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By email to: Geoff.Hender@perilya.com.au

Dear Mr Hender

**Broken Hill North Mine (SSD 7538)
Extension – Lead Monitoring and Education Program**

I refer to your letter dated 14 November 2018, seeking a deferred submission of the Lead Monitoring and Education Program (LMEP) for the Broken Hill North Mine (BHN).

The Department has considered the information you have provided and notes that consultation with the Broken Hill Lead Reference Group (Reference Group) occurred on 29 November 2018 and was the first opportunity to present the draft LMEP to the Reference Group.

The Department accepts that the consultation with the Reference Group is a requirement of the BHN consent and that that deferring its submission will provide an enhanced outcome.

Additionally, Perilya has committed to immediately commencing community awareness and monitoring programs for residents of District 5A.

Notwithstanding, implementation of the approved LMEP is to occur as soon as possible, rather than the proposed three months extension from the date of commencement of mining. On this basis, the Department recommends an extension of 45 days following the Reference Group Meeting.

Consequently, the Secretary approves a deferred submission of the LMEP to 13 January 2019, in accordance with Condition 8, Schedule 3, of SSD 7538.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Stephen Shoosmith on 9274 6164.

Yours sincerely

6/12/18

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Director
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as nominee of the Secretary