

## **MINERALS PERMIT PROCESSING PERFORMANCE REPORT**

### **FOURTH QUARTER (OCTOBER – DECEMBER) 2017**

Welcome to the fourth quarterly Processing Performance Report for 2017.

In this quarter 72 per cent of accepted applications were decided on within our targeted timeframes. A total of 125 applications were carried over from the third quarter (compared to 152 in Q3), with the Minerals team receiving 74 new applications (108 in Q3). We carried over 102 applications to the first quarter of 2018 (124 in Q3), and a further 18 applications were rejected or withdrawn (26 in Q3).

Processing performance for the fourth quarter was up on the previous quarter (66 per cent), but below our target of having 80 per cent of applications completed within our target timeframes. This was due in part to the work required to complete the transfers related to the Solid Energy asset sale, and a number of complex applications.

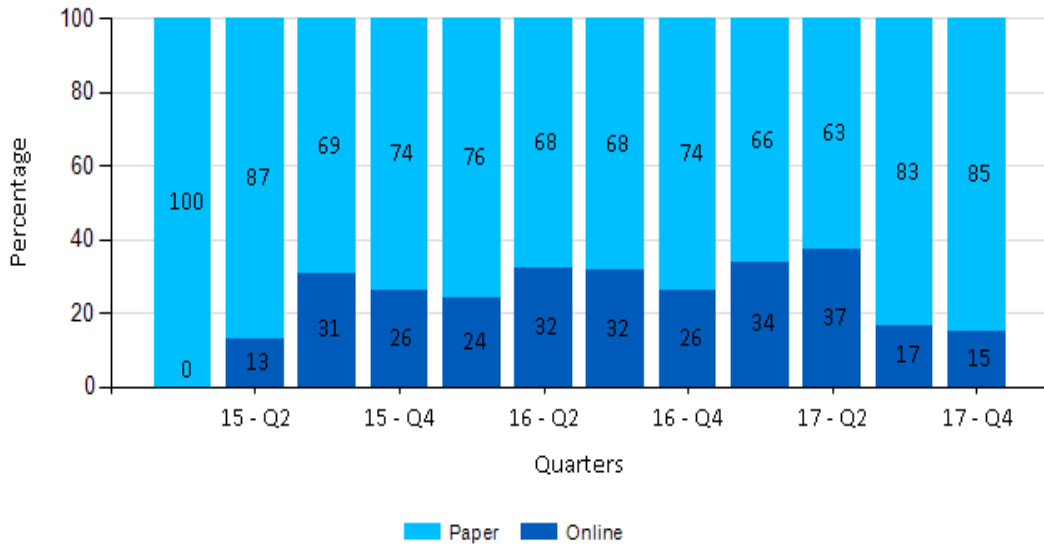
Over the past two years, we have focussed on improving our internal processes, raising the quality of the applications we receive by providing guidance to applicants, and setting minimum quality standards. For a full list of the guidance we have produced, please go to our [website](#).

We will continue to provide transparency by reporting our permitting timelines. Feedback on the usefulness of this report is welcomed.

#### **Online Permitting System**

Since the Online Permitting System (OPS) went live in March 2015 we have received nearly 300 applications online. This equates to a quarter of all applications. We continue to encourage applicants to use OPS to apply for and manage their permits online, including submitting upcoming ASRs. NZP&M aims to conduct the majority of our business online in future.

### Minerals Permit & Change Applications (Online%)



### Upcoming workshop

To further support our applicants to submit quality applications, we are hosting a workshop on NZP&M's functions and permitting requirements on **Wednesday, 14 February 2018** at the West Coast Regional Council offices in Greymouth from 10am to 12pm. To register your attendance at the workshop please contact Cassidy Rae at the West Coast Regional Council on 03 744 7313 or [cassidyr@wrc.govt.nz](mailto:cassidyr@wrc.govt.nz)



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Application types	Applications carried over from previous quarter	New applications received this quarter	Applications rejected or withdrawn	Accepted applications approved or declined	Total resolved applications	Applications carried over to next quarter	Timeline target (business days)	% decision made on accepted applications within timeline target *
All hobby permit applications	5	2	1	3	4	3	60	100%
New Permit applications	58	21	8	28	36	43		57%
Prospecting Permits	5	2	1	3	4	3	80	100%
Tier 1 Exploration Permits	3	1	0	0	0	4	80	N/A
Tier 2 Exploration Permits	22	9	3	14	17	14	80	29%
Tier 1 Mining Permits	2	0	0	1	1	1	120	0%
Tier 2 Mining Permits	26	9	4	10	14	21	120	90%
Change applications	62	51	9	48	57	56		79%
Change of Conditions	9	1	2	3	5	5	60	67%
Transfers, Change of Operator & Consent to dealings	11	9	3	10	13	7	40	70%
Notification of Change of Control	0	3	0	0	0	3	40	N/A
Extension of Duration to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	3	4	2	3	5	2	60	100%
Change of Minerals to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	N/A
Extension of Land to a Prospecting or Exploration Permit	5	2	0	2	2	5	60	100%
Extension of Duration for Appraisal to an Exploration Permit	2	1	0	0	0	3	120	N/A
Extension of Duration to a Mining Permit	8	3	1	1	2	9	120	0%
Extension of Land to a Mining Permit	15	5	0	8	8	12	120	63%
Change of Minerals to a Mining Permit	0	0	0	0	0	0	120	N/A
Partial Surrenders	5	4	0	5	5	4	20	100%
Full Surrenders	4	19	1	16	17	6	10	88%
<b>Totals</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>102</b>		<b>72%</b>

\* "N/A" means no applications were finalised in the quarter; 0% means that none of the applications finalised met the timeline target.