13 December 2006 with the release of Statement No. 735, which includes environmental conditions under which the proposal is to be implemented. Of the 72 environmental conditions, the majority of conditions relate to the preparation and implementation of management plans addressing areas of potential environmental risk identified during the assessment.

The required management plans were prepared and consolidated as management protocols into a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) (DBP 2011). The CEMP addressed a number of environmental factors additional to those required under the Statement, in order to meet the requirements of all environmental regulators.

## 2. FINAL STATUS

The DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion was constructed in stages, the first of which was Stage 5A, which commenced in February 2007 and was completed in March 2008. Stage 5B was commenced in January 2009 and completed in November 2011.

The statistics related to implementation of the proposal as at 13 December 2013 is summarised in Table 2.

Of the total 1,270 km of the Stage 5 approved proposal, 1,011 km were constructed.

**Table 2: Progress of DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project**

Loop	Stage 5A		Stage 5B	
	Loop Lengths (km) *	Status of Loops	Loop Lengths (km) *	Status of Loops
Loop 0	0.0	No construction in Loop 0 undertaken in Stage 5A	114.9	Complete
Loop 1	74.0	Complete	32.9	Complete
Loop 2	57.8	Complete	31.9	Complete
Loop 3	60.3	Complete	34.6	Complete
Loop 4	61.9	Complete	33.6	Complete
Loop 5	63.7	Complete	34.0	Complete
Loop 6	70.5	Complete	35.8	Complete
Loop 7	60.4	Complete	44.0	Complete
Loop 8	55.3	Complete	21.8	Complete
Loop 9	52.0	Complete	23.4	Complete
Loop 10	15.1	Complete	33.3	Complete
TOTAL	571.1		440.2	

Completion of Stage 5A was considered to be evidence of substantial commencement of the project as required under Condition 3–2, as reported in the 2007 Compliance Report (DBP 2008).

As outlined in the 2007 Compliance Report (DBP 2008), the above description satisfies the requirements of condition 4–3(8).

This report has been prepared to demonstrate compliance with the Statement conditions for the period from 14 December 2020 to 13 December 2021 inclusive. The report comprises the findings of an audit of compliance with:

- conditions and procedures contained within the Statement as required by Condition 4–3(2) of the Statement; and
- key actions contained within management plans or programs as required by Conditions 4–3(4) of the Statement.

As Stage 5A of the proposal was completed in March 2008 and Stage 5B was completed in November 2011, no construction activities were conducted during the reporting period.

There is no further plan to conduct construction works on the DBNGP under this Ministerial Statement 735.

### 3. AUDIT METHODOLOGY

#### 3.1 Purpose and scope

The purpose of this document is to enable compliance with conditions 4–1 to 4–4 of Statement No. 735:

*4–1 The proponent shall submit to the CEO environmental compliance reports annually reporting on the previous twelve-month period, unless required by the CEO to report more frequently.*

*Note: Annual reporting shall continue until such time as the Minister for the Environment determines on advice from the Environmental Protection Authority that the proponent has fulfilled its responsibilities in relation to the conditions within this Statement.*

*4–2 The environmental compliance reports shall address each element of an audit program approved by the CEO and shall be prepared and submitted in a format acceptable to the CEO.*

*4–3 The environmental compliance reports shall:*

- 1. be endorsed by signature of the proponent's Chairman or a person, approved in writing by the Chairman, delegated to sign on behalf of the proponent's Chairman;*
- 2. state whether the proponent has complied with each condition and procedure contained in this statement;*
- 3. provide verifiable evidence of compliance with each condition and procedure contained in this statement;*
- 4. state whether the proponent has complied with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by this statement;*
- 5. provide verifiable evidence of conformance with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by this statement;*
- 6. identify all non-compliances and non-conformances and describe the corrective and preventative actions taken in relation to each non-compliance or non-conformance;*
- 7. provide an assessment of the effectiveness of all corrective and preventative actions taken; and*
- 8. describe the state of implementation of the proposal.*

*4–4 The proponent shall make the environmental compliance reports required by condition 4–1 publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO.*

The report has been prepared by DBP for submission to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to meet the requirements of condition 4–1 of Statement No. 735 for submission of an annual compliance report.

