

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number:1695/1File Number:A0030/200701Duration of Permit: From16 June 2007 to 16 June 2012

PERMIT HOLDER

BHP BILLITON NICKEL WEST PTY LTD

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

M53/167 M53/56 M53/165 M53/489 M53/57 M53/166

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing of up to 717.51 hectares for the purpose of Mineral Production.

CONDITIONS

- 1. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
 - a) the location where the clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
 - b) the size of the area cleared in hectares;
 - c) the method of clearing;
 - d) the purpose of clearing;
- 2. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment, Department of Industry and Resources by 28th February each year for the life of the permit setting out the records required under condition 1 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1st January and 31st December the previous year. This report can be included as an addendum to the Annual Environmental Report. The report must also provide detail as to how the Permit Holder has complied with all other conditions.
- 3. The Permit Holder shall stockpile topsoil and vegetative material to be used in rehabilitation.
- 4. The permit holder shall construct a drain sufficient to prevent the flooding of populations of *Hemigenia exilis* and *Goodenia modesta*.

Explanatory Note:

In this permit Annual Environmental Report means a report produced as a requirement of tenement conditions under the *Mining Act 1978*.

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17 May 2007