

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS) Application for an amendment to a clearing

# permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51M

FORM C4

Clearing of native vegetation is prohibited in Western Australia except where a clearing permit has been granted or an exemption applies. A person who causes or allows unauthorised clearing commits an offence.

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#### Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

| If the amendment of a clearing<br>permit will or is likely to impact on   | Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement? |        |                          |  |  |  |
|---|---|--------|--------------------------|--|--|--|
| a matter of national environmental significance identified under the  |   | Yes    | EPBC number:             |  |  |  |
| Environment Protection and<br>Biodiversity Conservation Act<br>1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original   | $\boxtimes$   | No     | Proceed to Part          | 2  |  |  |
| application must have been<br>assessed in accordance with the   | List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.   |        |                          |  |  |  |
| bilateral assessment, and a<br>variation under the EPBC Act is<br>required prior to submitting this<br>amendment application form.                                    |   |        |                          |  |  |  |
| Further information is located in<br>Form Annex C7 and A guide to<br>native vegetation clearing<br>processes under the Assessment<br>bilateral agreement available at |   |        |                          |  |  |  |
| www.der.wa.gov.au/our-<br>work/clearing-permits.  |   | Form A | A <i>nnex</i> C7 is comp | plete and the required supporting information is attached. |  |  |

| Part 2: Clearing permit details   |   |                      |  |  |
|---|---|----------------------|--|--|
| Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.<br>Applications must be made more                                     | Permit number for existing clearing permit  | CPS 8152/1           |  |  |
| than 90 working days prior to the<br>existing permit expiring to ensure<br>there is adequate time to assess<br>the amendment. | Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)                          | Avoca Mining Pty Ltd |  |  |
| FILE REFERENCE  | Permit expiry date:   | 31 July 2013         |  |  |
|   | Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit. |                      |  |  |

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| Part 3: Applicant   |  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|---|--|-----------|----|--|-----|--------------------|----------|-------------|--------|--------------|
| Applicant details   |  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
| To apply for an amendment to a<br>permit you must be the current<br>holder of the existing permit.  | Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter one only.   |           |    |  |     | /? Enter det       | ails for |             |        |              |
| Include Australian Company<br>Number (ACN) if the proposed<br>permit holder is a body corporate<br>or other entity formed at law.   | An   | Title     | Mr |  | Mrs |                    | Ms       |             | Other: |              |
|   | individual   | Name/s    |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | A body corp<br>other entity<br>law (include  | formed at |    |  |     | td (ACN<br>sidiary |          |             |        | ning Pty Ltd |
| Applicant contact details   |  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
| If applying as a company or<br>incorporated body, please also<br>supply the registered business<br>office address.<br>DWER and DMIRS prefer to send<br>all correspondence electronically<br>via email.<br>We request that you consent to<br>receiving all correspondence<br>relating to instruments and<br>notices under Part V of the EP<br>Act ("Part V documents")<br>electronically via email by<br>indicating your consent in this<br>section of the application form.<br>Where 'yes' is selected, all<br>correspondence from DWER or<br>DMIRS (as applicable) will be<br>sent to you via email, to the email<br>address provided in this section. | Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Company name<br>(if applicable)  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Postal / business<br>address   |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Phone (fixed line): Phone (mobile):  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Email address  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
| Where 'no' has been selected,<br>Part V documents will be posted  | I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the Yes No   |           |    |  |     |                    |          | No          |        |              |
| to you in hard copy to the<br>postal/business address you have<br>provided in this section. Other<br>general correspondence may still<br>be sent to you via email.  | applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the<br>premises which is the subject of this application, being<br>exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided<br>above. |           |    |  |     |                    | )        | $\boxtimes$ |        |              |
| Contact details for enquiries   |  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
| If different from the applicant's<br>contact details, enter the contact<br>details of a person with whom<br>DWER or DMIRS should liaise<br>with concerning this clearing<br>application.  | Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:<br>Contact person (and position, if applicable)  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Company name<br>(if applicable)  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Postal / business<br>address   |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Phone (fixed line) Phone (mobile)  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |
|   | Email address  |           |    |  |     |                    |          |             |        |              |

