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Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc

and

South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy Inc







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# Date

#### **Parties**

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- 2. **Minister for Mineral Resources Development** a corporation sole constituted by Section 11 of the Mining Act No. 109 of 1971 and whose office is situated at 17<sup>th</sup> Floor, 25 Grenfell Street, Adelaide SA 5000 (*minister*)
- 3. Andrew Dingaman, Howard Richards, Elliott McNamara and Ken Smith as registered native title claimants for and on behalf of the Gawler Ranges native title claim group in native title determination application no SG6020/98 in the Federal Court of Australia, of c/- Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc, Level 4, 345 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000 (*native title parties*)
- 4. **Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement Inc** ABN 32 942 723 464, an incorporated association incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act No 30 of 1985 (SA), of Level 4, 345 King William Street, Adelaide SA 5000 (*ALRM*)
- 5. **South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy Inc** ABN 62 620 804 910, an incorporated association incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act No 30 of 1985 (SA), of 4 Greenhill Road, Wayville SA 5034 (*SACOME*)

#### Recitals

- A The registered native title claimants are (as at the date of execution of this framework ILUA by all of the parties) the registered native title claimants (as defined in the native title act) in relation to land and waters in the ILUA area and made the native title claim on behalf of the native title claim group.
- B The registered native title claimants have consulted with the native title claim group and the native title claim group has consented to and authorised the registered native title claimants to enter into this framework ILUA on behalf of the native title parties.
- C ALRM is the representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander body for the ILUA area pursuant to the native title act.
- D Before signing this *framework ILUA ALRM* has, as far as practicable, consulted with and had regard to the interests of the *native title claim*

group and other persons (if any) who hold or may hold native title in relation to land or waters in the ILUA area.

#### E The *state*:

- (a) is the Crown in right of the State of South Australia;
- (b) through the *minister*, its departments and agencies administers the *mining act* including:
  - (i) the granting of all mining tenements; and
  - (ii) the management of Part 9B of the *mining act*, being the alternative *state right to negotiate procedure*; and
- (c) is the first respondent to all *native title determination applications* in South Australia.
- F SACOME represents the minerals, petroleum and energy industries in South Australia.
- G Each *party* recognises the interests of each other *party*, and of land owners and occupiers, in relation to the *ILUA area*.
- H In particular the *parties* recognise, in relation to the *native title parties*, that:
  - (a) the relationship of Aboriginal people to *land* and *waters* is central to their well being and to their continuing connection to the religious, emotional, spiritual and non human world; and
  - (b) the *native title parties* claim that *native title* exists in relation to *land* and *waters* in the *ILUA area* and that the *native title claim* group is the group that claims to hold the *native title* in relation to *land* and *waters* in the *ILUA area*.
  - The parties also recognise, in relation to the state, that the state asserts its ownership of minerals in the ILUA area and elsewhere in South Australia.
- The *native title parties* and *ALRM* have negotiated with the *state* and with *SACOME* for this *framework ILUA*, which promotes the exercise of rights under this *framework ILUA* in a way that advances economic development through *authorised exploration activities* being carried out in a sustainable manner for the benefit of current and future generations and which amongst other things, provides for:
  - (a) consent to the grant of the authorised exploration tenements;
  - (b) consent to the carrying out of authorised exploration activities

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- under the authorised exploration tenements; and
- (c) procedures protecting the rights and interests of the *native title* parties in the ILUA area in relation to the grant of the authorised exploration tenements and the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under them.
- R Pursuant to this framework ILUA the parties consent to the grant of the authorised exploration tenements and the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under them.
- L The non-extinguishment principle applies to the grant of the authorised exploration tenements and the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under them.
- M The provisions of this framework ILUA apply instead of the right to negotiate procedure, which is not intended to apply to the grant of the authorised exploration tenements or the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under them.
- This framework ILUA is an area agreement pursuant to sections 24CA to 24CL of the native title act and regulation 7 of the Native Title (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Regulations 1999 (Cth) and is intended to be registered on the register.

It is agreed as follows.

# Preliminary

## 1.1 Definitions

In this framework ILUA, unless the context otherwise requires:

**Aboriginal heritage act** means the Aboriginal Heritage Act No 12 of 1988 (SA);

**Aboriginal site, object or remains** means any of:

- (a) an "Aboriginal site", an "Aboriginal object", or "Aboriginal remains" as defined in the *Aboriginal heritage act*; and
- (b) "Aboriginal remains", a "significant Aboriginal area" or a "significant Aboriginal object" as defined in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act No 79 of 1984 (Cth);

acceptance document means the deed forming part of this framework ILUA at schedule 3, as amended from time to time pursuant to this framework ILUA, by which an explorer agrees to enter into an accepted exploration contract;

acceptance term means the period, within the framework term, starting on the commencement date and ending on the date determined in accordance with

clause 2.2(d), during which an *explorer* is entitled to enter into an *accepted exploration contract* in accordance with the provisions of clause 5.1;

#### accepted exploration contract means each contract:

- (a) on the terms of the *exploration contract conditions* and the relevant executed *acceptance document*; and
- (b) formed between the *state*, the *minister*, the *native title parties* and an *explorer* upon that *explorer* complying with the provisions of clause 5.1;

#### advanced exploration activities means:

- (a) grid-based pattern drilling with 100 metres x 100 metres or 200 metres x 50 metres (or equivalent) centres or less;
- (b) diamond drilling of at least five drill holes per square kilometre;
- (c) costeaning or trenching;
- (d) bulk sampling of more than 100 tonnes from a single surface location;
- (e) making new tracks using declared equipment; and
- (f) any exploration activities using explosives,

and includes any associated land clearing,

**ALRM** means the party referred to in item 4 under the heading "Parties";

authorised exploration activities means exploration activities under an authorised exploration tenement;

## authorised exploration tenement means:

- (a) any exploration tenement granted, whether before or after the commencement date or the date of commencement of the relevant accepted exploration contract, of which the explorer is the tenement holder::
  - (i) being an exploration tenement:
    - (A) details of which are specified in the acceptance document executed by that explorer in order to enter into that accepted exploration contract;
    - (B) to the extent that the *land* and/or *waters* the subject of the *exploration tenement* are within the *ILUA area*; and
    - (C) in relation to which the provisions of clause 5.1 have been complied with; or
  - (ii) being an exploration tenement:
    - (A) details of which are specified in a notice given by that explorer pursuant to clause 12.1 of that accepted exploration contract; and
    - (B) to the extent that *land* and/or *waters* the subject of the *exploration tenement* are within the *ILUA area*;
- (b) any exploration tenement to be granted:

- (i) upon any renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of any *exploration tenement* referred to in paragraph (a) of which that *explorer* will, upon *grant*, be the *tenement holder*, and
- (ii) in respect of the whole or any portion of the *land* and/or *waters* (within the *ILUA area*) the subject of that *exploration* tenement;
- (c) any exploration tenement of a different type to that referred to in paragraphs (a) and (b) to be granted:
  - (i) during the acceptance term of which that explorer will, upon grant be the tenement holder, and
  - (ii) in respect of the whole or any portion of the *land* and/or *maters* (within the *ILUA area*) the subject of any *exploration tenement* referred to in paragraph (a) or (b); and
- (d) any exploration tenement to be granted:
  - (i) during the acceptance term upon any renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of any exploration tenement referred to in paragraph (c) of which that explorer will, upon grant be the tenement holder, and
  - (ii) in respect of the whole or any portion of the *land* and/or *waters* (within the *ILUA area*) the subject of that *exploration* tenement,

but excludes any excluded tenement and any exploration tenement in respect of which (and to the extent that) an accepted exploration contract terminates or is terminated in accordance with clause 2.3(a), 2.3(b) or 4.5 of that accepted exploration contract;

*authority* means any statutory, public, governmental, semi-governmental, or municipal authority, body or department;

**breached tenement** means the *authorised exploration tenement* in relation to which an *explorer* has allegedly breached an *essential term* in clause 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 7.1, 7.4, 8.3(c) or 8.3(d) of the relevant *accepted exploration contract*;

business day means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday in South Australia;

commencement date means the date on which details of this framework ILUA are entered on the register pursuant to section 199B of the native title act:

