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#### **DEVELOPMENT**

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Description: Intensive Livestock Agriculture - poultry broiler production farm

Development Site: Lot 1 DP 44215; Part Lot 1 DP 1108119; Lot 1 DP 1132298; Lots 26, 85, 86, 101,

118, 165, 166 and 171 DP 752169; Part Lot 143 DP 752189; Lot 1 DP 1132078; Lot 1 DP 1141148; and an unformed Council public road traversing through Lot

171 DP 752169

#### **DECLARATION**

We confirm that we have prepared the contents of this document and to the best of our knowledge it is true in all material particulars and does not materially mislead by its presentation or omission of information.

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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

ProTen Tamworth Pty Limited (ProTen) is seeking development consent to construct and operate an intensive poultry broiler production farm within a rural area known as Rushes Creek in the Tamworth Regional Local Government Area. In summary, the Rushes Creek Poultry Production Farm (the "Development") will comprise a total of 54 poultry sheds and house a combined population of 3,051,000 broiler birds.

The Development is classified as State significant development (SSD 7704) under the provisions of Division 4.7 of Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act) and in accordance with the *State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011*. It will require development consent from the Minister (or their delegate) under Part 4 of the EP&A Act, along with the following secondary approvals:

- An environment protection licence under Chapter 3 of the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA); and
- Consent under section 138 of the Roads Act 1993 from Tamworth Regional Council (Council).

Please refer to the following documents for a detailed description of the Development, specialist environmental impact assessments undertaken and the comprehensive list of development design, mitigation measures and best management practices committed to by ProTen to avoid, mitigate and/or manage the potential impacts of the Development:

- Rushes Creek Poultry Production Farm, SSD 7704, Environmental Impact Statement (SLR Consulting Australia [SLR] 2018) (EIS); and
- Rushes Creek Poultry Production Farm, SSD 7704, Response to Submissions (EME Advisory [EME] 2019) (RTS), which was prepared to respond to the issue raised within the submissions received from government agencies, the community and special interest groups following exhibition of the EIS.

#### 1.2 **Document Purpose**

This Supplementary Response to Submissions (Supplementary RTS) has been prepared to respond to the issues and requests raised within the submissions received from the following government agencies after their review of the RTS:

- Environment Protection Authority (EPA) in relation to odour; and
- Department of Industry Lands and Water (Lands & Water) (now part of DPIE) in relation to groundwater.

The responses provided in this Supplementary RTS have been prepared by ProTen and EME, with specialist input and assessment work undertaken by Astute Environmental Consulting (Astute) to assist in responding to the odour issues raised by the EPA.

The submissions received from other consulted government agencies following the RTS, including the Roads and Maritime Services, Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), WaterNSW and Tamworth Regional Council, did not raise any issues requiring further response.



#### 2 ODOUR

Pacific Environment Limited (PEL) (now part of ERM) prepared the *Air Quality Assessment* (2018) (AQA) for the EIS in accordance with the *Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW* (EPA 2016) (the Approved Methods) and *Assessment and Management of Odours from Stationary Sources in NSW* (EPA 2006) and following significant engagement with the EPA (as outlined in the EIS).

In response to the submissions received following exhibition of the EIS, particularly the submissions from the EPA and the community, Astute was engaged to provide additional specialist input and assessment in relation to odour. As detailed in the *Response to Air Quality Issues* (Astute 2019) that formed part of the RTS, Astute demonstrated that a suitable and appropriately conservative air quality assessment was performed by PEL (2018). The emissions modelled are higher than actual measured emissions at modern poultry farms and represent the upper range of potential emissions from the Development.

Following review of the RTS, the EPA requested further information to relation to odour to "enable it to make a transparent and robust decision on the project". In response, the following activities have been undertaken:

#### **EPA Consultation**

A meeting was arranged and attended by representatives from the EPA, DPIE, ProTen, EME and Astute on 16 July 2019 to discuss each issue raised and agree on the work required to satisfactorily address each issue.

#### **Additional Odour Testing**

ProTen commissioned additional odour testing at their relatively new Narrandera poultry broiler farm in south-western NSW, which was undertaken on 20 August 2019, and sourced odour test data from two other very similar and relatively new poultry broiler farms in south-western NSW in order to provide further real-world test data. Refer to **Section 2.1** for further details.

#### **Additional Specialist Assessment**

Astute was engaged to complete the specialist work required to address the EPA's outstanding issues. The responses to the individual issues are summarised in the below sub-sections, however Astute's *Response to Letter: 14 June 2019 SSD 7704* (2019b) in **Appendix A** should be read in full.

#### 2.1 Additional Odour Testing

EPA requested in the submission (Issue 4) and during the meeting on 16 July 2019 that test data be provided from an existing poultry farm in the Tamworth region where the Development is proposed. EPA specifically raised ProTen's Murrami farm in the meeting.

ProTen has not commissioned odour testing at any of its three poultry broiler farms in the Tamworth region, being Bective, Gidley and Murrami, as they are older facilities and not representative of new modern poultry farm developments. The industry has come a long way in last 10 years driven by environmental legislation, government policy and community expectations and there have been significant improvements in development design and control, farm management, animal husbandry and environmental management. Combined, this has significantly reduced odour emissions from newer poultry farm developments.

To put ProTen's three Tamworth-based farms in to perspective:



- Bective the Bective poultry farm was established in 1994, some 25 years ago. It is currently being re-developed in order to meet current industry best practice and remain operational.
- Gidley it is not known when the Gidley poultry farm was first established, however consent was granted in 1997 to expand the facility. On this basis, it is at least 22 years old.
- Murrami the Murrami poultry farm was established in 2006 and is therefore 13 years old. While it is the newer of the three farms, the sheds are not representative of new modern poultry sheds constructed to meet current best practice standards. Specifically:
  - The Murrami sheds have semi-sealed flooring, whereas modern poultry broiler sheds have fully-sealed concrete flooring, which is easier to manage in relation to cleaning, sanitisation and moisture levels; and
  - Poultry shed insultation, sealing and ventilation has significantly improved since Murrami was constructed 13 years ago. Modern sheds are constructed using materials with higher insulation properties and improved computer-control systems enabling the operator to provide close to optimum conditions for bird health, comfort, growth and performance throughout the year, with less air exchange. Modern sheds allow continuous monitoring of lighting, temperature, humidity and static pressure and these parameters can be automatically adjusted to suit conditions, which reduces the need for as much air exchange.

Tamworth is one of the few areas in Australia that does not currently operate to RSPCA standards, meaning that the poultry litter quality is potentially poorer and the shed stocking densities are potentially higher. Baiada Poultry has confirmed that Tamworth will move to RSPCA standards once the new poultry processing plant is constructed and commissioned. Until this time, ProTen's three Tamworth-based farms are not representative of the wider industry or modern poultry farm developments. As committed to in the EIS, the Rushes Creek development will be constructed, operated and managed in accordance with relevant RSPCA standards.

In conclusion, given that there are no modern poultry farms constructed in recent years and operating to RSPCA standards in the Tamworth region, additional test data was obtained from modern poultry farms in south-western NSW (see below).

The EPA indicated during the meeting on 16 July 2019 that any additional relevant odour test data would be beneficial.

The odour modelling undertaken by PEL (2018) considered years of real-world odour test data from a variety of meat chicken farms. Additional odour testing was undertaken in July 2018 as part of the works undertaken for the RTS at ProTen's relatively new Narrandera poultry broiler farm in south-western NSW to demonstrate that worst-case emissions were modelled by PEL (2018). Narrandera was approved by the (now) DPIE in November 2015 (SSD 6882) with the same odour impact assessment methodology as that used by PEL (2018) for the proposed Rushes Creek development and it has been operational since April 2016. The poultry sheds and poultry production units (PPUs) proposed at Rushes Creek are very similar in design, scale and layout to those at Narrandera and will have near identical operational and management procedures.

To further bolster the available data for this Supplementary RTS, ProTen commissioned another round of odour testing in two sheds at their Narrandera farm in August 2019 just before the first bird pick-up, when bird numbers and bird density were both at maximum. **Table 1** summarises the results from the testing undertaken at Narrandera in July 2018 and August 2019 (the test reports are attached to Astute's response in **Appendix A**).



Table 1 Odour Test Results - Narrandera

Location	Sample No.	Bird Age (days)	OER (ou/s)	Floor Area (m²)	Number of Birds	Average Bird Weight (kg)	Ventilation Rate (STP¹) (m³/s)	K Factor	
July 2018									
Farm 75,	1	29	10,677	2,720	46,298	1.60	49.7	0.8	
Shed 1	2	29	8,207	2,720	46,298	1.60	49.7	0.6	
Farm 75,	1	29	8,297	2,720	46,332	1.60	49.3	0.7	
Shed 2	2	29	8,927	2,720	46,332	1.60	49.3	0.7	
							Average K Factor	0.7	
August 2019	)								
Farm 76,	1	28	11,077	2,720	46,938	1.70	61.2	0.7	
Shed 6	2	28	14,382	2,720	46,938	1.70	61.2	0.9	
Farm 76,	1	28	11,985	2,720	46,564	1.68	51.0	0.9	
Shed 7	2	28	11,985	2,720	46,564	1.68	51.0	0.9	
	•	•		•	•	•	Average K Factor	0.8	

N.B. values in this table are slightly different to those in the test reports as a result of the number of decimal places used in the calculations. 1 – standard temp and pressure

The measured K factors listed in **Table 1** from ProTen's Narrandera farm are significantly lower than the recommended K factor in *Best Practice Guidance for the Queensland Poultry Industry - Plume Dispersion Modelling and Meteorological Processing* (PAEHolmes 2011, cited in Astute 2019a) and significantly lower than the conservative K factor of 2.0 adopted by PEL (2018) for the Development. They are also consistent with test data from other poultry farms in NSW and Queensland, were an average K factor of 1.1 has been demonstrated (as reported in the RTS).

Further odour test data was sourced from two relatively new poultry farms (The Ranch and Tabbita) being operated by other growers in south-western NSW near Tabbita. Astute (2019b) collated this data and presented it with the test data from ProTen's Narrandera farm by season in **Figure 1**. The data is also summarised further in **Table 2**.

Figure 1 Odour Test Results – Narrandera, The Ranch and Tabbita

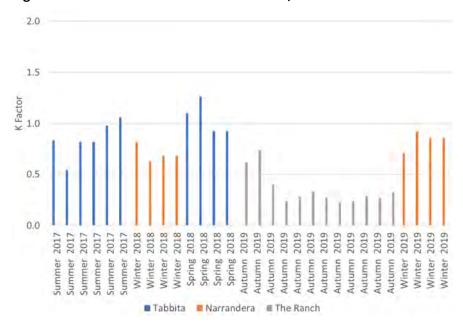




Table 2 Odour Test Res	ults – Narrandera.	The Ranch and Tabbita
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Poultry Farm	Average K Factor	Bird Age (days)	Testing and Analysis
Narrandera	0.8 ± 0.1	28 and 29	The Odour Unit
The Ranch	0.4 ± 0.2	32 and 34	Collected by SLR, with analysis by The Odour Unit
Tabitta	0.8 ± 0.2	19, 23, 27 and 30	The Odour Unit

Emissions from the poultry broiler industry have been decreasing over time. This is linked to improved feed conversion, reduced poultry litter waste and RSPCA shed management, including reduced stocking density and improved bedding material management. The odour test data presented above again demonstrates that well managed modern broiler farms are operating with significantly lower K factors than K=2 (as adopted in the AQA for Rushes Creek) and have lower emissions than older farms.

The average K factor of 0.8 at ProTen's Narrandera farm demonstrates that ProTen's newer farms are very well designed and managed and operate with low odour emissions. Astute (2019b) confirms the conclusion made in the RTS, being that the K factor of 2.0 adopted by PEL (2018) for Rushes Creek is suitably conservative and represents a realistic worst-case emission value. The K factor method used in the AQA (PEL 2019) predicts higher emissions than measured at modern poultry farms.

#### 2.2 Issues 1 and 2 - Additional Odour Mitigation Measures

EPA requested that ProTen provide further feasible odour mitigation measures that could achieve compliance with an odour performance criterion of 3 odour units (ou), if required.

EPA also requested that ProTen provide additional odour mitigation measures that could be implemented should odour impacts occur once operational.

Based on the conservatism incorporated in to the odour modelling, the sparse population density in the rural area surrounding the Development Site and the short-term transient population at the Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre (all three detailed in the RTS), along with the additional odour test data presented in **Section 2.1**, Astute (2019) once again concludes that the adopted odour criterion of 5 ou is applicable and appropriate. If a lower K factor was applied based on the real-world test data from modern poultry farms, modelled odour emissions would be notably reduced and the number of receptors within the 2 ou contour would reduce (Astute 2019b).

While there are some odour control technology options available, they generally come from Europe where separation distances like those available for this Development are not possible (Astute 2019a). The combination of appropriate separation distances and vegetation screens represent current best practice for odour mitigation for intensive poultry farms (Astute 2019a). Vegetation screens induce additional turbulence as the ventilation air from the sheds passes through the permeable barrier and this enhances odour dispersion. Vegetation screens also act to partially remove fine dust from the ventilation air giving a corresponding percentage reduction in odour levels. A range of literature values exist in relation to the potential reduction in odour impacts associated with vegetative buffers (for pig and poultry farms), including Parker et. al. 2012 at 66%, Hernandez 2012 at 40 to 60%, Patterson 2009 at 37% and Malone 2008 at 26% (Astute 2019b).

As detailed in the EIS, ProTen has committed to establishing vegetation screens a minimum of 40 metres (m) wide around the perimeter of each PPU. These screens were not included in the odour modelling and, as such, represent a further conservatism and mitigation measure.

The Rushes Creek development will generally be constructed, operated and managed in accordance with current industry best practice standards, including the relevant requirements/recommendations in:



- RSPCA Approved Farming Scheme Standards Meat Chickens (RSPCA Australia 2013); and
- Best Practice Management for Meat Chicken Production in NSW (Department of Primary Industries 2012).

The proposed Rushes Creek development should not be prejudiced by older poultry farms, including Murrami (as specifically raised by the EPA), that are not representative of new modern poultry farm developments and are not operating to RSPCA standards. Rushes Creek will have the same design, operation and management as ProTen's newer Narrandera, Jeanella and Jeanella South farms and will also be the same/very similar to The Ranch and Tabbita poultry farms. These farms have all been modelled with the same methodology as Rushes Creek and there is a consistent lack of issues and complaints.

This request was discussed in the meeting with the EPA and DPIE on 16 July 2019. Based on this discussion, the information presented in the RTS, the additional odour test data presented in **Section 2.1** and the information above, no further consideration is warranted. The odour emissions modelled are higher than actual measured emissions at modern poultry farms and additional odour mitigation measures (in addition to the adoption of current industry best practice and vegetation screens, which were not included in the modelling) are not warranted. To reiterate, if a lower K factor was applied based on the real-world test data from modern poultry farms, modelled odour emissions would be notably reduced and the number of receptors within the 2 ou contour would reduce (Astute 2019b).

#### 2.3 Issue 3 - CALMET Evaluation

EPA requested that ProTen provide further evaluation of the CALMET generated data as recommended in *Generic Guidance and Optimum Model Settings for the CALPUFF Modelling System for inclusion into the Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW, Australia (OEH 2011).* EPA advised that this analysis, and any other relevant data, should be used to assess the influence of the wind direction errors on predicted odour concentrations.

#### **Background**

The *Response to Air Quality Issues* (Astute 2019a) prepared for the RTS summarised the results from several statistical tests used to compare the prognostic and observed data. The statistical benchmarks were taken from Hurley et. al. (2002, cited in Astute 2019a and 2019b) and other publications.

The most widely referred to report for meteorological statistical benchmarks is *Enhanced Meteorological Modelling and Performance Evaluation for Two Texas Ozone Episodes* (Emery, et al., 2001, cited in Astute 2019b). This report notes that the purpose of the benchmarks is not necessarily to give a passing or failing grade to any one particular application, but rather to put the results into context and assess the relative accuracy of the dataset as a whole (Astute 2019b).

The report Air Quality Modelling Study Meteorological Model Performance Evaluation: 2009-2013 BOEM Arctic WRF Dataset (Ramboll Environ 2016, cited in Astute 2019b) noted that the benchmarks of Emery et. al. were developed by analysing well-performing meteorological model evaluation results for simple, mostly flat terrain conditions and simple meteorological conditions. It also noted that Kemball-Cook et. al. (2005, cited in Astute 2019b) proposed a series of benchmarks for model performance under complex conditions, with the most relevant for the Peel Valley being a gross error benchmark of less than 55 degrees (<55°) for wind direction.

Complex terrain is defined by the American Meteorological Society (2012, cited in Astute 2019b) as "a region having irregular topography, such as mountains or coastlines. Complex terrain can also include variations in land use, such as urban, rural, irrigated, and unirrigated".



On this basis, if the model performance is close to that required for simple terrain areas, being less than or equal to 30 degrees ( $\leq 30^{\circ}$ ) and simple meteorological conditions, the performance of the model can be considered as appropriate (Astute 2019b).

#### Response

The Response to Air Quality Issues (Astute 2019a) included statistical measures applied to hourly data and a radar plot showing the frequency of winds from each direction. The EPA requested further information the form of wind roses, scatter plots, quantile-quantile plots and further statistical tests (mean, bias, gross error, root mean square error and index of agreement).

#### Wind Roses

The wind roses prepared by Astute (2019b) showing the predicted winds (based on TAPM) and observed winds at Moana for 2016 are presented in **Figure 2**.

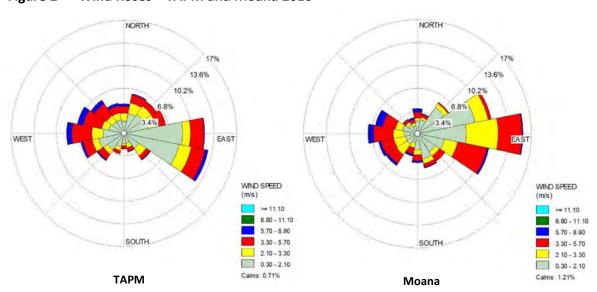


Figure 2 Wind Roses – TAPM and Moana 2016

A 1 km TAPM grid was selected as this is what was used in the AQA (PEL 2018). CALMET was used to refine the windfield to the 100 m CALMET grid. Astute (2019b) advises that this can result in slight differences in winds between where the model is extracted and the weather station location.

The general shape of the wind roses in **Figure 2** are consistent in that they show dominant easterly winds, with a noticeable westerly component. The range of wind speeds in the light category (i.e. less than 3 metres per second [<3 m/s]) is marginally higher for the TAPM/CALMET data (i.e. 68% compared to 66%), however, as previously shown by the BIAS, RMSE and IO values, the overall difference is within an acceptable range (Astute 2019b).

The critical directions for the Development are winds from the northwest towards receptor R25 and west towards receptor R24 (i.e. the nearest receptors). **Figure 2** shows that the TAPM data includes more winds from the northwest and a similar frequency of winds from the west, meaning that the modelling captures winds from these directions adequately (Astute 2019b).



