Environmental Protection Authority

Environmental Protection Act 1986

Section 45C

NOTICE OF DECISION TO CONSENT TO AMEND AN APPROVED PROPOSAL WITHOUT INQUIRY

PERSON TO WHOM THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN

Keysbrook Leucoxene Pty Ltd

PROPOSAL TO WHICH THIS NOTICE RELATES

Keysbrook Mineral Sands Mine

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT and ANY APPROVED CHANGES

Ministerial Statement 810 issued 19 October 2009, as amended by Ministerial Statements 984 and 1089

DECISION

Pursuant to s. 45C (1) (a) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act), the Chair acting as delegate for the Minister for Environment gives approval to the following amendments of the approved proposal:

- Amend the approved mining area from 1532 hectares to 1602 hectares and include an additional area on Lot 56 Westcott Road, Keysbrook.
- Increase the Life of Mine from 9 to 10 years
- Increase product quantity from 1,020,000 tonnes to 1,070,000 tonnes of heavy mineral concentrate.
- Amend the figures of MS 810 to include additional mining area.

The amended proposal content document and figures are attached.

SUMMARY OF REASONS

- The 70 hectares increase in the approved mining area will be on disturbed land (pasture) and remains within the development envelope of the Approved Proposal (Attachment 1; Figure 1). The additional area is not likely to have a significant impact on flora or vegetation values in the proposal area or region.
- If implemented in accordance with the existing conditions, the impacts are not likely to be significant and are likely to be consistent with the EPA factor objectives for Air Quality and Social Surroundings.

- There are no new environmental factors likely to be significantly affected as a result of the amendments.
- The amendment would not, if the proposal were already approved, be a significant amendment. In considering this, the effects of the amendment on its own, the effect of the amendment in the context of the existing referred proposal, cumulative and holistic impacts have been considered.
- The amended proposal will be substantially the same character as the existing referred proposal.

EFFECT OF THIS NOTICE:

1. The proposal as amended in accordance with this notice is taken to be able to be implemented under s. 45 of the EP Act.

RIGHTS OF APPEAL:

There are no rights of appeal under the EP Act in respect of this decision.

Matthew Tonts

Delegate of the Environmental Protection Authority

CHAIR

18 September 2023

Attachment 1 Proposal Content Document