*communication* has, for the purposes of clause 12, the meaning given in clause 12.1;

compensation entitlement means any compensation, right or entitlement whether monetary or otherwise and whether under common law, equity, statute or otherwise in respect of *native title* with respect to:

- (a) the grant of any authorised exploration tenement; or
- (b) the carrying out of any authorised exploration activities under any authorised exploration tenement;

cultural mapping survey means a survey for purposes of preserving, protecting, maintaining or enhancing the culture of the native title parties in relation to Aboriginal sites, objects or remains, carried out pursuant to clause 8 and the mapping survey procedures;

**determination** has, for the purposes of clause 11, the meaning given in clause 11.6;

**dispose** means assign, transfer, otherwise dispose of or grant or permit or suffer the grant of any legal or equitable interest (either in whole or in part) whether by sale, lease, declaration or creation of a trust or otherwise;

dispute has, for the purposes of clause 11, the meaning given in clause 11.1;

*dispute parties* has, for the purposes of clause 11, the meaning given in clause 11.4;

*encumber* means to grant or create or permit or suffer the grant or creation of any interest or power:

- (a) reserved in, or over any interest in, any asset including any retention of title; or
- (b) granted, created otherwise arising in, or over any interest in, any asset under a bill of sale, mortgage, charge, lien, pledge, trust or power,

by way of security for the payment of any debt or other monetary obligation, or the performance of any other obligations and whether existing or agreed to be granted or created;

essential term means the terms of each of clauses 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 6.1, 6.3, 6.4(b), 7.1, 7.4, 8.3(c) and 8.3(d) of each accepted exploration contract;

excluded tenement means an exploration tenement to which an accepted exploration contract does not apply by reason of the provisions of clause 15.1 or 15.2 of that accepted exploration contract;

expert means the person appointed either:

- (a) by agreement between the *dispute parties* within 5 *business days* of any *dispute* not being resolved in accordance with the provisions of clause 11.5; or
- (b) failing such agreement, at the request of any *dispute party* by the President for the time being of the Law Society of South Australia Inc. (or the President's nominee), being a person who has an understanding of, and experience in, both Aboriginal heritage and minerals exploration matters;

exploration activities means, in relation to an exploration tenement, all exploratory operations and other activities permitted to be carried out pursuant to the conditions of that exploration tenement under the mining act;

exploration contract conditions means the terms forming part of this framework ILUA at schedule 2, as amended from time to time pursuant to this framework ILUA;

exploration mapping survey means a survey, carried out pursuant to clause 8 and the mapping survey procedures, for purposes of preserving and protecting Aboriginal sites, objects or remains in relation to those exploration activities in respect of which the survey is undertaken;

exploration tenement means a mineral claim, an exploration licence, a retention lease (but only if the mining operations to which the retention lease relates are limited to exploratory operations), and a miscellaneous purposes licence (but only if the purposes for which the licence is granted are limited to purposes ancillary to the conduct of exploratory operations);

**explorer** means any person who at any time before or after complying with clause 5.1 is the *tenement holder* of an *exploration tenement* which, upon that person complying with clause 5.1, becomes an *authorised exploration tenement*;

framework ILUA means this deed, as amended from time to time, including the exploration contract conditions (and the annexures to it, being the heritage clearance procedures, mapping access procedures and deed of assumption), the acceptance document and the mapping survey procedures and all other schedules, annexures and appendices;

framework term means the period referred to in clause 2.1(a);

grant, in relation to an exploration tenement, includes:

- (a) any renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of an exploration tenement; and
- (b) any registration of a *mineral claim*;

gst has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

gst legislation has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

heritage clearance procedures means the procedures annexed to the exploration contract conditions as annexure A, as amended from time to time pursuant to this framework ILUA;

*ILUA area* means the geographical area in relation to which this *framework ILUA* applies, as specified in item 1 of schedule 1;

#### *land clearing* means:

- (a) in the case of grass, scrub or bush, the removal of vegetation by disturbing root systems and exposing underlying soil, but does not include:
  - (i) the flattening or compaction of vegetation by vehicles where the vegetation remains living;
  - (ii) the slashing or mowing of vegetation to facilitate access tracks, provided root systems remain in place and vegetation remains living; or
  - (iii) the clearing of noxious or introduced plant species; and
- (b) in the case of trees, cutting down, ringbarking or pushing over trees;

*law* means any Act of Parliament (whether state or federal) and all regulations, by-laws, statutory instruments and orders made thereunder and any lawful requirement of any *authority* and includes the conditions of any *authorised exploration tenement*;

#### mapping survey means either:

- (a) an exploration mapping survey; or
- (b) an exploration mapping survey and a cultural mapping survey;

mapping survey procedures means the procedures for carrying out a mapping survey forming part of this framework ILUA at schedule 4, as amended from time to time pursuant to this framework ILUA;

mining act means the Mining Act No 109 of 1971 (SA);

*minister* means the Minister of the Crown in right of the State of South Australia for the time being administering the *mining act*, being the *party* referred to in item 2 under the heading "Parties", or that Minister's duly authorised delegate;

native title has the meaning given in the native title act;

native title act means the Native Title Act No 110 of 1993 (Cth);

*native title claim* means the *native title determination application* of the *native title parties*, details of which are set out in item 2 of schedule 1;

**native title claim group** means the native title claim group (as defined in the *native title act*) in respect of the *native title claim*;

native title parties means the native title claim group and includes the registered native title claimants, being the party referred to in item 3 under the heading "Parties";

#### nominated body means:

- (a) if nominated by the *native title parties* pursuant to clause 6.5(a) of any *accepted exploration contract*, a body corporate:
  - (i) whose membership or shareholding by its constitution includes the members of the *native title claim group*;
  - (ii) which is not in administration, receivership or liquidation under any *laws* applicable to the body corporate; and
  - (iii) which is incorporated by the *native title claim group* for purposes that include the purposes of the *accepted exploration contract*;
- (b) if nominated by the *native title parties* pursuant to clause 6.5(a) of any *accepted exploration contract*, a trust:
  - (i) whose beneficiaries by the trust deed include the members of the *native title claim group*;
  - (ii) the trustee of which:
    - (A) if a natural person, is not an undischarged bankrupt; or

- (B) if a body corporate, is not in administration, receivership or liquidation under any *laws* applicable to the body corporate; and
- (iii) which is established by the *native title claim group* for purposes that include the purposes of the *accepted exploration contract*; or
- (c) if paragraphs (a) and (b) do not apply, the *native title parties*;

**notified party** has, for the purposes of clause 11, the meaning given in clause 11.3;

**notifying party** has, for the purposes of clause 11, the meaning given in clause 11.3;

parties means the parties to this framework ILUA;

*payment* has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

*provision* has, for the purposes of clause 14.3, the meaning given in that clause;

**recipient** has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

**register** means the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements established and maintained under Part 8A of the *native title act*;

**registered native title claimants** means the registered native title claimants (as defined in the *native title act*) from time to time in respect of the *native title claims*;

**registrar** has the meaning given in the *native title act*;

**review date** has, for the purposes of clause 2.2, the meaning given in that clause;

right to negotiate procedure means the procedures described in Part 9B of the mining act or Part 2, Division 3, Subdivision P of the native title act;

**SACOME** means the *party* referred to in item 5 under the heading "Parties"; **state** means the *party* referred to in item 1 under the heading "Parties";

**subsequent tenement** has, for the purposes of clause 3, the meaning given in clause 3.8(b)(ii)(A);

supplier has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

taxable supply has, for the purposes of clause 13, the meaning given in that clause;

tenement holder means in relation to an exploration tenement or an authorised exploration tenement, as the context requires, the explorer both where:

- (a) the *explorer* is the holder of the relevant *mining tenement*; and
- (b) a person other than the *explorer* is the registered holder of the relevant *mining tenement* but the *explorer* is the *mining operator* in respect of the relevant *mining tenement*; and

other terms in italics which are defined or used in the Aboriginal heritage act, mining act or the native title act bear their defined meanings when used in this framework ILUA.