#### Scatter Plots and Quantile-Quantile Plots

Scatter and quantile-quantile plots are graphical representations of the datasets. The statistical benchmarks detailed in Emery et. al. (2001), as used by Astute, are considered a more robust method for comparing the data (Astute 2019b). Nevertheless, Astute (2019b) prepared quantile-quantile plots for wind direction, wind speed and temperature, as provided below in **Figures 3**, **4** and **5**, respectively. Note that there were large gaps in the temperature dataset provided for Moana and, therefore, the comparison is based on the available data.

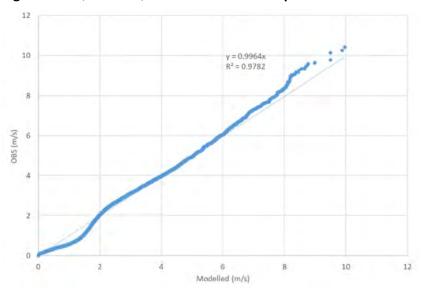
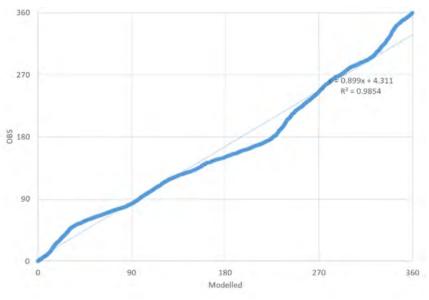


Figure 3 Quantile-Quantile Plot for Wind Speed







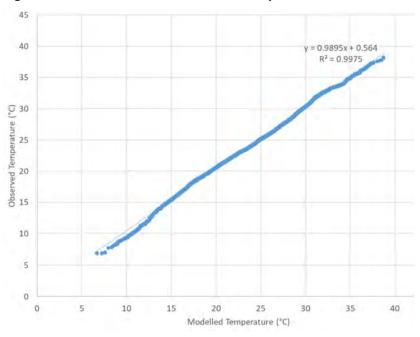


Figure 5 Quantile-Quantile Plot for Temperate

**Figures 3**, **4** and **5** each show a reasonable relationship over the range of values examined with the gradient being close to 1 and the lines-of-best-fit going close to the origin (Astute 2019b).

#### **Statistical Tests**

Astute (2019b) calculated the daily gross error for wind direction by vector averaging the hourly wind speed and direction data to determine daily vector averaged wind speed and direction data. This resulted in a gross error of 34°, with the benchmark for simple meteorological conditions being  $\leq$ 30°. As outlined above, a higher benchmark (i.e.  $\leq$ 55°) is appropriate in areas of complex terrain. However, this is largely irrelevant in this instance given the difference between the simple conditions benchmark and that calculated is considered minor.

Astute (2019b) advises that additional statistical tests without recognised benchmarks will not add any value to the assessment of the datasets. Astute (2019b) confirmed that the wind roses and statistical analyses undertaken show that the model performed reasonably for wind direction. To consider this further, the batch staging modelling undertaken by PEL (2018) needs to be considered and understood.

If one single model run were performed over a year, the model results would be dependent on the periods where worst case meteorology matched periods of elevated emissions. The sensitivity of the results to this risk as a function of wind direction was assessed by changing bird placement (start date) to Days 1, 14 and 28 of the modelled year, which moved the peaks forward to different meteorological periods not included in the previous start date. As such, the odour impact of the Development was assessed three times. The modelling results presented in the AQA (PEL 2018) showed that changing the placement changed the odour impacts only slightly, meaning the influence of the differences in wind direction is unlikely to be significant (Astute 2019b). Moreover, as demonstrated above in **Section 2.1**, the adopted K factor of 2 is higher than the recent test data collected at similar modern poultry farms, meaning the predicted odour concentrations are conservative (Astute 2019b).

#### <u>Summary</u>

Astute (2019b) sums up by advising:



- The wind roses show similar frequencies to the radar plot provided in the *Response to Air Quality Issues* (Astute 2019a) and the wind frequencies are consistent with the statistical analysis, which showed an acceptable bias towards the observed winds having slightly lower speeds than the measured winds.
- The statistical benchmarks and results previously provided are those recommended for wind speed, direction and temperature and are considered more relevant and appropriate than scatter plots.
- The addition of further statistical tests without recognised benchmarks will not add any value to the assessment of the datasets.
- The modelling of batch staging, as undertaken by PEL (2018), reduces the risks of the modelled period not assessing worst case impacts in all directions if a low frequency of winds occurs from one direction.

#### 2.4 Issue 4 - Ventilation Rates

EPA requested ProTen provide an additional ventilation rate validation study that (as a minimum):

- Uses measured ventilation rate data from an existing farm in the Tamworth region;
- Covers the range of environmental conditions expected at the site (summer, autumn, winter, spring); and
- Includes the full growth cycle.

EPA advised that ProTen could alternatively provide the following:

- A sensitivity analysis that uses the Dunlop and Duperouzel (2014) empirical equations and other available data to demonstrate the range in potential odour impacts; or
- An alternative validation study (for example, odour emission rate) covering the full range of environmental conditions at the site and the full growth cycle.

The request to provide data from an existing poultry farm in the Tamworth region is addressed in **Section 2.1**. In summary, given that there are no modern poultry farms constructed in recent years and operating to RSPCA standards in the Tamworth region, additional test data was obtained from modern poultry farms in south-western NSW. The test reports are attached to Astute's response in **Appendix A**.

In the meeting with the EPA and DPIE on 16 July 2019, the EPA advised that an odour emission rate (OER) validation study (i.e. final dot point in their request) would be satisfactory to address this issue. As such, the below information summarises Astute's (2019b) OER validation study findings.

Astute (2019b) advises that the "Georgia" ventilation method does on occasion produce different ventilation estimates compared to the Dunlop and Duperouzel (DD) method, however the key question relates to whether or not the estimates of odour emissions are comparable to that of the real-world sampling data. Tables 3-7 and 3-8 in the *Response to Air Quality Issues* (Astute 2019a) showed that when K=2 the predicted emissions were often higher than those measured.

Astute (2019b) processed the newly available test data summarised above in **Section 2.1** and calculated the predicted OERs using the following methods:

- 1. Method 1 emissions calculated using measured/recorded test data, K=2;
- 2. Method 2 Georgia method, K=2; and
- 3. Method 3 DD models 1 and 2, K=2.

The measured emissions are compared to predicted emissions in **Table 3** by farm and season.



Table 3 Measured Versus Predicted Emissions (K=2)

Farm	Season	Bird Age	Measured OER		Predicted O	Ratio Georgia to	Ratio DD Models to		
Farm	Season	(days)	(ou/s)	Using Test Data	Georgia Method	DD Model 1	DD Model 2	Measured	Measured
		27	13,392	35,261	37,989	48,053	48,053	2.8	3.6
Tabbita		27	8,701	35,261	37,989	48,053	48,053	4.4	5.5
	Summer	23	10,338	27,768	23,173	36,269	37,413	2.2	3.6
	2017	23	10,338	27,768	23,173	36,269	37,413	2.2	3.6
		19	10,104	22,745	20,502	29,459	30,414	2.0	3.0
		19	10,961	22,745	20,502	29,459	30,414	1.9	2.7
		29	10,677	28,711	14,494	47,026	45,295	1.4	4.3
No do	Winter	29	8,244	28,711	14,494	47,026	45,295	1.8	5.6
Narrandera	2018	29	8,927	28,634	26,139	49,133	48,984	2.9	5.5
		29	8,927	28,634	26,139	49,133	48,984	2.9	5.5
	Spring 2018	30	24,743	49,490	53,319	67,444	67,444	2.2	2.7
T. I. I. V.		30	28,434	49,490	53,319	67,444	67,444	1.9	2.4
Tabbita		27	21,480	51,104	42,647	67,932	69,642	2.0	3.2
		27	21,480	51,104	42,647	67,932	69,642	2.0	3.2
	Autumn 2019	37	8,844	17,232	14,250	38,703	35,763	1.6	4.2
		37	8,844	17,232	14,250	38,703	35,763	1.6	4.2
The Ranch		27	19,418	106,641	41,706	108,214	115,085	2.1	5.7
Farm 941		27	11,501	106,612	41,706	108,214	115,085	3.6	9.7
		34	13,471	106,680	72,781	114,336	118,850	5.4	8.7
		34	15,953	106,680	72,781	114,336	118,850	4.6	7.3
		34	7,927	64,283	39,365	61,841	64,197	5.0	7.9
		34	6,606	64,283	39,365	61,841	64,197	6.0	9.5
The Ranch	Autumn	32	7,927	64,283	50,820	64,283	64,283	6.4	8.1
Farm 95	2019	32	6,606	64,283	50,820	64,283	64,283	7.7	9.7
		32	7,506	68,909	54,478	68,909	68,909	7.3	9.2
		32	9,007	68,909	54,478	68,909	68,909	6.0	7.7
		32	8,208	66,890	52,881	66,890	66,890	6.4	8.1
No do .	Winter	32	9,728	66,890	52,881	66,890	66,890	5.4	6.9
Narrandera	2019	28	11,077	34,333	15,010	46,470	43,818	1.4	4.1
		28	14,382	34,333	15,010	46,470	43,818	1.0	3.1
	•	•				Average Ratio (positi	ve to over-prediction)	3.3	5.5

<sup>1 -</sup> ventilation rates provided with The Ranch Autumn 2019 Farm 94 data were significantly higher than expected. The cause is unknown, however, as the K factor equation is relatively insensitive to ventilation rate (as measured) the results are still considered relevant.



The data shows that the predicted emissions using the Georgia method are on average three times higher than the measured emissions, with the predicted emissions using the DD method higher again (Astute 2019b). The Georgia method combined with the K factor method (K=2) produces, at worst, emissions that are equal to realistic/measured emission rates and for most of the time higher emissions than measured (i.e. conservative).

EPA also queried plume momentum in the event that ventilation rates were underpredicted but the odour emissions were accurate. Astute (2019b) advised that the standard modelling methodology is to set a "quasi" source at the end of the shed, generally a point source the width of the shed. The ventilation rate is then varied via the source file, along with the "rainhat" option in CALPUFF that turns off momentum associated with the velocity used for the point source. Astute (2019b) provides the following example – an 18 m wide shed would have a point source with a diameter of 18 m diameter and an area of 254  $\text{m}^2$ . For a hypothetic flow rates of 150  $\text{m}^3$ /s, and 100  $\text{m}^3$ /s, the vertical velocity would be set to 0.6 m/s and 004 m/s, respectively, based on the following equation:

Velocity  $(m/s) = flow rate (m^3/s) divided by area <math>(m^2)$ .

The point source is used to represent the emissions exiting the shed along with thermal buoyancy. As the vertical momentum is turned off by using the rainhat switch (FMFAC = 0) the mixing due to turbulence is also limited (Astute 2019b).

To test this, Astute (2019b) compared a standard model run where the velocity from the point source varied with ventilation rate to the situation where the velocity was left at maximum for the model run. Using the above example, the velocity would have been set to the maximum of 0.62 m/s (as an example) rather than being variable. Astute's (2019b) results are shown in **Table 4** for the Rushes Creek Farm 2 Day 18 model run. These results show that when all things are kept the same, a higher velocity from the point source would lead to lower predicted concentrations (Astute 2019b).



Table 4 Farm 2 Day 18 Model Run – Variable and Full Momentum, Rainhat On

	Predicted 99 <sup>th</sup> Percentile 1-second odour concentration								
Receptor	EIS Methodology	Fixed Velocity 0.62 m/s	Difference	% Difference					
R1	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-50%					
R2	0.4	0.1	-0.3	-75%					
R3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-50%					
R4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%					
R5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R6	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R7	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%					
R8	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%					
R9	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%					
R10	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%					
R11	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%					
R12	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R13	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%					
R14	0.5	0.2	-0.3	-60%					
R15	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-25%					
R16	0.6	0.4	-0.2	-33%					
R17	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%					
R18	0.7	0.2	-0.5	-71%					
R19	0.7	0.4	-0.3	-43%					
R20	0.6	0.3	-0.3	-50%					
R21	0.7	0.4	-0.3	-43%					
R22	1.1	0.7	-0.4	-36%					
R23	1.0	0.7	-0.3	-30%					
R24	2.3	1.6	-0.7	-30%					
R25	0.6	0.5	-0.1	-17%					
R26	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%					
R27	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-25%					
R28	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%					
R29	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%					
R30	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%					
R31	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R32	0.6	0.3	-0.3	-50%					
R33	0.9	0.5	-0.4	-44%					
R34	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R35	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%					
R36	0.4	0.4	0	0%					



#### 2.5 Issue 5 - Non-Recommended Values in CALMET

EPA requested that ProTen provide justification for using non-recommended IKINE and THRESHL values in CALMET and undertake a sensitivity analysis for IKINE and THRESHL to demonstrate the impact of assumed values on predicted odour concentrations.

#### **IKINE**

The setting IKINE is used to include or remove kinematic effects, which refer to the influence of wind flow associated with objects (i.e. terrain). OEH (2011) recommends that IKINE is turned off to not calculate terrain forced vertical velocity in the initial guess wind field based on the justification - *This option is normally turned off, especially when using fine resolution due to occasional non-convergence of algorithm producing anomalous wind speeds in Layer 2* (OEH 2011, cited in Astute 2019b).

IKINE was set to 1 (i.e. "on") in the modelling completed by PEL (2018) based on advice from Dr Peter D'Abreton who holds a doctorate in meteorology and worked at PEL when the modelling was undertaken. Astute (2019b) advises that Dr D'Abreton's justification was based on:

- Switching IKINE "on" allows the model to better include the influence of terrain;
- Hills and valleys in the Peel Valley create flow divergence and convergence as the wind moves around the natural obstacles. A better representation of vertical velocity is required to maintain mass consistency and to more accurately represent plume diversion around terrain; and
- The modelling makes use of a M3D file (NOOBS) and, therefore, divergence associated with observed and prognostic data in layer 2 are unlikely to occur as no observed data was used.

Astute (2019b) further advises that the use of IKINE=1 is supported by Radonjic et al (2010) who showed that the application of the CALMET pre-processor demonstrated kinematic effects that result in increased wind speeds above mountains.

#### **THRESHL**

The THRESHL setting is the threshold buoyancy flux required to sustain convective mixing height growth overland with the units of  $W/m^3$ . OEH (2011) recommends that it be set to  $0 W/m^3$ .

Astute (2019b) advises that THRESHL was set to 0.05 W/m³ in the modelling completed by PEL (2018) in order to produce more accurate outputs for mixing height. It was not used at 0.0 W/m³ based on the work of Ken Rayner (Western Australia Department of Environment and Conservation, CALPUFF issue summary 28 April 2011 and CALPUFF issue summary 20 May 2011), who showed that using 0.0 W/m³ results in spurious outputs for mixing height near dawn and dusk (Astute 2019b).

Based on the above justifications, sensitivity analysis IKINE and THRESHL were not considered necessary.



#### 3 GROUNDWATER

Lands & Water recommended a groundwater monitoring program combined with a contingency plan be imposed to enable verification of any groundwater impacts and to address any unacceptable impacts.

As detailed in Section 8.5 of the EIS and Section 16 of the RTS, the potential for adverse impact to the groundwater source as a result of the Development is low. Key points include:

- Broiler production farms are largely dry operations, with no effluent generated as a result of the poultry-rearing itself.
- Each poultry shed will have fully-sealed concrete flooring and will be surrounded by a 400 millimetre (mm) high dwarf concrete bund wall.
- There will be a low frequency of shed cleaning (roughly 5.6 times per year) and a relatively low volume of wash down water will be generated. The poultry litter will be removed from the sheds at the end of each production and immediately transported off-site and the sheds will be thoroughly blown and swept (i.e. dry-cleaned) before being washed using high-pressure low-volume sprays.
- Wash down water, along with rainfall runoff from the shed roofs and surrounding surfaces, will be
  captured in the engineered surface water management system at each PPU, with the grassed
  swales acting to uptake nutrients. Excess water in the surface water management systems will flow
  in to a detention dam at each PPU. The water captured in the detention dams should have relatively
  low nutrient levels and should be free of any other significant pollutants/contaminants.
- The shallow alluvial groundwater source is confined to the Namoi River channel itself and does not extend in to the Development Site.
- The deeper fractured rock groundwater source is generally between 10 and 20 metres below ground level (mbgl) across the Development Site.
- The conceptual understanding of the regolith layer is that it measures 0.5 to 3 m thick, sits approximately 2 m below ground level and exists across the Development Site (and the regional area) acting as an aquitard.

Given the controlled environment in which this modern poultry farm will operate and the local groundwater conditions, in particular no shallow aquifer and the regolith layer, no detectable groundwater impact is expected. As such, a groundwater monitoring and contingency plan is unwarranted and ProTen ask that such a plan not be imposed as a condition of consent.

The development design features, best management practices and mitigation measures committed to in the listed in Sections 8.5.3 and 9 of the EIS will be implemented to ensure negligible risk to groundwater resources throughout the life of the Development.

Lands & Water recommended lining of the detention dams due to the proposed retention of nutrient-laden water on-site.

The above dot points should be referred to and considered in relation to this recommendation.

Irrespective, as already confirmed in Sections 4.17, 8.5.5 and 9 of the EIS and Section 16.2 of the RTS, ProTen has made the following commitment:

The internal surfaces of the detention dams will be compacted or lined to provide an impermeable surface.



The dams will be lined with one of the following two options:

(a) Clay material won on-site during excavation works (test pits will be undertaken to ensure appropriate material is available);

or

(b) If appropriate material is not available on-site, a synthetic liner.

ProTen ask that the condition of consent be worded to allow for either option.



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#### **5** ABBREVIATIONS

Approved Methods Approved Methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW

AQA Air Quality Assessment

Astute Astute Environmental Consulting

DPIE Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EME EME Advisory

EPA Environment Protection Authority

EP&A Act Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

kg kilogram km kilometre

Lands & Water Department of Industry – Lands and Water (now part of DPIE)

m metre

m/s metres per second  $m^2$  square metre  $m^3$  cubic metre

m³/s cubic metre per second mbgl metres below ground level

mm millimetre

m/s metres per second

OEH Office of Environment and Heritage

OER odour emission rate

ou odour unit

PEL Pacific Environment Limited (now part of ERM)

PPU poultry production unit

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RSPCA Standards RSPCA Approved Farming Scheme Standards – Meat Chickens

RTS Response to Submissions

SLR SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
SSD State significant development

TAPM The Air Pollution Model





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#### 1 INTRODUCTION

ProTen Tamworth (ProTen) engaged Astute Environmental (Astute) to prepare a response in relation to the letter from NSW EPA to Department of Planning & Environment (now DPIE) regarding SSD 7704 (ref SF16/24271; DOC19/440090) dated 14 June 2019 ("the letter").

