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

WELD RANGE IRON ORE PROJECT, 85 KILOMETRES SOUTH WEST OF
MEEKATHARRA AND 60 KILOMETRES NORTH WEST OF CUE IN THE MIDWEST
REGION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Proposal: The proposal is to construct and operate an iron ore mine and
associated infrastructure at Weld Range. Open pit mining would occur above and below the water table and
would involve dewatering. Excess water would be discharged to a lined evaporation pond.

The proposal is further documented in schedule 1 of this statement.

Proponent: Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Limited

Proponent Address: PO Box 529, WEST PERTH WA 6872

Assessment Number: 1714

Report of the Environmental Protection Authority: Report 1441

The proposal referred to in the above report of the Environmental Protection Authority may be implemented. The implementation of that proposal is subject to the following conditions and procedures:

1 Proposal Implementation

1-1 The proponent shall implement the proposal as documented and described in schedule 1 of this statement subject to the conditions and procedures of this statement.
2 Proponent Nomination and Contact Details

2-1 The proponent for the time being nominated by the Minister for Environment under sections 38(6) or 38(7) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* is responsible for the implementation of the proposal.

2-2 The proponent shall notify the Chief Executive Officer of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority (CEO) of any change of the name and address of the proponent for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 30 days of such change.

3 Time Limit of Authorisation

3-1 The authorisation to implement the proposal provided for in this statement shall lapse and be void five years after the date of this statement if the proposal to which this statement relates is not substantially commenced.

3-2 The proponent shall provide the CEO with written evidence which demonstrates that the proposal has substantially commenced on or before the expiration of five years from the date of this statement.

4 Compliance Reporting

4-1 The proponent shall prepare and maintain a compliance assessment plan to the satisfaction of the CEO.

4-2 The proponent shall submit to the CEO the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 at least six months prior to the first compliance report required by condition 4-6, or prior to implementation, whichever is sooner.

The compliance assessment plan shall indicate:

1. the frequency of compliance reporting;
2. the approach and timing of compliance assessments;
3. the retention of compliance assessments;
4. the method of reporting of potential non-compliances and corrective actions taken;
5. the table of contents of compliance assessment reports; and
6. public availability of compliance assessment reports.
4-3 The proponent shall assess compliance with conditions in accordance with the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.

4-4 The proponent shall retain reports of all compliance assessments described in the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1 and shall make those reports available when requested by the CEO.

4-5 The proponent shall advise the CEO of any potential non-compliance within seven days of that non-compliance being known.

4-6 The proponent shall submit to the CEO the first compliance assessment report fifteen months from the date of issue of this Statement addressing the twelve month period from the date of issue of this Statement and then annually from the date of submission of the first compliance assessment report.

The compliance assessment report shall:

1 be endorsed by the proponent’s Chief Executive Officer or a person delegated to sign on the Chief Executive Officer’s behalf;

2 include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions;

3 identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken;

4 be made publicly available in accordance with the approved compliance assessment plan; and

5 indicate any proposed changes to the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.

5 Public Availability of Data

5-1 Subject to condition 5-2, within three months of approval by the CEO and for the remainder of the life of the proposal the proponent shall make publicly available, in a manner to the satisfaction of the CEO, all validated environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data, derived information products (e.g. maps) monitoring reports and the annual compliance assessment report) relevant to the assessment of this proposal and implementation of this Statement.

5-2 If any data referred to in condition 5-1 would:

i. involve the disclosure of any data which is confidential or commercially sensitive to the proponent or a third party including any model, formula or process which is a trade secret; or
then the proponent may submit a request for approval from the CEO to not make this data publically available. In making such a request the proponent shall provide the CEO with the data and an explanation and reasons why the data should not be made publically available.

6 Flora and Vegetation

6-1 The proponent shall implement the proposal so that it does not directly or indirectly adversely affect conservation significant flora and vegetation communities, outside the project footprint as shown in Figure 1 attached and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3.

