



Chain Valley Colliery Monthly Website Report – August 2021

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Introduction

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

Chain Valley Colliery operates under the following regulatory instruments:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Scope

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

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

- Water – quality;
- Water – volume;
- Air Quality – Depositional Dust
- Air Quality – PM₁₀
- Air Quality – PM_{2.5}; and
- Meteorological data.

Definitions

g/m²/month – grams per square metre per month;

kL – kilolitre;

ML – megalitre;

mg/L – milligrams per litre;

TSS – total suspended solids;

µg/L – micrograms per litre; and

µS/cm – microSiemens per centimetre.

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References

ALS Group - Monthly Water Monitoring Results **August 2021**

ALS Group - Dust Deposition Report **August 2021**

Development Consent SSD-5465 (as modified)

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

Monitoring Results

Water – Quality

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

August 2021			
EPL	1770		
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd		
Premises	Chain Valley Colliery		
Date Sampled	31-08-2021		
Date Obtained	05-09-2021		
Sampling Point	LDP1		
Parameter	Units	Limit	Result
Biochem. Oxygen Demand	mg/L	-	2
Enterococci	col/100mL	-	1400
Faecal Coliforms	CFU/100mL	200	60
pH	pH	6.5-8.5	7.7
Total Sus. Solids	mg/L	50	14
Electrical Conductivity	µS/cm	-	27,700

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Water – Volume

Monthly water volumes discharged from the site are summarised below.

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

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

Date (24 hour period)	Unit	LDP 1 Volume
01/08/2021	kL	7244.19
02/08/2021	kL	6026.40
03/08/2021	kL	6745.48
04/08/2021	kL	6498.21
05/08/2021	kL	6002.84
06/08/2021	kL	5996.92
07/08/2021	kL	8587.28
08/08/2021	kL	5371.49
09/08/2021	kL	5889.64
10/08/2021	kL	5605.49
11/08/2021	kL	5905.79
12/08/2021	kL	5958.97
13/08/2021	kL	5916.30
14/08/2021	kL	5078.45
15/08/2021	kL	3586.32
16/08/2021	kL	5910.68
17/08/2021	kL	6001.73
18/08/2021	kL	5990.11
19/08/2021	kL	5989.86
20/08/2021	kL	5931.07
21/08/2021	kL	5948.13
22/08/2021	kL	5914.49
23/08/2021	kL	5901.43
24/08/2021	kL	5196.10
25/08/2021	kL	5384.11
26/08/2021	kL	5326.57
27/08/2021	kL	2174.01
28/08/2021	kL	3751.35
29/08/2021	kL	5821.96
30/08/2021	kL	5899.36
31/08/2021	kL	5541.98

Average	kL	5713
Minimim	kL	2174
Maximum	kL	8587

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Water – Groundwater Discharge

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

CVC Groundwater to Surface Totals FY2021-2022		
Date (month)	GW Discharge (ML/Month)	GW Discharge (Cumulative ML YTD)
July 2021	189.98	189.98
August 2021	164.83	354.82
September 2021		
October 2021		
November 2021		
December 2021		
January 2022		
February 2022		
March 2022		
April 2022		
May 2022		
June 2022		

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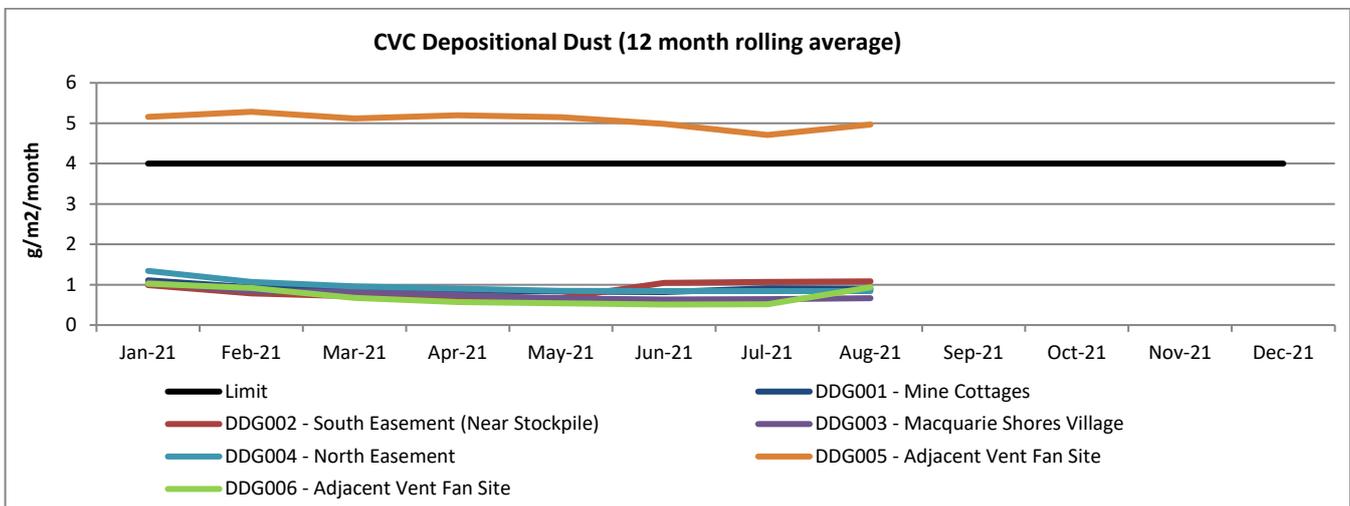
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Air Quality - Depositional Dust