#### 1.2 Interpretation

In this *framework ILUA*, unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) the singular includes the plural and conversely;
- (b) a gender includes all genders;
- (c) if a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning;
- (d) a reference to a person, corporation, trust, partnership, unincorporated body or other entity includes any of them;
- (e) a reference to a clause, schedule, annexure or appendix is a reference to a clause of, or a schedule, annexure or appendix to, this *framework ILUA*;
- (f) a reference to a clause includes a reference to a sub-clause, paragraph or sub-paragraph of that clause;
- (g) a reference to an agreement, deed or document (including this framework ILUA) is a reference to the agreement, deed or document as amended, varied, supplemented, novated or replaced, except to the extent prohibited by this framework ILUA or that other agreement, deed or document;
- (h) a reference to writing includes any method of representing or reproducing words, figures, drawings, or symbols in a visible form but excludes any communication using electronic mail;
- (i) a reference to a *party* to this *framework ILUA* or another agreement or document includes the party's successors, permitted substitutes and permitted assigns (and, where applicable, the party's legal personal representatives);
- (j) a reference to legislation or to a provision of legislation includes a modification or re-enactment of it, legislation or a legislative provision substituted for it and a regulation or statutory instrument issued under it;
- (k) a reference to conduct includes an omission, statement or undertaking, whether or not in writing;
- (l) a reference to an agreement includes any undertaking, deed, agreement and legally enforceable arrangement, whether or not in writing;
- (m) a reference to a document includes an agreement (referred to in paragraph (l)) in writing and any certificate, notice, instrument and document of any kind;
- (n) a reference to dollars and \$ is to Australian currency;

- (o) a reference to a right or obligation of any two or more persons confers that right, or imposes that obligation, as the case may be, jointly and severally;
- (p) the meaning of general words is not limited by specific examples introduced by including, or for example, or similar expressions;
- (q) a reference to agree, approve or consent on the part of a *party* is a reference to agree, approve or consent (as the case may be) on the part of that *party* in writing; and
- (r) nothing in this *framework ILUA* is to be interpreted against a *party* solely on the ground that the *party* put forward this *framework ILUA* or any part of it.

# 1.3 Headings

Headings do not affect the interpretation of this framework ILUA.

#### 1.4 Schedules and annexures

Schedules, annexures and appendices form part of this framework ILUA.

# 1.5 Date of Agreement

Any reference in this *framework ILUA* to the date of execution of this *framework ILUA* by all of the *parties* is a reference to the date inserted under the heading "Date" on page 1 of this *framework ILUA*.

#### 2. Term

#### 2.1 Term

- (a) This framework ILUA, other than clauses 1, 2.1(b), 6.1, 6.2, 9.1(a)(i) and (ii) 9.1(b), 10.1(e), 10.2 (insofar as it relates to clause 10.1(e)), 11, 12, 13 and 14:
  - (i) commences on the commencement date; and
  - (ii) continues until the later of:
    - (A) the expiry of the acceptance term; and
    - (B) the date upon which all of the *accepted exploration contracts* have expired or been terminated for whatever reason.
- (b) Clauses 1, 6.1, 6.2, 9.1(a) and (b), 10.1(e), 10.2 (insofar as it relates to clause 10.1(e)), 11, 12, 13 and 14 and this clause 2.1(b):
  - (i) commence on the date of execution of this *framework ILUA* by all of the *parties*, and
  - (ii) continue until:
    - (A) the date being 12 months after the date referred to in clause 2.1(b)(i) or such later date agreed by the parties

- in writing, if this *framework ILUA* has not been registered on the *register* by the relevant date; or
- (B) if clause 2.1(b)(ii)(A) does not apply, the date upon which all of the *accepted exploration contracts* have expired or been terminated for whatever reason.

#### 2.2 Review

- (a) Not more than 12 months, and not less than 6 months, before the date of expiry of the 5 year period calculated from the *commencement date* and each successive 5 year period during the *framework term* (*review date*) any *party* may give the other *parties* notice that it requires a review of this *framework ILUA*.
- (b) If any *party* gives the other *parties* a notice under clause 2.2(a) the *parties* must:
  - (i) meet as soon as possible, but in any event within 20 *business* days after the date of that notice; and
  - (ii) negotiate in good faith with a view to reaching agreement between the *parties* in relation to any amendments proposed to this *framework ILUA* by any *party*.
- (c) The *parties* may agree:
  - (i) upon the amendments required to this *framework ILUA* by any *party* and record the relevant agreement in a written document signed by all of the *parties*; or
  - (ii) that no amendments are required to this framework ILUA,
  - and, if the *parties* do so agree, this *framework ILUA* continues to apply (where appropriate, as amended in accordance with clause 2.2(c)(i)) to enable an *explorer* to enter into an *accepted exploration contract* pursuant to clause 5.1.
- (d) If any *party* has given notice under clause 2.2(a) and no agreement has been made pursuant to clause 2.2(c) by the relevant *review date* or such later date agreed by the *parties*, then:
  - (i) this *framework ILUA* no longer enables an *explorer* to enter into an *accepted exploration contract* pursuant to clause 5.1; and
  - (ii) the acceptance term ends on that review date or such later date agreed by the parties.
- (e) The provisions of clause 2.2(d) do not in any way affect:
  - (i) the continued application of this *framework ILUA* after the *review date* (or such later date as agreed between the *parties*) and during the remainder of the *framework term*, other than for purposes of enabling an *explorer* to enter into an *accepted exploration contract* pursuant to clause 5.1; and

(ii) any accepted exploration contracts entered into prior to the relevant review date (or such later date as agreed between the parties).

#### 2.3 No Termination

Subject to clauses 2.2 and 6.3(a), no *party* is entitled to terminate this *framework ILUA* for any reason, including by reason of any breach or repudiation of this *framework ILUA* by any other *party*.

## 3. Native Title Act Statements

#### 3.1 Consent to Future Acts

Subject to clauses 3.3, 3.5(b), 3.6, 3.7, 3.8 and 3.9 the parties:

- (a) consent to the grant of each authorised exploration tenement:
  - (i) in the case referred to in paragraph (a) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement, at any time, whether before or after the commencement date, but:
    - (A) in relation to an *authorised exploration tenement*, as referred to in clause 5.1(b), before the end of the *framework term*, and
    - (B) in relation to any other *authorised exploration tenement*, before the end of the *acceptance term*;
  - (ii) in the case referred to in paragraph (b) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement, at any time after the commencement date but during the framework term; or
  - (iii) in the cases referred to in paragraphs (c) and (d) of the definition of *authorised exploration tenement*, at any time after the *commencement date* but during the *acceptance term*;
- (b) consent to the carrying out at any time after the commencement date but during the framework term of authorised exploration activities under each authorised exploration tenement (whether granted before or after the commencement date) in respect of which consent is given in accordance with clause 3.1(a); and
- (c) to the extent necessary, agree to the validating of any *future act* constituted by the *grant* of any *authorised exploration tenement*, referred to in paragraph (a) of the definition of *authorised exploration tenement*, at any time before the *commencement date*.

#### 3.2 No right to negotiate procedures

- (a) The *parties* acknowledge and agree that this *framework ILUA* sets out procedures for:
  - (i) the grant of the authorised exploration tenements; and

- (ii) the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under the authorised exploration tenements.
- (b) The *parties* agree that the *right to negotiate procedure* is not intended to apply to either:
  - (i) the grant of the authorised exploration tenements; or
  - (ii) the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under the authorised exploration tenements.

# 3.3 Consent Conditional on Compliance

The consent of the parties in clause 3.1 in relation to any authorised exploration tenement and any authorised exploration activities under it is conditional on an explorer having complied with the provisions of clause 5.1 or, where appropriate, of clause 12.1 of the accepted exploration contract, in relation to the relevant authorised exploration tenement.

#### 3.4 When Consent effective

To avoid doubt, the consent of the *parties* in clause 3.1 and their agreement in clause 3.2 are effective in relation to any *authorised exploration tenement* referred to in:

- (a) paragraph (a)(i) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement which has not been granted as at the date of formation of the accepted exploration contract in relation to that authorised exploration tenement, only upon that authorised exploration tenement being granted; and
- (b) paragraph (a)(ii) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement which has not been granted as at the date of notice given under clause 12.1 of the accepted exploration contract in relation to that authorised exploration tenement, only upon that authorised exploration tenement being granted.