6-2 The proponent shall ensure that the implementation of the proposal does not result in the direct or indirect loss of more than 1,655.4 ha of the Priority Ecological Community (PEC), “Weld Range vegetation complexes (banded iron formation)” as shown in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3.

6-3 The proponent shall ensure implementation of the proposal does not cause a decline in the threat status of conservation significant flora under the World Conservation Union (IUCN) categories.

6-4 Prior to ground disturbing activities the proponent shall carry out targeted surveys in accordance with Guidance Statement 51 Terrestrial Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment in Western Australia to clarify the distribution of Micromyrtus placoides, Beyeria lapidicola, Prostanthera ferricola, Acacia sp Wilgie Mia, Acacia sp. nov (aff. Exilis), and Hemigenia virescens at Weld Range, and if necessary, the local region, and then demonstrate, in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation and to the requirements of the CEO, that the net effect of the proposal is unlikely to lead to a decline in the regional conservation status of these species.

6-5 The proponent shall record and provide the MGA co-ordinates and population details for each occurrence of Micromyrtus placoides, Beyeria lapidicola, Prostanthera ferricola, Acacia sp Wilgie Mia, Acacia sp. nov (aff. Exilis), and Hemigenia virescens to the CEO and the Department of Environment and Conservation within three months of the completion of the surveys required by condition 6-4.

6-6 Within twelve months from the date of issue of this Statement and then annually the proponent shall undertake an appropriately timed monitoring program to the satisfaction of the CEO to determine the health and condition of conservation significant flora and vegetation communities located within 1 kilometre of the project footprint as shown in Figure 1 attached and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3.
6-7 The monitoring program required to be undertaken pursuant to condition 6-6 shall be designed in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation and carried out to the requirements of the CEO and include baseline measurements at suitable reference sites that will provide comparative data for measuring change.

6-8 The proponent shall develop trigger levels for the health and condition of conservation significant flora and vegetation communities in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation for the approval of the CEO.

6-9 Should the results of monitoring undertaken pursuant to condition 6-6 show that the trigger levels identified in condition 6-8 have been reached for the health and condition of conservation significant flora and vegetation communities the proponent shall provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the decline or change being identified which:

1. describes the decline or change;
2. provides information which allows determination of the likely root cause of the decline or change; and
3. if considered likely to be the result of activities undertaken in implementing the proposal, proposes the actions and associated timelines to remediate the decline or change that have been developed in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation.

6-10 The proponent shall implement the actions identified in condition 6-9 (3) until the CEO determines that the remedial actions may cease.

6-11 The proponent shall provide a copy of the approved monitoring program referred to in condition 6-7, the trigger levels referred to in condition 6-8, the results of monitoring carried out under condition 6-6 and any reports referred to in condition 6-9 to the Department of Environment and Conservation and make these documents publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO.

7 Weeds

7-1 The proponent shall undertake weed management to ensure that no new species of declared weeds and environmental weeds are introduced into the project area and that the abundance and distribution of existing weeds is not increased as a direct or indirect result of implementation of the proposal.

7-2 Within twelve months from the date of issue of this Statement the proponent shall undertake an appropriately timed baseline weed survey to the satisfaction of the CEO in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation to determine the species and extent of declared weeds and environmental weeds present at weed monitoring sites within the Project Area as delineated by the boundary shown in Figure 1 and the MGA co-
ordinates provided in Schedule 3 and at a suitable number of reference sites beyond 200 metres, but not more that 1km, from the outer extent of the project footprint.

7-3 The proponent shall submit the results of the survey required by condition 7-2 to the CEO and the Department of Environment and Conservation within six months of the survey being completed.

