



Approvals Performance Report Fourth Quarter 2015 (Oct – Dec 2015)

The Department achieved the business target of finalising more than 80 per cent of applications received within the target timeline. Approval performance for the fourth quarter 2015 continued to be at high levels for key approval processes. Highlights include:

- 91 per cent of Mining Lease applications (20) were finalised within 65 business days,
- 92 per cent of Mining Proposal applications (70) were finalised within 30 business days; and
- 100 per cent of petroleum Environment Plans (87) were finalised within 30 calendar days.

2015 Calendar Year Summary

The department received a total of 5629 mineral title, exploration and mining activity applications during 2015. Ninety seven per cent of these were finalised within the timeline target of 65 business days. The department finalised 2459 Programme of Work and Mining Proposals during this period. Ninety five per cent of these were finalised within the timeline target of 30 business days.

One hundred per cent of petroleum Exploration Permit applications were finalised within the target timeline of 120 business days. Of the 374 petroleum Environment Plans and oil spill contingency plans submitted, 97 per cent were finalised within 30 calendar days.

The department also finalised 100 per cent of resource safety Project Management Plans and 85 per cent of Radiation Management Plans within the 30 business day timeframe.

DMP Mineral Title Approval Performance (since 2009)

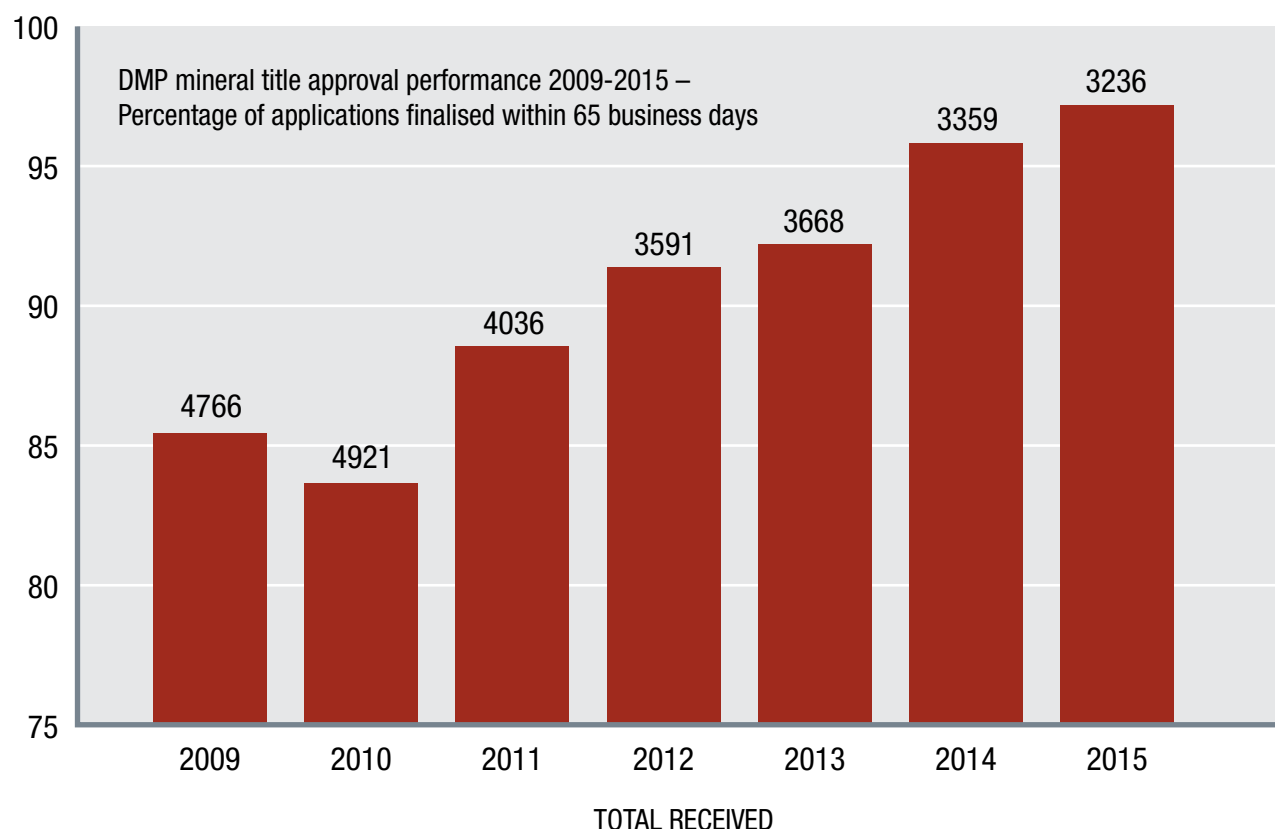


TABLE 1: DMP APPROVALS PERFORMANCE DEC QUARTER 2015

Minerals Sector								
Timeline target (business days)	No. carried over from previous quarter	No. applications received	Total No. finalised	No. refused, lapsed, rejected or withdrawn	Total no. finalised within timeline target	% finalised within timeline target	No. carried over to next quarter	
Tenure applications								
Data used to assess performance against the timeline target only applies to applications received since 1 January 2009 (when the tracking of applications commenced). The total number of applications in the system have been separated into two categories – those received since 1/1/2009 and those received prior.								
Prospecting Licence	65	882	359	293	68	281	96%	948
- pre 1/1/09*		28		1				27
Exploration Licence	65	1769	456	492	236	489	99%	1733
- pre 1/1/09		98		9				89
Mining Lease	65	177	32	22	8	20	91%	187
- pre 1/1/09		289		51				238
Others (Miscellaneous, General Purpose, Retention Leases)	65	342	54	61	8	61	100%	335
- pre 1/1/09		77		8				69
Environmental applications								
Programme of Work	30	238	400	527	23	516	98%	111
Mining Proposal	30	146	75	76	13	70	92%	145
Native Veg. Clearing Permit	60*	58	43	52	5	50	96%	49
Note: DMP assess resource sector native vegetation clearing permit applications via a delegation from the Department of Environment Regulation. DMP's approval performance target is to achieve greater than 80 per cent of applications finalised within 60 calendar days.								
Mine safety applications								
Project Management Plan	30	10	15	12	4	12	100%	13
Radiation Management Plans	30	2	8	7	1	5	71%	3

Petroleum and Geothermal Sector								
Target timeline (business days)	No. carried over from previous quarter	No. applications received	Total number finalised	No. refused, rejected or withdrawn	Total no. finalised within timeline target	% finalised within timeline target	No. carried over to next quarter	
Petroleum tenure and activity applications # Note 2								
A detailed list of application categories is available on the DMP approvals / approvals reporting website.								
Compliance Approval	40	13	38	17	4	15	88%	34
Joint Authority Decision	20	41	47	52	4	32	62%	36
Exploration Permit	120	60	4	9	9	9	100%	55
Other Title	120	1	0	1	1	1	100%	0
Other Activity	40	3	3	6	0	6	100%	0
Pipeline Licence	90	1	0	1	0	1	100%	0
Prod. Licence	120	4	0	0	0	0		4
Retention Lease	90	1	0	1	0	0	0%	0
Survey	40	0	2	2	0	2	100%	0
Well	40	58	41	48	1	42	88%	51
Petroleum environmental and safety applications								
Environment plans incorporate a small number of oil spill contingency plans.								
Environmental Plan	30*	25	84	87	47	87	100%	22
New Safety Case/SMS	90*	0	3	3	0	3	100%	0
Revised Safety Case/SMS	30*	2	3	5	0	5	100%	0

Note 1: * Denotes calendar days instead of business days.