



Port of Townsville Limited

Drinking Water Quality Management Plan

Annual Report 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

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1. INTRODUCTION

This annual report documents the performance of Port of Townsville Limited's (Port) drinking water service with respect to water quality and performance in implementing the actions detailed in its drinking water quality management plan (DWQMP v5.1 dated 2 Feb 2023) as required under section 142 of *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008* (the Act). Port has been registered as a service provider under the *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008* (the Act) since 19 January 2015.

The report has been prepared in accordance with the *Guideline for the preparation, review and audit of drinking water quality management plans* by the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (DRDMW), which provides a mechanism for providers to report publicly on their performance in managing drinking water quality.

2. OVERVIEW OF OPERATIONS

Port is responsible for its on-site potable water distribution network within the Port of Townsville, namely the Port Water Distribution Scheme, which includes Port owned and maintained potable water distribution mains across Port owned lands. This distribution scheme only services Port owned buildings, Port leased lands and Port berths for visiting ship connection.

The Port Water Distribution Scheme draws its drinking water supply from Townsville City Council's (TCC) reticulated supply through three metered supply points. Port does not store or have the capacity to treat potable water. Port has no influence over the quality of water distributed through its scheme and has no opportunity to treat water distributed through its scheme. Port relies solely on the municipal potable water supplier in providing potable water that meets all necessary standards, and no recycled water or alternate potable water sources are distributed by Port within the Port of Townsville. The management of water quality, until it is supplied to Port of Townsville, is the responsibility of TCC. On a monthly basis, Port requests from TCC, and is supplied with a summary Certificate of Analysis on the potable water quality at the nearest reservoir to the Port to confirm compliance with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG). Port is committed to ensuring that the water scheme is managed so that the supply does not constitute a hazard to employees or the public.

Table 1 details the water source, treatment processes, disinfection processes and other infrastructure of the scheme along with the context of the supply in terms of current population and demand.

Table 1: Infrastructure Details

| Component | | Details |
|--|---|---|
| Name of Scheme | | Port Water Distribution Scheme |
| Operator | | Port of Townsville Limited |
| Sources | Name | Townsville City Council Municipal Water Supply |
| | Type | Treated Water Supply |
| | % of supply | 100% |
| Sourcing Infrastructure | Type (pumped/gravity/equipped bore/etc.) | Supply Mains |
| | Description | The Port Water Distribution Scheme is supplied by three water mains from the TCC Municipal Water Supply. One 200mm pipeline services the Western area of the port and a second 300 mm pipeline services the Eastern area of the port. The third water pipeline is approximately 100mm and services an outdoor area. |
| Are there any sources that do not undergo treatment prior to supply? | | No |
| Treatment Plant | Not applicable. The Port Water Distribution Scheme has no treatment plants. All treatment is performed by the TCC Municipal Water Supply prior to water entering the Port Water Distribution Scheme. | |
| Are there any sources that do not undergo disinfection prior to supply? | | No |
| Disinfection | Not applicable. The Port Water Distribution Scheme has no disinfection processes. All disinfection is performed by the TCC Municipal Water Supply prior to water entering the Port Water Distribution Scheme. | |
| Distribution and Reticulation Scheme | Pipe material | Ductile Iron/Polyethylene, PVC, copper, galvanized and stainless steel. |
| | Age range | 15~ 50 years |
| | Approximate percentage % of total length | 60% @ 50 year 40% @ 15 year |
| | Areas where potential long detention periods could be expected | N/A |
| | Areas where low water pressure (example < 12 m) could be expected during peak or other demand periods) | N/A |
| | Communities served | Port of Townsville Workplaces, Tenants and Port Users |
| | Population served | approx. 900 |
| | Connections | 106 |
| | Demand | approx. 550 kL/d |
| Reservoirs | Not applicable. The Port Water Distribution Scheme has no reservoirs. All water storage is performed by the TCC Municipal Water Supply prior to water entering the Port Water Distribution Scheme. | |
| Water Quality Responsibility Changes | Upstream location | Townsville City Council – bulk supplier |
| | Downstream location | None |

3. COMPLIANCE WITH WATER QUALITY CRITERIA FOR DRINKING WATER

Tables 5, 6 and 7 attached to this report provide a summary of the results of the operational and verification monitoring programs for the Port Water Distribution Scheme. Both monitoring programs were carried out as per the specifications stated in the DWQMP.