The letter noted a number of outstanding issues as follows:

Outstanding issues with the air quality impact assessments provided in the Response to Submissions are detailed in Attachment A together with a request for information to address each issue. In summary, the EPA requests:

- That the applicant provides further feasible odour mitigation measures that could achieve compliance with an odour performance criterion of 3 OU, if required.
- That the applicant identify additional odour mitigation measures that could be implemented should odour impacts occur once operational.
- That the applicant provides further evaluation of the CALMET generated data as recommended in OEH (2011)1. This analysis, and any other relevant data, should be used to assess the influence of the wind direction errors on predicted odour concentrations.
- That the applicant provides further validation studies for ventilation rate or odour emission rate.
- That the applicant provides a justification for the use of non-recommended values in CALMET. This should be supported by a sensitivity analysis for IKINE and THRESHL to demonstrate the impact of the assumed values on predicted odour concentrations.

Recent odour testing results from ProTen's Narrandera Poultry Production Farm and Astute's responses to the issues raised in the abovementioned issues are provided below.



## 2 FURTHER ODOUR TESTING

Additional odour testing has been performed by ProTen since the finalisation of the previous Astute report (Response to Air Quality Issues R1-1 28 February 2019).

The testing was performed at ProTen's Narrandera Poultry Production Farm (SSD 6882) in south western NSW, which was approved by the Department of Planning and Environment (now DPIE) in November 2015.

Testing was performed by The Odour Unit in two sheds just before bird pickup during August 2019. Testing was performed at this point in time as both the bird numbers and bird density is at maximum.

The results are summarised in Table 2-1 and the test report is attached to this document. It can be seen in Table 2-1 that the measured K factors were significantly lower than the recommended K factor in PAEHolmes (2011) and significantly lower than the conservative K factor adopted in the odour assessment for Narrandera by Pacific Environment (2015) and subsequent assessment work.

Table 2-1: Narrandera Test Results - August 2019

Location	Sample Number	Bird Age (days)	OER (ou/s)	Floor Area (m²)	Number of Birds	Average Weight (kg)	Ventilation Rate (STP) (m³/s)	K Factor	
Narrandera Shed 6	1	28	11,077	2,720	46,938	1.70	61.2	0.7	
Offica 0	2	28	14,382	2,720	46,938	1.70	61.2	0.9	
Narrandera Shed 7	1	28	11,985	2,720	46,564	1.68.	51	0.9	
Sileu /	2	28	11,985	2,720	46,564	1.68	51	0.9	
	Average K Factor								

Note: Values in this table are slightly different to that in the reports from TOU. This is due to the number of decimal places used in the calculations. The data above are calculated based on the one decimal place reported in TOUs report.

For this report, we were also provided with odour test data from the Tabbita poultry farm at Tabbita and The Ranch poultry farm near Tabbita. The data from The Ranch and Tabbita farms, as well as ProTen's Narrandera test data from July 2018 and August 2019, is summarised in Figure 2-1 by season. Note that the first and second data points are sample 1 and sample 2 from one shed, the third and fourth are sample 1 and sample 2 from another shed and so forth. The data is summarised further in Table 2-2.



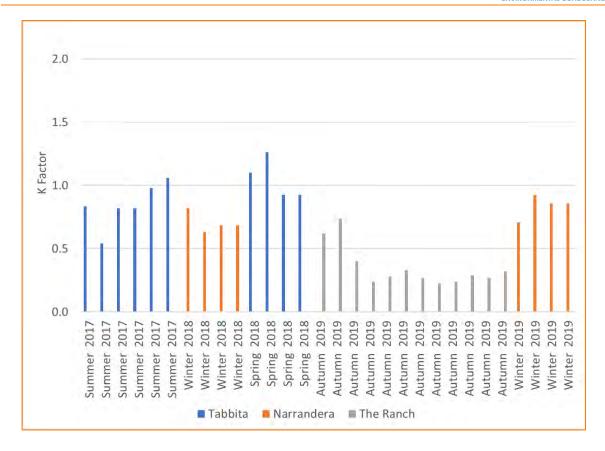


Figure 2-1: NSW Farm Data -December 2017 to Present

**Table 2-2: Summary of Test Data** 

Site	Average K Factor	Bird Ages Tested (Days)	Testing and Analysis
ProTen	0.8 ± 0.1	28 and 29	The Odour Unit
The Ranch	0.4 ± 0.2	32 and 34	SLR, analysis The Odour Unit
Tabbita	0.8 ± 0.2	19, 23, 27, 30	The Odour Unit

The measured average K factors listed in Table 2-2 are significantly lower than the K factor of 2.0 adopted in the odour assessment for Rushes Creek. The average K factor of 0.8 at Narrandera demonstrates that ProTen's newer farms are very well designed and managed and operate with low odour emissions. The K factor of 2.0 adopted for Rushes Creek is suitably conservative and represents a realistic worst-case emission value.



## **3 OUTSTANDING ISSUES**

## 3.1 Request 1 - Feasible Mitigation Measures

The letter requested that "That the applicant provides further feasible odour mitigation measures that could achieve compliance with an odour performance criterion of 3 OU, if required".

Based on the conservatism already incorporated in to the modelling, the population density in this rural area, the short-term transient population at the Lake Keepit Sport and Recreation Centre and the recent odour test data presented above in Section 2, an odour criterion of  $C_{99~1sec}$  = 5 ou is considered applicable and appropriate. If a lower K factor was applied based on the test data in Section 2 above, the number of receptors above  $C_{99~1sec}$  = 2 ou would decrease.

ProTen has committed to vegetation plantings of at least 40 metres wide around the perimeter of each PPU. The combination of appropriate separation distances and vegetative screen represents current best practice for odour mitigation for intensive poultry farms. A range of literature values exist with regard to the potential reduction in odour impacts associated with vegetative buffers (for pig and poultry farms) including Malone (2008) (26%), Patterson (2009) (34%), Parker et. al. (2012) (66%) and Hernandez (2012) (40-60%). The vegetation screens committed to by ProTen were not included in the modelling and, therefore, represent a further conservatism and mitigation measure.

Based on the discussion of this matter during the meeting with the EPA and DPIE on 16 July 2019 and the above information, no further consideration is warranted.

## 3.2 Request 2 - Additional Odour Mitigation Measures

The letter requested "That the applicant identify additional odour mitigation measures that could be implemented should odour impacts occur once operational".

Based on the discussion of this matter during the meeting with the EPA and DPIE on 16 July 2019 and the information presented above in Sections 2 and 3.1 and also below in Sections 3.3 to 3.5, no further consideration is warranted. The predicted odour concentrations are conservative and compliance is predicted.

## 3.3 Request 3 - CALMET Evaluation

The EPA letter stated:

That the applicant provides further evaluation of the CALMET generated data as recommended in OEH (2011). This analysis, and any other relevant data, should be used to assess the influence of the wind direction errors on predicted odour concentrations.

#### 3.3.1 Background

The previous Astute Report included Table 3-2 which summarised the results from a number of statistical tests used to compare the prognostic and observed data. As noted in the previous report, the statistical benchmarks were taken from Hurley et. al. (2002) and other publications.

The most widely referred to report with regard to the meteorological statistical benchmarks is Enhanced Meteorological Modelling and Performance Evaluation for Two Texas Ozone Episodes (Emery, et al., 2001).



The benchmarks of Emery et. al. have been widely used both in the United States and Australia as the basis for assessing meteorological model performance (Hurley, et al., 2002; Tesche, et al., 2002; Alpine Geophysics, 2010; AECOM, 2013; Johnson, 2019; Monk, et al., 2019). However, when using the benchmarks Emery et. al. (2001) noted that the purpose of the benchmarks is not necessarily to give a passing or failing grade to any one particular application, but rather to put the results into context. In other words, by assessing a variety of benchmarks for wind speed, direction and temperature, the relative accuracy of the dataset as a whole can be assessed.

While Emery et. al. (2001) listed some of the benchmarks as being applicable to hourly or daily values, the report *The MMIFstat Statistical Analysis Package Version 1* (Alpine Geophysics, 2010) notes that the final daily benchmarks based on Emery et. al. were as follows:

- Wind Speed
  - o RMSE ≤ 2 m/s;
  - Bias ≤ ± 0.5 m/s;
  - IOA ≥ 0.6;
- Wind Direction
  - Gross Error ≤ 30°:
  - Bias ≤ ± 10°;
- Temperature
  - Gross Error ≤2°:
  - o Bias ≤±0.5°; and
  - o IOA ≥0.8.

A recent report, *Meteorological Model Performance Evaluation of an Annual 2002 MM5 (version 3.6.3) Simulation* (Johnson, 2019) prepared by Iowa DNR notes that the statistical measures appropriate for wind speed, wind direction and temperature were as detailed in Alpine Geophysics (2010). Johnson (2019) noted that hourly values could be used for the assessment of wind speed, temperature and direction (bias only), however Gross Error calculations were to be performed on daily data. We note that calculations for temperature and wind speed are similar for daily and hourly values as the values can be arithmetically (as opposed to vector) averaged.

In the report *Air Quality Modeling Study Meteorological Model Performance Evaluation: 2009-2013 BOEM Arctic WRF Dataset* (Ramboll Environ, 2016) it was noted that the benchmarks of Emery et. al. were developed by analysing well-performing meteorological model evaluation results for simple, mostly flat terrain conditions and simple meteorological conditions. As noted in Ramboll Environ (2016), Kemball-Cook et. al. (2005) proposed a series of benchmarks for model performance under complex conditions, the most relevant for the Peel Valley being a gross error benchmark of <55° for wind direction.

Complex terrain (conditions) is defined by the American Meteorological Society as: "A region having irregular topography, such as mountains or coastlines. Complex terrain can also include variations in land use, such as urban, rural, irrigated, and unirrigated" (American Meteorlogical Society, 2012).

Therefore, if the model performance is close to that required for simple terrain areas (≤30°) and simple meteorological conditions, the performance of the model can be considered as appropriate.

#### 3.3.2 Response

In the Astute report, the statistical measures were all applied to hourly data. It also included Figure 3-11 which was a radar plot. Radar plots show the frequency of winds from each direction. They are different to wind roses in that they do not break the frequency down by wind speed but just show frequency.



The EPA letter requested further information the form of:

- Wind roses;
- Scatter plots;
- Quantile-quantile plots; and
- Applying all statistical tests (mean, bias, gross error, root mean square error and index of agreement) to all parameters (wind speed, temperature and wind direction).

Wind roses showing the predicted winds (based on TAPM) and observed winds at Moana are shown in Figure 3-1. With regard to Figure 3-1 note:

- The left windrose is based on TAPM (full year) 1km grid into CALMET;
- The right windrose is based on observed data for the same year (missing ~60 hours);

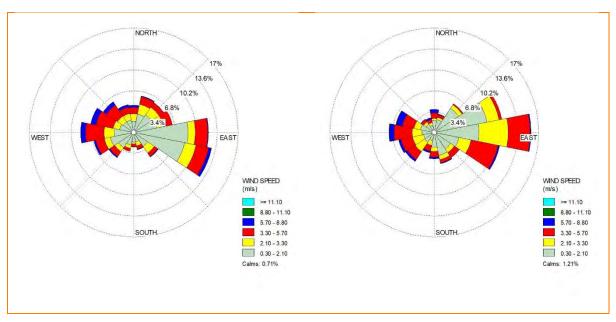


Figure 3-1: Wind Roses - TAPM (left) - Moana (right) - 2016

As a 1km TAPM grid is used to drive CALMET, some differences would be expected. A 1km grid was selected as this is what was used in the Pacific Environment report included in the EIS. The 1km output from TAPM was used due to the size of the domain. CALMET was then used to refine the windfield to the 100m CALMET grid. This can result in slight differences in winds between where the model is extracted (closest) grid and the weather station location.

The general shape of the windroses in Figure 3-1 are consistent in that they show dominant easterly winds, with a noticeable westerly component. The range of wind speeds in the light category (< 3m/s) is marginally higher for the TAPM/CALMET data (68% compared to 66%) however as previously shown by the BIAS, RMSE and IO values the overall difference is within an acceptable range.

The critical direction for the project relates to the nearest receptors, which are Receptor 25 to the south-southeast and Receptor 24 to the east. Therefore, winds from the northwest and west are critical. It can be seen in Figure 3-1 that the TAPM data shows more winds from the northwest, and a similar frequency of winds from the west meaning that the modelling captures winds from these directions adequately.



With regard to scatter and quantile-quantile plots, these are graphical representations of the datasets. The use of the statistical benchmarks detailed in Emery et. al. (2001), as used here, are considered a more robust method for comparing the data. For example Hurley et. al. (2002) used QQ plots for concentration. QQ plots are ranked pairings of predicted and observed values, such that any given quantile of the predicted value is plotted against the same quantile of the observed concentrations (Paine, et al., 1998).

QQ plots for wind direction, wind speed and temperature are shown below in Figure 3-2 and Figure 3-3. We note that there were large gaps in the temperature dataset provided for Moana primarily over winter. Therefore, the comparison is based on the available data. Both figures show a reasonable relationship over the range of values examined with the gradient being close to 1 and the lines of best fit going close to the origin of the figure.

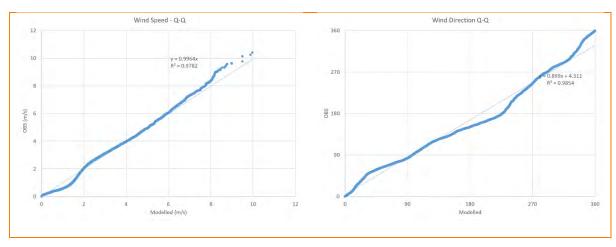
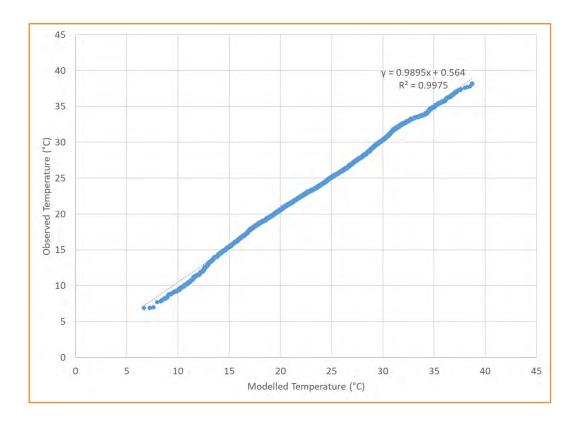


Figure 3-2: Quantile Quantile Plots - Wind Speed (left) and Wind Direction (right)





#### Figure 3-3: Quantile Quantile Plot - Temperature

Based on Johnson (2019), we calculated the daily Gross Error for wind direction. This was done by vector averaging the hourly wind speed and direction data to determine daily vector averaged wind speed and direction data. For wind direction, the Gross Error was found to be 34° (benchmark was ≤30° for simple meteorological conditions). As proposed by Tesche, in areas of complex terrain, a higher benchmark is appropriate (≤55°), however given that the difference between the simple conditions benchmark and that calculated, the difference is considered minor.

With regard to the aforementioned data, the letter stated "These additional analysis techniques could also be used to provide further information regarding the error in the predicted wind direction. This information can then be used to assess the influence of the wind direction error on predicted odour concentrations".

As shown in the wind roses and statistical analyses, the model performed reasonably for wind direction. However, to consider this further, the batch staging modelling needs to be considered and understood.

If a single model run were performed over a year, the model results would be dependent on the periods where worst case meteorology matched periods of elevated emissions. This is relevant as poultry farms are cyclical where elevated emissions typically occur for a maximum of 3 to 4 weeks out of every 10-week period.

The sensitivity of the results to this risk as a function of wind direction has previously been assessed by changing bird placement to Days 1, 14 and 28 of the modelled year. By changing the start date, the peaks are moved forward to different meteorological periods which were not included in the previous start date. This means that the odour impact of the proposed development has been assessed three times<sup>1</sup>. The results in Table 6-1 in the PEL report in the EIS (C<sub>99 1sec</sub><sup>2</sup>) showed that changing the placement changed the results only slightly, meaning the influence of the differences in wind direction is unlikely to be significant. Moreover, as shown above in Section 2, the adopted K factor of 2 is higher than the recent test data at modern farms meaning that the predicted concentrations are conservative.

#### In summary:

- the wind roses show similar frequencies to the radar plot in the previous report and the wind frequencies are consistent with the statistical analysis which showed an acceptable bias towards the observed winds having slightly lower speeds than the measured winds;
- the statistical benchmarks and results previously provided are those recommended for wind speed, direction and temperature which are considered more relevant and appropriate than scatter plots;
- the addition of further statistical tests without recognised benchmarks will not add any value to the assessment of the datasets; and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> However rather than assess the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile for the entire period assessed each year was assessed separately.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 99<sup>th</sup> percentile – top 88 hours.



 the modelling of batch staging reduces the risks of the modelled period not assessing worst case impacts in all directions if a low frequency of winds occurs from one direction.

## 3.4 Request 4 - Validation Studies for Ventilation Rate or Odour Emission Rate

The letter requested that "the applicant provides further validation studies for ventilation rate or odour emission rate". The letter requested:

That the applicant provides an additional ventilation rate validation study. The ventilation rate validation study must, as a minimum:

- Use measured ventilation rate data from an existing farm in the Tamworth region
- cover the range of environmental conditions expected at the site (summer, autumn, winter and spring)
- include the full growth cycle.

Alternatively, the applicant could provide:

- a sensitivity analysis that uses the Dunlop and Duperouzel (2014) empirical equations and other available data (such as measured ventilation rates) to demonstrate the range in potential odour impacts or
- an alternative validation study (for example, odour emission rate), covering the full range of
  environmental conditions at the project site and the full growth cycle (as required for the
  ventilation rate validation study). This alternative validation study would need to be
  supported by a sensitivity analysis demonstrating the impact of inaccuracies in velocity
  (due to inaccuracies in ventilation rate) on predicted impacts.

During the meeting with the EPA and DPIE on 16 July 2019, the EPA indicated that the final dot point (odour emission rate validation study) could be supplied to EPA confirming that the emission estimation methodology provides a realistic estimation of emissions.

Whilst the "Georgia" ventilation method does on occasion produce different ventilation estimates compared to the Dunlop and Duperouzel method, the key question relates to whether or not the estimates of odour emissions are comparable to that of the sampling data.

Table 3-7 and Table 3-8 of the previous Astute report showed that when K=2 was used the predicted emissions were often higher than measured.

Available test data summarised above in Figure 2-1 was processed and odour emission rates were calculated as follows:

 Method 1 - odour emissions based on measured and recorded values (i.e. flow rate, weight etc³), K=2 - K Factor equation;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Where test data is referred to, emissions were calculated using the data measured on the day with a K factor of 2. For example, flow rate, density, ventilation rate were used, and a new emission rate was calculated using the K factor equation.



- Method 2 odour emissions Georgia ventilation method (ventilation estimated using Georgia method), measured density and weights, K=2; and
- Method 3 predicted ventilation using Dunlop and Duperouzel methods 1 and 2, K factor method, K=2.

We note that as most of the test reports didn't include inputs such as target temperatures at the time of testing nor ambient temperature, these were assumed for a number of the calculation points based on Cobb birds and ambient temperatures on the day of testing.

The estimated emissions are compared to the measured emissions in Table 3-1 and Table 3-2. The table was split in two as there was too much data to show on a single page.

