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WESTERN AUSTRALIA
MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

STATEMENT THAT A PROPOSAL MAY BE IMPLEMENTED (PURSUANT TO THE
PROVISIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986)

MINING DIATOMACEOUS EARTH AT LAKE GNANGARA, WANNEROO

This proposal may be implemented subject to the following conditions:

1. In implementing the proposal, the proponent shall fulfil the commitments (which are not inconsistent with the conditions or procedures contained in this statement) made, and published as Appendix 1 of Environmental Protection Authority Bulletin No 438. (A copy of the commitments is attached).
2. Subject to these conditions, the manner of detailed implementation of the proposal shall conform in substance with that set out in any designs, specifications, plans or other technical material submitted by the proponent to the Environmental Protection Authority with the proposal. Where, in the course of that detailed implementation, the proponent seeks to change those designs, specifications, plans or other technical material in any way that the Minister for the Environment determines on the advice of the Environmental Protection Authority, is not substantial, those changes may be effected.
3. Prior to commencement of mining operations the proponent shall prepare and subsequently implement a water quality monitoring programme to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority on the advice of the Water Authority of Western Australia and the Department of Mines.
4. The proponent shall not undertake mining activity within 10 metres of the existing fringing vegetation of the lake without the approval of the Environmental Protection Authority on advice from the Department of Mines.
5. The proponent shall be responsible for decommissioning, removal of any plant and installations and rehabilitating the site and its environs to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority.
6. At least 12 months prior to completion of the mining operation, the proponent shall prepare and subsequently implement a decommissioning and rehabilitation plan to the satisfaction of the Environmental Protection Authority on advice from the Department of Mines and the City of Wanneroo.

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7. No transfer of ownership, control or management of the project which would give rise to a need for the replacement of the proponent shall take place until the Minister for the Environment has advised the proponent that approval has been given for the nomination of a replacement proponent. Any request for the exercise of that power of the Minister shall be accompanied by a copy of this statement endorsed with an undertaking by the proposed replacement proponent to carry out the project in accordance with the conditions and procedures set out in the statement.

8. If the proponent has not substantially commenced the project within five years of the date of this statement, then the approval to implement the proposal as granted in this statement shall lapse and be void. The Minister for the Environment shall determine any question as to whether the project has been substantially commenced. Any application to extend the period of five years referred to in this condition shall be made before the expiration of that period, to the Minister for the Environment by way of a request for a change in the condition under Section 46 of the Environmental Protection Act. (On expiration of the five year period, further consideration of the proposal can only occur following a new referral to the Environmental Protection Authority).

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MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

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Environmental management commitments

The Company is committed to:

1. Complying with the provisions of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.
2. Keeping all surface excavations and disturbances in a safe condition.
3. Taking no action which would adversely affect the water table.
4. Preserving the public rights of ingress to and egress from Recreational Reserve 27279, and the mining to be organised in such a manner as not to cause undue interference with the seasonal recreation and use of the lake.
5. Mining of the lake bed being conducted in an orderly and systematic manner.
6. Supplying water samples as dictated by the State Mining Engineer in pre-determined times and places.
7. Keeping all mining equipment and machinery in good operative and non-polluting condition.
8. Not processing mined material on site.
9. Controlling noise levels to conform with regulations of the Noise Abatement Regulations 1974.
10. Suspending mining activities if it is considered by the Director General of Mines to be having a detrimental effect upon the natural water characteristics.
11. Adequately marking or providing signs to ensure that the public is aware of activities, plant, equipment or hazards.
12. Allowing the officers of the Water Authority of WA to construct wells, bores, pipelines and appurtenant works within the boundaries of the lease without claim or compensation.
13. Complying with the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914 as amended.
14. Such further conditions as the Minister for Mines may impose.