The results from the operational and verification monitoring programs have been compared against water quality criteria specified by the Regulator in the *Water Quality and Reporting Guideline for a Drinking Water Service*. This includes the health guideline values in the most current Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG), as well as the standards in the *Public Health Regulation 2018*.

The water quality results met the recommended values in the *E. coli* and fluoride standards and health guidelines in the ADWG.

It should be noted that the laboratory limit of reporting (LOR) for Selenium is the same as the guideline limit.

3.1 Appropriateness of Operational Monitoring Program

Port does not store or treat water in its Water Distribution Scheme. The only operational parameter under Port's control is residence time of water in its distribution scheme. Long residence times in the Port scheme can potentially result in low disinfectant residuals, microbial growth or regrowth and high concentrations of contaminants due to leaching or corrosion of system materials. Residual chlorine remains a useful measure of the potential for microbial growth and residence time of water in a system.

In the DWQMP Operational Limits for Residual Chlorine are assigned as between 0.2 to 0.5 mg/L. During 2023/24 there were three results recorded at PW06 (Port Tower, Level 2) below 0.2 mg/L for an operational monitoring site (July 2023, August 2023, and January 2024). The residual chlorine was recorded at the 2-minute flush time and again at the 15-minute time. At the 15-minute flush time improvement in residual chlorine was observed on 2 out of 3 occasions. This site, (PW06) is a known low demand area (as denoted in the DWQMP) and at the time of sampling was not being utilised on a regular basis. These low readings of residual chlorine have prompted further investigations to determine if flushing or additional dosing from the municipal supplier is required for this location.

3.2 Appropriateness of Verification Monitoring Program

All parameters tested as part of the verification monitoring program met the ADWG. Port will continue to review the scope of testing and/or the frequency of testing for particular parameters as continual improvement and knowledge of risks improve through monitoring and understanding of the Port water distribution scheme.

Port has monitored Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons, (PAHs) since 2016 and the results during this period remain below the LOR. However, it is noted that only one PAH parameter, (Benzo(a)pyrene) has applicable drinking water guidelines. Previous testing was undertaken with the standard level analysis LOR for Benzo(a)pyrene (2 µg/L), which is higher than the guideline limit (0.01 µg/L). In 2018/19 Port identified a low-level laboratory test able to undertake analysis with a lower LOR (0.005 µg/L) which enabled comparison to the guideline limit of 0.01 µg/L. Port has undertaken this low-level analysis since the 2019/20 period which showed that Benzo(a)pyrene was not present to this low concentration. Port will continue to test PAH using this low-level laboratory test then review whether to retain PAH analysis or not in the verification program in the next review of the DWQMP.

Annual monitoring was conducted in May 2024 at Berths 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, and 10 for water that is provided to vessels. This sampling occurred directly from the outlet and then from the hose (attached to the outlet) following a short period of flushing. The results from the outlets and hoses met the ADWG guidelines for all parameters analyzed, including total metals, fluoride, nitrite, nitrate and *E-coli*.

The ADWG (amended August 2018) now includes health guidance values for PFOS (0.07 µg/L) and PFOA (0.56 µg/L). Port undertook PFAS sampling in November 2018 at the Operational monitoring sites under the DWQMP. Results showed for standard and TOPA analysis, that PFOS and PFOA was not detectable at any site. The results indicate that PFOS/PFOA is not present in the incoming water from TCC. As such, no PFAS testing was conducted in 2023/24 and no further testing of PFAS is proposed at this time.

3.3 Risk Management Improvement Program (RMIP)

Table 2 details the status of the improvement actions as detailed in the DWQMP.

