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Dear Sir/Madam

Fingerboards Mineral Sands Project: Information Requests

The following list is provided to Kalbar Operations Pty Ltd (the Proponent) to summarise information requests previously discussed and new requests from the Inquiry and Advisory Committee (IAC) and submitters.

Previous requests

- Tabled Document 294 (10 May 2021) provides the IAC's latest formal request for information. There appear to be a number of outstanding items and an update on a response would be appreciated as soon as possible. Once the remaining information has been provided, a table that summarizes which documents address this request would be of assistance to the IAC.
- 2. On Day 4 of the Hearing (Thursday 6 May 2021) Mr Muller undertook to provide a spreadsheet of data inputs provided by the Proponent in relation to seepage to Ms Porter for Mine Free Glenaladale (MFG). Can it be confirmed this data has now been provided and if so under what document number.
- 3. On Day 9 (Thursday 13 May 2021) of the Hearing Mr Welchman in response to a question from the IAC undertook to provide a breakdown of the fractions of materials inputted to the air quality modelling and used in other contingent work such as in relation to radiation. If this material has been provided or exists in the Environment Effects Statement (EES) can it be identified to the IAC. For this issue also please review Tabled Document 318 to ensure the understanding of the Bendigo District Environment Council is correct in relation to dust from heavy mineral concentrate stockpiles.
- 4. On Day 10 of the Hearing (Friday 14 May 2021) in response to a question from submitter Mr Helps via the Chair (Document 321), the Proponent undertook to provide advice on the degree to which Stygofauna in groundwater, had been, or needed to be, considered in relation to National or State threatened species legislation.
- 5. In relation to Table 1 in Tabled Document 327 (Technical Note 20 Fingerboards Project feasibility with centrifuges) the IAC Chair questioned whether environmental management costs were included across the various Operating Cost Categories or were all included in "Other costs".
- 6. On Day 8 of the Hearing (Wednesday 12 May 2021) Mr Billingsley undertook to provide a RESRAD file so it could be provided to the IAC's Technical Expert Mr Joyner for his consideration in preparing his material for the IAC; at the time of writing this has not be received.



- 7. Identification <u>in confidence</u> to the IAC of the status of land ownership and landholder discussions discussions and or contractual or agreement status with the Proponent; to be discussed and agreed with MFG in relation to landowners who are part of that group prior to the provision of the information.
- 8. A response from Kalbar's expert Mr Organ to the hearing submission of Mr Casey (Submitter 167; Tabled Documents 387 and 388) regarding the possible presence of the Giant Burrowing Frog.

New requests from IAC

- 9. Can the Proponent provide a succinct (no more than ten pages) consolidated overview of the project proposed in its current form that at least identifies:
 - a) Location of proposed roads
 - b) Previous and proposed mining licence extent
 - c) Area of land to be potentially mined
 - d) location of all proposed dams, including sequencing
 - e) Current agreed water balance including expected take from surface water and groundwater, over what period
 - f) Location and scale of centrifuge building units and other fixed infrastructure and plant
 - g) Final agreed statistics on flora and fauna species impacted including area and number impacted
 - h) Clarity on whether road-based transport options to Melbourne are still being considered or not
 - i) Proposed location of expanded borefield
 - i) Location of all sensitive receptors.
- 10. Can the Proponent advise whether the mining Project is subject to rates under the *Local Government Act 2020* and if so what rating calculation would be used.

New requests from submitter

- 11. In Tabled Document 302 (Technical Note 19) could the Proponent please provide the source of the Particle Deposition Rates in Column 3 of the Table on pdf Page 19 and particularly that of Uranium of 3.8 ug/m2/day.
- 12. Ms Teague responded to the issues in Tabled Document 317 verbally in the Hearing and a written response was promised; could this please be provided.
- 13. In Tabled Document 302 (Technical Note 19) pages 27 to 31 authored by Coffey use Scientific notation (e.g Arsenic at 4.9E+01 which translates to 49 ug/kg). 49 ug/kg of Arsenic is 688.879 times the ATSDR Theoretical daily dose of 0.07113 mg/day. Can the Proponent please provide this same report in normal notation please.

If you have any queries, please contact Amy Selvaraj at Planning Panels Victoria fingerboards.iac@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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