7-4 To verify the requirements of condition 7-1 are being met and to determine whether changes in weed cover and type within the project footprint have occurred and are likely to have resulted from implementation of the proposal or broader regional changes, the proponent shall survey the weed monitoring sites and reference sites as required by condition 7-2 at the time of year approved by the CEO on advice of the Department of Environment and Conservation within one year of the baseline results being submitted to the CEO as required by condition 7-3 and then biannually thereafter for the life of the project.

7-5 If the results of monitoring under condition 7-4 indicate that adverse changes in weed cover and type within the project footprint are attributable to the proposal, the proponent shall report the findings to the CEO and the Department of Environment and Conservation within 3 months of completion of the monitoring and shall propose actions and associated timelines to remediate the decline or change in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation.

7-6 The proponent shall implement measures approved under condition 7-5.

7-7 The proponent shall continue to implement the weed control and rehabilitation required by condition 7-6 until approval is given by the CEO to cease.

8 **Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems**

8-1 The proponent shall manage the proposal in a manner that ensures there is no adverse impact to groundwater dependent ecosystems outside the 0.25m drawdown contour as defined in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates specified in Schedule 3.

8-2 The proponent shall manage the proposal in a manner that ensures there is no irreversible impact to groundwater dependent ecosystems within the 0.25m drawdown contour as defined in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates specified in Schedule 3.

8-3 Prior to ground-disturbing activities the proponent shall prepare a Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems Monitoring and Management Plan for approval by the CEO.

The Monitoring and Management Plan shall include:
1. identification of potential impact monitoring and control sites;

2. the design of a survey to acquire baseline biotic data, including health and abundance parameters and environmental data;

3. definition of health and abundance parameters;

4. definition of environmental parameters to be monitored, including groundwater drawdown;

5. definition of monitoring frequency and timing;

6. identification of criteria to measure decline in health; and

7. definition of trigger levels for no impact, definition of trigger levels for no irreversible impact and management responses required should trigger levels be exceeded.

8-4 The proponent shall implement monitoring as identified in the approved Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems Monitoring and Management Plan required by condition 8-3 until advised otherwise by the CEO.

8-5 Prior to the commencement of dewatering, the proponent shall implement the baseline monitoring survey, required by condition 8-3 (2) for all sites identified in condition 8-3 (1) and submit the results to the CEO.

8-6 The proponent shall submit annually the results of monitoring required by condition 8-4 to the CEO.

8-7 In the event that monitoring required by condition 8-4 indicates a decline in health compared with the control sites, identified in condition 8-3 (1), the proponent shall provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the decline being identified which:

1. describes the decline or change;

2. provides information which allows determination of the likely root cause of the decline or change; and

3. if considered likely to be the result of activities undertaken in implementing the proposal, proposes the actions and associated timelines to remediate the decline or change.

8-8 The proponent shall implement the actions identified in condition 8-7 (3) until the CEO determines that the remedial actions may cease.

8-9 The proponent shall make the monitoring reports required by condition 8-4 publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO.
Short Range Endemics

9-1 The proponent shall implement the proposal so that it does not adversely affect Short Range Endemic species, in particular Idiosoma nigrum, Cethegus sp. MUR HH ‘Hampton Hill’, Cethegus sp. MUR WRS ‘Weld Range South’, Antichiropus sp Weld Range and Pleuroxia sp, outside the project footprint as shown in Figure 1 attached and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3.

9-2 Within twelve months from the date of issue of this Statement and then annually the proponent shall undertake a monitoring program to monitor the presence of Short Range Endemic species within 1 kilometre of the project footprint as shown in Figure 1 attached and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3. This monitoring program shall be designed and carried out to the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

9-3 The proponent shall submit the results of the survey required by condition 9-2 to the CEO within six months of the survey being completed.

9-4 The proponent shall develop trigger levels for the decline or change in the numbers of individuals within local populations of Short Range Endemic species for the approval of the CEO on the advice of the Department of Environment and Conservation.