# 3.5 Amendments to Accepted Exploration Contracts

- (a) Subject to clause 3.5(b), the consent of the *parties* in clause 3.1 and their agreement in clause 3.2 apply to each *authorised exploration* tenement and any authorised exploration activities under it to which any accepted exploration contract, as amended from time to time, applies.
- (b) Clause 3.5(a) does not apply where the relevant accepted exploration contract is amended in a manner which is inconsistent in any way with this framework ILUA (excluding, for this purpose, all schedules, annexures and appendices to this deed).

#### 3.6 Effect of Removal from Register

The consent of the *parties* in clause 3.1 and their agreement in clause 3.2 cease to apply with effect from the removal of this *framework ILUA* from the *register*, but the provisions of this clause 3.6 do not affect any such consent or agreement in relation to:

- (a) any authorised exploration tenement granted prior to the removal of this framework ILUA from the register, or
- (b) any authorised exploration activities carried out or to be carried out under any such authorised exploration tenement.

# 3.7 Effect of Breach of Non-Payment Essential Term

The consent of the parties in clause 3.1, their agreement in clause 3.2 and an accepted exploration contract do not apply to an exploration tenement (nor to the carrying out of exploration activities under that exploration tenement), where it is an exploration tenement of a kind referred to in paragraph (b), (c) or (d) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement, granted in respect of the whole or any portion of the land and/or waters (within the acceptance area as defined in that accepted exploration contract), in the following circumstances:

- (a) the explorer which is a party to that accepted exploration contract has allegedly breached an essential term in clause 6.1, 6.3 or 6.4(b) of that accepted exploration contract;
- (b) within 20 business days of the representatives of the native title parties appointed pursuant to that accepted exploration contract becoming aware of that alleged breach, the native title parties have, pursuant to clause 15.1(b) of that accepted exploration contract, given notice of that alleged breach to the explorer (with a copy to the minister) setting out:
  - (i) details of that alleged breach; and
  - (ii) that the *explorer* is required to remedy that alleged breach within a period of 20 *business days* of the date of that notice;
- (c) the *explorer* has not remedied that alleged breach within the 20 business days period notified by the native title parties under clause 15.1(b)(ii) of that accepted exploration contract and that 20 business days period expires prior to the grant of that exploration tenement;
- (d) pursuant to clause 15.1(d) of that accepted exploration contract the minister is given a notice by that explorer or those native title parties not less than 5 business days before the grant of that exploration tenement that it has been agreed, resolved or determined pursuant to clause 17 of that accepted exploration contract or otherwise that the explorer has breached that essential term; and
- (e) prior to the *grant* of that *exploration tenement*, the *explorer* has not remedied that breach.

#### 3.8 Effect of Breach of Other Essential Terms

- (a) The consent of the *parties* in clause 3.1, their agreement in clause 3.2 and an *accepted exploration contract* also do not apply to an *exploration tenement* (nor to the carrying out of *exploration activities* under that *exploration tenement*), where it is an *exploration tenement* referred to in clause 3.8(b), in the following circumstances:
  - (i) the *explorer* which is a *party* to that *accepted exploration contract* has allegedly breached an *essential term* in clause 5.1, 5.2, 5.3,

- 7.1, 7.4, 8.3(c) or 8.3(d) of that accepted exploration contract in relation to the breached tenement;
- (ii) that alleged breach is committed wilfully, recklessly or negligently;
- (iii) within 20 business days of the representatives of the native title parties appointed pursuant to that accepted exploration contract becoming aware of that alleged breach, the native title parties have, pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(iii) of that accepted exploration contract, given notice of that breach to the explorer (with a copy to the minister) setting out:
  - (A) details of that alleged breach; and
  - (B) where that alleged breach is capable of being remedied, that the *explorer* is required to remedy the alleged breach within a period of 20 *business days* of the date of that notice;
- (iv) where that alleged breach is capable of being remedied, the *explorer* has not remedied the alleged breach within the 20 *business days* period notified by the *native title parties* under clause 15.2(a)(iii)(B) of that *accepted exploration contract* or (if that alleged breach is not capable of being remedied within that 20 *business days* period) such longer period as is reasonable in the circumstances;
- (v) pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(v) of that accepted exploration contract, the minister is given a notice by that explorer or those native title parties that it has been agreed, resolved or determined pursuant to clause 17 of that accepted exploration contract or otherwise that the explorer has breached the relevant essential term in relation to the breached tenement; and
- (vi) prior to the *grant* of the *exploration tenement* to which that *accepted exploration contract* will not apply if all of the circumstances in clause 15.2(a) of that *accepted exploration contract* are met, the *explorer* has, where that breach is capable of being remedied, not remedied the breach.
- (b) If all of the circumstances referred to in clause 3.8(a) are met, that accepted exploration contract does not apply to an exploration tenement (nor the carrying out of exploration activities under that exploration tenement), being an exploration tenement which is:
  - (i) where:
    - (A) the *minister* has been given a notice pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(v) of that *accepted exploration contract* not less than 5 *business days* before the *grant* of that *exploration tenement*; and
    - (B) the alleged breach of the relevant *essential term* in relation to the *breached tenement*:
      - (1) is not capable of being remedied; or

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(2) is capable of being remedied and the period for remedying that breach pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(iii)(B) of that accepted exploration contract has expired before the grant of that exploration tenement,

an exploration tenement of a kind referred to in:

- (C) paragraph (b) or (d) of the definition of *authorised* exploration tenement, granted upon the renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of the *breached* tenement; or
- (D) paragraph (c) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement, granted after the breached tenement in respect of the whole or any portion of the land and/or waters (within the acceptance area as defined by that accepted exploration contract) the subject of the breached tenement; or

#### (ii) where either:

- (A) the *minister* has been given a notice pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(v) of that *accepted exploration contract* less than 5 business days before, or after, the grant of an exploration tenement referred to in clause 3.8(b)(i)(C) or (D) (subsequent tenement); or
- (B) the alleged breach of the relevant essential term in relation to the breached tenement is capable of being remedied and the period for remedying that breach pursuant to clause 15.2(a)(iii)(B) of that accepted exploration contract has not expired before the grant of the subsequent tenement,

an exploration tenement of a kind referred to in:

- (C) paragraph (b) or (d) of the definition of *authorised* exploration tenement, granted upon the renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of the *subsequent* tenement; or
- (D) an exploration tenement of a kind referred to in paragraph (c) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement, granted after the subsequent tenement in respect of the whole or any portion of the land and/or waters (within the acceptance area as defined by that accepted exploration contract) the subject of the breached tenement.

# 3.9 Remedy of Breach

(a) Subject to the provisions of clause 3.9(b), for purposes of clauses 3.8(a)(iii),(iv) and (vi) a breach of a relevant *essential term* is deemed to be capable of being remedied by an *explorer* and that *explorer* is deemed to have remedied that breach if:

- (i) that breach has arisen by reason of the *explorer* having failed to do, or failed to permit to be done, something; and
- (ii) within the relevant period referred to in clause 3.8(a)(iv) or prior to the *grant* of the relevant *exploration tenement* referred to in clause 3.8(a)(vi) (as the case requires) the *explorer* has done, or has caused or permitted to be done, that thing.
- (b) The provisions of clause 3.9(a) do not apply to the breach of an essential term in clause 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3 of the relevant accepted exploration contract in relation to any authorised exploration tenement.

# 3.10 Right to Negotiate Procedure

- (a) Subject to clause 3.10(b) the *right to negotiate procedure* applies to an *excluded tenement*.
- (b) However, by entering into this framework ILUA neither the state nor SACOME acknowledges that the right to negotiate procedure applies to any miscellaneous purposes licence which is an excluded tenement.

#### 4. Other statements

# 4.1 Non-extinguishment principle

The parties acknowledge and agree that the non-extinguishment principle applies to:

- (a) the grant of the authorised exploration tenements; and
- (b) the carrying out of authorised exploration activities under the authorised exploration tenements.

#### 4.2 Application and registration

The *parties* state that:

- (a) this framework ILUA applies to the ILUA area; and
- (b) this *framework ILUA* is intended to be registered on the *register* as an *area agreement* under sections 24CA to 24CL of the *native title act* and regulation 7 of the Native Title (Indigenous Land Use Agreements) Regulations 1999 (Cth).

