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Iron Ore

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Dr Paul Vogel Chairman Environmental Protection Authority Locked Bag 33, Cloisters Square Perth Western Australia 6850

Attention: Vanessa Angus

Dear Paul,

OREBODY 32 ABOVE WATER TABLE IRON ORE MINE PROJECT, NEWMAN Referral under Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

BHP Billiton Iron Ore is seeking approval to develop and operate the Orebody 32 deposit, located approximately 10 kilometres north-east of the Newman Township in the Pilbara. The Proposal is known as the Orebody 32 East Above Water Table Mine Project.

Please find enclosed BHP Billiton Iron Ore's referral and supporting documentation, in accordance with Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mark Garrahy on (08) 6321 2181 or mark.garrahy@bhpbilliton.com. We look forward to working in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Authority on this Proposal.

Yours sincerely,

Head of Environment

Enclosed:

- Section 38(1) Referral Form
- · A copy of the Supporting Environmental Referral Document
- Electronic copies of referral form, the Supporting Environmental Referral Document and the shapefile of the Proposal Development Envelope