9-5 Should the results of monitoring show that the trigger levels identified in condition 9-4 have been reached for the reduction in numbers of individuals within local populations of Short Range Endemic species the proponent shall provide a report to the CEO within 21 days of the decline or change being identified which:

1. describes the decline or change;

2. provides information which allows determination of the likely root cause of the decline or change; and

3. if considered likely to be the result of activities undertaken in implementing the proposal, proposes the actions and associated timelines to remediate the decline or change in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation.

9-6 The proponent shall implement the actions identified in condition 9-5 (3) until the CEO determines that the remedial actions may cease.

9-7 The proponent shall make the results of the monitoring program referred to in condition 9-2, the trigger levels referred to in condition 9-4, and the report referred to in condition 9-5 publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO.
The proponent shall implement the proposal in accordance with the Spider Management Plan provided as Appendix H of the Response to Submissions document (Ecologia 2012a) or subsequent revisions that are approved by the CEO in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation. The objective of the Spider Management Plan is to minimise impacts to *Idiosoma nigrum* and *Cethegus MUR Hamilton Hill* and *Cethegus MUR Weld Range South* species.

The proponent shall review and revise the Spider Management Plan required by condition 9-8 at intervals not exceeding five years, in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation to ensure that the mitigation and management techniques remain valid and incorporate any relevant new research.

The proponent shall provide a copy of the Spider Management Plan required by condition 9-8 to the Department of Environment and Conservation and make the plan publicly available in a manner approved by the CEO.

### 10 Residual impact and risk management measures

10-1 Given the residual impacts and risks of the proposal to *Idiosoma nigrum* and the Weld Range vegetation complexes (banded iron formation) PEC, the proponent shall undertake a goat control and destocking program over its tenements in the Weld Range region for the purpose of improving vegetation and habitat condition.

10-2 The proponent shall prepare a plan for the program in condition 10-1 which will include:

1. the boundary of the program and the management actions to be undertaken;
2. monitoring arrangements, performance indicators and success criteria; and
3. arrangements for the continuation of the program post mine closure where any funding has not been spent.

This plan shall be determined in consultation with the Department of Environment and Conservation, and approved by the CEO, within 12 months of the date of this statement.

10-3 This program shall have a monetary value of $500,000 at the date this condition comes into effect.

10-4 The plan shall be implemented after the approval by the CEO.
Definitions

“0.25m Drawdown 9 years” is the boundary shown in Figure 1 and delineated by co-ordinates provided in Table 3 of Schedule 3.

“Conservation Significant Flora” Flora listed in Schedule 2.

“Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems” is vegetation community 7a and 7b.

“Irreversible” Lacking a capacity to return or recover to a state resembling that prior to being impacted within a timeframe of five years or less from cessation of groundwater drawdown (also see reversible).


“PEC” Priority Ecological Community “Weld Range vegetation complexes (banded iron formation)” as shown in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Table 4 in Schedule 3.

“Project Area” is the boundary shown in Figure 1 and delineated by co-ordinates provided in Table 1 of Schedule 3.

“Project Footprint” is the boundary shown in Figure 1 and delineated by co-ordinates provided in Table 2 of Schedule 3.

“Reversible” A capacity to return or recover to a state resembling that prior to being impacted within a timeframe of five years or less.

“Vegetation Communities” Vegetation communities listed in Schedule 2.

[Signed 29 August 2012]

HON BILL MARMION MLA
MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; WATER
The Proposal (Assessment No. 1714)

The proposal will consist of:

• concurrent mining from 2 open pits (Madoonga and Beebyn);
• disposal of overburden into specified waste dumps;
• construction and use of a Central Processing Facility (which will comprise road train unloading/tipping, screening, crushing, stockyards and train load out facilities);
• construction of an airfield;
• construction and use of site administration and support facilities, workshops, and hydrocarbon, explosive and chemical storage;
• construction and use of accommodation village;
• installation of mine dewatering bores and associated pipelines at the active pits which extend below the water table;
• construction of a lined evaporation pond and excess water pipeline; and
• construction of a haul road and access roads.