# 4.3 Exploration only

The parties acknowledge and agree that:

- (a) pursuant to this *framework ILUA* they do not agree to the validation of, or consent to, the grant of any *production tenement* or the carrying out of any *mining operations* under any *production tenement*; and
- (b) the *explorer* will, if legally obliged to do so, be required:
  - (i) to enter into an indigenous land use agreement; or

(ii) in accordance with the *right to negotiate procedure*, to negotiate and enter into a separate agreement or obtain a determination from a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction,

to provide for the authorisation of the grant of any *production tenement* or the carrying out of any *mining operations* under it.

# 4.4 Entry on Land

The parties acknowledge and agree that each accepted exploration contract constitutes an agreement between the native title parties and the explorer for the purposes of section 58 of the mining act.

#### 4.5 Authorised Exploration Tenement Terms

The parties acknowledge and agree that compliance with the terms and conditions of this framework ILUA is not a condition of any authorised exploration tenement (or any other exploration tenement).

## 4.6 No Acknowledgment of Native Title

By entering into this *framework ILUA* neither the *state* nor *SACOME* acknowledges the existence or otherwise of *native title* in relation to any *land* and/or *waters* within the whole or part of the *ILUA* area.

# 4.7 Employment and Training

- (a) The *parties* acknowledge that:
  - there are limited opportunities for an explorer and its contractors to employ persons during the carrying out of authorised exploration activities, including for the employment of members of the native title claim group; and
  - (ii) those employment opportunities that do exist during the carrying out of *authorised exploration activities* are primarily for people with specialist skills and training.
- (b) The *parties* also acknowledge that it is in their mutual interests that government funded training for Aboriginal people is offered in regional South Australia to provide those people with skills required for employment in the resources industry and which, where possible, are also transferable to other industries.
- (c) The *parties* also acknowledge that the training referred to in clause 4.7(b) may include:
  - (i) training in skills for exploration and mining field assistants;
  - (ii) training in exploration methods.
- (d) The *parties* agree to consult with the relevant Aboriginal communities and to develop the necessary strategies and programs for the training referred to in clause 4.7(b).

# 5. Exploration Contract Conditions

# 5.1 Binding Explorer

- (a) Subject to clauses 5.1(b), (c), (d), (e) and (f), the *parties* agree that a person may enter into an *accepted exploration contract* in relation to any *exploration tenement* and the carrying out of *exploration activities* under it by doing the following at any time during the *acceptance term*:
  - (i) duly completing the acceptance document in relation to that exploration tenement and signing the acceptance document and, where applicable, obtaining the consent of the native title parties in accordance with clause 5.1(c);
  - (ii) if required under the *mining act*, registering the duly completed and signed *acceptance document* under and in accordance with the *mining act* or, if not so required, providing a copy of the duly completed and signed *acceptance document* to the *minister*, and
  - (iii) notifying the *native title parties* of the *explorer's* due completion and signature of the *acceptance document* and simultaneously providing the *native title parties* with an original or duplicate original of the *acceptance document* and evidence that it has been duly stamped and, if applicable, registered under the *mining act*; and
  - (iv) if the *explorer* is the *mining operator* in respect of that *exploration* tenement, providing the *native title parties* and the *minister* with evidence of that fact.
- (b) A person may only enter into an accepted exploration contract in relation to an exploration tenement of a kind referred to in paragraph (a)(i) of the definition of authorised exploration tenement which has not been granted at the time clause 5.1(a) is complied with, if prior to that time:
  - (i) that person has applied for the *grant* to it of that *exploration tenement*; or
  - (ii) another person has applied for the *grant* to it of that *exploration tenement* and has appointed the person who proposes to enter into that *accepted exploration contract* as *mining operator* in respect of that *exploration tenement*; or
- (c) A person may not at any time enter into an accepted exploration contract in relation to an exploration tenement if notice has previously been given to initiate negotiations under the right to negotiate procedure in respect of that exploration tenement or any exploration activities under it except where that person and the native title claim group have not previously entered into an agreement pursuant to the right to negotiate procedure in relation to that exploration tenement and either:
  - (i) that notice was given prior to, or not more than 12 months after, the *commencement date*; or

- (ii) that notice was given more than 12 months after the *commencement date* and the *native title parties* consent to that person entering into that *accepted exploration contract* in relation to that *exploration tenement* and *exploration activities* under it by endorsing that consent on the *acceptance document*.
- (d) A person may not enter into an accepted exploration contract in relation to an exploration tenement if that exploration tenement was granted after the commencement date and that person has previously carried out any exploration activities under that exploration tenement more than 12 months after the commencement date.
- (e) A person may not at any time enter into an accepted exploration contract in relation to an exploration tenement if:
  - (i) that person or a related body corporate (within the meaning of the Corporations Act) of that person has previously entered into another *accepted exploration contract* with the *native title parties* in relation to that *exploration tenement*; and
  - (ii) the provisions of the accepted exploration contract referred to in clause 5.1(e)(i) have ceased to apply, pursuant to clause 15.1 or 15.2 of that accepted exploration contract, to that exploration tenement.
- (f) A person may not at any time enter into an accepted exploration contract in relation to an exploration tenement granted or to be granted;
  - (i) in respect of the whole or any part of the *ILUA area*, of which that person is or will upon *grant*, be the tenement holder; and

if:

- (ii) that person or a related body corporate (within the meaning of the Corporations Act) of that person has previously entered into another accepted exploration contract with the native title parties; and
- (iii) that person or related body corporate has committed a breach of an *essential term* in clause 5.1, 5.2 or 5.3 of that *accepted exploration contract* which (or the consequences of which) also constitute non-compliance by that person with any provision of the *Aboriginal heritage act*.
- (g) For the purpose of clause 5.1(c) the legal representative of, or any other person authorised in writing by, the *native title parties* may provide consent on behalf of the *native title parties*.

#### 5.2 Effect

The *parties* acknowledge and agree that upon a person complying with the provisions of clause 5.1 an agreement on the terms of the *exploration contract* conditions and the relevant acceptance document comes into force and effect as an accepted exploration contract:

(a) in respect of:

- (i) the *authorised exploration tenements* to which the *acceptance document* completed and signed by that person, as an *explorer*, applies; and
- (ii) the carrying out of *authorised exploration activities* under those *authorised exploration tenements*; and
- (b) between:
  - (i) the *state*;
  - (ii) the minister,
  - (iii) the *native title parties*; and
  - (iv) the *explorer*.

# 5.3 Other Native Title Holders

The parties acknowledge and agree that pursuant to section 24EA(1)(b) of the native title act, all persons holding native title in relation to any of the land and/or waters in the ILUA area who are not members of the native title claim group:

- (a) are bound by this framework ILUA; and
- (b) by reason of being bound by this *framework ILUA* are also bound by an *accepted exploration contract* in relation to any of the *land* and/or *waters* (within the *ILUA area*) to which that *accepted exploration contract* applies,

in the same way as the *native title group* (as defined in section 24CD(2) or (3) of the *native title act*).

# 6. Registration

#### 6.1 Application

- (a) The *parties* (other than the *state*) authorise and direct the *state* to apply to the *registrar* for this *framework ILUA* to be registered and entered on the *register* as an *area agreement* pursuant to sections 24CA to 24CL of the *native title act* and regulation 7 of the Native Title Indigenous Land Use Agreements Regulations 1999 (Cth).
- (b) Subject to clause 6.1(c) the *state* agrees to comply with the authorisation and direction in clause 6.1(a).
- (c) For the purposes of registering and entering this *framework ILUA* on the *register* as referred to in clause 6.1(a) either:
  - (i) ALRM will certify in accordance with the *native title act* the application to the *registrar* referred to in clause 6.1(a); or
  - (ii) if ALRM does not certify in accordance with the *native title* act the application to the *registrar* referred to in clause 6.1(a), the *native title parties* will prepare a statement which complies with the requirements of section 24CG(3)(b) of the *native title*

act and provide that statement to the state for inclusion in that application.

#### 6.2 Best endeavours

Each of the *parties* agrees to use its best endeavours to obtain the registration of this *framework ILUA* on the *register* as soon as possible after the date of execution of this *framework ILUA* by all of the *parties* and to maintain that registration at all times after the date of registration until the end of the *framework term*.