It is also noted that where a previous Compliance Report has indicated a condition was 'Completed' the evidence associated with the previous audit determination has been accepted without verification.

#### 3.2 Methodology

The audit was conducted in February 2022.

The required reporting includes "whether the proponent has complied with each condition and procedure contained within the statement" and "conformed with each key action" (conditions 4–3(2) and 4–3(4) respectively). This section describes how compliance with each condition and conformance with key actions has been audited and reported.

Where evidence has been presented in previous Compliance Reports, it has not been included with this report to minimise the bulk of reporting. Audit results relating to the Statement conditions and key actions are summarised in Section 4 and detailed audit results presented in Section 5. Completed conditions have not been included in the audit table.

There were no potential non-compliances identified during the audit.



### *Compliance with Statement No. 735*

An audit of compliance with the conditions and procedures of the Statement was conducted and a compliance status rating was applied in accordance with terminology described in Section 3.3. The full audit is presented in Section 5.1.

### *Conformance with key actions*

Condition 4–3(4) requires DBP to report on conformance with each key action contained within any management plan or program required by Statement No. 735. The conformance status rating was also applied in accordance with the Section 3.3 terminology.

Environmental management is primarily achieved through implementation of the CEMP, which contains a number of management protocols<sup>1</sup> that directly relate to all the construction requirements of the Statement conditions. These protocols include a range of additional specific management actions reflecting good management. A number of the management actions within the CEMP directly reflect specific prescriptive conditions within the Statement.

Key actions from the CEMP have been identified as being:

- those management actions in the CEMP protocols implemented to manage a condition of the Statement; and
- those management actions in CEMP protocols that reflect a key intent of a condition of the Statement.

Using the above definition, key actions have been derived and audited. These key actions have been adopted for all compliance reporting to date.

### *Corrective and preventative actions*

Statement conditions 4–3(6) and 4–3(7) require descriptions of corrective and preventative actions taken in relation to each non-compliance or non-conformance, together with assessments of their effectiveness. These are presented in Section 4.2.

### *Evidence verification*

Evidence to substantiate compliance with conditions contained within Statement No. 735 and key actions contained within the management plans or programs as required by conditions 4–3(3) and 4–3(5) has been sourced from previous compliance reports and other documentation.

## **3.3 Audit terminology**

The 'Status' field of the audit table (refer to Section 5) describes the implementation of the action and compliance with the condition, procedure or commitment. Although the CEO of the Office of Environmental Protection Authority (OEPA) makes the final determination of compliance, it is necessary to update this field each reporting period, as the project progresses. The OEPA (2012a, 2012b, 2012c and 2012d) has prepared updated guidance related to the preparation of compliance audits, including generic expressions that are used to identify the status of each item (Table 3).

**Table 3: Action implementation status (Source: adapted from DWER Statement of Compliance)**

Status	Description
Compliant (Conformant)	Implementation of the proposal has been carried out in accordance with requirements of the audit. (Conformant – as above in relation to actions of management plans / programmes)
Completed	A requirement with a finite period of application has been satisfactorily completed.
Not required at this stage	The requirements of the audit element were not triggered during the reporting period.
Potentially non-compliant (Potentially non-conformant)	Possible or likely failure to meet the requirements of the audit element. (Potentially non-conformant – as above in relation to actions of management plans / programmes)
In process	Where an audit element requires a management or monitoring plan be submitted to the OEPA or another government agency for approval, that submission has been made and no further information or changes have been requested by the OEPA or the other government agency and assessment by the OEPA or other government agency for approval is still pending.

<sup>1</sup> The management protocols in the CEMP include all the environmental management plans required under Statement No. 735 to be prepared for implementation of the proposal.

## 4. AUDIT RESULTS

This report has been prepared to address the status and compliance of the proposal with the conditions in the Statement in accordance with the annual compliance reporting requirements of conditions 4–1 to 4–4 of the Statement. This report addresses the 18 open (not previously reported as completed) conditions.

