

Iron Ore

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Dr Paul Vogel
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Attention: Matt Spence

Dear Paul,

OREBODY 31 IRON ORE MINE PROJECT, NEWMAN
Referral under Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

BHP Billiton Iron Ore is seeking approval to develop and operate the Orebody 31 deposit, located approximately 30 kilometres east of the Newman Township in the Pilbara. The Proposal is known as the Orebody 31 Iron Ore Mine Project.

Please find enclosed BHP Billiton Iron Ore's referral and supporting documentation, in accordance with Section 38(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Mark Garrahy on (08) 6321 2181 or mark.garrahy@bhpbilliton.com. We look forward to working in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Authority on this Proposal.

Yours sincerely,



Gavin Price

Head of Environment

Enclosed:

- Section 38(1) Referral Form
- A copy of the Supporting Environmental Referral Document
- Electronic copies of referral form, the Supporting Environmental Referral Document and the shapefile of the Proposal Development Envelope