Department of Planning and Environment



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Ravensworth Complex Environmental Management Strategy (PA 09_0176)

Dear Mr Marchant

I refer to your submission dated 21 September 2022, requesting approval of the Ravensworth Complex Environmental Management Strategy (version 5, dated 15 June 2022).

The Department understands that the Environmental Management Strategy is a requirement of condition 1 of Schedule 5 of PA 09_0176 for the open cut operations, but is not required by DA 104/96 for the underground operations. However, the Environmental Management Strategy has been prepared for the entire Ravensworth Complex, which incorporates operations under both PA 09_0176 and DA 104/96, and therefore is required to be updated within 3 months following a modification as per condition 4 of Schedule 5 of PA 09_0176 and condition 3 of Schedule 4 of DA 104/96.

The Department has carefully reviewed the document and is satisfied that it meets the requirements of the relevant conditions in PA 09_0176 and incorporates the recent modifications that integrated the Ravensworth Underground Mine (DA 104/96 Modification 10) and the Ashton Mine Complex (DA 309-11-2001-i Modification 11).

Accordingly, as nominee of the Planning Secretary, I approve the Environmental Management Strategy (version 5, dated 15 June 2022).

You are reminded that if there are any inconsistencies between the information contained in the above document and the conditions of approval, the conditions prevail. Please ensure you make the document publicly available on the project website at the earliest convenience.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Sarah Clibborn on 88376095 or via email at sarah.clibborn@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Resource Assessments

as nominee of the Planning Secretary