### 4.1 Compliance with Statement No 735 conditions

The detailed results of the audit of Statement 735 are presented in Section 5.1 (Table 4). Condition 1-1 of Statement 735 requires implementation of the proposal as documented in Schedule 1 of the Statement.

There were no potential non-compliances identified in the audit period.

### 4.2 Corrective actions

No corrective actions have been undertaken as there were no non-compliances identified in this audit period.

# 5. AUDIT TABLES

## 5.1 Statement No. 735 Summary Audit Tables

Table 4 has been produced to meet condition 4–3(2) of Statement No. 735.

Table 4: Results of audit of Statement No. 735

Audit code	Subject	Action	How	Objective	Phase/Timing	Criteria	Evidence	Finding	Status
735:M1.1	Implementation	Implement the proposal as documented and described in schedule 1 of Statement 735 subject to the conditions and procedures of this statement.	Establish and implement an auditing compliance reporting system.	To avoid unforeseen or unassessed impacts	Overall	-	R_004_2011 DBNGP Stage 5 looping expansion project AECR_01072012 R_001_DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project 2013 Annual Environmental Compliance Report (Statement No. 735)_01032014 DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project 2016 Annual Compliance Report (Statement No. 735) DBNGP MS735 5 Year Performance Report (2017)	Refer to the 2011 Annual Compliance Report (ACR) (Strategen 2012a) with respect to implementation as described in Schedule 1 of Statement No. 735. No additional construction has occurred since the audit period reported in the 2013 ACR. The implementation of the project is now in operational phase rather than construction.	Compliant
735:M2.1	Nominated proponent	Implement the proposal until such time as the Minister for the Environment nominates another person as the proponent.	Establish and implement auditing compliance reporting system.	To ensure responsibility rests with the nominated proponent	Overall	Has Minister nominated another person as proponent?	DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project 2016 Annual Compliance Report (Statement No. 735)	DBP remains the proponent	Compliant
735:M2.2	Proponent contact details	Notify the Chief Executive Officer of the DWER (CEO) of any change of the contact name and address for the serving of a notice or other correspondence within 30 days of such change.	Written notification.	To enable the DEC to maintain contact with the proponent	Overall	Has the contact name and address for the serving of a notice or other correspondence for the project changed since approval; if so, was the Chief Executive Officer of the DEC (CEO) informed within 30 days of such change.	Website and ASIC records indicate that contact name and address have not changed since Loop 10 compliance audit in 2008.	The contact address for DBP has not changed.	Compliant
735:M4.1	Compliance reporting - submitting	Submit to the CEO environmental compliance reports reporting on the previous twelve-month period. (Annual Environmental Compliance Report [AECR])	Reports shall address that required by condition 4-2 and condition 4-3.	To provide evidence that the proposal is being implemented and conditions are being met	Overall Annually unless required by the CEO to report more frequently. Annual reporting shall continue until such time as the Minister for the Environment determines on advice from the EPA that the proponent has fulfilled its responsibilities in relation to the conditions within this statement.	All previous Annual Compliance reports	DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project 2021 Annual Compliance Report (Statement No. 735)	A signed copy of the 2020 ACR dated March 2021 was provided. The report covered the period from 14 December 2019 to 13 December 2020.  This audit report is intended to satisfy the requirements for the period from 14 December 2020 to 13 December 2021.	Compliant

