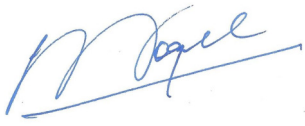
Northern Territory
Environment Protection Authority

NOTICE OF DECISION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS

This notice of decision and statement of reasons is made under regulations 275 and 276 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020 (EP Regulations)

Name of proposed action	Rover 1 Project
NT EPA reference	EP2023/030
Proponent	Castile Resources Limited
Description of proposal	The development and operation of an underground iron oxide copper gold mine to produce copper, gold, cobalt and magnetite, approximately 70 km southwest of Tennant Creek in the Barkly local government area. The proposed action is located on NT Portion 3556 and the land tenure is Aboriginal freehold.
Nature of the proposal	Mining
Person authorised to make decision	Dr Paul Vogel AM Chairperson Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) Delegate of the NT EPA under section 36 of the *Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority Act 2012*
Decision	To **extend the specified period** (by 12 months) for the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) to be submitted to the NT EPA in accordance with regulation 274(1)(a) of the EP Regulations.
Original specified period	Submit the draft EIS to NT EPA by 2 February 2026 (2 years)
Extended specified period 1	Submit the draft EIS to NT EPA by 2 February 2027
Extended specified period 2	Submit the draft EIS to NT EPA by 2 February 2028
Reasons for the decision	The proponent's request to extend the specified period is considered to be: • necessary to meet the objects of the EP Act; and • consistent with the purpose of the assessment process under section 42 of the EP Act.
Signature	
Date of decision	26 October 2026