# 6.3 Removal from Register

- (a) All of the *parties* may request the *registrar* pursuant to section 199C(1)(c)(ii) of the *native title act* to remove the details of this *framework ILUA* from the *register* by advising the *registrar* in writing that they wish to terminate this *framework ILUA*.
- (b) The *parties* acknowledge that the *registrar* is required to remove the details of this *framework ILUA* from the *register* in the circumstances set out in sections 199C(1)(b), (c)(i) and c(iii) of the *native title act*.
- (c) The *parties* agree to promptly notify the *registrar* when the *framework term* ends.
- (d) Upon details of this *framework ILUA* being removed from the *register* the provisions of clauses 3.1 and 3.2 cease to apply to any *future act* done after that removal by way of:
  - (i) the grant of any exploration tenement; or
  - (ii) the carrying out of any exploration activities under any such exploration tenement.
- (e) The provisions of clauses 6.3(a), (c) and (d) survive the expiry or termination for whatever reason of this *framework ILUA*.

#### 7. Notification of Grants

The minister must notify the native title parties of the grant of any exploration tenement within the ILUA area to any person, within 10 business days of that grant, except where:

- (a) that *grant* is by way of a renewal, regrant, remaking or extension of the term of that *exploration tenement*; or
- (b) the person to whom that exploration tenement is granted is an explorer which is a party to an accepted exploration contract and that exploration tenement is an authorised exploration tenement which relates to land and/or waters wholly within the acceptance area (as defined in that accepted exploration contract).

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# 8. Mapping Survey

#### 8.1 Notice

- (a) The *native title parties* may at any time during the period referred to in clause 8.1(c) notify the other *parties* to this *framework ILUA* that the *native title parties* wish:
  - (i) an exploration mapping survey; or
  - (ii) a cultural mapping survey and an exploration mapping survey, to be undertaken of the whole, part or parts of the ILUA area.
- (b) Any notice in respect of any exploration mapping survey must specify:
  - (i) the *exploration activities* to which the notice relates (including or excluding some or all *advanced exploration activities*); and
  - (ii) the area (being the whole, part or parts of the *ILUA area*) in respect of which it is given.
- (c) The period during which the *native title parties* may give a notice under clause 8.1(a):
  - (i) commences on the commencement date; and
  - (ii) ends on the earliest of:
    - (A) the commencement date of a provision in the *Aboriginal heritage act* for the grant by an independent statutory authority of a document which, if held by an *explorer*, would allow that *explorer*, subject to any conditions in the document, to carry on the *exploration activities* on the *land* and/or *waters* to which the document relates;
    - (B) if the *state* gives the other *parties* notice to that effect within 20 *business days* after expiry of the *acceptance term*, the expiry of the *acceptance term*; and
    - (C) otherwise, the expiry of the *framework term*.

# 8.2 Survey procedure

Subject to clause 8.3, if the *native title parties* give a notice under clause 8.1, the *mapping survey* will be undertaken in accordance with the *mapping survey* procedures.

#### 8.3 Survey conditional

A mapping survey of which notice has been given under clause 8.1 will only be undertaken if:

(a) the *state* has not notified the *native title parties* within 20 *business days* of the giving of a notice under clause 8.1, that the *state* is not satisfied on reasonable grounds that the undertaking of a *mapping survey* is in the best interests of the *state*; and

- (b) the state and the native title parties agree upon the following:
  - (i) the area (within the *ILUA area*) in respect of which the relevant *mapping survey* is to be undertaken;
  - (ii) where clause 8.1(a)(ii) applies, that the relevant *mapping survey* comprises both an *exploration mapping survey* and a *cultural mapping survey*;
  - (iii) the *exploration activities* in respect of which the relevant *exploration mapping survey* is to be undertaken;
  - (iv) the budget for undertaking the relevant mapping survey; and
  - (v) any conditions relating to the undertaking of the relevant *mapping survey*.

#### 8.4 Costs

The state agrees that it is responsible for all costs and expenses incurred in:

- (a) the carrying out of any *mapping survey* (up to the maximum of the amount of the budget for that *mapping survey* agreed in accordance with clause 8.3(b)(iv));
- (b) keeping a copy of the exploration mapping report (as defined in the *mapping survey procedures*) in relation to any *mapping survey*; and
- (c) the appointment of the mapping caretaker (as defined in the *mapping survey procedures*) and the performance by the mapping caretaker of its functions,

in accordance with the *mapping survey procedures* and with the mapping access procedures (as defined in the *exploration contract conditions*).

#### 9. Consideration

#### 9.1 State Contribution

- (a) In consideration of the *native title parties* entering into this *framework ILUA*, the *state* must:
  - (i) use its best endeavours to negotiate a lease of appropriate office premises in Whyalla to enable the *native title parties* to perform their obligations under this *framework ILUA*;
  - (ii) upon the date of execution of the lease, pay the amount of \$5,936 to the *nominated body* to be applied:
    - (A) to rental for the first 12 months of that lease, monthly in advance or before the due date for payment of that rental; and
    - (B) to the security bond payable under the lease; and
    - (C) to the balance, if any, of that amount to its general revenue within 20 *business days* of the first anniversary of the commencement date of that lease; and

- (iii) upon the registration of this *framework ILUA*, pay the amount of \$1,500 for an office fit-out of those premises, including office furniture (if not provided under that lease), facsimile machine and telephone;
- (iv) upon the registration of this *framework ILUA*, pay the amount of \$10,000 to the *nominated body* to be applied in 24 equal fortnightly instalments as part payment of the salary for one administrative officer to be employed by the *nominated body*;
- (v) upon the registration of this *framework ILUA*, pay the amount of \$5,000 to the *nominated body* to be applied for the purpose of funding such pre-vocational training courses as the *nominated body* shall determine;
- (vi) upon the registration of this *framework ILUA*, pay the amount of \$13,400 to the *nominated body* for such purposes as it deems fit.
- (b) Should the lease referred to in clause 9.1(a)(ii) be terminated for any reason within the first 12 months then the *nominated body* shall refund to the *state* the balance of \$5,936 that has not been applied to rent or security bond.
- (c) If the *state* or the *native title parties* are unable to fulfil their obligations under all or any of clause 9.1(a)(ii) and 9.1(a)(iv) within a reasonable time or such further time as is agreed between the parties then:
  - (i) the *state* shall pay to the *nominated body* all amounts payable or such portion of the amount that is yet to be paid pursuant to clause 9.1(a)(ii) and 9.1(a)(iv) and the nominated body shall apply such amounts to its general revenue; or
  - (ii) if the *state* has made any payments to the *nominated body* pursuant to clause 9.1(a)(ii) or 9.1(a)(iv) any amounts paid shall be applied by the *nominated body* to its general revenue.
- (d) Should the *nominated body* fail to apply all or any of the amount of \$5,000 referred to in clause 9.1(a)(v) during the term of the *framework agreement* then the amount unapplied shall be repaid to the *state*.

# 9.2 Payment

All amounts payable and benefits required to be provided under an *accepted exploration contract* must be paid and provided:

- (a) in accordance with the terms of that accepted exploration contract;
- (b) by the person specified in that accepted exploration contract; and
- (c) to the person specified in that accepted exploration contract.

#### 9.3 Acknowledgment

The *native title parties* acknowledge and agree that, subject to clause 9.4:

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- (a) any amounts payable and any benefits provided under this *framework ILUA* and any *accepted exploration contract* to the *native title parties* or to any *nominated body* or any other agent on their behalf:
  - (i) are in full and final satisfaction of any *compensation entitlement* of the *native title parties*; and
  - (ii) for the purposes of section 24EB of the *native title act*, are compensation provided for by this *framework ILUA*; and
- (b) the *native title parties* do not have any *compensation entitlement* other than for the amounts payable and benefits provided under this *framework ILUA* and any *accepted exploration contract*.

# 9.4 Exception

The provisions of clause 9.3 do not apply to any *compensation entitlement* of the *native title parties* against any other *party* to this *framework ILUA* or any other person who is a party to any *accepted exploration contract* arising by reason of any breach of this *framework ILUA* or that *accepted exploration contract* by that *party* or that person.

# 9.5 Sharing

The *native title parties* agree that the amounts payable and the benefits provided under this *framework ILUA* and the relevant *accepted exploration contract* to the *native title parties* or to any *nominated body* or any other agent on their behalf are held on behalf of all members of the *native title claim group* and all persons (if any) who hold *native title* in relation to the whole or any portion of the *ILUA area* to which this *framework ILUA* or the relevant *accepted exploration contract* (as the case may be) relates.