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

August 2021	
EPL	1770
Limit	4g/m ² /month / Annum
Sampling Date	13/07/2021 to 12/08/2021
Site	Insoluble Matter (g/m²/month)
DDG001	0.3
DDG002	0.5
DDG003	0.7
DDG004	0.6
DDG005	6.8 ^c
DDG006 (proposed DDG005 Replacement)	5.4 ^c
Notes:	
^c – gauge subject to contamination:	
DDG005 contents were: 60% slime, 10% vegetation, 10% sand, 10% insects and 10% dirt.	
DDG006 contents were 70% glass (broken funnel), 15% insects, 5% slime, 5% dirt and 5% coal.	
- For site locations refer to Chain Valley Colliery Air Quality Management Plan.	

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

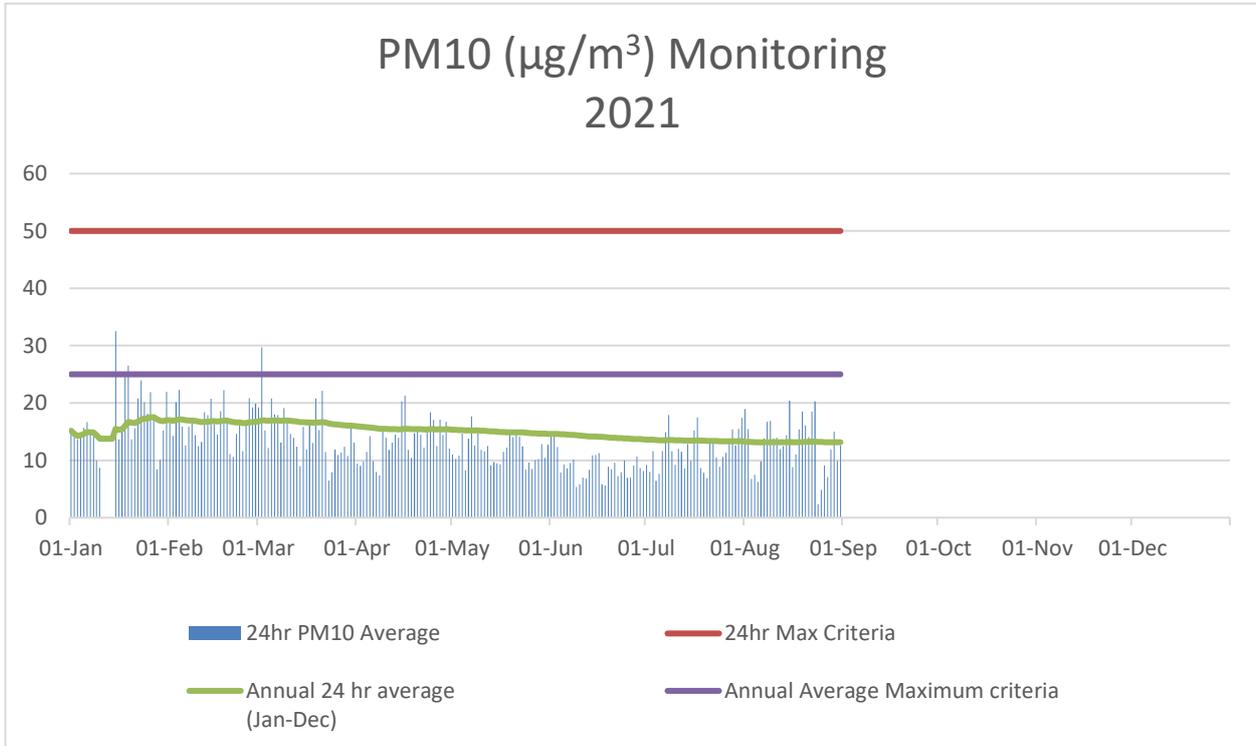


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Air Quality – PM₁₀

The 24hr PM₁₀ average from Delta Coal’s Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance (TEOM) is presented below for the year to date.



Annual 24hr PM₁₀ average maximum criteria for July 2021 was below the annual average maximum criteria limit. A summary of data availability for Delta Coal’s TEOM is presented below for the year to date.

