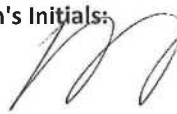




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S38 Referrals, S16 and/or S46 Advice

<b>Title:</b> Exploration Drilling Mungada Blue Hills	<b>Determination:</b> Assess: Assessment on Proponent Information (Category A) Assessment Number 2040
<b>Location:</b> Approximately 420 km north-east of Perenjori	
<b>Ref ID:</b> CMS14255 <b>Date Received:</b> 14-08-2014 <b>Date More Information Received:</b> 19-12-2014	
<b>Referrer:</b> Department of Mines and Petroleum <b>Proponent:</b> Sinosteel Midwest Corporation Limited	
<b>Contact:</b> Mr Wayne Ennor <b>Telephone:</b>	<b>Procedure:</b>
<b>Preliminary Environmental Factors:</b> Flora and Vegetation, Rehabilitation and Closure	
<b>Potential Significant Effects:</b> Clearing of native vegetation	
<b>Public Comments on Referral Information:</b> Assess - API A : 0 Assess - API B : 0 Assess - PER : 2 Do Not Assess : TOTAL COMMENTS : 2	
<b>Explanation of Decision:</b> Assessment at the level of API A is warranted as the exploration proposal raises a limited number of key environmental factors that can be readily managed and for which there is a readily established condition setting framework. The proponent has proposed management to ensure impacts on flora and vegetation are avoided and minimised to meet the EPA's objectives for Flora and Vegetation. The proponent has advanced its rehabilitation research and practices to provide the EPA with confidence that the EPA's objectives for Rehabilitation and Closure could be met for an exploration proposal of this scale without significantly compromising the environmental values of the Mungada Ridge.	<b>Chairman's Initials:</b> 
<b>Officer:</b> Mark Jefferies	<b>Date Signed:</b> 21.1.15.