



## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

### PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2675 / 1

File Number: A1383/200801

Duration of Permit: From 17 January 2009 to 30 September 2014

### PERMIT HOLDER

Argyle Diamonds Ltd

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

*Diamond (Ashton Joint Venture) Agreement Act 1981*, Mining Lease 259SA (AM70/259)

### PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purpose of Mineral Production.

### CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 100 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2675/1.

### Guiding Principles

2. In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared pursuant to this permit, the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:
  - (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
  - (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
  - (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

### Rehabilitation

3. The Permit Holder shall stockpile all topsoil and native vegetation cleared pursuant to this permit for use in rehabilitation.

### Erosion Control

4. The Permit Holder shall not undertake any clearing pursuant to this permit during the months of December, January, February and March.
5. The Permit Holder shall construct temporary sediment retention bunds not less than two metres tall at the toe of *batters* within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2675/1. Bunds shall be constructed immediately following topsoil stripping.

### Record Keeping

6. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
  - (i) the location of where the clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
  - (ii) the size of the area cleared in hectares;
  - (iii) the dates on which the area was cleared;
  - (iv) the purpose of clearing; and
  - (v) the method of clearing.

### **Reporting**

7. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 30 September each year for the life of this permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 6 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.

### **DEFINITIONS**

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

*batters* means earth slopes formed from placed fill material or cut into the natural hillside, during road construction.



Ian Briggs

A/DIRECTOR

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

18 December 2008