Table 2: Risk management improvement program implementation status (As per the DWQMP v6 11/11/2024)

| Action | Component | Improvement Actions | Target Date | Actions taken to date/status | Responsible officer /position | Complete |
|--------|--|---|---------------|--|--|------------------------|
| 7 | Drinking water supply to vessels | Upgrade backflow protection devices at key connection points on berths to ensure contaminants and pathogens are not introduced to distribution scheme. | 30/03/2023 | All water carts on berths have backflow devices installed and are available for use. | Manager Assets and Maintenance | Complete 08/11/2024 |
| 13 | Develop a common understanding between TCC & the Port on drinking water infrastructure | A recommendation from the 2020 DWQMP audit recognised the complex nature of infrastructure on Port land and suggested a specific agreement with TCC and the Port to clearly identify asset ownership where responsibility is shared and/or transferred. | October 2025 | Port and TCC are working towards documenting the drinking water infrastructure on Port land to mitigate this risk. | Manager Assets and Maintenance Manager Climate & Environment | Ongoing |
| 14 | GIS schematics for drinking water assets | An opportunity for improvement highlighted in the 2024 DWQMP audit; continue to update GIS schematics with additional attribute data (e.g. pipe data) so that it can be easily queried if necessary | December 2026 | Planning for GIS work in progress. GIS data updates to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Manager Assets & Maintenance Engineer GIS Officer | Ongoing |
| 15 | Review hazard identification and risk assessment | An opportunity for improvement highlighted in the 2024 DWQMP audit; consider clearly identifying other piped networks at the Port to mitigate potential cross connection risks | December 2025 | Planning for this work has commenced, with further mapping of further piped networks to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Assets Maintenance Planner | Ongoing |

| Action | Component | Improvement Actions | Target Date | Actions taken to date/status | Responsible officer /position | Complete |
|--------|-----------------|--|-------------|--|---|----------|
| 16 | Risk Management | A recommendation from the 2024 DWQMP audit; consider developing a mains repair procedure including disinfection as well as improvements to storage of pipes and fittings | June 2025 | Resource planning for this work has commenced and work to develop this procedure to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Assets Maintenance planner Manager Assets and Maintenance | Ongoing |

* As specified in DWQMP v6 dated 11/11/2024

3.4 Incidents and complaints

No reportable incidents that affected water supply occurred in 2023/24.

No complaints were received about potable water during 2023/24.

4. DWQMP REVIEW

A review of the DWQMP v5.1 was undertaken in September 2024 which incorporated findings from the June 2024 audit (refer section 5 DWQMP Audit). The review identified several changes which were made to the DWQMP and submitted to DRDMW (DWQMP revision 6) in November 2024.

Table 3: DWQMP review outcomes (Review date: 30/09/2024, status of actions as of 11/11/2024)

| Review component | Findings | Outcomes | Status of actions | Responsible officer/ position |
|-------------------------------|---|--|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2. Registered Service Details | Service providers contact details outdated | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Update providers contact details | Completed | Environmental Advisor |
| 2. Registered Service Details | Review population size served, number of connections, demand data and 10-year projections | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Update population size served, number of connections, demand data and 10-year projection in table 1 of DWQMP if necessary. | Completed | Environmental Advisor |
| | Clarify and make infrastructure details consistent regarding the number of connections from TCC (page 12 - text at top says 3 supply mains, Table 2 says 2 supply mains). | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – update table 2 DWQMP to reflect 3 supply mains | Completed | Environmental Advisor |

