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Steven Petts Environmental Specialist GMA Garnet

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Dear Steven

## Permit to Clear Native Vegetation under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* GMA Garnet Pty Ltd - Port Gregory Mine (CPS 10446/1)

Please find attached your permit to clear native vegetation granted under s.51E of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*. This authorisation gives you approval to clear, subject to certain terms, conditions or restrictions. A copy of your permit is now available for the public to view, as required by the regulations.

Read your permit carefully. If you do not understand your permit, contact this Department immediately. There are penalties for failing to comply with the requirements of your permit.

If you are aggrieved by a decision of the Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, an appeal may be lodged with the Minister for Environment. If you choose to appeal, it must be in writing, clearly setting out the grounds of your appeal, and received by the Minister for Environment within **21** days of being notified. More information on lodging an appeal is available from the Office of the Appeals Convenor on telephone (08) 6364 7990. Completed appeals should be posted or delivered to:

Office of the Appeals Convenor Tel: (08) 6364 7990 Level 22 Forrest Centre Fax: (08) 6364 7999

221 St Georges Terrace Email: <u>admin@appealsconvenor.wa.gov.au</u>
PERTH WA 6000 Web: <u>www.appealsconvenor.wa.gov.au</u>

Third parties may also appeal against the issue of this permit. Please note that clearing must not commence until the date stated on the permit (22 February 2024) or until notified on the outcome of any appeal. In addition, clearing must not commence until all other environmental approvals have been obtained.

Under Condition 8 of your permit to clear native vegetation, you are required to submit an annual clearing report. This clearing report should be forwarded to the General Manager Mine Closure and Environmental Services, Resource and Environmental Compliance Division, prior to the due date, via email to <a href="mailto:nvab@dmirs.wa.gov.au">nvab@dmirs.wa.gov.au</a>.

Please also note that in undertaking the clearing authorised under this permit, the Permit Holder is to have regard to avoiding clearing, minimising clearing, and reducing the impacts of clearing on any environmental value.

Compliance with the terms, conditions or restrictions of this permit does not absolve the Permit Holder from responsibility for compliance with the requirements of all Commonwealth and State legislation.

I declare that I have no conflict of interest that prevents me from making a decision in relation to this proposal (in accordance with the Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS) Conflict of Interest Policy).

If you have any queries regarding this decision, please do not hesitate to contact Emily Lawlor, Environmental Officer on (08) 9222 3149 or email <a href="mailto:emily.lawlor@dmirs.wa.qov.au">emily.lawlor@dmirs.wa.qov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

## Danielle Risbey

**Danielle Risbey** | Acting General Manager Mine Closure and Environmental Services
Resource and Environmental Compliance Division
30 January 2024

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*