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# Vibration Monitoring Report No.2 (8/10/2022 – 30/10/2022) Proposed Residential Unit Development 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford NSW

# **1. INTRODUCTION**

Deicorp Pty Ltd (the Client) engaged El Australia to carry out Vibration Monitoring (VM) for the proposed development at 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford NSW (the site). The purpose of the monitoring is to monitor the vibration induced during construction. Vibration monitoring is undertaken continuously and will be used to guide the earthworks contractor during construction.

EI have completed a Rockfall Mitigation Strategy (RMS) Report for this site, referenced E25639.G15\_Rev4, 11 August 2022, and a Geotechnical Monitoring Plan, referenced E25639.G10\_Rev1, 12 July 2022.

# 2. SCOPE OF WORKS

Five (5) vibration monitors (VM1-7775, VM2-7332, VM3-7341, VM4-7373 and VM5-7773) were installed on 19 August 2022. The vibration measurements were carried out using five (5) unattended vibration monitoring equipment installed following locations shown in **Table 1**. The location of the vibration monitoring geophone is shown on **Figure A**, which is attached at the end of this report.

#### Table 1 – Vibration Monitor Installation Details

Vibration Monitor	Monitor Serial Number	Location
VM1	7775	At south-western site boundary, adjacent to southern end of 91-95 John Whiteway Drive
VM2	7332	At south-western site boundary, adjacent to northern end of 91-95 John Whiteway Drive
VM3	7341	At north-western site boundary, adjacent to southern end of 97-99 John Whiteway Drive
VM4	7373	At northern site boundary, adjacent to western end of 117 John Whiteway Drive
VM5	7773	At northern site boundary, adjacent to eastern end of 117 John Whiteway Drive

All vibration monitors are fitted with SMS alert sent directly to the site supervisor to make the plant operator aware immediately when the vibration limit is exceeded.

# 3. VIBRATION MANAGEMENT LEVELS

In terms of the most recent relevant vibration damage criteria, Australian Standard AS 2187: Part 2-2006 "Explosives - Storage and Use - Part 2: Use of Explosives" recommends the frequency dependent guideline values and assessment methods given in BS 7385 Part 2-1993 "Evaluation and measurement for vibration in buildings Part 2" as they "are applicable to Australian conditions". Based on this information, relevant site vibration control criteria have been recommended and reproduced in **Table 2**.

#### Table 2 - Recommended Site Vibration Control Criteria

Structures	Operator Warning Level	Operator Halt Level
Residential/Commercial Buildings	8 mm/s	10 mm/s

## 4. COMMENTS

Based on the monitoring results, the monitors recorded the following events which exceeded the warning level for the monitoring period between 8 October 2022 and 30 October 2022:

- VM1: 0 out of 15,080 recorded events exceeded the threshold for residential / commercial buildings.
- VM2: 0 out of 13,066 recorded events exceeded the threshold for residential / commercial buildings.
- VM3: No data.
- VM4: 0 out of 15,089 recorded events exceeded the threshold for residential / commercial buildings.
- VM5: 0 out of 12,899 recorded events exceeded the threshold for residential / commercial buildings.

Note that due to technical issues, VM3-7341 did not record vibrations during the reported period. However, considering the low vibrations recorded among other four vibration monitors and its distance away from the excavation, we expect that the vibrations at VM3-7341 locations should not have any exceedance events. The vibration monitor at VM3 location has been replaced by another functional unit at time of issuing this report.

Considering the isolated number of exceedance events compared to the number of recorded events, EI is of the opinion that the exceedance events is not likely to have any adverse impact on the surrounding building structures.

El note that at least one week of background monitoring was completed in this period prior to any commencement of site works. The background vibrations varied from 0.06mm/s to 2.9mm/s.

The vibration monitoring results and event reports are attached at end of the report.

# 5. CLOSURE

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

For and on behalf of, **EI AUSTRALIA** 

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Attachments: Figure A: Vibration Monitor Location Plan Figure 1.1 and 1.2: Vibration Monitor Results for VM1 Figure 2.1 and 2.2: Vibration Monitor Results for VM2 Figure 3.1 and 3.2: Vibration Monitor Results for VM3 (omitted due to no data) Figure 4.1 and 4.2: Vibration Monitor Results for VM4 Figure 5.1 and 5.2: Vibration Monitor Results for VM5 Important Information





- - - Site boundary

---- Proposed basement outline

 $\bigcirc$ Vibration monitor location



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