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Via Major Projects Planning Portal

EPA Advice on Modification Report

Dear Brittany

Thank you for the Public Authority Consultation (PAE-43452061) notification to the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) about a proposed modification to the Balranald Mineral Sands Mine (SSD-5285-Mod 1) located 66 kilometres north west of Balranald.

The EPA has reviewed the following documents:

1. Balranald Mineral Sands Project Modification 1 – Extension of mining trial - Modification Report – EMM Consulting - March 2022.

The EPA understands the modification proposes:

- Extending the underground mining trial within a portion of the approved disturbance footprint of the West Balranald deposit for up to 6 years with revised solid waste management;
- A minor change to the project footprint to accommodate the relocation of processing plant and associated surface infrastructure; and
- Addition of a flotation plant.

If approved the modification will require a variation to Environment Protection Licence No. 20795 held by Iluka Resources Limited for activities at the mine. We have no further comments on the proposed modification.

If you have any further enquiries about this matter please contact Jason Price by telephoning 02 6969 0705 or by electronic mail at info@epa.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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