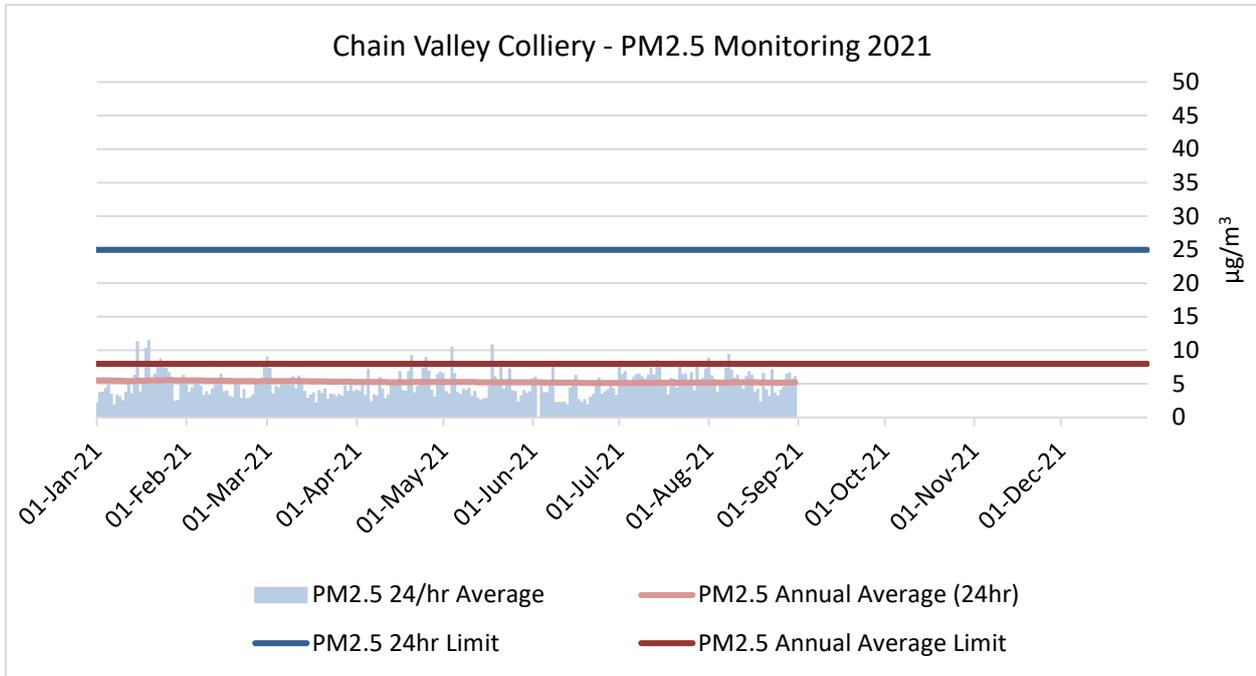
Variable	August	Total	Valid
A/C Temp	100%	8928	8927
A1	100%	8928	8927
A1_Scaled	100%	8928	8927
Bypass Flow	100%	8928	8927
Cap Temp	100%	8928	8927
Case Temp	100%	8928	8927
Config	100%	8928	8927
Dew Point	100%	8928	8927
Dig-In	100%	8928	8927
Dig-Latch	100%	8928	8927
ESN	100%	8928	8927
Filter Freq	100%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

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Air Quality – PM_{2.5}

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



For the period of May 2021, the daily PM_{2.5} average concentration and annual average PM_{2.5} concentration did not exceed limits of 25 µg/m³ and 8 µg/m³ respectively.

PM_{2.5} data availability for:

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

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Weather Data

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

Monthly Weather Data 2021			
Licensee	Great Southern Energy Pty Ltd		
Location	Mannering Colliery Meteorological station		
Date published	Refer report date		
Date sampled	Daily		
Date obtained	14 th September 2021		
Month	Total Rainfall/Month (mm)	Min Temp	Max Temp
Jan-21	108.4	12.5	38.2
Feb-21	110.2	13.9	33.1
Mar-21	551.6	13.1	31.1
Apr-21	56.8	6.2	28.3
May-21	30.8	4.1	25.6
June-21	74.6	3.3	21.5
July-21	37.2	2	24.8
August-21	60.4	3.6	26.3

Variable	August	Total	Valid
10m Temp	100%	2976	2975
2m Temp	100%	2976	2975
A1	100%	2976	2975
A1_Scaled	100%	2976	2975
Assumed Temp	100%	2976	2975
Barometric	100%	2976	2975
Config	100%	2976	2975
Daily Evap	100%	2976	2975
Daily Rain	100%	2976	2975
Delta T	100%	2976	2975
Dew Point	100%	2976	2975
Dig-In	100%	2976	2975
Dig-Latch	100%	2976	2975
ESN	100%	2976	2975
FDI	100%	2976	2975
Heat Index	100%	2976	2975
Humidity	100%	2976	2975
Mobile Signal	100%	2976	2975
Rain	100%	2976	2975
Raw Evap	100%	2976	2975
S Class	100%	2976	2975
Scalar WS	100%	2976	2975
Sigma	100%	2976	2975
Site	0.0%	2976	0
Solar Radiation	100%	2976	2975
Vector WD	100%	2976	2975
Vector WS	100%	2976	2975
Volts	100%	2976	2975
Wind Chill	100%	2976	2975
Wind Direction	100%	2976	2975
Wind Speed	100%	2976	2975
WS Avg	100%	2976	2975
WS Gust	100%	2976	2975