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Dear Ms Duncan

**Dargues Reef Gold Project (MP 10_0054 Mod 3)
Response to Submissions**

I refer to your email dated 1 December 2015 regarding the response to submissions by Unity Mining Limited (the Proponent) to agency comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for a modification to the consent for the Dargues Reef Gold Project.

The Division generally considers these amendments will improve the overall environmental outcomes of the project from that originally proposed in Modification 3. Specifically the risks associated with carbon-in-leach processing utilising cyanide.

The Division has previously requested that the proponent consider utilising all available waste/fill material to backfill the approved initial box cut to the underground mine at completion of mining to ensure an optimum rehabilitation outcome (i.e. to avoid an unnecessary final void).

Given that the Eastern Waste Rock Emplacement (EWRE) is still proposed for construction and the bulk of this material was allocated for rehabilitation of the TSF, the Division would like to understand how the withdrawal of the enlarged TSF option will impact on the EWRE material mass balance and the likelihood of the box cut being completely backfilled and rehabilitated to original surface contours.

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact Steve Cozens, Senior Project Officer, Royalties & Advisory Services on (02) 9842 8573.

Yours sincerely

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