The data shows that on average, the predicted emissions using the Georgia method are three times higher than measured (with the Dunlop and Duperouzel method higher again) and at worst equal to measured. One important input here is ventilation rate, with the data showing that the ventilation methodology adopted for the modelling assessment (i.e. Georgia method) would produce at worst emissions equal to that which could be occurring, and typically conservative emissions (on average three times higher). This means that the Georgia method combined with the K factor method (K=2) produces at worst realistic emission rates and for most of the time higher emissions than measured.



Table 3-1: Test Data from Figure 2-1 – Measured and Predicted Emissions – K=2 (ou/s) – Part 1

Farm	Season	Age (days)	OER based on Test data (ou/s)	OER based on DD Model 1 (ou/s)	OER based on DD Model 2 (ou/s)	OER based on Georgia (ou/s)	Measured OER (ou/s)	Ratio Georgia to Measured	Ratio DD Model 1/2 to Measured
Tabbita	Summer	27	35,261	48,053	48,053	37,989	13,392	2.8	3.6
	2017	27	35,261	48,053	48,053	37,989	8,701	4.4	5.5
		23	27,768	36,269	37,413	23,173	10,338	2.2	3.6
		23	27,768	36,269	37,413	23,173	10,338	2.2	3.6
		19	22,745	29,459	30,414	20,502	10,104	2.0	3.0
		19	22,745	29,459	30,414	20,502	10,961	1.9	2.7
Narrandera	Winter	29	28,711	47,026	45,295	14,494	10,677	1.4	4.3
	2018	29	28,711	47,026	45,295	14,494	8,244	1.8	5.6
		29	28,634	49,133	48,984	26,139	8,927	2.9	5.5
		29	28,634	49,133	48,984	26,139	8,927	2.9	5.5
Tabbita	Spring	30	49,490	67,444	67,444	53,319	24,743	2.2	2.7
	2018	30	49,490	67,444	67,444	53,319	28,434	1.9	2.4
		27	51,104	67,932	69,642	42,647	21,480	2.0	3.2
		27	51,104	67,932	69,642	42,647	21,480	2.0	3.2



Table 3-2: Test Data from Figure 2-1 – Measured and Predicted Emissions – K=2 (ou/s) – Part 2

Farm	Season	Age (days)	OER based on Test data (ou/s)	OER based on DD Model 1 (ou/s)	OER based on DD Model 2 (ou/s)	OER based on Georgia (ou/s)	Measured OER (ou/s)	Ratio Georgia to Measured	Ratio DD Model 1/2 to Measured
The Ranch	Autumn	37	17,232	38,703	35,763	14,250	8,844	1.6	4.2
Farm 94	2019	37	17,232	38,703	35,763	14,250	8,844	1.6	4.2
		27	106,641	108,214	115,085	41,706	19,418	2.1	5.7
		27	106,612	108,214	115,085	41,706	11,501	3.6	9.7
		34	106,680	114,336	118,850	72,781	13,471	5.4	8.7
		34	106,680	114,336	118,850	72,781	15,953	4.6	7.3
The Ranch	Autumn	34	64,283	61,841	64,197	39,365	7,927	5.0	7.9
Farm 95	2019	34	64,283	61,841	64,197	39,365	6,606	6.0	9.5
		32	64,283	64,283	64,283	50,820	7,927	6.4	8.1
		32	64,283	64,283	64,283	50,820	6,606	7.7	9.7
		32	68,909	68,909	68,909	54,478	7,506	7.3	9.2
		32	68,909	68,909	68,909	54,478	9,007	6.0	7.7
Narrandera	Winter	32	66,890	66,890	66,890	52,881	8,208	6.4	8.1
	2019	32	66,890	66,890	66,890	52,881	9,728	5.4	6.9
		28	34,333	46,470	43,818	15,010	11,077	1.4	4.1
		28	34,333	46,470	43,818	15,010	14,382	1.0	3.1
	· ·	Ov	erall Average Rati	o (positive is over	prediction)	1		3.3	5.5

Note: Ventilation rates provided with The Ranch March 2019 Farm 94 data were significantly higher than expected. The cause of this is unknown, however, as the K factor equation is relatively insensitive to ventilation rate (as measured) the results are still considered relevant.



A question was also raised by the EPA with regard to plume momentum in the event that ventilation rates were underpredicted but the odour emissions were correct.

The standard modelling methodology is to set a "quasi" source at the end of the shed. This is point source generally the width of the shed. The ventilation rate is then varied via the source file, along with the rainhat option in CALPUFF. The rainhat options turns off momentum associated with the velocity used for the point source. For example, an 18 m wide shed would have a point source with an 18 m diameter and an area of 254 m². For a hypothetic flow rate of 150 m³/s, the vertical velocity would be set to 0.6 m/s and for 100 m³/s, the vertical velocity would be set to 0.4 m/s as described in the equation:

Velocity (m/s) = flow rate  $(m^3/s)$  divided by area  $(m^2)$ .

In other words, the point source is used to represent the emissions exiting the shed along with thermal buoyancy. As the vertical momentum is turned off by using the rainhat switch (FMFAC = 0) the mixing due to turbulence is also limited.

To test the effect of this, we compared a standard model run where the velocity from the point source varied with ventilation rate to the situation where the velocity from the point source was left at maximum for the model run. Based on the above example, the velocity would have been set to the maximum velocity of 0.62 m/s (as an example) rather than being variable. The results are shown below in Table 3-3 for the Day 18 for Farm 2 only (see Figure 1-1 in Pacific Environment (2018) AQU-QD-006-21099).

Table 3-3 shows that when all things are kept the same, a higher velocity from the point source would lead to lower predicted concentrations.



Table 3-3: Day 18 Scenario Receptor Run – variable and full momentum rain hat on – Farm E (PEL)

Receptor	Predicted 99 <sup>th</sup> percentile 1-second odour concentration (C <sub>99</sub> 1 second)									
	Day 18 – EIS methodology	Day 18 – 0.62 m/s fixed velocity	OU difference	% difference						
1	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-50%						
2	0.4	0.1	-0.3	-75%						
3	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-50%						
4	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%						
5	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
6	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
7	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%						
8	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%						
9	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%						
10	0.3	0.1	-0.2	-67%						
11	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%						
12	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
13	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%						
14	0.5	0.2	-0.3	-60%						
15	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-25%						
16	0.6	0.4	-0.2	-33%						
17	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%						
18	0.7	0.2	-0.5	-71%						
19	0.7	0.4	-0.3	-43%						
20	0.6	0.3	-0.3	-50%						
21	0.7	0.4	-0.3	-43%						
22	1.1	0.7	-0.4	-36%						
23	1.0	0.7	-0.3	-30%						
24	2.3	1.6	-0.7	-30%						
25	0.6	0.5	-0.1	-17%						
26	0.5	0.3	-0.2	-40%						
27	0.4	0.3	-0.1	-25%						
28	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%						
29	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%						
30	0.4	0.2	-0.2	-50%						
31	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
32	0.6	0.3	-0.3	-50%						
33	0.9	0.5	-0.4	-44%						
34	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
35	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33%						
36	0.4	0.4	0	0%						



### 3.5 Request 5 - Non recommended Model Settings

In the letter EPA noted that non recommended values in CALMET were used for:

- IKINE; and
- THRESHL.

The setting IKINE is used to include or remove kinematic effects. Kinematic effects refer to the influence of wind flow associated with objects i.e. terrain.

OEH (2011) recommends that IKINE is turned off to not calculate terrain forced vertical velocity in the initial guess wind field based on the justification: "This option is normally turned off, especially when using fine resolution due to occasional non-convergence of algorithm producing anomalous wind speeds in Layer 2". IKINE was set to 1 (on) in the modelling.

The original selection of INKINE =1 (on) was based on advice from Dr Peter D'Abreton (who holds a doctorate in meteorology and at the time worked at Pacific Environment) based on:

- IKINE on allows the model to better include the influence of terrain:
- Hills and valleys in the Peel Valley create flow divergence and convergence as the wind
  moves around the natural obstacles. A better representation of vertical velocity is required to
  maintain mass consistency and to more accurately represent plume diversion around terrain;
- The modelling makes use of a M3D file (NOOBS) therefore divergence associated with observed and prognostic data in layer 2 are unlikely to occur as no observed data was used.

This use of IKINE = 1 is supported by a paper by Radonjic et al (2010) who showed that the application of the CALMET pre-processor demonstrated kinematic effects that result in increased wind speeds above mountains. This effect was confirmed by the measurements with the sonic anemometers mounted on a TV tower in the study area (Radonjic, et al., 2010).

EPA also noted that THRESHL was not set to 0 as recommended in OEH (2011). The setting is the threshold buoyancy flux required to sustain convective mixing height growth overland with the units of W/m<sup>3</sup>.

A setting of 0.0 W/m³ was not used based on the work of Rayner (Ken Rayner. WA DEC, CALPUFF issue summary 28 April 2011 and CALPUFF issue summary 20 May 2011) who showed that using 0.0 W/m³ results in spurious outputs for mixing height near dawn and dusk. Therefore, THRESHL was set to 0.05 W/m³ to produce more accurate outputs for mixing height.



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**Attached** – Odour Test Reports for ProTen, Tabbita and The Ranch.



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### **Odour Concentration Measurement Results**

The measurement was commissioned by:

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Sampling Method Drum & Pump TOU (J.Schulz) Sampling Team

Order details:

Order requested by R. Fenwick Order accepted by J. Schulz TOU Project # Date of order 6/12/2017 N1796L Project Manager J. Schulz Order number Refer to correspondence Signed by R. Fenwick Testing operator A. Schulz

Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration Investigated Item

measurements, of an odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, Identification

sample number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if

dilution was used) and whether further chemical analysis was required.

The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry Method

according to the Australian Standard 'Determination of Odour Concentration by Dynamic Olfactometry' AS/NZS4323.3:2001. The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Accredited for compliance with ISO/IEC 17025 - Testing. This report shall not be reproduced, except in full. Any deviation from the Australian standard is recorded in the

'Comments' section of this report.

The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was Measuring Range

insufficient the odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated

beyond dilution setting 2<sup>17</sup>. This is specifically mentioned with the results.

The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room Environment

temperature is maintained between 22°C and 25°C.

Measuring Dates The date of each measurement is specified with the results.

Instrument Used The olfactometer used during this testing session was:

**ODORMAT SERIES V02** 

Instrumental The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be Precision

 $r \le 0.477$  in accordance with the Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT SERIES V02: *r* = 0.1366 (Aug - Oct 2017) Compliance - Yes

Instrumental The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance

Accuracy with the Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

> ODORMAT SERIES V02: A = 0.2128 (Aug - Oct 2017) Compliance - Yes

Lower Detection The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou (4 times the lowest dilution

Limit (LDL) setting)

Traceability

The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply

with fixed criteria and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

Date: Monday, 9th January 2018 Panel Roster Number: SYD20171221\_085

J. Schulz **NSW Laboratory Coordinator** 

A. Schulz **Authorised Signatory** 

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# Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20171221\_085

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Nominal Sample Dilution	Actual Sample Dilution (Adjusted for Temperature)	Sample Odour Concentration (as received, in the bag) (ou)	Sample Odour Concentration (Final, allowing for dilution) (ou)	Specific Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/m²/s)
Farm 82 – Shed #1 (1 of 2)	SC17565	20/12/2017 1154hrs	21/12/2017 1100hrs	4	8	-	-	197	197	
Farm 82 – Shed #1 (2 of 2)	SC17566	20/12/2017 1154hrs	21/12/2017 1130hrs	4	8	-	-	128	128	
Farm 82 – Shed #20 (1 of 2)	SC17567	20/12/2017 1209hrs	21/12/2017 1203hrs	4	8	-	-	118	118	
Farm 82 – Shed #20 (2 of 2)	SC17568	20/12/2017 1209hrs	21/12/2017 1239hrs	4	8	-	-	118	118	
Farm 83 – Shed #20 (1 of 2)	SC17569	20/12/2017 1305hrs	21/12/2017 1458hrs	4	8	-	-	118	118	
Farm 83 – Shed #20 (2 of 2)	SC17570	20/12/2017 1305hrs	21/12/2017 1531hrs	4	8	-	-	128	128	

**Note:** Where parties other than The Odour Unit perform the dilution of samples, the result that has been modified by the dilution factor is not covered by The Odour Unit's NATA accreditation.





Accreditation Number: 14974

#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20171221_085	51,500	$20 \le \chi \le 80$	724	71	Yes

Comments Odour characters (non-NATA accredited) as determined by odour laboratory panel:

- SC17565 Musty, Ammonia
- SC17566 Musty, Ammonia
- SC17567 Musty, Ammonia
- SC17568 Musty, Ammonia
- SC17569 Musty, Ammonia
   SC17570 Musty, Ammonia

Disclaimer

Parties, other than TOU, responsible for collecting odour samples hereby certify that they have voluntarily furnished these odour samples, appropriately collected and labelled, to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd for the purpose of odour testing. The collection of odour samples by parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd relinquishes The Odour Unit Pty Ltd from all responsibility for the sample collection and any effects or actions that the results from the test(s) may have.

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## **Odour Concentration Measurement Report**

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Organisation Astute Environmental Consulting Telephone 0429304644 Contact Geordie Galvin Facsimile geordie.galvin@astute-environmental.com.au Sampling Site ProTen, Narrandera Email ASNZS4323.3:2001 Sampling Method Sampling Team The Odour Unit - S. Munro

Order details:

Order requested by Geordie Galvin Order accepted by S. Munro Date of order 04 July 2018 TOU Project # Q2200\_06 Order number Email Project Manager S. Munro Signed by Email Testing operator A. Schulz

Investigated Item Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration measurements, of an

odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

Identification The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, sample

number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if dilution was used)

and whether further chemical analysis was required.

Method The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry according to the

Standard 'Determination of Odour Concentration by Dynamic Olfactometry AS/NZS4323.3:2001. The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Any deviation from the Australian standard is

recorded in the 'Comments' section of this report.

The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was insufficient the Measuring Range

odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated beyond dilution setting 217. This

is specifically mentioned with the results.

Environment The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room temperature is

maintained at 22 °C ±3 °C.

Measuring Dates The date of each measurement is specified with the results.

Instrument Used The olfactometer used during this testing session was:

TOU-OLF-004

Instrumental Precision

The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be  $r \le 0.477$  in

accordance with the Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

TOU-OLF-004: r = 0.101 (January 2018), Compliance - Yes

Instrumental Accuracy

The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance with the

Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

TOU-OLF-004: A = 0.212 (January 2018) Compliance – Yes

Lower Detection Limit (LDL)

The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou (4 times the lowest dilution setting)

Traceability The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national

standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply with fixed criteria and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are

traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

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Date: Friday, 3 August 2018

Panel Roster Number: SYD20180801 052

S. Munro Authorised Signatory

J. Schulz Authorised Signatory





Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20180801\_052

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Sample Odour Concentration FINAL (ou)	Odour Emission Rate - Standard Conditions*1 (ou.m³/s)	K-Factor <sup>⁺2</sup> Geometric Mean of Shed
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1	SC18333	31/07/2018 10:28	01/08/2018 10:32	4	8	220	11,000	0.7
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2	SC18336	31/07/2018 10:33	01/08/2018 12:05	4	8	170	8,200	0.7
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1	SC18334	31/07/2018 11:32	01/08/2018 11:04	4	8	180	8,900	0.7
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2	SC18335	31/07/2018 11:36	01/08/2018 11:35	4	8	180	8,900	0.7

<sup>\*1</sup> Odour emission rates calculated from the total airflow per shed

**Note:** Where parties other than The Odour Unit perform the dilution of samples, the result that has been modified by the dilution factor is not covered by The Odour Unit's NATA accreditation.

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<sup>\*2</sup> K-Factor calculation table appended to this report





#### Process, Sampling and Gas Flow Conditions Panel Roster Number: BNE20180626\_025

Sample location	TOU sample ID	Sampling position	Sampling plane dimensions (mm)	Gas velocity (m/s)	Volume flow rate – actual conditions (m³/s)	Gas temp. (°C)	Volume flow rate – standard conditions (m³/s)
Farm 75 Shed 1 Fan 4	SC18333 SC18336	Upstream of disturbance: <2D Type: Outlet Downstream of Disturbance: <6D Type: Fan Outlet Traverse no.: 2 Point no.: 12 Compliance: Non-compliant	Ø 1,250	8.5	10.4	20.0	9.7
Farm 75 Shed 2 Fan 5	SC18334 SC18335	Upstream of disturbance: <2D Type: Outlet Downstream of Disturbance: <6D Type: Fan Outlet Traverse no.: 2 Point no.: 12 Compliance: Non-compliant	Ø1,250	7.8	9.6	20.3	8.9

#### Notes:

- 1. **Sampling position:** refers to location of in-duct gas velocity, temperature and static pressure sample points. Odour samples collected in-duct at ¼ diameter along a single traverse, or equivalent.
- 2. NATA accreditation does not cover the performance of these services;
  - a. Selection of sampling positions by the methods of AS 4323.1,
  - b. Measurement and calculation of volume flow rate by the methods of ISO 10780.
  - c. K-Factor calculation
- 3. **Sampling conditions:** Daily Weather Observations for the nearest Bureau of Meteorology station are attached to this report or made available on request.

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#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20180801_052	51,400	20 ≤ χ ≤ 80	724	71	Yes

Comments Air flow measurements as reported on page 3 are for the fan from which the samples were collected. A table of airflow measurements from all fans is appended to

this report.

Total of 24 fans, 20 tunnel fans, 2 side fans and 2 rear fans.

6 in operation, 2 tunnel fans, 2 side fans and 2 rear fans. Same for Shed 1 and Shed 2.