Audit code	Subject	Action	How	Objective	Phase/Timing	Criteria	Evidence	Finding	Status
735:M4.3	Annual environmental compliance reporting - preparation	<p>The environmental compliance reports shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Be endorsed by signature of the proponent's Chairman or a person, approved in writing by the Chairman, delegated to sign on behalf of the proponent's Chairman.</li> <li>2. State whether the proponent has complied with each condition and procedure contained in Statement 735.</li> <li>3. Provide verifiable evidence of compliance with each condition and procedure contained in Statement 735.</li> <li>4. State compliance with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by Statement 735.</li> <li>5. Provide verifiable evidence of conformance with each key action contained in any environmental management plan or program required by Statement 735.</li> <li>6. Identify all non-compliances and non-conformances and describe the corrective and preventative actions taken in relation to each non-compliance or non-conformance.</li> <li>7. Provide an assessment of the effectiveness of all corrective and preventative actions taken.</li> <li>8. Describe the state of implementation of the proposal.</li> </ol>	Reports presented to satisfy this condition with respect to the content.	To provide evidence that the proposal is being implemented and conditions are being met	Overall	<p>2017 ACR covering period 14 Dec 2016 to 13 Dec 2017</p> <p>2018 ACR covering period 14 Dec 2017 to 13 Dec 2018</p> <p>2019 ACR covering period 14 Dec 2018 to 13 Dec 2019</p> <p>2020 ACR covering period 14 Dec 2019 to 13 Dec 2020</p> <p>2021 ACR covering period 14 Dec 2020 to 13 Dec 2021 (this report)</p>	R_001_DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project 2013 Annual Environmental Compliance Report (Statement No. 735)_01032014	<p>The Annual Compliance Reports are developed in accordance with the requirements under this Condition and in line with OEPA Post Assessment Guidelines (PAG 1 and PAG 3).</p> <p>No requests for further information were received post submission.</p>	Compliant
735:M4.4	Annual environmental compliance reporting – public availability	Make the environmental compliance reports (AECRs) publicly available.	<p>Carry out the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide copies of the documentation to the DEC library</li> <li>2. Post the document on the proponent's website.</li> </ol>	To ensure that the public is kept informed of the proposal and compliance with conditions	Overall Annually	As approved by the CEO.	<a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	The ACR's for the current period is provided on the AGIG website to enable public availability.	Compliant

Audit code	Subject	Action	How	Objective	Phase/Timing	Criteria	Evidence	Finding	Status
735:M5.1	Performance review – prepare and submit	<p>Submit a Performance Review report every five years after the start of construction to the EPA, which addresses:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The major environmental issues associated with implementing the project; the environmental objectives for those issues; the methodologies used to achieve these; and the key indicators of environmental performance measured against those objectives.</li> <li>2. The level of progress in the achievement of sound environmental performance, including industry benchmarking, and the use of best available technology where practicable.</li> <li>3. Significant improvements gained in environmental management, including the use of external peer reviews.</li> <li>4. Stakeholder and community consultation about environmental performance and the outcomes of that consultation, including a report of any on-going concerns being expressed.</li> <li>5. The proposed environmental objectives over the next five years, including improvements in technology and management processes.</li> </ol>	The Performance Review report will address the required actions.	To provide evidence of environmental performance and to identify aspects that may require environmental improvements	Overall Every 5 years after the start of construction	-	2017 Stage 5 MS735 5 Yr Performance Review	<p>The 2007 AECR noted commencement of construction in February 2007.</p> <p>DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project Five Year Performance Review (2007-2012) (Strategen 2012b) was provided to the OEPA on 3 August 2012 (previous audit period)</p> <p>A 5 year review was undertaken in 2017 and submitted to DWER as required.</p> <p>The 5 year review for 2022 is due in the next reporting period.</p>	Compliant
735:M5.2	Performance review – public availability	Make the Performance Review reports publicly available.	<p>Carry out the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide copies of the documentation to the DEC library</li> <li>2. Post the document on the proponent's website</li> </ol>	To ensure that the public is kept informed of the environmental performance of the proponent	Overall Every 5 years after the start of construction	-	<a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	The 2012-2017 Stage 5 MS735 5 Yr Performance Review is provided on the company's website to enable public availability.	Compliant
735:M7.4	Flora and Vegetation Management Plan – public availability	Make the Flora and Vegetation Management Plan publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Flora and Vegetation Management plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	<p>R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011</p> <p>AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a></p>	<p>A flora and vegetation management protocol is contained within the approved CEMP (DBP 2011). The CEMP is available on the AGIG website.</p> <p>No revision was required during this audit period.</p>	Compliant
735:M9.16	Fauna Management Plan – public availability	Make the Fauna Management Plan and subsequent revisions publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Fauna Management plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	<p>R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011</p> <p>AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a></p>	<p>Within the approved CEMP is a section relating to 'Fauna Impact Protocol'. This information is publicly available on the AGIG website.</p> <p>No revisions occurred during this audit period.</p>	Compliant