| Review component | Findings | Outcomes | Status of actions | Responsible officer/ position |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| 3. Infrastructure Providing the Service | 2024 Audit Non-conformance – Pressure and flow monitoring is no longer undertaken as per the Operational Monitoring program in the approved DWQMP. | Amend Table 8 of DWQMP to reflect current pressure and flow monitoring status of the system, (as per the recommendation from the 2024 audit) | Completed | Environmental Advisor |
| | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit, Port will consider replacing the flow and pressure monitoring devices at the TCC connections by obtaining quotes and projected costs to replace real time pressure monitoring devices then completing a cost vs risk vs benefit analysis. | Planning for this work has commenced. A review and risk assessment of pressure and flow monitoring to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor + Assets Maintenance Planner Risk assessment to be reviewed by Manager Climate & Environment, Environmental Operations Lead and Manager Assets & Maintenance & |
| 4. Hazards Identification | There have been some personnel and title changes of positions listed in Table 4 of the DWQMP, however, responsibilities essentially remain unchanged. | Update personnel / position titles | Completed | Environmental Advisor |
| | Additional monitoring to assist in hazard identification | As per the 2024 audit recommendation – Add BTEX/TPH into verification sampling. Update work instruction and field parameters to include visual / odour / taste contamination in the operational monitoring | Review has been completed. Additional parameters will be added to verification monitoring from 2025. Work instructions have been updated to reflect this change. | Environmental Advisor |
| | Continue to update GIS so that pipe attribute data (e.g. age, diameter, material) is easily queried if necessary. | As per the 2024 audit recommendation – continue to update POTL GIS with pipe attribute data | Planning for GIS work in progress. GIS data updates to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Manager Assets & Maintenance GIS Officer Engineer |
| | There are other piped systems on site which could be considered in the risk assessment with potential for cross contamination | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – At the next risk review, consider more clearly identifying other piped systems as cross connection risks and refer to the control measures that exist in those other systems, not just the measures that exist in the drinking water network (pressure and backflow prevention). | Planning for this work has commenced, with further mapping of other piped networks to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Assets Maintenance Planner |

| Review component | Findings | Outcomes | Status of actions | Responsible officer/ position |
|--|---|--|--|---|
| 6.2 Operation and maintenance procedures | There is no formal document describing repair, installation and disinfection of mains, the Maintenance Planner OFI/ Scheduler verbally described the process of super chlorination and achieving disinfectant contact time, and clearly understood the process well. Spare pipes and fittings were stored on site, but storage conditions could be improved | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider developing a mains repair procedure including disinfection (including when required and how undertaken) | Resource planning for this work has commenced and work to develop this procedure to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Assets Maintenance Planner |
| | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider developing a plan for hygienic storage of spares | Resource planning for this work has commenced and target date of June 2025 has been set | Manager Assets & Maintenance Assets Maintenance Planner |
| | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider Implementing a plan for hygienic storage of spares | Resource planning for this work has commenced and a target date of June 2026 has been set. | Manager Assets & Maintenance Assets Maintenance Planner |
| | 2020 Audit - A specific agreement to be put in place between Port and TCC to identify asset ownership and where responsibility is shared and/or transferred. | This action was incorporated into the RMIP in the 2020 review. The Port and TCC have been negotiating an agreement on asset ownership and maintenance responsibility. Port and TCC are continuing discussions to clarify meter location ownership and maintenance responsibility to establish an agreement. | In progress – RMIP# 13 development of a Port/TCC specific agreement. | Manager Climate & Environment Environmental Operations Lead Environmental Advisor |
| 6.4 Risk Management Improvement Program (RMIP) | 2024 Audit Non-Conformance – The due dates for actions in the RMIP were not met. | Table 12 to be updated to reflect new timeframes and status for RMIP actions in the updated DWQMP. | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| 6.4 Risk Management Improvement Program (RMIP) | RMIP actions are in progress and the DWQMP needs to be updated as noted in 6.4(a). | Table 12 to be updated to reflect new timeframes and status for RMIP actions in the updated DWQMP. | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| 7. Operational and Verification Monitoring Programs Other | Consider monitoring for additional parameters | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Review and incorporate additional parameters if required | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| | The verification monitoring program was not fully implemented in 2022 and 2023, with some samples missed. The missed samples were not reported as an event to DRDMW. | POTL has implemented a procedure whereby its environmental advisors manually review the data to ensure that all samples have been taken in accordance with the program under the DWQMP. | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| Appendix One - Data | Review / Update the appendix data | Update appendix of DWQMP with most recent data from upstream provider (TCC). | Complete | Environmental Advisor |