Bird age: 29 days

Ambient temperature: Shed 1 - 17 °C, Shed 2 - 20.0 °C

Disclaimer Parties, other than TOU, responsible for collecting odour samples hereby certify that they have voluntarily furnished these odour samples, appropriately collected and

labelled, to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd for the purpose of odour testing. The collection of odour samples by parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd relinquishes The

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# ODOUR EMISSION RATE CALCULATION TABLE Client: Astute Environemental Consulting

Astute Environemental Consulting

Client Contact: Geordie Galvin Site Location:





Site Location:	ProTen, Na	arrandera											UNIT
SAMPLE LOCATION	TOU SAMPLE NUMBER	SAMPLING DATE	TIME OF DAY	ODOUR CONCENTRATION (ou)	CIRCULAR DUCT DIAMETER (mm)	CROSS SECTIONAL AREA (m²)	SOURCE GAS VELOCITY (m/s)	SOURCE GAS VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE (m³/s)	DUCT TEMPERATURE (°C)	ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE (hPa)	VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (m³/s)	ODOUR EMISSION RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (ou.m³/s) RAW	ODOUR EMISSION RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (ou.m³/s) 2 SIG. FIG.
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 4	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	8.5	10.41	20.0	1013.0	9.70	2084.679262	2100
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 5	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	8.0	9.81	20.0	1013.0	9.14	1964.220201	2000
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 21	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	7.3	9.01	20.0	1013.0	8.39	1804.427569	1800
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 22	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	7.3	8.97	20.0	1013.0	8.36	1797.052525	1800
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 23	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	6.2	7.57	20.0	1013.0	7.05	1516.800831	1500
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 1 Fan 24	SC18333	31/07/18	10:28	215	1250	1.227	6.1	7.53	20.0	1013.0	7.02	1509.425787	1500
Total all fans				215							49.66	10676.60618	11000
				1									
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 4	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	8.5	10.41	20.0	1013.0	9.70	1609.566314	1600
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 5	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	8.0	9.81	20.0	1013.0	9.14	1516.560714	1500
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 21	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	7.3	9.01	20.0	1013.0	8.39	1393.185937	1400
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 22	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	7.3	8.97	20.0	1013.0	8.36	1387.491717	1400
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 23	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	6.2	7.57	20.0	1013.0	7.05	1171.11134	1200
Farm 75 Shed 1 Sample 2 Fan 24	SC18336	31/07/18	10:33	166	1250	1.227	6.1	7.53	20.0	1013.0	7.02	1165.417119	1200
Total all fans				166							49.66	8243.33314	8200
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 4	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	7.8	9.61	20.3	1013.0	8.94	1618.82845	1600
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 5	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	6.8	8.39	20.3	1013.0	7.81	1414.148991	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 21	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	6.9	8.52	20.3	1013.0	7.93	1434.823684	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 22	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	7.6	9.27	20.3	1013.0	8.62	1560.93931	1600
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 23	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	6.9	8.44	20.3	1013.0	7.86	1422.418868	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 1 Fan 24	SC18334	31/07/18	11:32	181	1250	1.227	7.1	8.76	20.3	1013.0	8.16	1476,17307	1500
Total all fans				181							49.32	8927.332374	8900
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 4	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1,227	7.8	9.61	20.3	1013.0	8.94	1618.82845	1600
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 5	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1.227	6.8	8.39	20.3	1013.0	7.81	1414.148991	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 21	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1.227	6.9	8.52	20.3	1013.0	7.93	1434.823684	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 22	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1.227	7.6	9.27	20.3	1013.0	8.62	1560.93931	1600
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 23	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1.227	6.9	8.44	20.3	1013.0	7.86	1422.418868	1400
Farm 75 Shed 2 Sample 2 Fan 24	SC18335	31/07/18	11:36	181	1250	1.227	7.1	8.76	20.3	1013.0	8.16	1476.17307	1500
Total all fans		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		181					·		49.32	8927.332374	8900

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	K Factor Calculation Table - ProTen, Narrandera											
Location	OER (ou.m³/s)	Shed floor area (m²)	Bird number	Bird weight (kg)	Bird density (kg/m²)	Ventilation rate - STP (m³/s)	K-factor					
Farm 75 - Shed 1 Sample 1	10,677	2,720	46,298	1.60	27.2	49.7	0.8					
Farm 75 - Shed 1 Sample 2	8,207	2,720	46,298	1.60	27.2	49.7	0.6					
Farm 75 - Shed 1 Geometric Mean	9,361	2,720	46,298	1.60	27.2	49.7	0.7					
Farm 75 - Shed 2 Sample 1	8,927	2,720	46,332	1.60	27.3	49.3	0.7					
Farm 75 - Shed 2 Sample 2	8,927	2,720	46,332	1.60	27.3	49.3	0.7					
Farm 75 - Shed 2 Geometric Mean	8,927	2,720	46,332	1.60	27.3	49.3	0.7					



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# ODOUR & PHYSICAL MEASUREMENT RESULTS FOR 2,245 TABBITA LANE, TABBITA, NSW: 31 OCTOBER 2018

Dear Rod,

Please find **appended** the odour and physical measurement results from our visit to the poultry farm facility located at 2245 Tabbita Lane, Tabbita, NSW, on 31 October 2018 (**the Poultry Facility**). A summary of the odour emission and k-factor results are presented in **Table 1**. Please note that the results presented in **Table 1** reflect Shed 1 & Shed 20 at the Poultry Facility, with seven (7) fans in operation during the collection of odour samples.

<b>Table 1</b> – Oc	Table 1 – Odour emission and k-factor results: 31 October 2018											
Shed No.	Mean Odour concentration (ou)	Mean Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/s)	Bird density (kg/m²)	Ventilation rate (m³/s)	K-factor							
Shed 1	158	19,730	23.4	124.9	0.9							
Shed 20	194	26,530	22.6	136.7	1.2							

Yours sincerely,

James Schulz

**NSW Laboratory Coordinator & Consultant** 

#### **Attachments:**

- Odour laboratory results report: 1 November 2018;
- Shed 1 & 20: Physical measurement results worksheet: 31 October 2018; and
- Shed 1 & 20: Odour intensity charts.



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## **Odour Concentration Measurement Report**

The measurement was commissioned by:

Organisation Lockwood Valley Telephone Contact R. Fenwick Facsimile Sampling Site Tabbita, NSW

Sampling Method Drum & Pump 0432 357 227

rwfenwick@bigpond.com

TOU (J. Schulz)

Order details:

Precision

Accuracy

Order requested by R. Fenwick Order accepted by J. Schulz Date of order 29/10/2018 TOU Project # N2200L Project Manager Order number J. Schulz Refer to correspondence Signed by Refer to correspondence Testing operator A. Schulz

Investigated Item Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration measurements, of an

odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

Identification The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, sample

number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if dilution was used)

and whether further chemical analysis was required.

Method The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry according to the

Australian/New Zealand Standard: Stationary source emissions - Part 3: 'Determination of odour concentration by dynamic olfactometry AS/NZS4323.3:2001. The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Any

deviation from the Australian standard is recorded in the 'Comments' section of this report.

Measuring Range The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was insufficient the

odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated beyond dilution setting 217. This

is specifically mentioned with the results.

**Environment** The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room temperature is

maintained at 22 °C ±3 °C.

Measuring Dates The date of each measurement is specified with the results.

Instrument Used The olfactometer used during this testing session was:

ODORMAT V04.

Instrumental The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be  $r \le 0.477$  in

accordance with the Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

r = 0.101 (January 2018) ODORMAT V04: Compliance - Yes

Instrumental The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance with the

Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT V04: A = 0.212 (January 2018) Compliance - Yes

Lower Detection The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou, which is 4 times the lowest dilution Limit (LDL)

setting.

Traceability The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national

standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply with fixed criteria and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are

traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

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Date: Tuesday, 6 November 2018 Panel Roster Number: SYD20181101 075

J. Schulz **NSW Laboratory Coordinator** 

A. Schulz **Authorised Signatory** 





Accreditation Number: 14974

# Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20181101\_075

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Nominal Sample Dilution	Actual Sample Dilution (Adjusted for Temperature)	Sample Odour Concentration (as received, in the bag) (ou)	Sample Odour Concentration (Final, allowing for dilution) (ou)	Specific Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/m²/s) (See Note:1)
Shed #20 - 1 of 2 (duplicate)	SC18498	31.10.2018 0910hrs	01.11.2018 1028hrs	4	8	-	-	181	181	-
Shed #20 - 2 of 2 (duplicate)	SC18499	31.10.2018 0910hrs	01.11.2018 1111hrs	4	8	-	-	208	208	-
Shed #1 - 1 of 2 (duplicate)	SC18500	31.10.2018 1015hrs	01.11.2018 1148hrs	4	8	-	-	158	158	-
Shed #1 - 2 of 2 (duplicate)	SC18501	31.10.2018 1015hrs	01.11.2018 1225hrs	4	8	-	-	158	158	-

Samples Received in Laboratory – From: Tabbita Date: 1 November 2018 Time: 0900 hrs

Note: The following are not covered by the NATA Accreditation issued to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd:

- 1. The collection of Isolation Flux Hood (IFH) samples and the calculation of the Specific Odour Emission Rate (SOER).
- 2. Final results that have been modified by the dilution factors where parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd have performed the dilution of samples.





Accreditation Number: 14974

#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20181101_075	51,400	20 ≤ χ ≤ 80	724	71	Yes

#### Comments Odour characters (non-NATA accredited) as determined by odour laboratory panel:

SC18498	poultry, ammoniacal, pungent
SC18499	poultry, ammoniacal, pungent
SC18500	poultry, ammoniacal, pungent
SC18501	poultry, ammoniacal, pungent
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#### Disclaimers

- 1. Parties, other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd, responsible for collecting odour samples have advised that they have voluntarily furnished these odour samples, appropriately collected and labelled, to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd for the purpose of odour testing.
- 2. The collection of odour samples by parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd relinquishes The Odour Unit Pty Ltd from all responsibility for the sample collection and any effects or actions that the results from the test(s) may have.
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Document title: Measurement date: Farm Address: ned #1 - Physical Measurements Results I-Oct-18



	Fan #	1
	Physical measure	ment results
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs	
Relative Humidity (%)	43	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	
Fan Location 1	8.6	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	9.5	
Fan Location 3	1.6	9 •
Fan Location 4	2.7	
Fan Location 5	9.1	/ 8 •
Fan Location 6	7.7	/
Fan Location 7	11.8	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	6.9	
Fan Location 9	10.1	\
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	7.5	
Minimum	1.6	7 •
Maximum	11.8	

	Fan #3				
	Physical measure	ment results			
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs				
Relative Humidity (%)	43				
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)				
Fan Location 1	12.5	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations			
Fan Location 2	8.3				
Fan Location 3	1.9	9 •			
Fan Location 4	6.0				
Fan Location 5	12.1	8 •			
Fan Location 6	8.4	/4 0 0 4 5			
Fan Location 7	12.8	1 2 3 4 5			
Fan Location 8	9.4	• • • •			
Fan Location 9	10.6	\			
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •			
Mean	9.1				
Minimum	1.9	7.			
Maximum	12.8				

	Fan #	5	
	Physical measure	ment results	
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs		
Relative Humidity (%)	43		
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)		
Fan Location 1	11.1	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations	
Fan Location 2	6.7		
Fan Location 3	1.8	9 •	
Fan Location 4	7.1		
Fan Location 5	12.5	8 •	
Fan Location 6	11.3	/	
Fan Location 7	12.0	1 2 3 4 5	
Fan Location 8	9.5	(	
Fan Location 9	9.1		
Statistical meas	ured exit velocity results (m/s)	6 •	
Mean	9.0		
Minimum	1.8	7 •	
Maximum	12.5		

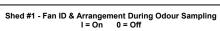
Fan #7			
	Physical measure	ment results	
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs		
Relative Humidity (%)	43		
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)		
Fan Location 1	11.1	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations	
Fan Location 2	6.2		
Fan Location 3	1.4	9 •	
Fan Location 4	6.1		
Fan Location 5	4.5	/ 8 • \	
Fan Location 6	8.1	/	
Fan Location 7	10.5	1 2 3 4 5	
Fan Location 8	11.0		
Fan Location 9	12.4	\/	
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •	
Mean	7.9		
Minimum	1.4	7 •	
Maximum	12.4		

	Fan #	2
	Physical measure	ment results
Time of measurement 1007 hrs - 1045 hrs		
Relative Humidity (%)	43	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	, and the second se
Fan Location 1	12.4	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	10.4	
Fan Location 3	1.8	9 •
Fan Location 4	3.0	
Fan Location 5	6.3	8 •
Fan Location 6	8.0	/
Fan Location 7	9.5	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	11.6	• • • •
Fan Location 9	12.8	
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	8.4	
Minimum	1.8	7.
Maximum	12.8	

	Fan #4	1
	Physical measure	ment results
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs	
Relative Humidity (%)	43	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	•
Fan Location 1	11.4	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	7.8	
Fan Location 3	2.1	9 •
Fan Location 4	5.0	
Fan Location 5	8.3	8 •
Fan Location 6	7.5	/
Fan Location 7	10.6	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	9.4	(• • • • •)
Fan Location 9	10.6	
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	8.1	
Minimum	2.1	7.
Maximum	11.4	

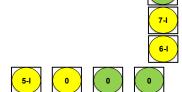
	Fan	#6
	Physical measu	rement results
Time of measurement	1007 hrs - 1045 hrs	
Relative Humidity (%)	43	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	
Fan Location 1	12.7	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	5.1	
Fan Location 3	2.4	9 •
Fan Location 4	8.8	
Fan Location 5	10.3	8 •
Fan Location 6	12.3	/
Fan Location 7	12.1	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	8.9	• • • •
Fan Location 9	9.8	\
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	9.1	
Minimum	2.4	7.
Maximum	10.7	7



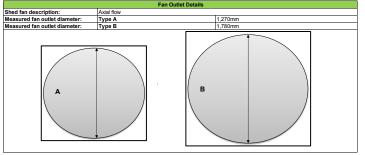




Fan total = 13 Fan On = 7 Fans Off = 6 ф= 1,270 mm φ= 1,780 mm



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Shed Operating Conditions		
Shed ID	1	
Number of birds	52,427	
Average weight per bird (kg)	1.52	
Shed area (m2)	3,400	
Mean shed temperature (°C)	24.8	

Ambient Conditions				
Time of measurement	0820hrs	1007hrs		
Relative Humidity (%)	-	13		
Ambient Temperature (°C)	24.6	29.5		
Weather Conditions	Sunny, Clear	Sunny, Clear		

Document title: Shed #20 - Physical Measurements Result

Measurement date: 31-Oct-Farm Address: Tabbita Shed Number: 20



	Fan #	11
	Physical measure	ement results
Time of measurement	0800hrs - 0910hrs	
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	, and the second
Fan Location 1	10.8	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	9.6	
Fan Location 3	1.9	9 •
Fan Location 4	2.1	
Fan Location 5	13.0	8 •
Fan Location 6	8.8	/
Fan Location 7	11.3	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	8.2	(* * * * *)
Fan Location 9	9.0	\
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	8.3	
Minimum	1.9	7 •
Maximum	12.0	

Fan #3				
	Physical measure	ement results		
Time of measurement	0800hrs - 0910hrs			
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4			
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)			
Fan Location 1	11.5	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations		
Fan Location 2	8.3			
Fan Location 3	1.5	9 •		
Fan Location 4	6.3			
Fan Location 5	11.1	8 •		
Fan Location 6	7.7	4 2 2 5		
Fan Location 7	11.3	1 2 3 4 5		
Fan Location 8	9.3	(		
Fan Location 9	10.7			
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •		
Mean	8.6			
Minimum	1.5	7 •		
Maximum	11.5			

	Fan #	5	
Physical measurement results			
Time of measurement 0800hrs - 0910hrs			
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4		
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)		
Fan Location 1	11.1	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations	
Fan Location 2	7.9		
Fan Location 3	2.0	9 •	
Fan Location 4	4.2		
Fan Location 5	10.3	8 •	
Fan Location 6	7.9	1 2 3 4 5	
Fan Location 7	10.6	1 2 3 4 5	
Fan Location 8	10.3	•	
Fan Location 9	12.3	¬ \ /	
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •	
Mean	8.5		
Minimum	2.0	7 •	
Maximum	12.3		

Fan #7 Physical measurement results				
Time of measurement	0800hrs - 0910hrs			
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4			
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)			
Fan Location 1	12.0	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations		
Fan Location 2	8.4			
Fan Location 3	1.9	9 •		
Fan Location 4	10.0			
Fan Location 5	9.8	8 •		
Fan Location 6	9.8	(4 0 0 1		
Fan Location 7	11.7	1 2 3 4 5		
Fan Location 8	10.5			
Fan Location 9	10.8	\		
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •		
Mean	9.4			
Minimum	1.9	7 •		
Maximum	12.0			

	Fan #2			
	Physical measurement results			
Time of measurement	0800hrs - 0910hrs			
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4			
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	· ·		
Fan Location 1	10.9	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations		
Fan Location 2	9.3			
Fan Location 3	2.4	9 •		
Fan Location 4	2.4			
Fan Location 5	10.1	/ 8 •		
Fan Location 6	8.6			
Fan Location 7	10.8	1 2 3 4 5		
Fan Location 8	9.3	(• • • •)		
Fan Location 9	10.5	\		
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •		
Mean	8.3			
Minimum	2.4	7.		
Maximum	10.9			

	Fan #	4
Physical measurement results		
Time of measurement 0800hrs - 0910hrs		
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	
Fan Location 1	11.7	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	9.1	
Fan Location 3	2.3	9 •
Fan Location 4	7.2	
Fan Location 5	11.9	8 •
Fan Location 6	7.7	
Fan Location 7	10.3	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	9.8	• • • •
Fan Location 9	11.9	
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6 •
Mean	9.1	
Minimum	2.3	7.
Maximum	11.9	

	Fan #	16
	Physical measure	ement results
Time of measurement	0800hrs - 0910hrs	
Relative Humidity (%)	42.4	
Fan Location No.	Measured fan exit velocity (m/s)	
Fan Location 1	11.1	Fan exit velocity nominal measurement locations
Fan Location 2	7.7	
Fan Location 3	2.0	9 •
Fan Location 4	3.4	
Fan Location 5	10.0	8 •
Fan Location 6	7.6	
Fan Location 7	11.4	1 2 3 4 5
Fan Location 8	8.9	(• • • •)
Fan Location 9	10.0	\
Statistical measured exit velocity results (m/s)		6
Mean	8.0	
Minimum	2.0	7.
Maximum	11.4	