Audit code	Subject	Action	How	Objective	Phase/Timing	Criteria	Evidence	Finding	Status
735:M11.4	Watercourse Crossing Management Plan – public availability	Make the Watercourse Crossing Management Plan publicly available	The revised requirement for making the Watercourse Crossing Management Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011 AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	Within the approved CEMP is a section relating to 'Watercourse Crossing Protocol'. This information is publicly available on the AGIG website. No revisions occurred during this audit period.	Compliant
735:M12.4	Wetland Crossing Management Plan – public availability	Make the Wetland Crossing Management Plan publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Wetland Crossing Management Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011 AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	Within the approved CEMP is a section relating to 'Wetland Management Protocol'. This information is publicly available on the AGIG website. No revisions occurred during this audit period.	Compliant
735:M13.5	Dieback and Weed Management Plan – public availability	Make the Weed and Dieback Management Plan and any subsequent revisions required by condition 13-3 publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Weed and Dieback Management Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011 AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	Within the approved CEMP is a section relating to 'Weed, Pest and Dieback Management Protocol'. This information is publicly available on the AGIG website. No revisions occurred during this audit period.	Compliant
735:M14.5	Rehabilitation Management Plan – public availability	Make the Rehabilitation Management Plan and subsequent revisions publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Rehabilitation Management Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	C_007_OEPA_DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project - Rehabilitation Management Plan - Ministerial Statement 735_04022015 AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	The Rehabilitation Management Plan is made publically available through the AGIG website. No revisions occurred during the audit period.	Compliant
735:M15.6	Acid Sulphate Soils and Dewatering Management Plan – public availability	Make the Acid Sulphate Soils and Dewatering Management Plan and subsequent revisions publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Acid Sulphate Soils and Dewatering Management Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	R_002_DBNGP Stage 5 Expansion Looping Project Construction Environmental Management Plan_17082011 AGIG website copy at <a href="https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment">https://www.agig.com.au/health-safety-and-environment</a>	Within the approved CEMP is a section relating to 'Acid Sulphate Soil Management Protocol'. This information is publicly available on the AGIG website. No revisions occurred during this audit period.	Compliant

Audit code	Subject	Action	How	Objective	Phase/Timing	Criteria	Evidence	Finding	Status
735:M16.2	Final Decommissioning Plan – prepare and submit	At least 12 months prior to the anticipated date of closure, or at a time approved by the EPA, submit a Final Decommissioning Plan designed to ensure that the site is left in an environmentally acceptable condition prepared on advice of the EPA, for approval of the CEO.	The Final Decommissioning Plan shall set out procedures and measures for: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Removal or, if appropriate, retention of plant and infrastructure agreed in consultation with relevant stakeholders.</li><li>2. Rehabilitation of all disturbed areas to a standard suitable for the agreed new land use(s).</li><li>3. Identification of contaminated area, including provision of evidence of notification and proposed management measures to relevant statutory authorities.</li></ol>	To ensure that the site is left in an environmentally acceptable condition	Overall At least 12 months prior to anticipated closure	Criteria established by condition 16-2	C_008_DBP_Asset Life_03082012	Not yet relevant (not within 12 months of anticipated closure).	Not required at this stage
735:M16.3	Final Decommissioning Plan - implementation	Implement the Final Decommissioning Plan until such time as the Minister for the Environment determines, on advice of the CEO, that decommissioning responsibilities have been fulfilled.	-	To ensure that the Final Decommissioning Plan is implemented	Closure	-	C_008_DBP_Asset Life_03082012	Not yet relevant (closure phase).	Not required at this stage
735:M16.4	Final Decommissioning Plan – public availability	Make the Final Decommissioning Plan publicly available.	The revised requirement for making the Final Decommissioning Plan publicly available is as follows: Carry out the following: 1) Provide a hard copy to the DEC library and 2) Make the Management Plan available on the proponent's website.	To ensure the public is kept informed	Overall	-	C_008_DBP_Asset Life_03082012	Not yet relevant.	Not required at this stage



## 6. STATEMENT REGARDING COMPLIANCE

The audit identified no non compliances against MS735 for the 2020 reporting period.

