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Statement No: 932

**STATEMENT TO AMEND CONDITIONS APPLYING TO A PROPOSAL
(PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 46 OF THE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986)**

**HOPE DOWNS 4 IRON ORE MINE
SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA**

Proposal:

The proposal is to construct and operate an iron ore mining area and associated infrastructure at the Hope Downs 4 Iron Ore Mine located approximately 30 kilometres north west of Newman within the Shire of East Pilbara. The proposal consists of a designated mining area, an infrastructure corridor, excess water discharge infrastructure and an accommodation area and the realignment of a 2.5 kilometre section of Coondiner Creek.

Proponent:

Hamersley Hope Management Services Pty Ltd

Proponent Address:

152-158 St Georges Terrace,
PERTH WA 6000

Assessment Number: 1536

Previous Assessment Number: 1738

Report of the Environmental Protection Authority: 1465

Previous Report of the Environmental Protection Authority: 1374

Previous Statement Number: 854

The implementation of the proposal to which the above report of the Environmental Protection Authority relates is subject to the conditions and procedures contained in Ministerial Statement No. 854, as amended by the following:

1. Change to Condition 5-1

Condition 5-1 of Ministerial Statement 854 is deleted and replaced with the following:

“5-1 The proponent shall ensure that the dewatering of groundwater as a result of abstraction and excavation of aquifers required to implement the proposal does not adversely affect Coondiner Creek; the calcrete and alluvial aquifers; or any of the pools in the surrounding area (namely Eagle Rock Pool, Eagle Rock Falls, Stuarts Pool, Kalgan Pool, Mindy Mindy Creek Pool(s), Three Pools, Bella Pool, Cliff Pool and/or Steer Pool) or their associated vegetation.”

2. Deletion of Condition 8-2

Condition 8-2 is deleted from Ministerial Statement 854.

3. Change to Condition 8-3

Condition 8-3 of Statement 854 is deleted and replaced with the following:

“8-3 Prior to ground disturbance activities, the Proponent shall submit to the CEO of the Office of the Environmental Protection Authority, a report detailing how the design of the project has reduced impacts within the 5,470 hectares of allowed clearing and infrastructure construction on the following conservation values:

- Declared Rare Flora;
- Priority flora; and
- local conservation significant vegetation communities C3, M1, M2, M3 and X5, as defined in Table 10 of the “Hope Downs 4 Iron Ore Project-Public Environmental Review, Issue Date: January 2010”.

This report shall incorporate the advice of the Department of Environment and Conservation with regard to the final alignment and design of the infrastructure to minimise impacts to the abovementioned local conservation significant vegetation communities.”

4. Deletion of Condition 9-2

Condition 9-2 is deleted from Ministerial Statement 854.

5. Deletion of Condition 10-2

Condition 10-2 is deleted from Ministerial Statement 854.

[Signed 30 January 2013]

**HON BILL MARMION MLA
MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; WATER**