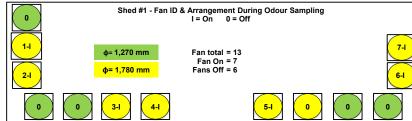
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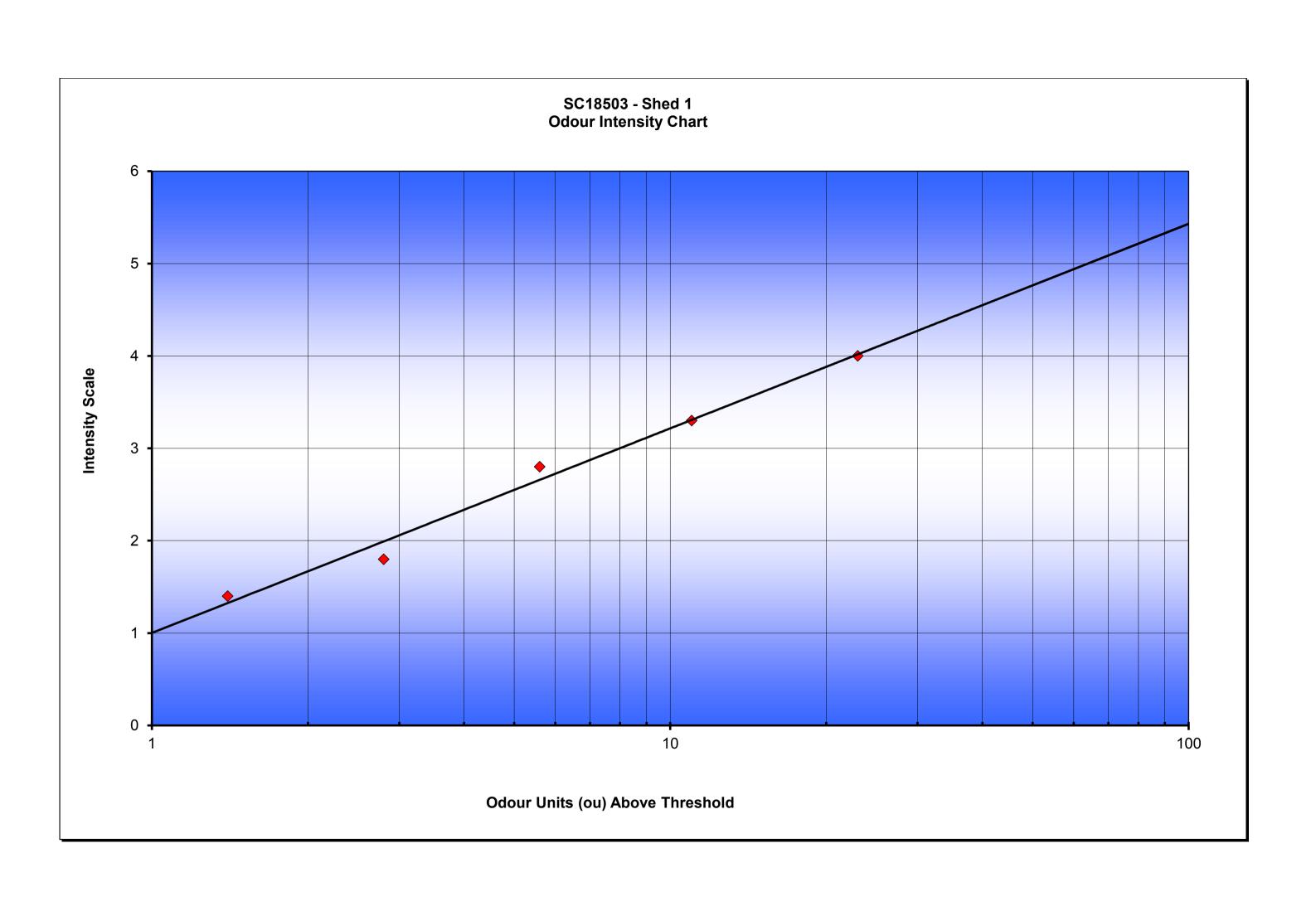
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Shed fan description:			Axial flow	
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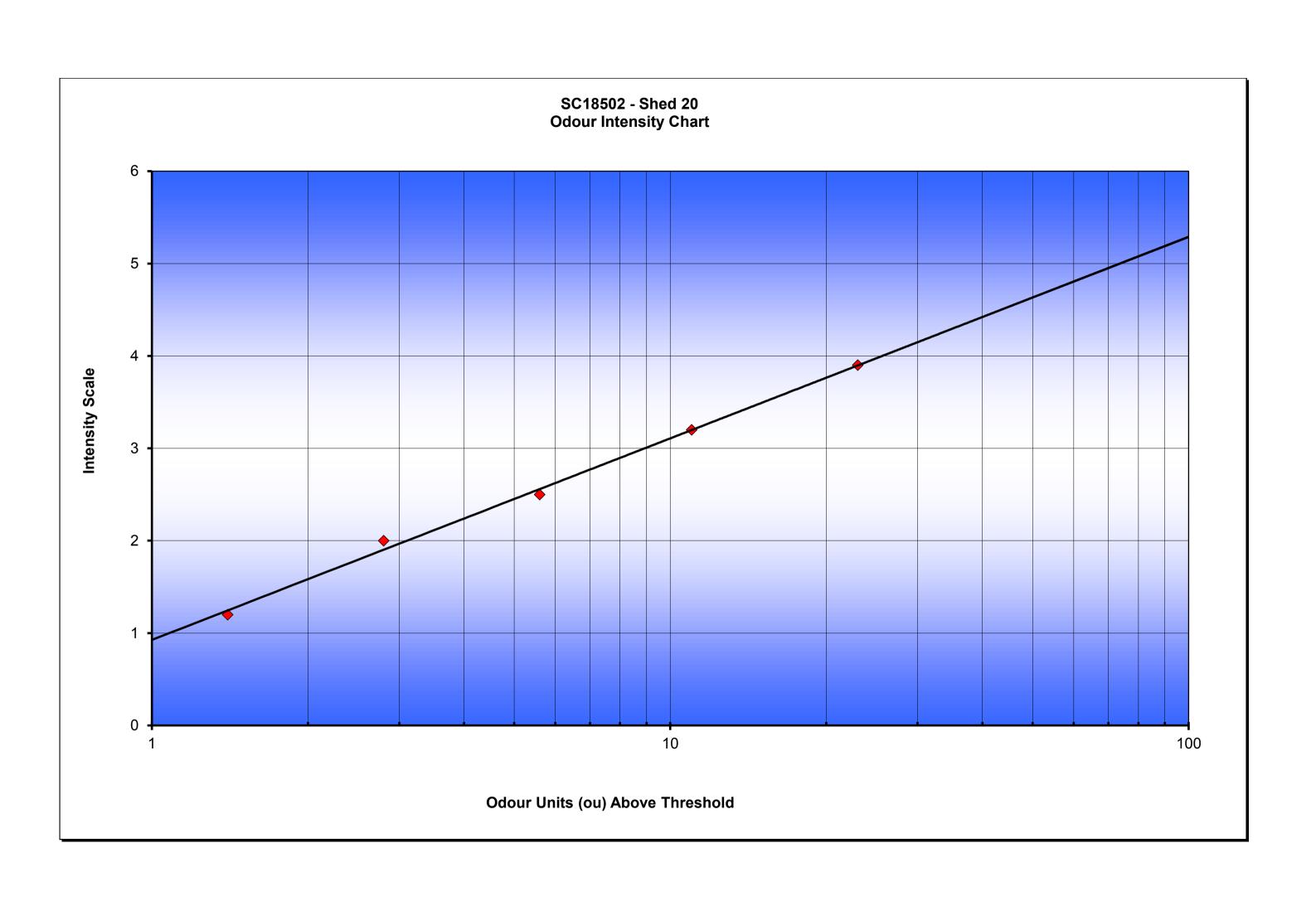
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Shed Operating Conditions		
Shed ID	20	
Number of birds	51,652	
Average weight per bird (kg)	1.49	
Shed area (m2)	3,400	
Mean shed temperature (°C)	26.3	

Ambient Conditions		
Time of measurement	0820hrs	1007hrs
Relative Humidity (%)	-	13
Ambient Temperature (°C)	24.6	29.5
Weather Conditions	Sunny Clear	Sunny Clear





#### 1 CLIENT DETAILS

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#### 2 PROJECT DETAILS & SCOPE OF WORK REQUESTED

Project Number:	630.11565.00500
Project Name:	Poultry Odour Monitoring
Project Manager:	Michael Brecko
Monitoring Date(s):	13 March 2019
Reasons for the Work:	Post Commissioning Testing
Production/Operational Conditions:	Typical daily operations – all exhaust fans operating
Parameters Requested:	Odour and Character
Sample Locations:	Farm 94; Shed 1, Shed 2 and Shed 3
Sample Identification Numbers:	Refer to Appendix C (7988, 7999, 7800, 7801, 7802, 7803)

Signatory

Michael Brecko

Issue Date: 12 April 2019

NATA

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Not Applicable

### Test Report 630.11565.00500-TR1R0

#### 3 **NOMENCLATURE**

*	Not part of SLR scope of accreditation
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NATA National Association of Testing Authorities % percentage

NSW **New South Wales** Not Measured NM Australian Eastern Standard Time Daylight Number Savings No.

**AEST** Australian Eastern Standard Time  $NO_x$ Oxides of nitrogen

ALS Australian Laboratory Services ou odour units AM **Ambient Method** OEH Office of Environment and Heritage

OM Other Method Avg Average 02 AS Australian Standard Oxygen

AS/NZS Australian Standards/New Zealand  $PM_{10}$ Particulate matter less than 10 microns

Standards Particulate matter less than 2.5 microns PM<sub>2.5</sub>Carbon dioxide parts per billion dqq

Carbon monoxide parts per million ppm CSC Certified Span Concentration

**POEO** Protection of the Environment and Operations (Clean Air) Regulations 2010 Conc. Concentration

Qld ٥С degrees Celsius Queensland

SLR SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd D **Duct Diameters** 

EPA SO<sub>2</sub> Sulphur dioxide **Environment Protection Agency** 

 $SO_3/H_2SO_4$ Sulphur trioxide / sulphuric acid mist EPL **Environment Protection Licence** 

Fluoride TM Test Method

**TSP** total suspended particulate g/g mole grams per gram mole **UNSW** University of New South Wales HCI Hydrogen chloride United States Environment Protection USEPA M hr hour

Agency Method Identification

UTM Universal Transverse Mercator Κ kelvin

kilograms per cubic metre of air kg/m<sup>3</sup> kPa kilopascals

metre m/s metres per second  $m^2$ metres square

 $m^3$ cubic metres

m<sup>3</sup>/s cubic metre of air per second micrograms per cubic metre of air µg/m<sup>3</sup> mg/m<sup>3</sup> milligrams per cubic metre of air

Limit of Reporting Maximum

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# 4 PROCESS EMISSIONS MONITORING - PARAMETER, SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS METHOD AND ANALYSIS LABORATORY

#### 4.1 Test Methods and Analysis References

All sampling and monitoring was performed by SLR unless otherwise specified. The following table outlines for each parameter requested to be tested, the relevant test method for sampling and analysis and the NATA Accredited Laboratory that completed the analysis.

All associated NATA endorsed Test Reports/Certificates of Analysis are provided separately in Appendix B.

#### 4.1.1 Point Source Emissions

Parameter	Test Method Number for Sampling and Analysis	NATA Laboratory Analysis By: NATA Accreditation No. & Report No.
Sampling location	TM-1, AS/NZS 4323.1, USEPA M1	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Velocity	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C, ISO10780	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Duct temperature	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Volumetric flow rate	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Dry gas density	TM-23, USEPA M3	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Moisture	TM-22, USEPA M4	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR1
Odour	OM-7, AS4323.3	The Odour Unit NATA No. 14974 Report No. SYD20190314_023

#### 4.2 Deviations from Test Methods

There were deviations to the specified test reference methodologies as detailed below

• Sampling Plane did not comply with the minimum distance for upstream disturbances. SLR adopted additional sample points to improve the accuracy of the measurements.

#### 4.3 Sampling Times

As per the relevant test reference method or State requirement.

#### 4.4 Reference Conditions

As per relevant test reference method, State requirement, or Environment Protection Licence or equivalent.

#### 4.5 Identification

All samples are individual labelled with reference number, location, sampling date and times.

#### 4.6 Sample Plane Requirements

Ideal sampling positions: In the absence of cyclonic flow activity ideal sampling plane conditions will be found to exit at 7-8 diameters downstream and 2-3 diameters upstream from a flow disturbance. However, in most cases, a suitable sampling plane will be a position fitting the minimum criteria specified in Table 1 of AS/NZS 4323.1.

Non Ideal sampling position: If the measurement near a bend is unavoidable, the sampling position shall be greater than one duct diameter upstream of the bend or greater than two duct diameters downstream of the bend. When the criteria in Table 1 of AS/NZS 4323.1 cannot be met, a greater number of sampling points shall be used in order to retain as much accuracy as is practicable.

**Section 5** summaries the sample plane records and provides photographs of each location.

#### 5 SAMPLING PLANE RECORDS

#### 5.1 Poultry Shed Exhaust Fans

The sample location for each poultry shed exhaust fan did not meet ideal sampling plane requirements for upstream and downstream distance requirements. Refer to **Table 1** for detailed summary of the sample location recordings and illustrative representation of each location.

Table 1 Summary of Sample Location Recordings - Poultry Shed No.1, 2 and 3

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Location	Shed No. 1, 2 and 3 Fan Exhaust
Large Duct/Fan Diameter (m)	2.3m (W) x 2.3m (L)
Small Duct/Fan Diameter (m)	1.6m (W) x 1.6m (L)
Upstream Requirements	
Type of Disturbance	Exhaust / Exit
Distance to Disturbance (m)	Fan
No. of Duct Diameters	0D
Ideal Minimum Distance Criteria	2D
Diameters less than Ideal Criteria	2D
Sampling Factor	1.15
Downstream Requirements	
Type of Disturbance	Fan
Distance to Disturbance (m)	> 20m
No. of Duct Diameters	> 8D
Ideal Minimum Distance Criteria	8D
Diameters less than Ideal Criteria	0D
Sampling Factor	0
Number of sampling points for manual isokinetic sampling	
Minimum No. of Sampling Traverses	4
Minimum No. of Access Holes	4
Minimum No. of Sampling Points	16
Combined Sampling Factor	1.15
Total No. of Sampling Points required	20
Comments	Nil
Additional Comments	Release height from ground level is approximately 1m from bottom of fan and 3.3m from top of fan.
	Box enclosure is approximately 3.6m (W) by 18m (L) with a wall height of 4.6m (H)
	All fans operating during sample collection.



**Photograph 1** Shed No.1 Exhaust Fan Release Point (at sampling ports/fan face)



**Photograph 2** Shed No.1 Exhaust Fan Release Point (at ground level)



**Photograph 3** Poultry Shed No.1 (view of shed length)

#### 6 RESULTS

Monitoring of all parameters was performed on the following dates;

Farm 94; Shed No.1, No.2 and No.3 was tested on 13 March 2019.

Refer to **Table 3** for detailed summaries of the measured test results.

**Appendix A** presents detailed results of the exhaust flow rates and mass odour emission rates measured for each test.

Appendix B presents the laboratory certificates of analysis.

#### 6.1 Operating Conditions

On the day of testing, all three poultry sheds were considered to be operating under normal conditions. The following production details were provided during the monitoring period;

Parameter	Units	Farm 94; Shed No.1	Farm 94; Shed No.2	Farm 94; Shed No.3
Testing Date		13-Mar-2019	13-Mar-2019	13-Mar-2019
Bird Age		34 days	34 days	34 days
Average bird weight	kg	2.101	2.141	2.147
Number of Birds per Shed		48,041	47,757	47,982
Total Number of Exhaust Vents per Shed		6 (x4 Large, x2 Small)	6 (x4 Large, x2 Small)	6 (x4 Large, x2 Small)
Operating conditions considered Normal / Typical on the day of testing		Yes	Yes	Yes

#### 6.2 Odour Emission Test Results

Results are presented at actual conditions unless otherwise stated. All volumes and concentrations are reported as dry at temperature of  $0^{\circ}$ C and at absolute pressure of 101.3 kPa unless otherwise stated. Where measured values have been corrected to reference conditions (i.e. 'normalised' or 'standardised') the measured values are reported prefixed with an "N" (e.g. N.m³).

Table 2 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 94; Shed No.1, No.2 and No.3

	_	Farm 94			
Location	Unit	Shed No.1	Shed No.2	Shed No.3	Average
Date Tested	-	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19
Average Temperature	°C	24.0	24.1	24.0	24.0
Average Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	13.80	14.28	13.81	13.96
Average Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	17.12	16.25	17.12	16.83
Average Volumetric Flow per Shed (actual)	m³/s	384.76	390.58	384.90	386.75
Average Odour Concentration	ou	91	43	42	42
Average Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	35,013	16,795	15,973	22,594
Average Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m³/s	32,248	15,465	14,713	20,808
Laboratory calculated k-factor		0.65	0.3	0.3	0.42

#### 6.3 Instrument Calibration Details

Asset No.	Instrument Description	Date Last Calibrated	Calibration Due Date
1789	Digital Barometer	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
1808	Manometer (Digital)	15/12/2018	15/12/2019
1834	Pitot Tube	28/06/2013	Visual inspection for damage, defects or blockages on use – Satisfactory for use
1960	Tape Measure (Retractable)	09/03/2018	09/03/2021
2371	Thermocouple	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
2371	Thermometer (Digital)	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
i-phone	Timepiece	NA	Synchronized with Global Positioning Satellite
2474	Anemometer	03/01/2019	03/01/2020
2006, 2002	Sample Pumps	11/09/2018	11/09/2019

## 6.4 Measurement Uncertainty

Parameter	Associated Test Method	Uncertainty
Odour	OM-7, AS4323.3	± 50 - 124% (based upon a single determination)
Temperature	TM-2, USEPA M2C	<u>+</u> 2°C
Velocity	TM-2, AS 4323.1, USEPA M2A, 2C	± 5%

## **APPENDIX A - DETAILED TABULATED RESULTS**

Table 3 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 94; Shed No.1

Location	Shed 1			
Run No	1	2	Average	
Date Tested		13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result
Sampling Start Time	AEST	15:35	15:50	
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	15:50	16:05	
Large Vents Diameter	m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	5.382	5.382	5.382
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	2.560	2.560	2.560
Temperature	°C	24.0	24.0	24.0
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	13.80	13.80	13.80
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	17.12	17.12	17.12
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	384.76	384.76	384.76
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m³/s	354.37	354.37	354.37
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	354.37	354.37	354.37
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	101.49	101.49	101.49
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9
Odour	ou	83	99	91
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	31,935	38,092	35,013
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	29,413	35,083	32,248
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	29,413	35,083	32,248
Number of Birds in Shed		48,041	48,041	48,041
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	1.50	1.26	1.38
Odour Character		chicken, feathers	chicken, feathers	
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.60	0.70	0.65

<sup>#</sup> refer to Section 4.2 for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

Table 4 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 94; Shed No.2

Location	Shed 2			
Run No	1	2	Average	
Date Tested		13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result
Sampling Start Time	AEST	15:30	15:45	
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	15:45	16:00	
Large Vents Diameter	m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	5.382	5.382	5.382
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	2.560	2.560	2.560
Temperature	°C	24.1	24.1	24.1
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	14.28	14.28	14.28
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	16.25	16.25	16.25
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	390.58	390.58	390.58
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m <sup>3</sup> /s	359.64	359.64	359.64
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	359.64	359.64	359.64
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	101.49	101.49	101.49
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9
Odour	ou	54	32	43
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	21,091	12,499	16,795
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	19,421	11,509	15,465
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	19,421	11,509	15,465
Number of Birds in Shed		47,757	47,757	47,757
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	2.26	3.82	3.04
Odour Character		chicken, feathers	chicken, feathers	
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.40	0.20	0.30

<sup>#</sup> refer to **Section 4.2** for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

Table 5 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 94; Shed No.3

Location	Shed 1			
Run No		1	2	Average
Date Tested		13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19	13-Mar-19
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result
Sampling Start Time	AEST	16:10	16:15	
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	16:25	16:30	
Large Vents Diameter	m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m	2.32m x 2.32m
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m	1.6m x 1.6m
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m²	5.382	5.382	5.382
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m²	2.560	2.560	2.560
Temperature	°C	24.0	24.0	24.0
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	13.81	13.81	13.81
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	17.12	17.12	17.12
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	384.90	384.90	384.90
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m³/s	354.52	354.52	354.52
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	354.52	354.52	354.52
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	101.49	101.49	101.49
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9
Odour	ou	38	45	42
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	14,626	17,320	15,973
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m³/s	13,472	15,953	14,713
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	13,472	15,953	14,713
Number of Birds in Shed		47,982	47,982	47,982
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	3.28	2.77	3.03
Odour Character		chicken, feathers	chicken, feathers	
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.30	0.30	0.30

<sup>#</sup> refer to **Section 4.2** for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

## **APPENDIX B - CERTIFICATES OF ANALYSIS**



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### ODOUR & K-FACTOR CALCULATION RESULTS SHEET - 14 MARCH 2019 (REV1)

Dear Michael,

Please find **appended** the odour testing results from the samples analysed at The Odour Unit's Sydney Laboratory on 14 March 2019. A summary of the odour emission and k-factor results are presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1 –	Table 1 – Odour emission and k-factor results: 14 March 2019 ^							
Shed No.	Odour concentration (ou)	Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/s)	Bird density (kg/m²)	Ventilation rate per shed at STP ^^ (m³/s)	k- factor			
Shed 1 Run 1	83	28,800			0.6			
Shed 1 Run 2	99	34,300			0.7			
Shed 2 Run 1	54	18,700	46 F	246 5	0.4			
Shed 2 Run 2	32	11,100	46.5 346.5	340.5	0.2			
Shed 3 Run 1	38	13,200			0.3			
Shed 3 Run 2	45	15,600			0.3			

<sup>^</sup> Shed floor area as provided by SLR Consulting = 172 metres by 18 metres width

Yours sincerely,

James Schulz

**NSW Laboratory Coordinator & Consultant** 

### **Attachments:**

Odour laboratory results report: 14 March 2019.

