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Hon. Minister for the Environment  
c/- Environmental Protection Authority Services  
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation  
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Attention: Mr Floyd Browne

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Dear Mr Browne,

**Withdrawal of Request for Change to Ministerial Statement 476 under Section 46  
Mt Weld Rare Earths Project, Mt Weld Mining Pty Limited (Assessment 2114)**

Further to our meeting with the Chairman of the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) and yourself on 24 October 2017, and based on your subsequent discussions with our consultant, Peter Jansen (KASA Consulting) regarding the above, I wish to confirm the following:

Mt Weld Mining Pty Limited (Mt Weld Mining) hereby withdraws the current Section 46 application submitted on 1 December 2016.

Mt Weld Mining requests that the Department's focus remains on the ongoing and urgent assessment of our application under Section 45C submitted on 1 December 2016 such that operations are not impeded.

Mt Weld Mining understands that we can retain the option to request changes to MS476 via a Section 46 application at a later date, if required.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Peter Jansen on 0459 222 151 in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

  
**Tony Malloch**  
General Manager WA