5. DWQMP AUDIT FINDINGS

An audit of Port's DWQMP was undertaken on 20 June 2024 through engagement of Bligh Tanner who are Exemplar Global Drinking Water-Quality Management System certified auditors. The audit was completed in accordance with Section 108 of the *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008* (Qld) to:

1. verify whether the monitoring and performance data given to the regulator under the plan is accurate,
2. assess the provider's compliance with the plan and the conditions, and
3. assess the plan's relevance to the water service

The auditor submitted the report to the regulator on 26 June 2024. Findings from the audit have been incorporated as revisions to the DWQMP and submitted to DRDMW with the DWQMP (revision 6) on the 11/11/2024.

A summary of the auditor's findings include:

- Overall, the DWQMP is relevant to the Ports drinking water service
- Samples of the verification monitoring dataset provided were cross referenced against the DWQMP annual reports. Data matched in all cases.
- Employee training, awareness, and appropriate staff licences and certifications meet requirements.
- Development of a formal Drinking Water Quality Policy could be considered, however may be of little practical use given the nature of the scheme.
- Port of Townsville maintains its third-party certification for their ISO9001 quality management system as stated in the DWQMP.
- There was no evidence sighted of any failures of water quality criteria, or other incidents that may have represented a public health concern.
- Three non-conformances as requirement of the DWQMP, Act or Guideline was not being met

The next audit is due in June 2028.

A summary of the non-conformances, recommendations and/or opportunities for improvement (OFI) from the 2024 audit with action status can be found in Table 4.

Table 4: DWQMP audit summary of findings and status (Audit Date: 20/06/2024, status of actions as of 11/11/2024)

| Item | Recommendation or OFI | Action | Status of actions | Responsible Person |
|--|-----------------------|--|--|-----------------------|
| Pressure and flow monitoring is no longer undertaken as per the Operational Monitoring program in the approved DWQMP. | Non-Conformance | Amend Table 8 of DWQMP to reflect current pressure and flow monitoring status of the system, (as per the recommendation from the 2024 audit) | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit, Port will consider replacing the flow and pressure monitoring devices at the TCC connections by obtaining quotes and projected costs to replace real time pressure monitoring devices then completing a cost vs risk vs benefit analysis. | Planning for this work has commenced. A review and risk assessment of pressure and flow monitoring to commence in 2025 | |
| The due dates for actions in the RMIP were not met. | Non-Conformance | Table 12 to be updated to reflect new timeframes and status for RMIP actions in the updated DWQMP. | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| The verification monitoring program was not fully implemented in 2022 and 2023, with some samples missed. The missed samples were not reported as an event to DRDMW. | Non-Conformance | <p>Implement a schedule and planner program to ensure the staff responsible are aware of the timing requirements for the undertaking of sampling</p> <p>Update work instructions to provide that if a site is unable to be sampled in accordance with the program</p> <p>Regular refresher training, to ensure that all relevant staff are familiar with the work instructions and any updates that may have occurred as part of POTL's periodic reviews of those work instructions</p> <p>Implement a procedure whereby its environmental advisors manually review the data recorded in Envirosys to ensure that all samples have been taken in accordance with the program under the DWQMP</p> | Complete | Environmental Advisor |

