

Submission on Notice of Significant Variation referral and amendments to the existing approved Terms of Reference for an EIS

Winchelsea Mining Pty Ltd – Winchelsea Island Manganese Mine Project

This submission is made under regulation 171 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020

NT EPA reference number: EP 2021/004

Government authority: Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority

Section of referral or terms of reference	Theme / issue	Comment
Memorandum Appendix A Statement of Reasons	Cultural Heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The proponent states that impacts to culture and heritage are not anticipated.• AAPA responded on the previous Variation that the proponent had applied for an Authority Certificate. Since then, the proponent has withdrawn their application due to incomplete consultations with the Anindilyakwa Land Council.• An Authority Certificate issued, and complied with, in accordance with the Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989, is an appropriate mechanism to minimise the risk of significant impact on cultural values associated with Aboriginal sacred sites.• The proponent should apply for an Authority Certificate. The application should include onshore and offshore activities and also a subject land incorporating the predicted sediment dispersion area from dredging.