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Attention: Georgia Ivancevic

Dear Mr Reed

**Rasp Mine Modification 07_0018
Section 75W Consultation Environmental Assessment**

I refer to your email dated 6 December 2011 regarding the Rasp Zinc-Lead-Silver Mine modification proposed by Broken Hill Operations Pty Ltd (BHOP) under Section 75W of the *Environmental Planning & assessment Act 1979*. NSW Trade & Investment, Regional Infrastructure & Services (DTIRIS), Division of Resources & Energy (DRE) has reviewed the *Rasp Silver-Lead-Zinc Mine Modification 07_0018 – Mod 1 Environmental Assessment (EA)* dated November 2011. The following comments are provided:

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It is noted that the proposed ventilation shaft is within an area of Consolidated Mining Lease 7 (CML 7) that has no surface exclusion. It should be noted that areas closely adjacent to the proposed site do have surface exclusion.

ENVIRONMENTAL AND REHABILITATION

It is also noted that BHOP will amend the Mining Operations Plan accordingly. As there is no substantial change to the Preferred Project Report and Environmental Assessment Report dated June 2010, the rehabilitation of the ventilation shaft is satisfactorily addressed.

DRE have no objections to the proposed modification.

Should you have any enquires regarding this proposal please contact Steve Cozens, Senior Project Officer, Industry Coordination on (02) 8289 3932.

Yours sincerely


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