#### 9.6 Application Survival

The provisions of clauses 9.3, 9.4 and 9.5 survive the removal of the details of this *framework ILUA* from the *register* for whatever reason and remain in those circumstances binding on:

- (a) all persons bound by this *framework ILUA* and any *accepted exploration contract*; and
- (b) all persons entitled to any of the benefits under this *framework ILUA* and any *accepted exploration contract*.

# 10. Warranties and Authority

#### 10.1 Preliminary

The *native title parties* record that:

(a) the *registered native title claimants* are (as at the date of execution of this *framework ILUA* by all of the *parties*) the registered native title claimants (as defined in the *native title act*) in relation to *land* and/or *waters* in the *ILUA area* and made the *native title claim* on behalf of the *native title claim group*;

- (b) the registered native title claimants have consulted with the native title claim group and the native title claim group has consented to and authorised the registered native title claimants to enter into this framework ILUA on behalf of the native title parties;
- (c) the *native title parties* by signing this framework ILUA confirm that the registered native title claimants have been authorised by the native title claim group to enter into this framework ILUA on behalf of the native title parties; and
- (d) if clause 6.1(c)(ii) applies:
  - (i) all reasonable efforts have been made (including by consulting the representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander body for the ILUA area) to ensure that all persons who hold or may hold native title in relation to land or waters in the ILUA area have been identified; and
  - (ii) all of the persons so identified have *authorised* the making of this *framework ILUA* in accordance with section 251A of the *native title act*.

#### 10.2 Warranties

Regard being had to the provisions of clause 10.1, the *native title parties* represent and warrant to the other *parties* to this *framework ILUA* that the matters set out in clauses 10.1(a) to (e) are true and correct.

# 10.3 Registered native title body corporate

If an approved determination of native title is made in respect of the whole or any part of the ILUA area and a registered native title body corporate is determined to hold the rights and interests from time to time comprising the native title in trust for the native title holders:

- (a) the native title parties must use their best endeavours to ensure that the registered native title body corporate becomes a party to this framework ILUA in place of the native title parties in relation to the whole or relevant part of the ILUA area and assumes the rights and obligations of the native title parties under this framework ILUA in relation to the whole or that part of the ILUA area;
- (b) the parties (other than the native title parties) to this framework ILUA consent to the registered native title body corporate becoming a party to this framework ILUA and assuming the rights and obligations of the native title parties, in accordance with clause 10.3(a); and
- (c) each of the *parties* to this *framework ILUA* must sign such documents as are necessary to give effect to the provisions of this clause 10.3.

# 11. Dispute Resolution

## 11.1 Clause applies

All disputes or differences between any of the *parties* in connection with the interpretation, effect or any other matter in any way relating to this *framework ILUA* (*dispute*) will be dealt with in accordance with this clause 11 whether the *dispute* is first raised before, during or after the *framework term*.

#### 11.2 Avoidance

The parties agree that:

- (a) they will make every effort to ensure that *disputes* do not arise;
- (b) if a *dispute* does arise, they must make every reasonable effort to resolve the *dispute* in accordance with clause 11 and without recourse to litigation or arbitration proceedings; and
- (c) the provisions of clauses 11.1 and 11.2(b) do not apply to litigation proceedings for injunctive, interlocutory or declaratory relief.

#### 11.3 Notification

A party (notifying party) will, within 20 business days after the dispute arises, give a notice to the other party or parties with which it has the dispute (notified party) and a copy of that notice to the other parties setting out details of the dispute and any other matter that may, in the reasonable opinion of the notifying party, be relevant to the resolution of the dispute.

#### 11.4 Meeting

Within 5 business days of the date of the notice the notifying party and notified party (dispute parties) will use their respective reasonable endeavours to meet and resolve the dispute within a further period of 10 business days.

#### 11.5 Mediation

If a *dispute* is not resolved in accordance with the provisions of clause 11.4:

- (a) any *dispute party* may request the President for the time being of the Law Society of South Australia, or his or her nominee, to appoint a mediator to mediate that *dispute*;
- (b) within 5 business days of a mediator being appointed, the mediator will convene an initial meeting of the dispute parties in an attempt to resolve that dispute; and
- (c) if that *dispute* is not resolved at that initial meeting, the mediator will convene such further meetings of the *dispute parties* during the subsequent 10 *business days* as the mediator reasonably considers necessary for the purpose of resolving that *dispute*.

## 11.6 Expert

If a *dispute* is not resolved in accordance with the provisions of clause 11.5, any *dispute party* may refer the determination of that *dispute* (*determination*) to the *expert*.

## 11.7 Capacity of Expert

The *expert* is an expert and not an arbitrator.

## 11.8 Expert's Determination

The expert's determination is final and binding on the dispute parties.

#### 11.9 Determination costs

- (a) The *expert* may determine that any *dispute party* must pay the whole or a specified portion of the costs and expenses of the other *dispute party* in relation to the *expert's determination*.
- (b) Unless clause 11.9(a) applies, each *dispute party* will bear its own costs and expenses in relation to the *expert's determination*.

#### 11.10 Expert's Fees

- (a) The *expert* may determine that any *dispute party* must pay all, or that the *dispute parties* must pay in specified portions, the *expert's* fees and expenses and the cost of the *expert's determination*.
- (b) Unless clause 11.10(a) applies, the *dispute parties* will pay in equal shares the *expert's* fees and expenses and the cost of the *expert's* determination.

#### 11.11 Survival

The provisions of this clause 11 survive the expiry or termination for whatever reason of this *framework ILUA*.

#### 12. Communications

#### 12.1 Writing required

Subject to this *framework ILUA*, any notice, direction, request, consent, approval, demand, report or other communication (*communication*) to be given under this *framework ILUA* will be in writing, be signed by the representative(s) of the *party* giving the *communication* as set out in item 3 of Schedule 1 and be addressed for the attention of the representative(s) of the recipient *party* or *parties* as set out in item 3 of schedule 1.

#### 12.2 Manner of giving

A *communication* may be delivered by hand, sent by prepaid post or sent by facsimile transmission to the address of the *party* or *parties* to which it is being given and is deemed to have been received:

- (a) if delivered by hand, upon delivery;
- (b) if sent by post, 3 business days after posting; and
- (c) if sent by facsimile transmission, on receipt by the sender of a confirmation report.

# 12.3 Change of details

Details specified in item 3 of schedule 1 in respect of a *party* may be changed by the *party* by not less than 5 *business days* notice to the other *parties*.

#### 13. GST

The parties agree that, if a goods and services, value-added or a comparable tax (gst) applies under the "A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999" or associated legislation (gst legislation) in relation to any taxable supply (within the gst legislation) (taxable supply) made by a party (supplier) to another party (recipient) under or pursuant to this framework ILUA:

- (a) the amount payable by the *recipient* to the *supplier* in respect of the *taxable supply* (*payment*) does not include *gst*;
- (b) the *supplier* may, in addition to the *payment*, recover from the *recipient* (and the *recipient* will pay to the *supplier*) an additional amount on account of the *gst*, such additional amount to be calculated in accordance with the *gst legislation*; and
- (c) the *supplier* will provide to the *recipient* a tax invoice (within the meaning of the *gst legislation*) in respect of the *taxable supply* as required by the *gst legislation*.

# 14. General

#### 14.1 Entire agreement

This framework ILUA contains the entire agreement between the parties with respect to its subject matter and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings between the parties in connection with it.

#### 14.2 Amendment

No amendment or variation of this framework ILUA:

- (a) is valid or binding on a *party* unless made in writing executed by all *parties*; or
- (b) in any way affects any *accepted exploration contract* entered into prior to that amendment or variation.

# 14.3 Severability

Each word, phrase, sentence, paragraph and clause (a *provision*) of this *framework ILUA* is severable and if a court determines that a provision is unenforceable, illegal or void the court may sever that *provision* which becomes inoperative and such severance will not affect the other *provisions* of this *framework ILUA*.

#### 14.4 No announcements

No party may make, issue, permit or suffer to be made, or issued, any statement or announcement concerning any of the terms of this framework ILUA unless such statement or announcement is first approved as to the timing and content by each other party or is required by law.

