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# Timeline Targets

The Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) has published timeline targets for its key approvals processes and has begun reporting on performance. The performance measures are based on the percentage of applications assessed within the target timeline. For example the target timeline for DMP to assess a Mineral Exploration Program of Work Application is 30 business days. During January and February 2009, 90 per cent of Program of Works were assessed within 30 business days.

Apart from Mineral Services, all timelines are subject to stop the clock. This mechanism is part of the Department of Mines and Petroleums timeline management of approvals whereby the timeline target is adjusted for the time taken by other processes outside our control, for example EPA referrals, or the time taken by the proponent to provide the required information.

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# Timelines

Approval	Timeline Target
Mining Environmental Approvals	
Programme of Work (exploration)	30 business days
Mining Proposal	30 business days
Petroleum Environmental Approvals	
Environmental Plan	30 business days
Environmental Management Plan	30 business days
Oil Spill Contingency Plan	30 business days

Mining Tenure Applications	
Prospecting Licence	65 business days
Exploration Licence	65 business days
Mining Lease	65 business days
Miscellaneous Licence	65 business days
General Purpose Lease	65 business days
Retention Licence	65 business days
Petroleum Tenure Applications	
Exploration Permit	120 business days
Production Licence	90 business days
Pipeline Licence	90 calendar days
Well	40 business days
Survey	40 business days
Resources Safety	
Project Management Plan (Mine)	30 business days (see note 1)
Dangerous Goods Licence or Permit	20 business days* (see note 1)

\* Estimated timeframe dangerous goods reporting systems are currently under development. This estimate is based on a compliant application that does not need complex internal assessment.

Notes:

1: Resources Safety will be reporting at the end of the second quarter.

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