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|--|-----|--|--|---|
| Review number of connections, population size served and demand data including 10-year projections | OFI | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Update number of connections, population size served and demand data including 10-year projection in table 1 of DWQMP if necessary. | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| Service providers contact details are outdated in the DWQMP | OFI | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Update providers contact details in the DWQMP | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| Clarify and make infrastructure details consistent regarding the number of connections from TCC (page 12 - text at top says 3 supply mains, Table 2 says 2 supply mains). | OFI | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – update table 2 DWQMP to reflect 3 supply mains | Complete | Environmental Advisor |
| Continue to update GIS so that pipe attribute data (e.g. age, diameter, material) is easily queried if necessary. | OFI | As per the 2024 audit recommendation – continue to update POTL GIS with pipe attribute data | Planning for GIS work in progress. GIS data updates to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Manager Maintenance Engineer GIS Officer |
| There are other piped systems on site which could be considered in the risk assessment with potential for cross contamination | OFI | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – At the next risk review, consider more clearly identifying other piped systems as cross connection risks and refer to the control measures that exist in those other systems, not just the measures that exist in the drinking water network (pressure and backflow prevention). | Planning for this work has commenced, with further mapping of further piped networks to commence in 2025 | Environmental Advisor Assets Maintenance Planner |
| There is no formal document describing repair, installation and disinfection of mains, the Maintenance Planner OFI/ Scheduler verbally described the process of super chlorination and achieving disinfectant contact time, and clearly understood the process well. | OFI | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider developing a mains repair procedure including disinfection (including when required and how undertaken) | Resource planning for this work has commenced and target date of June 2025 has been set | Environmental Advisor |

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|--|-----|---|--|---|
| Spare pipes and fittings were stored on site, but storage conditions could be improved | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider developing a plan for hygienic storage of spares | Resource planning for this work has commenced and target date of June 2025 has been set | Asset planner maintenance Assets Maintenance Manager |
| | | As per the recommendation from the 2024 audit – Consider Implementing a plan for hygienic storage of spares | Resource planning for this work has commenced and a target date of June 2026 has been set. | |
| Additional monitoring to assist in hazard identification | OFI | As per the 2024 audit recommendation – Add BTEX/TPH into verification sampling. Update work instruction and field parameters to include visual / odour / taste contamination in the operational monitoring | Review has been completed. Additional parameters will be added to verification monitoring from 2025. Work instructions have been updated to reflect this change. | Environmental Advisor |
| Relevance of the DWQMP: are reporting details relevant? Section 6.5.4 of the DWQMP refers to an external reporting requirement within 30 business days after 30 June each year, which is understood to be related to service provider registration details review. There is also mention of the requirement to report all drinking water quality monitoring result on a yearly basis. | OFI | As per the 2024 audit recommendation - Consider referencing the "Guideline for the preparation, review and audit of drinking water quality management plans" in section 6.5.4 of the DWQMP. Section 9 of the Guideline provides the requirements for the annual DWQMP reports and may be of benefit to staff less familiar with the reporting requirements | Complete | Environmental Advisor |

Table 5: Operational Program Monitoring Results 2023-24 (as per Table 13 DWQMP v6)

| Scheme Name | | Port Water Distribution Scheme | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|------|------|----------------|-----------------|
| Scheme Component | | Distribution | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Residual Chlorine | mg/L | 0.02 | monthly | 48 | 48 | - | N/A | 0.03 | 1.41 | 0.77 | Field test |

Table 7: Verification Program Monitoring Results 6 monthly 2023-24 (as per table 14 DWQMP v6)

| Scheme Name | | Port Water Distribution Scheme | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------|---------|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|-------|------|----------------|-----------------|
| Scheme Component | | Distribution | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| pH | pH unit | 0.01 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 7.46 | 7.82 | 7.55 | ALS |
| Turbidity | NTU | 0.1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.10 | 0.6 | 0.2 | ALS |
| Fluoride | mg/L | 0.1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 1.5 | 0 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.5 | ALS |
| Sulphate | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 1.0 | 2.0 | 1.1 | ALS |
| Chloride | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 23.0 | 28.0 | 24.6 | ALS |
| Calcium | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 8 | 13 | 9.8 | ALS |
| Magnesium | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 3 | 4 | 3.2 | ALS |
| Potassium | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 3 | 4 | 3.1 | ALS |

