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Statement No. 1029

**STATEMENT TO CHANGE THE IMPLEMENTATION CONDITIONS APPLYING TO  
A PROPOSAL**

**(Section 46 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*)**

JIMBLEBAR IRON ORE PROJECT, 40 KILOMETRES EAST OF NEWMAN, SHIRE  
OF EAST PILBARA

**Proposal:** Jimblebar Iron Ore Project  
**Proponent:** BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty. Ltd.  
Australian Company Number: 008 700 981  
**Proponent Address:** 125 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000

**Report of the Environmental Protection Authority:** 1564

**Preceding Statement/s Relating to this Proposal:** 857

Pursuant to section 45 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, as applied by section 46(8), it has been agreed that implementation conditions set out in Ministerial Statement No. 857 be changed as specified in this Statement.

**1. Condition 14 is added.**

**14. Offsets**

14-1 The proponent shall contribute funds to offset the clearing of 'very good to excellent' condition native vegetation in the Hamersley Interim Biogeographical Regionalisation for Australia (IBRA) subregion, calculated pursuant to condition 14-3. This funding shall be provided to a government-established conservation offset fund or an alternative offset arrangement providing an equivalent outcome as determined by the Minister.

14-2 Condition 14-1 does not apply to clearing of native vegetation authorised under Ministerial Statement 857 prior to 22 October 2015, as detailed in Schedule 1 to Ministerial Statement 857.

14-3 The proponent's contribution to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement identified in condition 14-1 shall be paid biennially, the first payment due two years after the commencement of clearing authorised for the proposal under section 45C of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* on 22 October 2015, as detailed in Attachment 1 to Ministerial Statement 857.

The amount of funding will be made on the following basis and in accordance with the approved Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 14-5.

- \$750 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of 'very good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley IBRA subregion.

14-4 The real value of contributions described in condition 14-3 will be maintained through indexation to the Perth CPI, with the first adjustment to be applied to the first contribution.

14-5 Within twelve months of the date of this Statement, the proponent shall prepare and submit an Impact Reconciliation Procedure to the satisfaction of the CEO.

14-6 In the event that additional clearing is authorised for the proposal, the proponent shall revise the Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 14-5 to the satisfaction of the CEO within twelve months of that clearing being authorised.

14-7 The Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 14-5, or revised Impact Reconciliation Procedure required by condition 14-6, shall:

- (1) include a methodology for identifying 'very good to excellent' condition native vegetation within the Hamersley IBRA subregion;
- (2) include a methodology for calculating the area of 'very good to excellent' condition native vegetation cleared within the Hamersley IBRA subregion for each biennial time period, and for which contributions shall be made to the offset fund or alternative offset arrangement as required by condition 14-1;
- (3) include the submission of spatial data identifying the areas of 'very good to excellent' native vegetation cleared within the Hamersley IBRA subregion for each biennial time period; and
- (4) state dates for the commencement of the biennial time period and for the submission of results of the Impact Reconciliation Procedure, to the satisfaction of the CEO.

[Signed 1 June 2016]

Albert Jacob MLA

**MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; HERITAGE**

## Definitions

Acronym or Abbreviation	Definition or Term
IBRA	Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia.
CEO	The Chief Executive Officer of the Department of the Public Service of the State responsible for the administration of section 48 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> , or his delegate.
CPI	Consumer Price Index