



## Approvals Performance Report March Quarter 2017 (1 January – 31 March 2017)

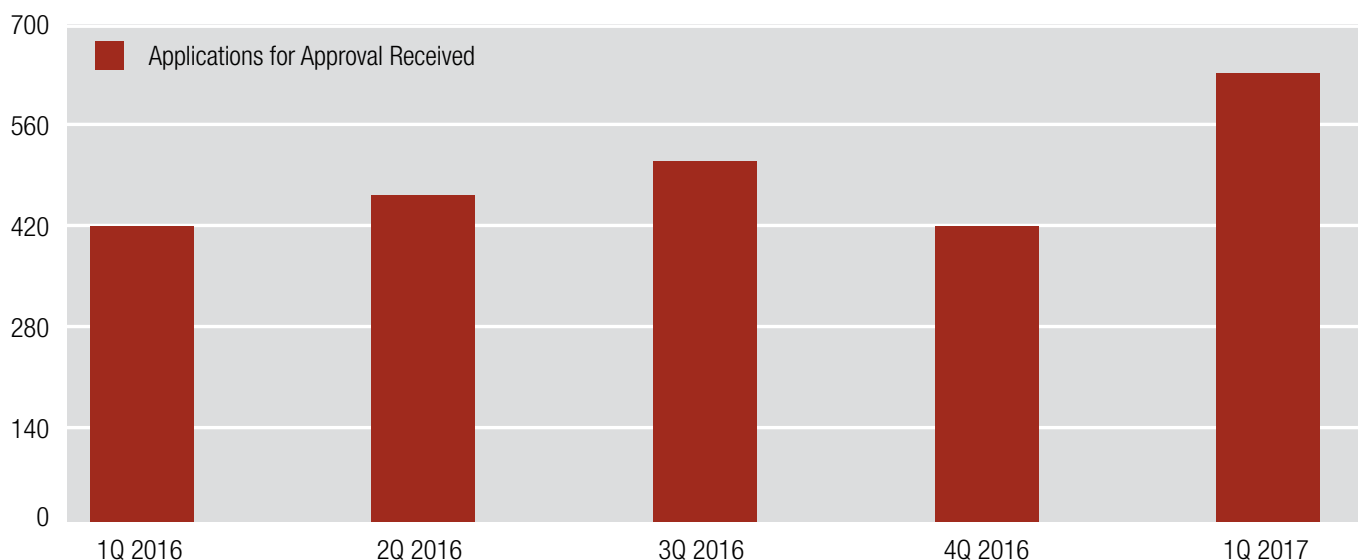
In the March quarter 2017, 97 per cent of all applications were finalised within target timelines. Highlights include:

- 99 per cent of mineral prospecting licence applications were finalised within 65 business days;
- 97 per cent of mineral exploration Programme of Work (PoW - Exploration) applications were finalised within 30 business days; and
- 100 per cent of petroleum well applications were finalised within 40 business days.

### Highlights

A total of 639 Programme of Work applications were received in the March 2017 quarter compared to 416 applications in the March 2016 quarter. This is a significant increase in the number of mineral exploration applications (see figure 1). Ninety seven per cent of Programme of Work applications were finalised within target timelines.

**Figure 1: Number of Mineral Exploration Programme of Work applications received each quarter from 1 January 2016 to 31 March 2017.**



**TABLE 1: DMP APPROVALS PERFORMANCE FIRST QUARTER 2017**

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 finalised	No. refused, lapsed, rejected or withdrawn	Total no.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
<b>Tenure applications</b>								
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	<b>65</b>	1796	345	568	99	564	99%	1,573
– pre 1/1/09*		26		3				23
Exploration Licence	<b>65</b>	1971	472	552	194	543	98%	1891
– pre 1/1/09		55		6				49
Mining Lease	<b>65</b>	242	28	31	8	29	94%	239
– pre 1/1/09		234		10				224
Others (Miscellaneous, General Purpose, Retention Leases)	<b>65</b>	360	47	85	15	85	100%	322
– pre 1/1/09		63		1				62
<b>Exploration and mining applications</b>								
Programme of Work	<b>30</b>	166	639	553	30	535	97%	252
Mining Proposal	<b>30</b>	177	71	91	13	82	90%	157
Native Veg. Clearing Permit	<b>60*</b>	50	52	55	5	49	89%	47
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.								
<b>Mine safety applications</b>								
Project Management Plan	<b>30</b>	17	23	24	3	24	100%	16
Radiation Management Plans	<b>30</b>	0	2	2	0	2	100%	0

Petroleum and Geothermal Sector								
	Target timeline (business days)	No. carried over from previous quarter	No. applications received	Total no. finalised	No. refused, rejected or withdrawn	Total no. finalised within timeline target	% finalised within timeline target	No. carried over to next quarter
<b>Petroleum tenure and activity applications</b>								
A detailed list of application categories is available on the DMP approvals / approvals reporting website.								
Compliance Approval	<b>40</b>	31	15	7	2	4	57%	39
Joint Authority Decision	<b>20</b>	40	45	35	4	33	94%	50
Exploration Permit	<b>120</b>	29	2	3	1	3	100%	28
Other Title	<b>120</b>	13	2	2	2	2	100	13
Other Activity	<b>40</b>	2	2	0	0	0	-	4
Pipeline Licence	<b>90</b>	4	2	0	0	0	-	6
Prod. Licence	<b>120</b>	5	0	0	0	0	-	5
Retention Lease	<b>90</b>	2	0	1	0	1	100%	1
Survey	<b>40</b>	13	6	3	3	3	100%	16
Well Activities	<b>30*</b>	0	41	34	3	20	59%	7
Well Applications	<b>40</b>	42	8	9	1	9	100%	41
<b>Petroleum environmental and safety applications</b>								
Environment plans incorporate a small number of oil spill contingency plans.								
Environmental Plan	<b>30*</b>	31	50	50	26	49	98%	31
New Safety Case/SMS	<b>90*</b>	1	0	1	0	1	100%	0
Revised Safety Case/SMS	<b>30*</b>	4	10	8	0	8	100%	6

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