| Scheme Name | Port Water Distribution Scheme | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|---------|---------|----------------|-----------------|
| | Distribution | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Sodium | mg/L | 1 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 19.0 | 28.0 | 21.3 | ALS |
| Nitrite | mg/L | 0.01 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 3 | 0 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | ALS |
| Nitrate | mg/L | 0.01 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 50 | 0 | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.03 | ALS |
| Aluminium (Total) | mg/L | 0.01 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | 0.02 | 0.11 | 0.04 | ALS |
| Antimony (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.003 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Arsenic (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.01 | 0 | <0.001 | 0.001 | 0.001 | ALS |
| Barium (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 0.035 | 0.045 | 0.039 | ALS |
| Boron (Total) | mg/L | 0.05 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 4 | 0 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | ALS |
| Cadmium (Total) | mg/L | 0.0001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.002 | 0 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 | ALS |

| Scheme Name | Port Water Distribution Scheme | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|--|---|---|--------|--------|----------------|-----------------|
| | Distribution | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Chromium (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.05 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Copper (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 2 | 0 | 0.001 | 0.073 | 0.017 | ALS |
| Iron (Total) | mg/L | 0.05 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | ALS |
| Lead (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.01 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Manganese (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.5 | 0 | <0.001 | 0.002 | 0.0015 | ALS |
| Molybdenum (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.05 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Nickel (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.02 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Selenium (Total) | mg/L | 0.01 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.01 | 0 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | ALS |
| Silver (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.1 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |

| Scheme Name | Port Water Distribution Scheme | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Distribution | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Uranium (Total) | mg/L | 0.001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.017 | 0 | <0.001 | <0.001 | <0.001 | ALS |
| Zinc (Total) | mg/L | 0.005 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.005 | 0.014 | 0.008 | ALS |
| Mercury (Total) | mg/L | 0.0001 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.001 | 0 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 | <0.0001 | ALS |
| Acenaphthene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Acenaphthylene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Anthracene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Benz(a)anthracene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Benzo(a)pyrene | µg/L | 0.005 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 0.01 µg/L* | 0 | <0.005 | <0.005 | <0.005 | ALS |
| Benzo(a)pyrene TEQ (zero) | µg/L | 0.005 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.005 | <0.005 | <0.005 | ALS |

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| | Distribution | | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Benzo(b+j) & Benzo(k)fluoranthene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Benzo(g,h,i)perylene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Chrysene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Dibenz(a,h)anthracene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Fluoranthene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Fluorene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Indeno(1,2,3,cd)pyrene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Naphthalene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 70µg/L* | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Phenanthrene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 150µg/L* | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |

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| Scheme Component | | Distribution | | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter | Units | Limit of reporting | Frequency of sampling | No. samples required to be collected per annum (as per approved DWQMP) | Total No. samples collected and tested | Water Quality criteria (ADWG health guideline mg/L) | No. of samples exceeding water quality criteria | Min | Max | Average (Mean) | Laboratory name |
| Pyrene | µg/L | 0.02 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | 150µg/L* | N/A | <0.02 | <0.02 | <0.02 | ALS |
| Sum of polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons | µg/L | 0.005 | six-monthly /annually | 12 | 20 | - | N/A | <0.005 | 0.15 | <0.005 | ALS |

Guideline values expressed in mg/L unless otherwise indicated

“ – “ indicates that no guideline value is specified

* Supplementary Guideline value referenced: Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling: Augmentation of Drinking Water Supplies, 2008

6. ACRONYMS AND GLOSSARY

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| ADWG | Australian Drinking Water Guidelines |
| ALS | Australian Laboratory Services |
| CFU/100ml | Colony forming units per 100 millilitres |
| DNRME | Department of National Resources, Mines and Energy |
| <i>E. coli</i> | <i>Escherichia coli</i> , a bacterium which is considered to indicate the presence of faecal contamination and therefore potential health risk |
| LOR | Limit of Reporting |
| mg/L | Milligrams per litre |
| NTU | Nephelometric Turbidity Units |
| org/100ml | Organisms per 100 millilitres |
| Port | Port of Townsville Limited |
| TCC | Townsville City Council |
| µg/L | Micrograms per litre |
| < | Less than |