A Statement of Compliance is included as Appendix A.

## 7. REFERENCES

DBP 2008, DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project - DBPL00-506-0504-01 2007 Annual Environmental Compliance Report (Ministerial Statement No. 735), report prepared for DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Ltd by Strategen, Leederville, Western Australia.

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DBP 2015, Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline Stage 5 Expansion Rehabilitation Management Plan Revision 5, January 2015.

Office of Environmental Protection Authority (OEPA) 2012a, Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing a Compliance Assessment Plan, OEPA, Perth, August 2012.

Office of Environmental Protection Authority (OEPA) 2012b, Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table, OEPA, Perth, August 2012.

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Strategen 2006, Dampier-Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline Stage 5 Expansion – Environmental Impact Assessment, report prepared for Alinta Asset Management by Strategen, Leederville, Western Australia.

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Strategen 2012a, DBNGP Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project- 2011 Annual Environmental Compliance Report (Statement No. 735), report prepared for DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Ltd, July 2012

Strategen 2012b, Dampier Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project Five-year Performance Review (2007-2012), report prepared for DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Ltd, August 2012.

Strategen 2017, Dampier Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline Stage 5 Looping Expansion Project Five-year Performance Review (2012-2017), report prepared for DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Ltd, August 2017.

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# APPENDIX A: STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

## Statement of Compliance

### 1. Proposal and Proponent Details

Proposal Title	<i>Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline Stage 5 Expansion</i>
Statement Number	<i>735</i>
Proponent Name	<i>DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Limited</i>
Proponent's Australian Company Number (where relevant)	081 609 289

### 2. Statement of Compliance Details

Reporting Period	<i>13/12/20 to 12/12/21</i>
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Implementation phase(s) during reporting period (please tick ✓ relevant phase(s))							
Pre-construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	Operation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Decommissioning	<input type="checkbox"/>

Audit Table for Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance is provided at Attachment:	Appendix A
<p>An audit table for the Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance must be provided as Attachment 2 to this Statement of Compliance. The audit table must be prepared and maintained in accordance with the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) <i>Post Assessment Guideline for Preparing an Audit Table</i>, as amended from time to time. The 'Status Column' of the audit table must accurately describe the compliance status of each implementation condition and/or procedure for the reporting period of this Statement of Compliance. The terms that may be used by the proponent in the 'Status Column' of the audit table are limited to the Compliance Status Terms listed and defined in Table 1 of Attachment 1.</p>	

Were all implementation conditions and/or procedures of the Statement complied with within the reporting period? (please tick ✓ the appropriate box)		
No (please proceed to Section 3)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes (please proceed to Section 4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Each page (including Attachment 2) must be initialed by the person who signs Section 4 of this Statement of Compliance.

INITIALS: *Ng K P.*

### 3. Details of Non-compliance(s) and/or Potential Non-compliance(s)

The information required Section 3 must be provided for each non-compliance or potential non-compliance identified during the reporting period covered by this Statement of Compliance.

#### Non-compliance/potential non-compliance 3-1

Which implementation condition or procedure was non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?
Was the implementation condition or procedure non-compliant or potentially non-compliant?
On what date(s) did the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occur (if applicable)?

