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Attention: Director - Industry Assessments
NSW Department of Planning and Environment

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**Modification to Pasminco Cockle Creek Smelter Remediation Project (MP 06_0184 MOD 6)
Comment on the Environmental Assessment**

I refer to the email of 4 July 2018 with respect to the above matter. Comment has been sought from relevant branches of the Department of Primary Industries and Lands & Water. Any further referrals to Department of Industry can be sent by email to landuse.enquiries@dpi.nsw.gov.au.

The department provides the following comments for consideration in assessment of the modification proposal:

- The department is concerned that the removal of “further investigations or works to mitigate impacts as considered necessary” may result in the works not being completed adequately due to the time frame restriction to complete the project. The department recommends that current conditions remain or further evidence is provided that the works will be completed in the time frame presented.
- The department requests that the Groundwater Management and Monitoring Plan (document 137625003_232_R_Rev0, dated 17 June 2016) be supplied to ensure the document sufficiently meets the previous conditions.

The department notes that Pasminco Cockle Creek Smelter Pty Limited has lodged an appeal in the Land and Environment Court against the Minister for Planning regarding a deemed refusal of Modification 6, and understands that written submissions will be put before the Court.

Yours sincerely



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