ECA - Environmental Compliance Approval	vs.	EASR - Environmental Activity and Sector Registry
Formal application submitted to MECP; may take months or a year for approval	Approval Process	Online registration with Licenced Engineering Practitioner (LEL)-prepared documents; approval is immediate
MECP conducts detailed overview	Regulatory Oversight	MECP reviews only when needed
Annual reporting to MECP	Reporting Requirements	Update every 10 years or when changes occur
No expiry; some expire in 5 to 10 years	Approval Duration	No expiry; update every 10 years or when changes occur
Fees depend on emission sources	Fees	No fees, as of June 2025
Less flexible; amendments often required	Flexibility	More flexible within regulation limits
ESDM Report required	Contaminant Emissions Assessment	ESDM Report required
Primary and Secondary Noise Screening Reports and Acoustic Assessment Report required	Noise Assessment	Generally, the same requirements as an ECA
For more complex operations with higher environmental and health impacts	Operational Complexity	For simpler operations with lower environmental and health impacts