

Environment Protection Group

NOTICE OF DECISION TO GRANT A PERMIT UNDER THE HAZARDOUS WASTE (REGULATION OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS) ACT 1989

Pursuant to Section 33 of the *Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1989*, notice is given that a permit has been granted to Pasminco Limited (Australian Company Number 004 368 674), 380 St Kilda Road, Melbourne, Victoria 3004, Australia (telephone 02 49 580 847, facsimile 02 49 584 185), to export up to 60,000kgs of paragoethite from Pasminco Hobart Smelter, Risdon Road, Lutana, Tasmania, 7009 Australia to Pyrometallurgy Division, Mintek, 200 Hans Strijdom Drive, Randburg 2125, South Africa for experimental test work on recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds.

The material will be packaged in bulker bags and loaded into shipping containers, then transported by road to be loaded onto a ship at the Port of Adelaide, Australia to be offloaded at the Port of Durban, South Africa. From there, the waste will be transported by rail to the disposal facility.

The export will take place in one (1) shipment between 17 June 2000 and 9 March 2001.

A person or persons whose interests are affected by this decision may, within 28 days, make an application in writing to the Environment Protection Group of the Department of the Environment and Heritage requesting the reasons for the decision.

An application for independent review of the decision may be made to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal on payment of the relevant fee by the applicant within 28 days of receipt of the reasons for the decision, or within 28 days of this notice if the reasons for the decision are not sought. Applications should be made to the Deputy Registrar, Administrative Appeals Tribunal in your capital city, see under Commonwealth Government Section in the White Pages.

Further information or enquiries should be directed to:

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