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| Part 4: Proposed amendments  |  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|--|--|--|-------------|-----|--|----|--|--|
| Additional information to  | Indicate the proposed change/s to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box/es:   |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| support the assessment of your application to amend may be attached.   |  | Extend the duration of the clearing permit.  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| Please ensure you have included<br>the following as part of your   |  | Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.   |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| <ul><li>application:</li><li>a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed</li></ul>   | $\boxtimes$  | Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| changes highlighted, and   |  | Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared [for an area permit only]   |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| <ul> <li>payment of the prescribed fee.</li> </ul>   |  | Make a correction to the clearing permit.  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|  | Other.   |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|  | Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|  | Enlarge the purpose permit boundary to include the Eundynie satellite pits and increase the clearing area from 200ha to 270ha to accommodate the new mining areas.   |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| For an application to amend the size of the area permitted to be   | State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared.<br>[Attach evidence of authority]  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| cleared, or add a land parcel to<br>the clearing permit, you must<br>have the authority of the<br>landowner to access the land<br>and undertake the clearing.  | Avoca Mining Pty Ltd is the tenement holder and site operator for M15/507 and M15/597.<br>M15/507 and M15/597 is also listed under CPS 8512/1. DMIRS Mining Tenement<br>Summary Reports for M15/507 and M15/597 are attached |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| Evidence of authority can include,<br>for example, a copy of the<br>certificate of title or a letter of<br>authority from the land owner.  |  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| Note: the letter of authority must<br>explicitly state the applicant has<br>authority to clear on the land.  |  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| if required – if applying to extend  |  | Land description: volume and folio number, lot or location number(s), Crown lease or reserve number, pastoral lease number, or mining tenement number of all properties. |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.   | M15/507 and M15/597  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| You must provide evidence that<br>avoidance and mitigation<br>options have been pursued to<br>eliminate, reduce or otherwise<br>mitigate the need for, and scale<br>of, the proposed clearing of<br>native vegetation. |  | alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need earing been considered and applied?   | $\boxtimes$ | Yes |  | No |  |  |
|  | If yes, provide details:   |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|  | The minimal area required for the mining disturbance will be cleared.  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u><br><u>native vegetation offsets</u><br><u>procedure guideline</u> available<br>on the DWER website, and the<br>EPA's <u>WA Environmental</u>  |  | o you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal<br>ith your application?  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
|  | If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure</i> guideline.   |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |
| Offsets Policy and Guidelines<br>on the EPA website for further<br>information.  |  |  |             |     |  |    |  |  |

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| Part 5: Other DWER approvals   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Instructions:  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| If your application is to be submitted to DMIRS, complete  | ·   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| If your application is to be submitted to DWER, complete Section A and B.  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Section A: Environmental Impact Assessment   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP A   | Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP Act)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection  | Yes – provide details [ ]   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Authority?   | □ No  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you intend to refer the proposal to the<br>Environmental Protection Authority?  | Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal')  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Section 37B(1) of the EP Act defines a 'significant proposal' as<br>"a proposal likely, if implemented, to have a significant effect on<br>the environment".   | Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C<br>amendment to the current Ministerial Statement)<br>MS [ ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| If a decision-making authority (e.g. DWER or DMIRS) considers<br>that the proposal in this application is likely to constitute a<br>'significant proposal', they are required under section 38(5) of<br>the EP Act to refer the proposal to the EPA for assessment<br>under Part IV, if such a referral has not already been made. | <ul> <li>No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies:</li> <li>MS [ ]</li> </ul>                                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide<br>the MS number in the space provided.   | No – not a 'significant proposal'   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Section B: Other approvals   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pre-application scoping  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral /<br>scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned  | □ No  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| applications?  | Yes – provide details: [ ]  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Works approval / Licence / Registration (Part V Division 3 of the EP Act)  |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you applied or do you intend to apply for a works approval, licence, registration, or an  | Yes – application reference (if known): [ ]   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| amendment to any of the above, under Part V<br>Division 3 of the EP Act?   | No – a valid works approval applies: [ ]  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| It is an offense to perform any action that would cause a premises to become a prescribed premises of a type listed in Schedule 1 of the <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> ,  | No – a valid licence applies: [ ]   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration.  | No – a valid registration applies: [ ]  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| For further guidance, please refer to the <u>Guidance Statement:</u><br><u>Decision Making</u> .   | No – not required   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Water licences and permits (Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914)   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you applied or do you intend to apply for:  | Yes –application reference (if known): [ ]  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or  | No – a current valid licence applies: [ ]   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or  | □ N/A   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse?   |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Part 6: Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments (IBSA)