Was this non-compliance or potential non-compliance reported to the Chief Executive Officer, DWER?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally      Date _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing      Date _____	<input type="checkbox"/> No

What are the details of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance and where relevant, the extent of and impacts associated with the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
What is the precise location where the non-compliance or potential non-compliance occurred (if applicable)? (please provide this information as a map or GIS co-ordinates)
What was the cause(s) of the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
What remedial and/or corrective action(s), if any, were taken or are proposed to be taken in response to the non-compliance or potential non-compliance?
What measures, if any, were in place to prevent the non-compliance or potential non-compliance before it occurred? What, if any, amendments have been made to those measures to prevent re-occurrence?
Please provide information/documentation collected and recorded in relation to this implementation condition or procedure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• in the reporting period addressed in this Statement of Compliance; and</li> <li>• as outlined in the approved Compliance Assessment Plan for the Statement addressed in this Statement of Compliance.</li> </ul> (the above information may be provided as an attachment to this Statement of Compliance)

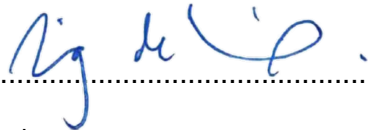
*For additional non-compliance or potential non-compliance, please duplicate this page as required.*

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#### 4. Proponent Declaration

I, Craig de Laine, (CEO) declare that I am authorised on behalf of DBNGP (WA) Nominees Pty Limited (*being the person responsible for the proposal*) to submit this form and that the information contained in this form is true and not misleading.

Signature:  ..... Date: 12 March 2022

Please note that:

- it is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give or cause to be given information that to his knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular; and
- the Chief Executive Officer of the DWER has powers under section 47(2) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* to require reports and information about implementation of the proposal to which the statement relates and compliance with the implementation conditions.

#### 5. Submission of Statement of Compliance

One hard copy and one electronic copy (preferably PDF on CD or thumb drive) of the Statement of Compliance are required to be submitted to the Chief Executive Officer, DWER, marked to the attention of Manager, Compliance (Ministerial Statements).

Please note, the DWER has adopted a procedure of providing written acknowledgment of receipt of all Statements of Compliance submitted by the proponent, however, the DWER does not approve Statements of Compliance.

#### 6. Contact Information

Queries regarding Statements of Compliance, or other issues of compliance relevant to a Statement may be directed to Compliance (Ministerial Statements), DWER:

**Manager, Compliance (Ministerial Statements)**

**Department of Water and Environmental Regulation**

Postal Address: Locked Bag 10  
Joondalup DC  
WA 6919

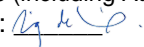
Phone: (08) 6364 7000

Email: [compliance@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:compliance@dwer.wa.gov.au)

#### 7. Post Assessment Guidelines and Forms

Post assessment documents can be found at [www.epa.wa.gov.au](http://www.epa.wa.gov.au)

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**ATTACHMENT 1****Table 1 Compliance Status Terms**

<b>Compliance Status Terms</b>	<b>Abbrev</b>	<b>Definition</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Compliant	C	Implementation of the proposal has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of the audit element.	This term applies to audit elements with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ongoing requirements that have been met during the reporting period; and</li> <li>requirements with a finite period of application that have been met during the reporting period, but whose status has not yet been classified as 'completed'.</li> </ul>
Completed	CLD	A requirement with a finite period of application has been satisfactorily completed.	This term may only be used where: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>audit elements have a finite period of application (e.g. construction activities, development of a document);</li> <li>the action has been satisfactorily completed; and</li> <li>the DWER has provided written acceptance of 'completed' status for the audit element.</li> </ul>
Not required at this stage	NR	The requirements of the audit element were not triggered during the reporting period.	This should be consistent with the 'Phase' column of the audit table.
Potentially Non-compliant	PNC	Possible or likely failure to meet the requirements of the audit element.	This term may apply where during the reporting period the proponent has identified a potential non-compliance and has not yet finalized its investigations to determine whether non-compliance has occurred.
Non-compliant	NC	Implementation of the proposal has not been carried out in accordance with the requirements of the audit element.	This term applies where the requirements of the audit element are not "complete" have not been met during the reporting period.
In Process	IP	Where an audit element requires a management or monitoring plan be submitted to the DWER or another government agency for approval, that submission has been made and no further information or changes have been requested by the DWER or the other government agency and assessment by the DWER or other government agency for approval is still pending.	<p><b>The term 'In Process' may not be used for any purpose other than that stated in the Definition Column.</b></p> <p>The term 'In Process' may not be used to describe the compliance status of an implementation condition and/or procedure that requires implementation throughout the life of the project (e.g. implementation of a management plan).</p>

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