The main characteristics of the proposal are summarised in Table 1 below. A detailed description of the proposal is provided in section 5 of the PER (Weld Range Iron Ore Project, Public Environmental Review. Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Limited, 2010).

Table 1: Summary of Key Proposal Characteristics

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<td>Total overburden</td>
<td>• Not more than 723 million tonnes.</td>
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<td>Overburden storage areas</td>
<td>• Placement of overburden in Waste Dumps adjacent to Madoonga and Beebyn pits.</td>
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<td>Land disturbance area</td>
<td>• Not more than 3589 hectares</td>
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<td>Madoonga pit and waste dumps</td>
<td>• Not more than 625.5 hectares</td>
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<td>Beebyn pit and waste dumps</td>
<td>• Not more than 1098 hectares</td>
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<td>Pit depth Madoonga</td>
<td>• Up to 205 metres</td>
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<td>Pit depth Beebyn</td>
<td>• Up to 225 metres</td>
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<td>Water demand</td>
<td>• Up to 4.96 gigalitres per annum, of which up to 2.20 gigalitres per annum of fresh water for processing, Central Processing Facility (CPF) and village, and up to 2.76 gigalitres per annum of water with higher salinity for dust suppression at the pits, CPF and village.</td>
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<td>Mine dewatering</td>
<td>• Water abstraction at a rate of 11.95 gigalitres per annum from the Madoonga and Beebyn pits.</td>
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<td>Excess Water Discharge</td>
<td>• Construction of a pipeline to convey excess dewatering discharge to the Evaporation Pond. It is estimated that up</td>
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to 7 gigalitres per annum of highly saline water (10,000 to 60,000 TDS) would be transported into the evaporation pond.

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<td>Evaporation Pond</td>
<td>• Not more than 330 hectares.</td>
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**Figures**

**Figure 1:** Location of the Weld Range Iron Ore Project and impact boundaries
Conservation significant Flora

*Acacia burrowsiana* (P3)
*Acacia* sp. Wilgie Mia (P1)
*Acacia speckii* (P4)
*Beyeria lapidicola* (P1)
*Dodonaea amplisemina* (P4)
*Eremophila arachnoides subsp. arachnoides* (P3)
*Euphorbia sarcostemmoides* (P1)
*Goodenia berringbinensis* (P4)
*Goodenia lyrata* (P3)
*Grevillea inconspicua* (P4)
*Hemigenia* sp. nov (aff. exilis) (SOI)
*Hemigenia tysonii* (P3)
*Hemigenia virescens* (P3)
*Homalocalyx echinulatus* (P3)
*Indigofera gilesii subsp. gilesii* (P3)
*Micromyrtus placoides* (P3)
*Mirbelia stipitata* (P3)
*Phyllanthus baeckeoides* (P3)
*Prostanthera ferricola* (P3)
*Prostanthera petrophila* (P3)
*Ptilotus beardii* (P3)
*Ptilotus luteolus* (P3)
*Sauropus* sp. Woolgorong (P1)
*Stenanthemum patens* (P1)
*Tecticornia cymbiformis* (P3)
*Verticordia jamiesonii* (P3)

Vegetation Communities

Community 1 and 2
Community 3a
Community 3b
Community 3c
Community 3d
Community 4a
Community 4b
Community 5a
Community 5b
Community 6a
Community 6b
Community 6c
Community 7a
Community 7b
Co-ordinates that define the Project area (Table 1), Project Footprint (Table 2), 0.25m Groundwater Drawdown for 9 years (Table 3), and PEC (Table 4).

