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Dear Ms Donnelley

**RE: Heritage Council comments on State Significant Development Application  
SSD7538 - Perilya Broken Hill Limited North Mine Recommencement Project  
Development Application and Environmental Impact**

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I refer to your correspondence of 2 February 2017 inviting comments on the above State Significant Development for: recommencement of underground mining at North Mine; extracting and crushing up to 300,000 tonnes of ore a year; transporting crushed ore via road to Broken Hill South Mine for processing and upgrading existing infrastructure and constructing a new pastefill plant and haul road at North Mine.

It is recommended that the following be included as conditions of any approval:

- The Archaeological Assessment provided as part of the EIS concludes that there is nil to low potential for historical archaeological 'relics' or Aboriginal heritage to be located within the study area. If any unexpected archaeological deposits/relics are discovered during the course of works it is recommended that the Heritage Division shall be notified in writing and mitigation strategies shall be negotiated prior to works continuing in the affected area(s) based on the nature of the discovery.
- The *Historic and Aboriginal Heritage Assessment and Statement of Heritage Impact* (SoHI) by Oz Arch, 2017, identifies 32 heritage items of heritage significance on the site. The proposed development does not impact directly on the fabric of any of the heritage items identified. However seven items have the potential to be indirectly impacted. The SoHI identifies clear and specific management recommendations that are to be implemented throughout the life of this project. It is recommended that these protocols are implemented so that the proposed works will not have any negative physical or visual impact on the identified significant heritage items.
- There are 32 individually listed heritage items within the Broken Hill North Mine leases precinct. It is imperative that these sites are maintained and protected. It is recommended that the Godden MacKay Logan *Perilya North and South Leases, Broken Hill Conservation Management Plan Draft Report*, November 2006, be finalised and up-dated to include Conservation and Cyclical Maintenance Schedules and policies for future use. This plan should be endorsed by the NSW Heritage

Division and implemented prior to the recommencement of works. This shall be undertaken by the proponent in consultation with Broken Hill Council.

- The City of Broken Hill is on the National Heritage List and as such cumulative impacts on sites such as the North Mine must be carefully managed to avoid negative impacts to national heritage values. It is recommended that planning throughout the redevelopment of this site will have heritage values as a primary consideration. It is recommended that the proponents continue to liaise with the federal Department of the Environment and Energy, the NSW Heritage Division and the Broken Hill Council to ensure ongoing protection and management of the site's heritage values.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please feel contact Verena Mauldon, Assessment Officer, Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage, at e-mail: [verena.mauldon@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:verena.mauldon@environment.nsw.gov.au) or on telephone: 9895 6512.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rajeev Maini', with a horizontal line drawn underneath.

**Rajeev Maini**

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**As Delegate of the NSW Heritage Council**

10 March 2017