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Dear Ms Ivancevic

Subject: Rasp Zinc-Lead-Silver Mine Modification 07_0018 Mod 1

I refer to your email dated 6 December 2011 requesting the NSW Office of Water review the proposal to modify the development consent for the Rasp Mine Project (PA07_0018) under Section 75W of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The Office of Water has reviewed the documentation and is satisfied with the level of information. The following comments are provided for consideration prior to determination:

- It is recognised that based on drilling results, groundwater is not predicted to be intercepted during construction of the new ventilation shaft and that the water table is predicted to be a further 200m deeper. No licensing requirements under the *Water Act 1912* are therefore required.
- The Office of Water supports the proposed capping of the Kintore shaft and new stormwater management system in the Little Kintore Pit to manage surface water flows. This will assist in mitigating potential contamination of groundwater via surface water inputs. It is recommended any amendments to the water management system be updated in the Site Water Management Plan and this be included as a recommended condition of approval.

Should you have any further queries in relation to this submission please do not hesitate to contact Tim Baker on (02) 6841 7403.

Yours sincerely

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