

## ABORIGINAL AREAS PROTECTION AUTHORITY

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28 May 2007

WASHINGTON RESOURCES PO BOX 966 WEST PERTH WA 6872

ATTENTION: STEVE MILLWARD

RE: MINERAL EXPLORATION ON FOR EL24204, MT CAVENAUGH MORTON

PPL 1146 AND UMBERA PPL 999

I refer to your application for an Authority Certificate originally received on 16 May 2007 for the above area. I advise that in accordance with section 19C of the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989* your application has been classified as a 'non-standard application'.

Charges for your application will be in accordance with the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Regulations*. I estimate the expected costs will be \$28,000. Further details of our regulations and fee system can be found on the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority web page http://www.nt.gov.au/aapa. Alternatively, we can forward you further information if required.

I stress that this is only an estimate and the cost may vary up or down depending on the circumstances encountered during fieldwork. Should costs seem likely to exceed the estimate the researcher concerned will contact you to establish whether you wish to continue with your application. If you are prepared to accept costs in the order of this estimate, please respond to that effect in writing. Upon receipt of this confirmation the Authority will commence the consultations necessary to process your application.

The NT Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act requires that the Authority consult Aboriginal custodians within 60 days of your acceptance of costs. Within constraints imposed by the availability of Aboriginal custodians, the Authority endeavours wherever possible to assist in meeting applicant's deadlines. Please therefore, advise me when responding, of any time constraints associated with the works proposed. If you wish to make any inquiries during the period when your application is being processed, please do not hesitate to contact me on 8952 6366.

Yours faithfully

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WASHINGTON RESOURCES PO BOX 966 WEST PERTH WA 6872

ATTENTION: STEVE MILLWARD

MINERAL EXPLORATION ON FOR EL24204, MT CAVENAUGH MORTON RE:

PPL 1146 AND UMBERA PPL 999

I refer to your application for an Authority Certificate originally received on 16 May 2007 and advice regarding revisions to the application area received on 21 June 2007 for the above area. I advise that in accordance with section 19C of the Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989 your application has been classified as a 'non-standard application'.

Charges for your application will be in accordance with the Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Regulations. I estimate the expected costs for the revised application will be \$15,500. Further details of our regulations and fee system can be found on the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority web page http://www.nt.gov.au/aapa. Alternatively, we can forward you further information if required.

I stress that this is only an estimate and the cost may vary up or down depending on the circumstances encountered during fieldwork. Should costs seem likely to exceed the estimate the researcher concerned will contact you to establish whether you wish to continue with your application. If you are prepared to accept costs in the order of this estimate, please respond to that effect in writing. Upon receipt of this confirmation the Authority will commence the consultations necessary to process your application.

The NT Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act requires that the Authority consult Aboriginal custodians within 60 days of your acceptance of costs. Within constraints imposed by the availability of Aboriginal custodians, the Authority endeavours wherever possible to assist in meeting applicant's deadlines. Please therefore, advise me when responding, of any time constraints associated with the works proposed. If you wish to make any inquiries during the period when your application is being processed, please do not hesitate to contact Jacqui Brady on 8952 6366.

Yours faithfully

ANDREW ALLAN

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14 October 2008

Washington Resources PO Box 966 West Perth WA 6872

ATTENTION: Steve Millward

RE: APPLICATION FOR AN AUTHORITY CERTIFICATE FOR MINERAL EXPLORATION ON EL24204, MT CAVENAUGH, MORTON AND UMBERA PPLS.

I refer to your application for an Authority Certificate received on 16 May 2007 for the above area and correspondence dated 28 May 2007. I advise that in accordance with section 19C of the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989* your application has been classified as a 'non-standard application'.

Charges for your application will be in accordance with the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Regulations*; a copy of the relevant sections is enclosed for your information.

I regret to inform you that the estimate stipulated on the letter dated 28 May 2007 was an approximation. Owing to circumstances in the field, the revised costs are now expected at \$38,600. Further details of our fee system can be found on the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority web page <a href="http://www.nt.gov.au/aapa">http://www.nt.gov.au/aapa</a>.

I stress that this is only an estimate and the cost may vary depending on the circumstances encountered during fieldwork. Should costs seem likely to exceed the estimate significantly, the researcher concerned will contact you to establish whether you wish to continue with your application. If you are prepared to accept costs in the order of this estimate, please respond to that effect in writing and the Authority will commence the consultations necessary to process your application.

The NT Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act requires that the Authority consult Aboriginal custodians within 60 days of your acceptance of costs. Within constraints imposed by the availability of Aboriginal custodians, the Authority endeavours wherever possible to assist in meeting the applicant's deadlines. Please therefore, advise me when responding, of any time constraints associated with the works proposed.

