

# Permit<sup>1</sup>

**Environmental Protection Act 1994**  
**Environmental Authority (Exploration or Mineral Development) Non Code Compliant**  
**Level 2 Mining Project**

**Permit<sup>1</sup> Number: MIN200673408**

*This permit is issued by the administering authority to authorise the activity specified in the permit in accordance with the conditions specified in the permit. This decision was made pursuant to Section 171 of the Environmental Protection Act 1994.*

**Takes Effect From: 27-JUL-2010**

## Details

| Permit Holder(s) | Name                    | Address                                      |
|------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Principal Holder | BHP Mitsui Coal Pty Ltd | Level 23 Riparian Plaza<br>BRISBANE QLD 4000 |

| Activity(s)             | Location(s) |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Exploration Permit Coal | EPC1061     |

The anniversary date of the environmental authority is 27 JULY 2010.

The environmental authority is subject to the attached conditions of approval.

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<sup>1</sup> Permit includes licences, approvals, permits, authorisations, certificates, sanctions or equivalent/similar as required by legislation administered by the Department of Environment and Resource Management

## CONDITIONS OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY

### General Permit Condition

#### Agency Interest: General

- PG1 The conditions of this environmental authority are in force until a surrender of the authority is accepted pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act 1994. The conditions apply unless amendment is approved pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act 1994.
- PG2 **Financial Assurance**  
The environmental authority holder is to give the administering authority a financial assurance in the amount and form and at a time required by the administering authority.
- PG3 The environmental authority holder must comply with each of the standard environmental conditions contained in the Code of Environmental Compliance for Exploration and Mineral Development Projects (January 2001), except condition 13, which is replaced by conditions of this environmental authority.
- PG4 The environmental authority holder is authorised to undertake exploration activities within 500m of a Category B Environmentally Sensitive Area described as Endangered Regional Ecosystem.
- PG5 **Drill Sites**  
a) Operational area is to be no greater than 500m<sup>2</sup>  
b) Sump size is to be no greater than 10m<sup>2</sup>  
c) Topsoil stripping must be limited to sump area; and  
d) Clearing of mature trees must be prevented.
- PG6 **Access**  
a) Existing access tracks and fence lines must be used wherever possible.  
b) Any new tracks are to be constructed by linking existing cleared areas.  
c) Track construction must avoid clearing of mature trees.
- PG7 **Other Land Disturbance**  
a) Exploration activities must not involve seismic surveying or costeaning;  
b) All equipment such as earthmoving equipment and drilling equipment must be used in a manner which prevents the spread of weeds, minimises unnecessary disturbance of topsoil and ground cover vegetation;  
c) Campsites must not be established; and  
d) All waste must be removed and disposed offsite.
- PG8 Rehabilitation of areas disturbed within 500m of Endangered Regional Ecosystems must be completed as soon as practicable but not longer than six months after completion of the disturbance activity.
- PG9 Rehabilitaion of drill sites and sumps must be in accordance with the Code of Environmental Compliance for Exploration and Mineral Development Project (January 2001)