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Director – Industry Assessments
NSW Department of Planning & Environment
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Major Projects Assessment
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Re: SSD 14_6666
Former Hydro Aluminium Smelter, Kurri Kurri – Demolition & Remediation Project
Hart Road, Loxford NSW 2327

Dear Sir,

I refer to Hydro Aluminium's proposal for the Demolition and Remediation of the former Kurri Kurri smelter, and associated Environmental Impact Statement currently on Exhibition. On the behalf of Weston Aluminium Pty Limited, I wish to highlight that Environ has neglected to mention in their EIS introduction that Weston Aluminium has a facility located within 2km of the smelter site with the capability of recycling spent potlining wastes and other aluminium smelter-by products as an alternative to the Project preferred by the EIS authors.

As the Department is well aware, Weston Aluminium has successfully completed extensive and collaborative research and development activity, having since gained regulatory approval in 2012 for the treatment and recycling of up to 40,000 tonnes per annum of Second Cut spent potlining wastes. More recently, Weston Aluminium has completed further trials of mixed-fraction spent potlining waste processing and resource recovery, and is now seeking regulatory approval for the processing and beneficiation of *all* spent potlining wastes stockpiled and generated by the domestic primary aluminium sector.

Weston Aluminium considers that the EIS fails to disclose all information to those within the Community wishing to consider the EIS and make a submission. All spent potlining wastes at the smelter site should be beneficially and locally recycled, and not unsustainably landfilled.

Should you require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me on 4936 2166.

Yours sincerely,

Weston Aluminium Pty Ltd



Christopher McClung
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