If you wish to make any inquiries during the period when your application is being processed, please do not hesitate to contact me on 8952 6366.

Yours sincerely,

Amanda Markham
ACTING REGIONAL MANAGER

#### **GUIDELINES FOR CLASSIFYING APPLICATIONS**

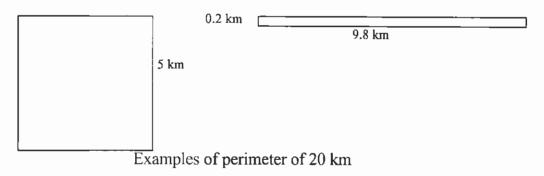
#### 1. Standard Application

An application is a standard application unless it is classified as a non-standard application in accordance with the guidelines set out in this Schedule.

#### 2. Non-standard application

An application will be classified as non-standard in the following circumstances:

- 2.1 A project involving a large area of land
  - 2.1.1 A project is taken to involve a large area of land if the perimeter of the area of land is equal to or greater than 20 km.
  - 2.1.2 If a single project involves 2 or more non-contiguous areas, the project perimeter is taken as the sum of the perimeters of each area.



#### 2.2 Substantial projects

- 2.2.1 A project is considered to be a substantial project if the works to which the application for a certificate relates
  - require a public environmental report or an environmental impact statement under the *Environmental Assessment Act*;
  - are associated with a complex development such as a resort, mine or major horticultural development or any project using an area of sea;
- involve the acquisition or extinguishment of native title rights.
  - 2.2.2 A project is not necessarily a substantial project if the works relate to a standard road borrow area, or to infrastructure being developed separately from the principal works (for example, an access track to

a mine, where the request is for a certificate separate from the main mine certificate).

#### 2.3 Aboriginal land

Work to which the request for a certificate relates is to be carried out on Aboriginal land within the meaning of the *Aboriginal Land Act* and the *Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976* of the Commonwealth.

#### 2.4 Sacred sites

Work to which the application for a certificate relates is to be carried out on a registered sacred site, within a restricted work zone defined in a previously issued certificate or in areas where a certificate has previously been refused because of the existence of sacred sites.

#### 2.5 Specialised equipment or expertise

Where the determination of the application for a certificate requires the use of specialised equipment (for example, helicopter hire) or expert professional advice (for example, an arborist).

#### 2.6 Other

An application may be classified as non-standard in the following circumstances:

- (a) the application requires a comprehensive survey of unusually wide scope and is not limited to a specific location or project;
- (b) the application does not disclose an intended use of the land or the nature of work that is intended to be carried out on the land;
- (c) the land to which the application relates is remote from major population centres and the determination of the application will require special arrangements for travel or accommodation.

#### 3. Doubtful cases

If there is doubt as to whether an application is to be treated as a standard application or a non-standard application (for example, there are novel circumstances that take the matter out of the realm of being a standard matter, despite that it would otherwise be classified as standard), the Authority must make a decision on a case by case basis.

#### **SCHEDULE 2**

# GUIDELINES AS TO CHARGES THAT MAY APPLY FOR NON-STANDARD APPLICATION OR CONFERENCE

The following costs, if incurred by the Authority in determining a non-standard application or in arranging a conference, may be charged by the Authority to the applicant:

- (a) consultants' fees (including payments to custodians as consultants);
- (b) travel and accommodation expenses (including vehicle costs, airfares etc.);
- (c) communication costs (satellite phones etc.);
- (d) equipment hire charges (Digital GPS, helicopter, fixed-wing aircraft, boat charter etc.);
- (e) photography etc.;
- (f) mapping and production of documents (printing, binding etc.);
- (g) translation and transcription costs;
- (h) incidental food costs;
- (i) cost of staff time spent on research;
- (j) cost of staff time spent supervising and liaising with other agencies/bodies;
- (k) administration costs (making of arrangements by Authority staff);
- (l) any other costs reasonably incurred.

#### SCHEDULE 3

- 1. The amount of the charges payable by an applicant in respect of a particular application is to be determined as follows:
- (a) items (a) to (h) (inclusive) and item (l) of Schedule 2, if applicable, are to be charged to the applicant at the amount incurred by the Authority;
- (b) items (i) and (j) of Schedule 2, if applicable, are to be charged at the rate of staff wages plus 100% for the time identified as spent on the matter;
- (c) item (k) of Schedule 2 is to be charged at a flat rate of 20% of the total of all other applicable items.
- 2. Except where no new costs are incurred by the Authority in arranging a conference, the amount of the charges payable by an applicant in respect of a particular conference is to be determined in the same manner as set out in clause 1.