<sup>^^</sup> STP = standard temperature and pressure, at 0°C, 101.325 kPa



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## **Odour Concentration Measurement Report**

The measurement was commissioned by:

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Sampling Method Undisclosed Sampling Team SLR Consulting

Order details:

Precision

Traceability

Order requested by M. Brecko Order accepted by J. Schulz Date of order 12 March 2019 TOU Project # N1869R Project Manager Order number 25907 J. Schulz Signed by M. Brecko Testing operator A. Schulz

Investigated Item Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration measurements, of an

odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

Identification The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, sample

number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if dilution was used)

and whether further chemical analysis was required.

Method The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry according to the

Australian/New Zealand Standard: Stationary source emissions – Part 3: 'Determination of odour concentration by dynamic olfactometry (AS/NZS4323.3:2001). The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Any

deviation from the Australian standard is recorded in the 'Comments' section of this report.

Measuring Range The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was insufficient the

odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated beyond dilution setting  $2^{17}$ . This

is specifically mentioned with the results.

Environment The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room temperature is

maintained at 22 °C ±3 °C.

ODORMAT V04.

Instrumental The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be  $r \le 0.477$  in

accordance with the AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT V04: r = 0.101 (January 2018) Compliance – Yes

Instrumental The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance with the

Accuracy AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT V04: A = 0.212 (January 2018) Compliance – Yes

Lower Detection The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou, which is 4 times the lowest dilution

Limit (LDL) setting.

The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply with fixed criteria

and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

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Date: 19 March 2019 Panel Roster Number: SYD20190314\_023

J. Schulz
NSW Laboratory Coordinator

A. Schulz Authorised Signatory





Accreditation Number: 14974

# Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20190314\_023

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Nominal Sample Dilution	Actual Sample Dilution (Adjusted for Temperature)	Sample Odour Concentration (as received, in the bag) (ou)	Sample Odour Concentration (Final, allowing for dilution) (ou)	Specific Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/m²/s) (See Note:1)
Sample 1 - Shed 1 Run 1 (7998)	SC19173	13.03.2019 1550 hrs	14.03.2019 1356 hrs	4	8			83	83	
Sample 2 - Shed 1 Run 2 (7999)	SC19174	13.03.2019 1605 hrs	14.03.2019 1424 hrs	4	8			99	99	
Sample 3 - Shed 2 Run 1 (7800)	SC19175	13.03.2019 1545 hrs	14.03.2019 1508 hrs	4	8			54	54	
Sample 4 - Shed 2 Run 2 (7801)	SC19176	13.03.2019 1600 hrs	14.03.2019 1528 hrs	4	8			32	32	
Sample 5 - Shed 3 Run 1 (7802)	SC19177	13.03.2019 1625 hrs	14.03.2019 1547 hrs	4	8			38	38	
Sample 6 - Shed 3 Run 2 (7803)	SC19178	13.03.2019 1630 hrs	14.03.2019 1605 hrs	4	8			45	45	

Samples Received in Laboratory – From: SLR Date: 14 March 2019 Time: 1000 hrs

Note: The following are not covered by the NATA Accreditation issued to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd:

- 1. The collection of Isolation Flux Hood (**IFH**) samples and the calculation of the Specific Odour Emission Rate (**SOER**).
- 2. Final results that have been modified by the dilution factors where parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd have performed the dilution of samples.





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#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20190314_023	51,400	20 ≤ χ ≤ 80	861	60	Yes

#### Comments Odour characters (non-NATA accredited) as determined by odour laboratory panel:

SC19173	chicken, feathers	SC19176 chicken, feathers
SC19174	chicken, feathers	SC19177 chicken, feathers
SC19175	chicken, feathers	SC19178 chicken, feathers

#### Disclaimers

- 1. Parties, other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd, responsible for collecting odour samples have advised that they have voluntarily furnished these odour samples, appropriately collected and labelled, to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd for the purpose of odour testing.
- 2. The collection of odour samples by parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd relinquishes The Odour Unit Pty Ltd from all responsibility for the sample collection and any effects or actions that the results from the test(s) may have.
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### 1 CLIENT DETAILS

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## 2 PROJECT DETAILS & SCOPE OF WORK REQUESTED

Project Number:	630.11565.00500
Project Name:	Poultry Odour Monitoring
Project Manager:	Michael Brecko
Monitoring Date(s):	20 May 2019
Reasons for the Work:	k-factor Testing
Production/Operational Conditions:	Typical daily operations – all exhaust fans operating
Parameters Requested:	Odour and Character
Sample Locations:	Farm 95; Shed 5, Shed 6 and Shed 7
Sample Identification Numbers:	Refer to Appendix C (8403, 8404,8405, 8406, 8407,8408)

Signatory

Michael Brecko

Issue Date: 07 June 2019



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#### 3 **NOMENCLATURE**

*	Not part of SLR scope of accreditation
0	degrees

greater than

≥ greater than or equal to

less than

CO<sub>2</sub>

Max

m

NA Not Applicable ≤ less than or equal to NATA National Association of Testing Authorities % percentage

NSW **New South Wales** 

Not Measured NM **AESTD** Australian Eastern Standard Time Daylight Number Savings No.

**AEST** Australian Eastern Standard Time  $NO_x$ Oxides of nitrogen ALS Australian Laboratory Services ou odour units

AM **Ambient Method** OEH Office of Environment and Heritage

OM Other Method Avg Average 02 AS Australian Standard Oxygen

AS/NZS Australian Standards/New Zealand  $PM_{10}$ Particulate matter less than 10 microns

Standards Particulate matter less than 2.5 microns PM<sub>2.5</sub>Carbon dioxide parts per billion dqq

CO Carbon monoxide parts per million ppm CSC

Certified Span Concentration **POEO** Protection of the Environment and

Operations (Clean Air) Regulations 2010 Conc. Concentration Qld ٥С degrees Celsius Queensland

SLR SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd D **Duct Diameters** 

SO<sub>2</sub> Sulphur dioxide EPA **Environment Protection Agency** 

 $SO_3/H_2SO_4$ Sulphur trioxide / sulphuric acid mist EPL **Environment Protection Licence** 

Fluoride TM Test Method

**TSP** total suspended particulate g/g mole grams per gram mole **UNSW** University of New South Wales HCI Hydrogen chloride United States Environment Protection USEPA M hr hour

Agency Method ID Identification

UTM Universal Transverse Mercator kelvin

Κ kilograms per cubic metre of air kg/m<sup>3</sup>

kPa kilopascals LOR Limit of Reporting

m/s metres per second  $m^2$ metres square

 $m^3$ cubic metres m<sup>3</sup>/s cubic metre of air per second

Maximum

metre

micrograms per cubic metre of air µg/m<sup>3</sup>

mg/m<sup>3</sup> milligrams per cubic metre of air Min Minimum min minutes

# 4 PROCESS EMISSIONS MONITORING - PARAMETER, SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS METHOD AND ANALYSIS LABORATORY

### 4.1 Test Methods and Analysis References

All sampling and monitoring was performed by SLR unless otherwise specified. The following table outlines for each parameter requested to be tested, the relevant test method for sampling and analysis and the NATA Accredited Laboratory that completed the analysis.

All associated NATA endorsed Test Reports/Certificates of Analysis are provided separately in Appendix B.

#### 4.1.1 Point Source Emissions

Parameter	Parameter Test Method Number for Sampling and Analysis	
Sampling location	TM-1, AS/NZS 4323.1, USEPA M1	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Velocity	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C, ISO10780	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Duct temperature	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Volumetric flow rate	TM-2, USEPA M2, 2C	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Dry gas density	TM-23, USEPA M3	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Moisture	TM-22, USEPA M4	SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd NATA No.3130 Report No. 630.11565.00500-TR2R0
Odour	OM-7, AS4323.3	The Odour Unit NATA No. 14974 Report No. SYD20190521_040

#### 4.2 Deviations from Test Methods

There were deviations to the specified test reference methodologies as detailed below

• Sampling Plane did not comply with the minimum distance for upstream disturbances. SLR adopted additional sample points to improve the accuracy of the measurements.

#### 4.3 Sampling Times

As per the relevant test reference method or State requirement.

#### 4.4 Reference Conditions

As per relevant test reference method, State requirement, or Environment Protection Licence or equivalent.

#### 4.5 Identification

All samples are individual labelled with reference number, location, sampling date and times.

### 4.6 Sample Plane Requirements

Ideal sampling positions: In the absence of cyclonic flow activity ideal sampling plane conditions will be found to exit at 7-8 diameters downstream and 2-3 diameters upstream from a flow disturbance. However, in most cases, a suitable sampling plane will be a position fitting the minimum criteria specified in Table 1 of AS/NZS 4323.1.

Non Ideal sampling position: If the measurement near a bend is unavoidable, the sampling position shall be greater than one duct diameter upstream of the bend or greater than two duct diameters downstream of the bend. When the criteria in Table 1 of AS/NZS 4323.1 cannot be met, a greater number of sampling points shall be used in order to retain as much accuracy as is practicable.

**Section 5** summaries the sample plane records and provides photographs of each location.

#### 5 SAMPLING PLANE RECORDS

### 5.1 Poultry Shed Exhaust Fans

The sample location for each poultry shed exhaust fan did not meet ideal sampling plane requirements for upstream and downstream distance requirements. Refer to **Table 1** for detailed summary of the sample location recordings and illustrative representation of each location.

Table 1 Summary of Sample Location Recordings - Poultry Shed No.5, 6 and 7

Location	Shed No. 5, 6 and 7 Fan Exhaust
Large Duct/Fan Diameter (m)	1.80m
Small Duct/Fan Diameter (m)	NA
Upstream Requirements	
Type of Disturbance	Exhaust / Exit
Distance to Disturbance (m)	Fan
No. of Duct Diameters	0D
Ideal Minimum Distance Criteria	2D
Diameters less than Ideal Criteria	2D
Sampling Factor	1.15
Downstream Requirements	
Type of Disturbance	Fan
Distance to Disturbance (m)	> 20m
No. of Duct Diameters	> 8D
Ideal Minimum Distance Criteria	8D
Diameters less than Ideal Criteria	0D
Sampling Factor	0
Number of sampling points for manual isokinetic sampling	
Minimum No. of Sampling Traverses	4
Minimum No. of Access Holes	4
Minimum No. of Sampling Points	16
Combined Sampling Factor	1.15
Total No. of Sampling Points required	20
Comments	Nil
Additional Comments	Release height from ground level is approximately 1m from bottom of far and 3.3m from top of fan.
	Box enclosure is approximately 3.6m (W) by 18m (L) with a wall height of 4.6m (H)
	Majority fans operating during sampl collection.



**Photograph 1** Shed No.5 Exhaust Fan Release Point (at sampling ports/fan face)



**Photograph 2** Shed No.5 Exhaust Fan Release Point (at ground level)



**Photograph 3** Poultry Shed No.5 (view of shed length)

### 6 RESULTS

Monitoring of all parameters was performed on the following dates;

Farm 95; Shed No.5, No.6 and No.7 was tested on 20 May 2019.

Refer to **Table 3** for detailed summaries of the measured test results.

**Appendix A** presents detailed results of the exhaust flow rates and mass odour emission rates measured for each test.

Appendix B presents the laboratory certificates of analysis.

## 6.1 Operating Conditions

On the day of testing, all three poultry sheds were considered to be operating under normal conditions. The following production details were provided during the monitoring period;

Parameter	Units	Farm 95; Shed No.5	Farm 95; Shed No.6	Farm 95; Shed No.7
Testing Date		20-May-2019	20-May-2019	20-May-2019
Bird Age		32 days	32 days	32 days
Average bird weight	kg	1.770	1.780	1.810
Number of Birds per Shed		54,500	54,500	54,500
Total Number of Exhaust Vents per Shed		10 (x10 Large, x0 Small)	10 (x10 Large, x0 Small)	10 (x10 Large, x0 Small)
Operating conditions considered Normal / Typical on the day of testing		Yes	Yes	Yes

### 6.2 Odour Emission Test Results

Results are presented at actual conditions unless otherwise stated. All volumes and concentrations are reported as dry at temperature of 0°C and at absolute pressure of 101.3 kPa unless otherwise stated. Where measured values have been corrected to reference conditions (i.e. 'normalised' or 'standardised') the measured values are reported prefixed with an "N" (e.g. N.m³).

Table 2 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 95; Shed No.5, No.6 and No.7

			Farm 95	i	
Location	Unit	Shed No.5	Shed No.6	Shed No.7	Average
Date Tested		20-May-19	20-May-19	20-May-19	20-May-19
Average Temperature	°C	25.2	25.2	25.5	25.3
Average Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	7.36	7.46	7.20	7.20
Average Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	NA	NA	NA	NA
Average Volumetric Flow per Shed (actual)	m³/s	146.77	166.76	151.99	155.17
Average Odour Concentration	ou	50	50	59	53
Average Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	7,265	8,254	8,967	8,162
Average Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m³/s	6,607	7,507	8,217	7,443
Laboratory calculated k-factor	-	0.25	0.25	0.30	0.27

### 6.3 Instrument Calibration Details

Asset No.	Instrument Description	Date Last Calibrated	Calibration Due Date
1789	Digital Barometer	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
1808	Manometer (Digital)	15/12/2018	15/12/2019
1834	Pitot Tube	28/06/2013	Visual inspection for damage, defects or blockages on use – Satisfactory for use
1960	Tape Measure (Retractable)	09/03/2018	09/03/2021
2371	Thermocouple	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
2371	Thermometer (Digital)	11/03/2019	11/03/2020
i-phone	Timepiece	NA	Synchronized with Global Positioning Satellite
2474	Anemometer	03/01/2019	03/01/2020
2006, 2002	Sample Pumps	11/09/2018	11/09/2019

## 6.4 Measurement Uncertainty

Parameter	Associated Test Method	Uncertainty
Odour	OM-7, AS4323.3	± 50 - 124% (based upon a single determination)
Temperature	TM-2, USEPA M2C	<u>+</u> 2°C
Velocity	TM-2, AS 4323.1, USEPA M2A, 2C	± 5%

## **APPENDIX A - DETAILED TABULATED RESULTS**

Table 3 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 95; Shed No.5

Location		Shed 5				
Run No		1	2	Average		
Date Tested		20-May-19	20-May-19	20-May-19		
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result		
Sampling Start Time	AEST	12:50	13:05	-		
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	13:00	13:15			
Large Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800		
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800		
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m		
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m²	2.545	2.545	2.545		
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m²	2.545	2.545	2.545		
Temperature	°C	25.2	25.2	25.2		
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	7.06	7.06	7.06		
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	7.65	7.65	7.65		
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	146.77	146.77	146.77		
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m³/s	133.47	133.47	133.47		
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	133.47	133.47	133.47		
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	100.62	100.62	100.62		
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836		
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287		
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9		
Odour	ou	54	45	50		
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	7,926	6,605	7,265		
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	7,207	6,006	6,607		
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m <sup>3</sup> /s	7,207	6,006	6,607		
Number of Birds in Shed		54,500	54,500	54,500		
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	6.88	8.25	7.56		
Odour Character		chicken, feathers, pungent	chicken, feathers, pungent			
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.30	0.20	0.25		

<sup>#</sup> refer to **Section 4.2** for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

Note; Large Vents and Small vents are the same diameter and average shed volumetric flows have been calculated averaging these two results.

Table 4 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 95; Shed No.6

Location	Shed 6				
Run No		1	2	Average	
Date Tested		20-May-19	20-May-19	20-May-19	
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result	
Sampling Start Time	AEST	12:50	13:05		
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	13:00	13:15		
Large Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800	
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800	
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	2.545	2.545	2.545	
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	2.545	2.545	2.545	
Temperature	°C	25.2	25.2	25.2	
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	7.14	7.14	7.14	
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	7.79	7.79	7.79	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	166.76	166.76	166.76	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m³/s	151.65	151.65	151.65	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	151.65	151.65	151.65	
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	100.62	100.62	100.62	
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836	
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287	
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9	
Odour	ou	45	54	50	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	7,504	9,005	8,254	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m³/s	6,824	8,189	7,507	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m³/s	6,824	8,189	7,507	
Number of Birds in Shed		54,500	54,500	54,500	
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	7.26	6.05	6.66	
Odour Character		chicken, feathers, pungent	chicken, feathers, pungent		
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.20	0.30	0.25	

<sup>#</sup> refer to **Section 4.2** for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

Note; Large Vents and Small vents are the same diameter and average shed volumetric flows have been calculated averaging these two results

Table 5 Summary of Measured Concentration Results – Farm 95; Shed No.7

Location	Shed 7				
Run No		1	2	Average	
Date Tested		20-May-19	20-May-19	20-May-19	
Parameter	Unit	Average Result	Average Result	Average Result	
Sampling Start Time	AEST	13:25	13:40	-	
Sampling Finish Time	AEST	13:35	13:50		
Large Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800	
Small Vents Diameter	m	1.800	1.800	1.800	
Source / Shed Diameter	m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	18m x 172m	
Large Vents Cross Sectional Area	m <sup>2</sup>	2.545	2.545	2.545	
Small Vents Cross Sectional Area	m²	2.545	2.545	2.545	
Temperature	°C	25.5	25.5	25.5	
Velocity (Large Vents)	m/s	6.52	6.52	6.52	
Velocity (Small Vents)	m/s	7.06	7.06	7.06	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (actual)	m³/s	151.99	151.99	151.99	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (dry)	N.m³/s	139.26	139.26	139.26	
Total Shed Volumetric Flow (wet)	N.m³/s	139.26	139.26	139.26	
Atmospheric Pressure	kPa	101.49	101.49	101.49	
Molecular Weight Dry Stack Gas	g/g-mole	28.836	28.836	28.836	
Dry Gas Density	kg/m³	1.287	1.287	1.287	
Oxygen	%	20.9	20.9	20.9	
Odour	ou	54	64	59	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (Actual) (wet)	ou.m³/s	8,208	9,727	8,967	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (dry)	ou.m³/s	7,520	8,913	8,217	
Mass Odour Emission Rate (STP) (wet)	ou.m³/s	7,520	8,913	8,217	
Number of Birds in Shed		54,500	54,500	54,500	
Specific Odour Emission Rate	(ou.m³/s per bird)	6.64	5.60	6.12	
Odour Character		chicken, feathers, pungent	chicken, feathers, pungent		
Laboratory k-factor reported		0.30	0.30	0.30	

<sup>#</sup> refer to **Section 4.2** for further details (Non ideal sampling location)

Note; Large Vents and Small vents are the same diameter and average shed volumetric flows have been calculated averaging these two results

## **APPENDIX B - CERTIFICATES OF ANALYSIS**



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7 June 2019

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### ODOUR & K-FACTOR CALCULATION RESULTS SHEET - 21 MAY 2019

Dear Michael,

Please find **appended** the odour testing results from the samples analysed at The Odour Unit's Sydney Laboratory on 21 May 2019. A summary of the odour emission and k-factor results are presented in **Table 1**.