# 14.5 Assignment and transfer

- (a) The rights and obligations of each *party* under this *framework ILUA* are personal.
- (b) Those rights and obligations cannot be *disposed* of, *encumbered* or otherwise dealt with and no *party* may attempt, or purport, to do so without the prior consent of the other *parties*.

#### 14.6 No waiver

- (a) No failure to exercise nor any delay in exercising any right, power or remedy by a *party* operates as a waiver.
- (b) A single or partial exercise of any right, power or remedy does not preclude any other or further exercise of that or any other right, power or remedy.
- (c) A waiver is not valid or binding on the *party* granting that waiver unless made in writing.

#### 14.7 Further assurances

Each *party* agrees to do all things and sign all documents necessary or desirable to give full effect to the provisions of this *framework ILUA* and the transactions contemplated by it.

# 14.8 No merger

- (a) The rights and obligations of the *parties* will not merge on the completion of any transaction contemplated by this *framework ILUA*.
- (b) Those rights and obligations will survive the execution and delivery of any assignment or other document entered into for the purpose of implementing a transaction.

#### 14.9 Costs and stamp duty

(a) Unless and to the extent otherwise agreed, each *party* must bear its own costs arising out of the negotiation, preparation and execution of this *framework ILUA*.

(b) All stamp duty (including fines, penalties and interest) that may be payable on or in connection with this *framework ILUA* and any instrument executed under this *framework ILUA* must be borne by the *state*.

# 14.10 Governing law and jurisdiction

- (a) This framework ILUA is governed by the laws of South Australia.
- (b) Each *party* submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of courts exercising jurisdiction in South Australia in connection with matters concerning this *framework ILUA*.

#### 14.11 Counterparts

- (a) This *framework ILUA* may be executed in any number of counterparts.
- (b) All counterparts when exchanged will be taken to constitute one document.

# 14.12 Relationship

- (a) The relationship between the *parties* is that of independent contractors.
- (b) The *parties* are not partners, joint venturers or, subject to clause 14.12(c), principal and agent.
- (c) Any registered native title body corporate which becomes a party to this framework ILUA pursuant to clause 10.3 holds the rights and interests from time to time comprising the native title in the whole or relevant part of the ILUA area in trust for the native title holders.

# Executed as a deed

SIGNED by	)
HONOURABLE MICHAEL JOHN ATKINSON,	)
Attorney-General, for and on behalf of the Crown in right	)
of the State of South Australia, in the presence of:	)
Witness	
Name of Witness	

MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT was hereunto fixed in the presence of:	) )
The Honourable Paul Holloway Minister for Mineral Resources Development	
Witness	
Name of Witness	
SIGNED by Andrew Dingaman	)
for and on behalf of the	)
Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim Group in the presence of:	))
Witness	
Name of Witness	
SIGNED by Howard Richards	)
for and on behalf of the Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim Group in the presence of:	) ) )
Witness	
Name of Witness	

SIGNED by Elliott McNamara	)
for and on behalf of the Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim Group in the presence of:	) ) )
Witness	
Name of Witness	
SIGNED by Ken Smith	)
for and on behalf of the Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim Group in the presence of:	) ) )
Witness	
Name of Witness	
THE COMMON SEAL of the ABORIGINAL LEGAL RIGHTS MOINC was hereunto affixed in the presence of:	OVEMENT ) ) ) )
Chairperson	Executive Member
Name	Name
THE COMMON SEAL of the SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CHAMBER OF MINES AND ENER was hereunto affixed in the presence of:	) ) RGY INC )
President	Chief Executive
Name	Name

#### **SCHEDULE 1**

# Item 1 – ILUA Area Schedule B – Description of external boundary – Gawler Ranges ILUA

The ILUA area covers all the land and waters of SG6020/98 Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim (SC97/7) as accepted for registration 11/08/1999, excluding Lake Gairdner National Park.

The ILUA area is more particularly described as commencing at the intersection of a north-eastern boundary of Yellabinna Regional Reserve, a south-eastern boundary of Malbooma Pastoral Lease and a north-western boundary of Wilgena Pastoral Lease and extending generally north-easterly along the north-western boundary of Wilgena Pastoral Lease to the southern boundary of the Trans-Australia Railway Reserve; then generally south-easterly along that Reserve boundary to the prolongation westwards of the southern-most boundary of Bon Bon Pastoral Lease; then easterly to the south-western corner of Bon Bon Pastoral Lease and generally easterly along the southern boundaries of that Pastoral Lease and Mount Vivian Pastoral Lease to the northern-most, north-eastern corner of Coondambo Pastoral Lease; then southerly and easterly along boundaries of that Pastoral Lease to Longitude 136.051735° East being the western boundaries of native title determination applications SG6011/98 Barngarla Native Title Claim (SC96/4) and SG6013/98 Kokatha Native Title Claim (SC99/2); then generally southerly and generally easterly along the boundaries of those native title determination applications as described by the following coordinate points:

Longitude East°	Latitude South°
136.055186	30.944618
136.081614	31.020656
136.101435	31.123140
136.124559	31.222319
136.144380	31.281826
136.164200	31.354557
136.200538	31.447124
136.243483	31.562832
136.273215	31.688459
136.312856	31.860368
136.362408	32.019054
136.405353	32.071949
136.484636	32.111621
136.600258	32.147986
136.712575	32.171128
136.791289	32.171793

to an eastern boundary of Nonning Pastoral Lease at Latitude 32.169652° South; then southerly along eastern boundaries of that Pastoral Lease, Siam North Pastoral

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Lease, Siam Pastoral Lease and Uno Pastoral Lease (also being boundaries of SC96/4); to the northern boundary of Lake Gilles Conservation Reserve (CR5773/862); then generally easterly and generally south-westerly along the northern and south-eastern boundaries of that Conservation Reserve to the southern boundary of again Uno Pastoral Lease, then westerly and generally northwesterly along boundaries of that Pastoral Lease to a south-eastern corner of Yeltana Pastoral Lease; then generally westerly along southern boundaries of that Pastoral Lease, Bungaroo Pastoral Lease, Buckleboo Pastoral Lease, Thurlga Pastoral Lease, Paney Pastoral Lease and Scrubby Creek Pastoral Lease to the western boundary of that Pastoral Lease at Latitude 32.593174° South; then northwesterly to a point on the southern boundary of Lockes Claypan Pastoral Lease at Longitude 135.042436° East; then westerly and northerly along southern and western boundaries of that Pastoral Lease to its north-western corner; then northwesterly to a south-eastern corner of Kondoolka Pastoral Lease at Longitude 134.947853° East; then westerly and generally north-westerly along boundaries of that Pastoral Lease to the southern boundary of Pinjarra Pastoral Lease; then generally westerly along southern boundaries of that Pastoral Lease to a southeastern corner of Pureba Conservation Reserve; then generally northerly along eastern boundaries of that Conservation Reserve to the southern-most, southeastern corner of Yellabina Regional Reserve; then generally northerly along eastern boundaries of that Regional Reserve back to the commencement point.

The application excludes all lands and waters covered by the following:

- Lake Gairdner National Park;
- the township of Kingoonya.

#### Note

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#### Reference Datum

Geographic coordinates are in decimal degrees referenced to the Australian Geodetic Datum1984 (AGD84).

#### Data References and sources

- SG6011/98 Barngarla Native Title Claim (SC96/4) as accepted for registration 15/02/2000
- SG6013/98 Kokatha Native Title Claim (SC99/2) accepted for registration 21/06/1999
- Pastoral Leases as at September 1993, other Non-freehold tenure sourced from SA Gov; Dept of Environment & Heritage and Dept of Administrative & Information Services (Dec 2003).

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#### Use of Coordinates

Where coordinates are used within the description to represent cadastral or topographical boundaries or the intersection with such, they are intended as a guide only. As an outcome to the custodians of cadastral and topographic data continuously recalculating the geographic position of their data based on improved survey and data maintenance procedures, it is not possible to accurately define such a position other than by detailed ground survey.

#### Item 2 – Native Title Claim

Native title determination application No. SAD6020/98 as lodged in the Federal Court of Australia on 12 September 1997 in accordance with the *native title act* by the *registered native title claimants* for and on behalf of the Gawler Ranges Native Title Claim group.

#### Item 3 - Notice Details

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# **SCHEDULE 2**

**Exploration Contract Conditions**