Figure 1: Weld Range impact boundaries
ATTACHMENT 1 TO MINISTERIAL STATEMENT 908

Section 46C
Environmental Protection Act 1986

NOTICE OF CHANGES TO IMPLEMENTATION CONDITIONS
MINISTERIAL STATEMENT 908

WELD RANGE IRON ORE PROJECT, 85 KILOMETRES SOUTH WEST OF MEEKATHARRA AND 60 KILOMETRES NORTH WEST OF CUE IN THE MIDWEST REGION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

Pursuant to sections 46C(1)(a) and 46C(1)(c) of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, the implementation conditions applying to the above proposal are changed in accordance with this Notice. I consider these changes to be of a minor nature and desirable in order to standardise the implementation conditions applying to different proposals and make administrative changes to the format of the implementation conditions that do not alter the obligations of the proponent.

[Signed 12 March 2014]

ALBERT JACOB MLA
MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; HERITAGE

1. Condition 4-6 is deleted, and replaced with:

4-6 The proponent shall submit to the CEO the first compliance assessment report fifteen months from the date of implementation of the Proposal addressing the twelve month period from the date of implementation of the Proposal and then annually from the date of submission of the first compliance assessment report.

The compliance assessment report shall:
1 be endorsed by the proponent’s Chief Executive Officer or a person delegated to sign on the Chief Executive Officer’s behalf;
2 include a statement as to whether the proponent has complied with the conditions;
3. identify all potential non-compliances and describe corrective and preventative actions taken;
4. be made publicly available in accordance with the approved compliance assessment plan; and
5. indicate any proposed changes to the compliance assessment plan required by condition 4-1.

2. **Condition 6-6 is deleted, and replaced with:**

6-6 Prior to ground-disturbing activities in the project area and then annually thereafter the proponent shall undertake an appropriately timed monitoring program to the satisfaction of the CEO to determine the health and condition of conservation significant flora and vegetation communities located within 1 kilometre of the project footprint as shown in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3.

3. **Condition 7-2 is deleted, and replaced with:**

7-2 Prior to ground-disturbing activities the proponent shall undertake an appropriately timed baseline weed survey to the satisfaction of the CEO in consultation with the Department administering the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* or its equivalent, to determine the species and extent of declared weeds and environmental weeds present at weed monitoring sites within the Project Area as delineated by the boundary shown in Figure 1 and the MGA co-ordinates provided in Schedule 3 and at a suitable number of reference sites beyond 200 metres, but not more that 1km, from the outer extent of the project footprint.

4. **Condition 7-4 is deleted, and replaced with:**

7-4 To verify the requirements of condition 7-1 are being met and to determine whether changes in weed cover and type within the project footprint have occurred and are likely to have resulted from implementation of the proposal or broader regional changes, the proponent shall survey the weed monitoring sites and reference sites as required by condition 7-2 at the time of year approved by the CEO on advice of the Department administering the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* or its equivalent, within one year of the baseline results being submitted to the CEO as required by condition 7-3 and then annually thereafter for the life of the project.

5. **Condition 9-2 is deleted, and replaced with:**

9-2 Prior to ground-disturbing activities and then annually thereafter the proponent shall undertake an appropriately timed monitoring program to monitor the presence of Short Range Endemic species within 1 kilometre of the project footprint.
footprint as shown in Figure 1 and delineated by MGA co-ordinates listed in Schedule 3. This monitoring program shall be designed and carried out to the requirements of the CEO on advice of the Department administering the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* or its equivalent.

6. **Condition 10-2 is deleted, and replaced with:**

10-2 The proponent shall prepare a plan for the program in condition 10-1 which will include:

1. the boundary of the program and the management actions to be undertaken;
2. monitoring arrangements, performance indicators and success criteria; and
3. arrangements for the continuation of the program post mine closure where any funding has not been spent.

This plan shall be determined in consultation with the Department administering the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* or its equivalent, and approved by the CEO, prior to ground-disturbing activities.

**Note:** The Department of Environment and Conservation separated into the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the Department of Environment Regulation on 1 July 2013. All references to ‘the Department of Environment and Conservation’ in Ministerial Statement 908 are replaced by ‘the Department administering the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950* or its equivalent’. 