

AGL UPSTREAM INVESTMENTS PTY LTD Newcastle Gas Storage Facility

Air Monitoring Report

Reporting Period: May 2023

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Foreword

PREMISES

Newcastle Gas Storage Facility
5 Old Punt Road
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LICENCE DETAILS

[Environment Protection Licence 20130](#)

LICENCEE

AGL Upstream Investments Pty Limited (AGL)

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MONITORING DATE

30 and 31 May 2023

MONITORING BY

Ektimo

ANALYSIS BY

Ektimo (Report Number **R014889**)

REPORT DATE

4 August 2023

REPORT PREPARED BY

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Summary of Activity

The Newcastle Gas Storage Facility (NGSF) is located at Tomago, New South Wales.

The NGSF includes:

- A processing plant that converts pipeline natural gas to liquefied natural gas (LNG) by cooling it to -162°C. It is capable of processing up to 66,500 tonnes of LNG per year.
- An insulated, non-pressurised LNG storage tank capable of containing 30,000 tonnes or 63,000 m³ of LNG, equivalent to 1.5 petajoules (PJ) of natural gas, and an associated containment area.
- A re-gasification unit to convert the LNG in the storage tank back into natural gas.
- A flare stack with a height of approximately 15m to combust hydrocarbons discharged from the process.
- A truck loading facility to allow the dispatch of up to 1,000 tankers of LNG per year.
- Infrastructure and utility connection and an emergency access road.

This Monitoring Report relates to those air monitoring activities specified in Part 5, Monitoring and Recording Conditions, of the Environment Protection Licence. The Licence conditions stipulate air monitoring is required to be carried out at the locations, at the frequency and using the test methods as set out in the tables below.

This report is prepared in accordance with the *Requirements for Publishing Pollution Monitoring Data* (EPA, October 2013) (**Publication Requirements**).

AIR MONITORING LOCATIONS

EPA Monitoring Point	Location	Monitoring Frequency
7	Stack associated with the Gas Liquefaction System (H101)	Twice per year
8	Stack associated with the LNG Vaporiser (H501A)	Twice per year*
10	Stack associated with the LNG Vaporiser (H501B)	Twice per year*
11	Stack associated with the LNG Vaporiser (H501C)	Twice per year*

Note: Monitoring is only undertaken when the equipment is operating

*AGL did not carry out monitoring at these points in the reporting period because a licence variation application was submitted to the NSW EPA to amend the monitoring frequency from annually to quinquennially (once every five years). The H501A, B, and C heaters had very low operational hours during the reporting period.

AIR MONITORING TEST METHODS

Parameter	NSW EPA Test Method (Sampling Method)
Carbon dioxide	TM-24
Carbon monoxide	TM-32
Dry gas density	TM-23
Moisture	TM-22
Molecular weight of stack gases	TM-23
Nitrogen Oxides	TM-11
Oxygen (O ₂)	TM-25
Solid Particles	TM-15
Sulfuric acid mist and sulphur trioxide (as SO ₃)	TM-3
Sulphur dioxide	TM-4
Temperature	TM-2
Velocity	TM-2
Volatile organic compounds	OM-2
Volumetric flowrate	TM-2

AIR MONITORING RESULTS

Monitoring Date: 30 May 2023

Monitoring Point	Description	Pollutant	Units of measure	Oxygen correction	Sampling method	Monitoring frequency required by licence	Average Concentration	Concentration limit
7	Stack associated with Gas Liquefaction System (H101)	Carbon dioxide	Percent		TM-24	Twice per year	6.2	Not applicable
		Carbon monoxide	Milligrams per cubic metre	3%	TM-32	Twice per year	43	100
		Dry gas density	Kilograms per cubic metre		TM-23	Twice per year	1.32	Not applicable
		Moisture	Percent		TM-22	Twice per year	11	Not applicable
		Molecular weight of stack gases	Grams per gram mole		TM-23	Twice per year	29.5	Not applicable
		Nitrogen Oxides (as NO ₂ equivalent)	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-11	Twice per year	100	250
		Oxygen (O ₂)	Percent		TM-25	Twice per year	10.3	Not applicable
		Solid Particles	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-15	Twice per year	< 2	5
		Sulfuric acid mist and sulphur trioxide (as SO ₃)	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-3	Twice per year	<0.02	60
		Sulphur dioxide	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-4	Twice per year	< 6	Not applicable
		Temperature	Kelvin		TM-2	Twice per year	538	Not applicable
		Velocity	Metres per second		TM-2	Twice per year	9.4	Not applicable
		Volatile organic compounds	Milligrams per cubic metre	3%	OM-2	Twice per year	0.68	5
Volumetric flowrate (actual)	Cubic metres per second		TM-2	Twice per year	2.7	Not applicable		

Monitoring Date: 31 May 2023

Monitoring Point	Description	Pollutant	Units of measure	Oxygen correction	Sampling method	Monitoring frequency required by licence	Average Concentration	Concentration limit
7	Stack associated with Gas Liquefaction System (H101)	Carbon dioxide	Percent		TM-24	Twice per year	6.0	Not applicable
		Carbon monoxide	Milligrams per cubic metre	3%	TM-32	Twice per year	53	100
		Dry gas density	Kilograms per cubic metre		TM-23	Twice per year	1.32	Not applicable
		Moisture	Percent		TM-22	Twice per year	11	Not applicable
		Molecular weight of stack gases	Grams per gram mole		TM-23	Twice per year	29.5	Not applicable
		Nitrogen Oxides (as NO ₂ equivalent)	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-11	Twice per year	100	250
		Oxygen (O ₂)	Percent		TM-25	Twice per year	10.5	Not applicable
		Solid Particles	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-15	Twice per year	<2	5
		Sulfuric acid mist and sulphur trioxide (as SO ₃)	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-3	Twice per year	<0.02	60
		Sulphur dioxide	Milligrams per cubic metre		TM-4	Twice per year	<6	Not applicable
		Temperature	Kelvin		TM-2	Twice per year	543	Not applicable
		Velocity	Metres per second		TM-2	Twice per year	9.2	Not applicable
		Volatile organic compounds	Milligrams per cubic metre	3%	OM-2	Twice per year	<0.2	5
		Volumetric flowrate (actual)	Cubic metres per second		TM-2	Twice per year	2.7	Not applicable