Table 1 – Odour emission and k-factor results: 21 May 2019 ^										
Shed No.	Odour concentration (ou)	Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/s)	Bird density (kg/m²)	Ventilation rate per shed at STP ^^ (m³/s)	k- factor					
Sample 1 - Shed 5 Run 1 (8403)	54	7,210	31.2	133.5	0.3					
Sample 2 - Shed 5 Run 2 (8404)	45	6,010	31.2	133.5	0.2					
Sample 3 - Shed 6 Run 1 (8405)	45	6,820	31.3	151.6	0.2					
Sample 4 - Shed 6 Run 2 (8406)	54	8,190	31.3	151.6	0.3					
Sample 5 - Shed 7 Run 1 (8407)	54	7,530	31.9	139.5	0.3					
Sample 6 - Shed 7 Run 2 (8408)	64	8,930	31.9	139.5	0.3					

<sup>^</sup> Shed floor area as provided by SLR Consulting (172 metres by 18 metres width). Ventilation rate based on the number of fans operating at the time of sampling (Shed 5 = 8/10, Shed 6 = 9/10, Shed 7 = 9/10). ^^ STP = standard temperature and pressure, at 0°C, 101.325 kPa

Yours sincerely,

James Schulz

**NSW Laboratory Coordinator & Consultant** 

Attachments: Odour laboratory results report: 21 May 2019



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## **Odour Concentration Measurement Report**

The measurement was commissioned by:

Organisation **SLR Consulting** Telephone +61 2 9428 8100 Contact Michael Brecko +61 2 9427 8200 Facsimile Sampling Site Undisclosed mbrecko@slrconsulting.com Email

Sampling Method Undisclosed Sampling Team SLR Consulting

Order details:

Precision

Order requested by M. Brecko Order accepted by A. Schulz Date of order 20 May 2019 TOU Project # N1869R Project Manager Order number 26272 A. Schulz Signed by M. Brecko Testing operator A. Schulz

Investigated Item Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration measurements, of an

odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, sample Identification

number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if dilution was used)

and whether further chemical analysis was required.

Method The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry according to the

Australian/New Zealand Standard: Stationary source emissions - Part 3: 'Determination of odour concentration by dynamic olfactometry (AS/NZS4323.3:2001). The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Any

deviation from the Australian standard is recorded in the 'Comments' section of this report.

The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was insufficient the Measuring Range

odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated beyond dilution setting 217. This

is specifically mentioned with the results.

Environment The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room temperature is

maintained at 22 °C ±3 °C.

Measuring Dates The date of each measurement is specified with the results.

Instrument Used The olfactometer used during this testing session was:

ODORMAT V04.

Instrumental The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be  $r \le 0.477$  in

accordance with the AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT V04: r = 0.101 (January 2018) Compliance - Yes

Instrumental The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance with the

Accuracy AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

ODORMAT V04: A = 0.212 (January 2018) Compliance - Yes

Lower Detection The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou, which is 4 times the lowest dilution Limit (LDL)

Traceability The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national

standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply with fixed criteria and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are

traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

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Panel Roster Number: SYD20190521 040 Date: Monday, 27 May 2019

J. Schulz **NSW Laboratory Coordinator** 

A. Schulz **Authorised Signatory** 





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# Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20190521\_040

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Nominal Sample Dilution	Actual Sample Dilution (Adjusted for Temperature)	Sample Odour Concentration (as received, in the bag) (ou)	Sample Odour Concentration (Final, allowing for dilution) (ou)	Specific Odour Emission Rate (ou.m³/m²/s) (See Note:1)
Sample 1 - Shed 5 Run 1 (8403)	SC19295	20.05.2019 1250 hrs	21.05.2019 1041 hrs	4	8			54	54	
Sample 2 - Shed 5 Run 2 (8404)	SC19296	20.05.2019 1315 hrs	21.05.2019 1112 hrs	4	8			45	45	
Sample 3 - Shed 6 Run 1 (8405)	SC19297	20.05.2019 1300 hrs	21.05.2019 1143 hrs	4	8			45	45	
Sample 4 - Shed 6 Run 2 (8406)	SC19298	20.05.2019 1315 hrs	21.05.2019 1209 hrs	4	8			54	54	
Sample 5 - Shed 7 Run 1 (8407)	SC19299	20.05.2019 1335 hrs	21.05.2019 1313 hrs	4	8			54	54	
Sample 6 - Shed 7 Run 2 (8408)	SC19300	20.05.2019 1350 hrs	21.05.2019 1337 hrs	4	8			64	64	

**Samples Received in Laboratory –** From: SLR Date: 21 May 2019 Time: 0930 hrs

Note: The following are not covered by the NATA Accreditation issued to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd:

- 1. The collection of Isolation Flux Hood (IFH) samples and the calculation of the Specific Odour Emission Rate (SOER).
- 2. Final results that have been modified by the dilution factors where parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd have performed the dilution of samples.





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#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20190521_040	51,400	20 ≤ χ ≤ 80	861	60	Yes
Comments	Odour characters (non-NATA accre	edited) as determined by	odour laboratory panel:			
	SC19295 chicken, feathers, pung SC19296 chicken, feathers, pung		n, feathers, pungent n, feathers, pungent			

#### Disclaimers

- 1. Parties, other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd, responsible for collecting odour samples have advised that they have voluntarily furnished these odour samples, appropriately collected and labelled, to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd for the purpose of odour testing.
- 2. The collection of odour samples by parties other than The Odour Unit Pty Ltd relinquishes The Odour Unit Pty Ltd from all responsibility for the sample collection and any effects or actions that the results from the test(s) may have.
- 3. Any comments included in, or attachments to, this Report are not covered by the NATA Accreditation issued to The Odour Unit Pty Ltd.
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SC19297 chicken, feathers, pungent SC19300 chicken, feathers, pungent

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## **Odour Concentration Measurement Report**

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Organisation Astute Environmental Consulting Contact Geordie Galvin Facsimile Sampling Site ProTen, Narrandera – Farm 76 Email Sampling Method ASNZS4323.3:2001 Sampling Team 0429304644 --- geordie.galvin@astute-environmental.com.au The Odour Unit - Stephen Munro

Order details:

Order requested by Geordie Galvin Order accepted by S. Munro July 2019 Date of order TOU Project # Q2200\_06 Order number Email Project Manager S. Munro Signed by Email Testing operator A. Schulz

Investigated Item Odour concentration in odour units 'ou', determined by sensory odour concentration measurements, of an

odour sample supplied in a sampling bag.

Identification The odour sample bags were labelled individually. Each label recorded the testing laboratory, sample

number, sampling location (or Identification), sampling date and time, dilution ratio (if dilution was used)

and whether further chemical analysis was required.

Method The odour concentration measurements were performed using dynamic olfactometry according to the

Australian Standard 'Determination of Odour Concentration by Dynamic Olfactometry AS/NZS4323.3:2001. The odour perception characteristics of the panel within the presentation series for the samples were analogous to that for butanol calibration. Any deviation from the Australian standard is

recorded in the 'Comments' section of this report.

Measuring Range The measuring range of the olfactometer is  $2^2 \le \chi \le 2^{18}$  ou. If the measuring range was insufficient the

odour samples will have been pre-diluted. The machine is not calibrated beyond dilution setting 217. This

is specifically mentioned with the results.

Environment The measurements were performed in an air- and odour-conditioned room. The room temperature is

maintained at 22 °C ±3 °C.

Measuring Dates The date of each measurement is specified with the results.

TOU-OLF-004

Instrumental Precision The precision of this instrument (expressed as repeatability) for a sensory calibration must be  $r \le 0.477$  in

accordance with the Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

TOU-OLF-004: *r* = 0.154 (February 2019), Compliance – Yes

Instrumental Accuracy The accuracy of this instrument for a sensory calibration must be  $A \le 0.217$  in accordance with the

Australian Standard AS/NZS4323.3:2001.

TOU-OLF-004: A = 0.189 (February 2019) Compliance – Yes

Lower Detection Limit (LDL) The LDL for the olfactometer has been determined to be 16 ou (4 times the lowest dilution setting)

Traceability The measurements have been performed using standards for which the traceability to the national

standard has been demonstrated. The assessors are individually selected to comply with fixed criteria and are monitored in time to keep within the limits of the standard. The results from the assessors are

traceable to primary standards of n-butanol in nitrogen.

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Date: Monday, 26 August 2019 Panel Roster Number: SYD20190821\_063

S. Munro Authorised Signatory





Odour Sample Measurement Results Panel Roster Number: SYD20190821\_063

Sample Location	TOU Sample ID	Sampling Date & Time	Analysis Date & Time	Panel Size	Valid ITEs	Sample Odour Concentration FINAL (ou)	Odour Emission Rate - Standard Conditions*1 (ou.m³/s)	K-Factor <sup>*2</sup> Geometric Mean of Shed
Farm 76, Shed 6 Sample 1 (day)	SC19444	20/08/2019 13:15	21/08/2019 09:55	4	8	181	11,000	0.0
Farm 76, Shed 6 Sample 2 (day)	SC19445	20/08/2019 13:19	21/08/2019 10:20	4	8	235	14,000	0.8
Farm 76, Shed 7 Sample 1 (day)	SC19446	20/08/2019 13:29	21/08/2019 10:47	4	8	235	12,000	0.0
Farm 76, Shed 7 Sample 2 (day)	SC19447	20/08/2019 13:34	21/08/2019 11:15	4	8	235	12,000	0.9

<sup>\*1</sup> Odour emission rates calculated from the total airflow per shed

**Note:** Where parties other than The Odour Unit perform the dilution of samples, the result that has been modified by the dilution factor is not covered by The Odour Unit's NATA accreditation.

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<sup>\*2</sup> K-Factor calculation table appended to this report





## Process, Sampling and Gas Flow Conditions Panel Roster Number: SYD20190821\_063

Sample location	TOU sample ID	Sampling position	Sampling plane dimensions (mm)	Gas velocity (m/s)	Volume flow rate – actual conditions (m³/s)	Gas temp. (°C)	Volume flow rate – standard conditions (m³/s)
Farm 76 Shed 6 Fan 9	SC19444 SC19445	Upstream of disturbance: <2D Type: Outlet Downstream of Disturbance: <6D Type: Fan Outlet Traverse no.: 2 Point no.: 12 Compliance: Non-compliant	Ø 1,250	7.3	9.0	17.4	8.6
Farm 76 Shed 7 Fan 9	SC19446 SC19447	Upstream of disturbance: <2D Type: Outlet Downstream of Disturbance: <6D Type: Fan Outlet Traverse no.: 2 Point no.: 12 Compliance: Non-compliant	Ø1,250	6.1	7.4	19.5	7.0

#### Notes:

- 1. **Sampling position:** refers to location of in-duct gas velocity, temperature and static pressure sample points. Odour samples collected in-duct at ¼ diameter along a single traverse, or equivalent.
- 2. NATA accreditation does not cover the performance of these services;
  - a. Selection of sampling positions by the methods of AS 4323.1,
  - b. Measurement and calculation of volume flow rate by the methods of ISO 10780.
  - c. K-Factor calculation
- 3. **Sampling conditions:** Daily Weather Observations for the nearest Bureau of Meteorology station are attached to this report or made available on request.

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#### **Odour Panel Calibration Results**

Reference Odorant	Reference Odorant Panel Roster Number	Concentration of Reference gas (ppb)	Panel Target Range for n-butanol (ppb)	Measured Concentration (ou)	Measured Panel Threshold (ppb)	Does this panel calibration measurement comply with AS/NZS4323.3:2001 (Yes / No)
n-butanol	SYD20190821_063	51,400	$20 \le \chi \le 80$	724	71	Yes

Comments

Air flow measurements, as reported on page 3, are for the fan from which the samples were collected.

A table of airflow measurements from all fans is appended to this report.

Total of 24 fans, 20 tunnel fans, 2 side fans and 2 rear fans.

8 tunnel fans in operation (Tunnel). Same for Shed 6 and Shed 7.

Location	Live bird numbers	Live bird age	Live bird weight
Farm 76, Shed 6	46,938	28 days	1.70
Farm 76, Shed 7	46,564	28 days	1.68

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K Factor Calculation Table - ProTen, Narrandera										
Location	OER (ou.m³/s)	Shed floor area (m²)	Bird number	Bird weight (kg)	Bird density (kg/m²)	Ventilation rate - STP (m <sup>3</sup> /s)	K-factor			
Farm 76 - Shed 6										
Sample 1	11,072	2,720	46,938	1.70	29.3	61.2	0.7			
Farm 76 - Shed 6										
Sample 2	14,375	2,720	46,938	1.70	29.3	61.2	0.9			
Farm 76 - Shed 6										
Geometric Mean	12,616	2,720	46,938	1.70	29.3	61.2	0.8			
Farm 76 - Shed 7										
Sample 1	11,979	2,720	46,564	1.68	28.8	51.0	0.9			
Farm 76 - Shed 7										
Sample 2	11,979	2,720	46,564	1.68	28.8	51.0	0.9			
Farm 76 - Shed 7										
Geometric Mean	11,979	2,720	46,564	1.68	28.8	51.0	0.9			

## ODOUR EMISSION RATE CALCULATION TABLE Client: Astute Environemental Consulting

Astute Environemental Consulting

Client Contact: Geordie Galvin Site Location: ProTen Narrandera





Site Location:	ProTen, Na	arrandera										_	UNIT
SAMPLE LOCATION	TOU SAMPLE NUMBER	SAMPLING DATE	TIME OF DAY	ODOUR CONCENTRATION (ou)	CIRCULAR DUCT DIAMETER (mm)	CROSS SECTIONAL AREA (m²)	SOURCE GAS VELOCITY (m/s)	SOURCE GAS VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE (m³/s)	DUCT TEMPERATURE (°C)	ATMOSPHERIC PRESSURE (hPa)	VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (m³/s)	ODOUR EMISSION RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (ou.m³/s) RAW	ODOUR EMISSION RATE TO STD. CONDITIONS (ou.m³/s) 2 SIG. FIG.
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 7	SC19144	20/08/19	13:15	181	1250	1.227	8.0	9.83	18.3	1025.0	9.32	1687.165091	1700
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 8				181	1250	1.227	6.7	8.16	17.3	1025.0	7.77	1405.530126	1400
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 9				181	1250	1.227	7.3	9.01	17.4	1025.0	8.57	1550.83287	1600
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 10				181	1250	1.227	6.7	8.19	17.4	1025.0	7.79	1409.271831	1400
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 17				181	1250	1.227	7.0	8.60	17.6	1025.0	8.18	1480.089431	1500
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 18				181	1250	1.227	4.5	5.56	17.7	1025.0	5.28	956.1339067	960
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 19				181	1250	1.227	7.2	8.88	18.8	1025.0	8.41	1522.365131	1500
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 1 Fan 20				181	1250	1.227	5.0	6.19	18.6	1025.0	5.86	1060.494856	1100
Total all fans				181							61.17	11071.88324	11000
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Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 7	SC19145	20/08/19	13:19	235	1250	1.227	8.0	9.83	18.3	1025.0	9.32	2190.518212	2200
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 8				235	1250	1.227	6.7	8.16	17.3	1025.0	7.77	1824.859556	1800
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 9				235	1250	1.227	7.3	9.01	17.4	1025.0	8.57	2013.512289	2000
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 10				235	1250	1.227	6.7	8.19	17.4	1025.0	7.79	1829.717571	1800
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 17				235	1250	1.227	7.0	8.60	17.6	1025.0	8.18	1921.663073	1900
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 18				235	1250	1.227	4.5	5.56	17.7	1025.0	5.28	1241.389326	1200
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 19				235	1250	1.227	7.2	8.88	18.8	1025.0	8.41	1976.551413	2000
Farm 76 Shed 6 Sample 2 Fan 20				235	1250	1.227	5.0	6.19	18.6	1025.0	5.86	1376.885586	1400
Total all fans				235							61.17	14375.09703	14000
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 7	SC19446	20/08/19	13:29	235	1250	1.227	6.6	8.05	18.1	1025.0	7.64	1795.21501	1800
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 8				235	1250	1.227	6.2	7.63	19.1	1025.0	7.22	1696.342974	1700
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 9				235	1250	1.227	6.1	7.44	19.5	1025.0	7.02	1650.44703	1700
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 10				235	1250	1.227	4.6	5.63	19.4	1025.0	5.32	1250.518595	1300
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 17				235	1250	1.227	5.2	6.36	21.1	1025.0	5.97	1403.103061	1400
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 18				235	1250	1.227	3.8	4.61	20.7	1025.0	4.34	1019.855718	1000
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 19				235	1250	1.227	6.8	8.37	20.6	1025.0	7.87	1850,474736	1900
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 1 Fan 20				235	1250	1.227	4.8	5.92	19.5	1025.0	5,59	1312.731796	1300
Total all fans				235							50.97	11978.68892	12000
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Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 7	SC19447	20/08/19	13:34	235	1250	1.227	6.6	8.05	18.1	1025.0	7.64	1795.21501	1800
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 8				235	1250	1.227	6.2	7.63	19.1	1025.0	7.22	1696.342974	1700
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 9				235	1250	1.227	6.1	7.44	19.5	1025.0	7.02	1650.44703	1700
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 10				235	1250	1.227	4.6	5.63	19.4	1025.0	5.32	1250.518595	1300
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 17				235	1250	1.227	5.2	6.36	21.1	1025.0	5.97	1403.103061	1400
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 18				235	1250	1.227	3.8	4.61	20.7	1025.0	4.34	1019.855718	1000
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 19				235	1250	1.227	6.8	8.37	20.6	1025.0	7.87	1850.474736	1900
Farm 76 Shed 7 Sample 2 Fan 20				235	1250	1.227	4.8	5.92	19.5	1025.0	5.59	1312.731796	1300
Total all fans				235						1025.0	50.97	11978.68892	12000

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