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New environmental conditions for Bradken foundry

The Environment Protection Authority has made changes to the licence conditions of the Bradken foundry following unacceptable odour emissions and uncertainty around its future.

The company announced in December 2014 that it would begin scaling down its operations and closing down its Kilburn site, as a consequence of escalating operating costs and a downturn in the mining sector.

The EPA now understands that Bradken plans to extend operations beyond the announced closure date and is responding to this.

EPA Executive Director Operations, Andrew Wood said despite a reduction in the workforce and production levels, the company still does not meet emission standards required by the EPA.

“The EPA supports Bradken’s ongoing business viability at the Kilburn foundry but it must satisfy its environmental obligations,” he said.

“The EPA has a responsibility to ensure the community which is in close proximity to the foundry, is protected from environmental harm.”

Mr Wood said the ongoing uncertainty surrounding Bradken’s operations and unacceptable odour emissions from the site, has led the EPA to amend the company’s licence conditions for odour emission compliance by 27 February 2017.

“The company is now on notice and must meet the EPA’s odour emission requirements for it to continue to operate at the Kilburn site,” Mr Wood said.

“The EPA will continue to monitor the foundry on Cromwell Rd at Kilburn and take appropriate action to minimise odour impacts.”

A copy of the new licence is available on the [EPA website](#).

Local residents have been notified of the new licence conditions and encouraged to report any odour complaints or other issues relating to the Kilburn foundry, to the EPA through the Pollution Hotline on 8204 2004.

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