

### **CLEARING PERMIT**

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number:

2447/1

File Number:

A0632/200801

Duration of Permit:

From 5 July 2008 to 31 March 2013

#### PERMIT HOLDER

Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Iron Ore (Hamersley Range) Agreement Act 1963, Mineral Lease 4SA (AML70/4)

#### PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purposes of Mineral Exploration.

### CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 4 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 2447/1.

# **Guiding Principles**

2. Avoid, minimise etc clearing.

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of mineral exploration, the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:

- (a) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- (b) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
- (c) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

### Weed Management

- 3. When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:
  - (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
  - (b) ensure that no weed-affected road building materials, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared: and
  - (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

## Recording and Reporting Areas Cleared.

- 4. Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
  - (a) the location where clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
  - (b) the area cleared in hectares;
  - (c) the dates cleared; and
  - (d) the purpose of clearing.

5 The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment, Department of Industry and Resources by 31 March each year for the life of the permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of the Permit and setting out the records required under Condition 4 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 April and 31 March the previous year.

# **Definitions**

The following meanings are given to terms used in this Permit:

fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow;

*mulch* means the use of organic matter, woodchips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

road building materials means rock, gravel, soil, stone, timber, boulders and water; and

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

5 June 2008