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ATTENTION: Brad Valiukas

RE: ABSTRACT OF RECORDS WITHIN THE AREA OF TANAMI ROAD.

Referring to your request received on 12/09/2013 seeking information of AAPA records within the above area, I advise as follows:

1. As you are probably aware, the area contained by your proposal lies on Aboriginal land held by the MT FREDERICK (NO.2) ABORIGINAL LAND TRUST and is administered by the Central Land Council. Under section 23 of the Land Rights Act this Land Council has the Statutory responsibility for consulting with the traditional owners with respect to any proposal relating to the use of the land.
2. The Authority has sacred sites within the area, which is shown on the map accompanying this letter.

Sacred sites known to the Authority in the above area are shown on the map accompanying this letter as either "registered sacred sites" or "recorded sacred sites". Sacred sites listed as "registered sacred sites" are sacred sites that Aboriginal custodians have asked the Authority to protect and that have subsequently been documented and evaluated by the Authority and entered in the Public Register of Sacred Sites in accordance with the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989*.

Sites listed as "recorded sacred sites" are sites that have not been evaluated or placed in the Register but there is information indicating that they are nonetheless significant according to Aboriginal tradition and therefore "sacred sites" within the meaning of the Act. The Authority does not purport to hold detailed information regarding all these sites. However, the information attached to this letter regarding recorded sacred sites is relevant to your query as the offence provisions of the Act apply to all sacred sites, whether or not these have been listed in the Public Register of Sacred Sites.

The symbols representing sites on the attached Abstract map are not intended to precisely show extent of each site. Before entering or undertaking works on, or in the vicinity of these sites, further advice should be sought from the Registrar.

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An Abstract of the Authority's Records is not a definitive way of determining the location of all sacred sites in a given area, particularly in circumstances where use or works are proposed

that may result in disturbance of the natural features of the area. There is a risk that a sacred site previously unknown to the Authority may be identified after the commencement of works, leaving no option but to cease works or possibly breach the offence provisions of the Act.

To overcome this problem the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989* enables a person, wishing to make use of or carry out works on land in the Northern Territory, to request that the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority consult with custodians and provide written advice specifying the constraints (if any) to a particular activity imposed by the existence of sacred sites. Section 19G of the Act also provides the opportunity for an Applicant to discuss the project with Aboriginal custodians at a meeting convened by the Authority.

The written advice provided by the Authority following the completion of the procedures established in Sections 19A-22 of the Act is termed an "Authority Certificate". An Authority Certificate sets out the conditions (if any) on which, under the Act the proposed work may be carried out or use made of the land. As long as the holder of a Certificate complies with its conditions the holder is indemnified against prosecution under any of the offence provisions of the Act.

The Authority highly recommends that an Authority Certificate be applied for any proposed mining works or use on or near Tanami Road.

Inspection of the Public Register of Sacred Sites may be carried out in the Authority's Darwin or Alice Springs office at a cost of 23 Revenue Units (\$24.00) per registered site viewed.

Should you wish to view Registered Site details (copies cannot be provided), please contact the Registrar or Assistant Registrar via email through enquiries.aapa@nt.gov.au to arrange a suitable time.

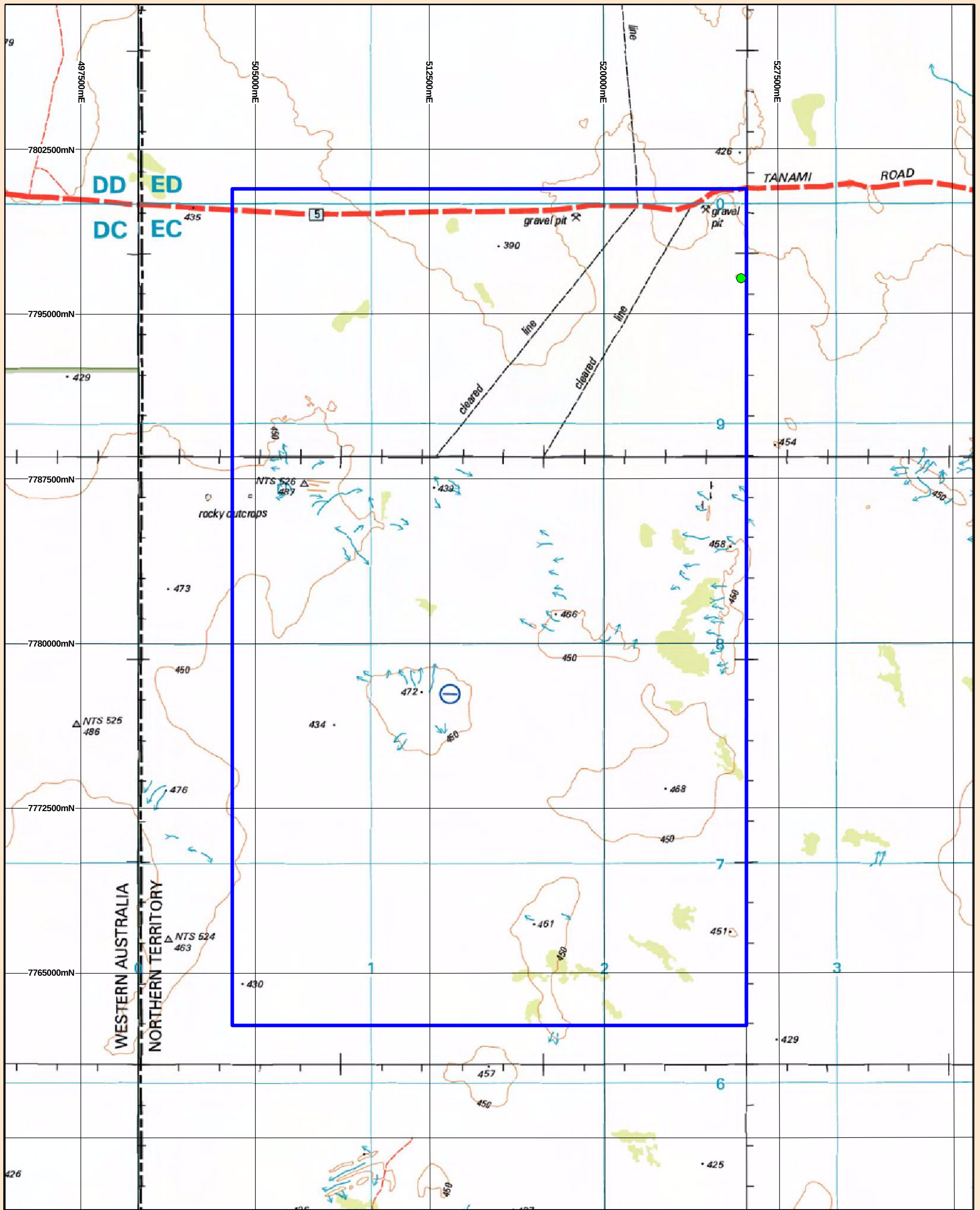
Please note that the cost of this Abstract of Records will be 22 Revenue Units (\$24.00) and an invoice will be issued to you by the Department of Corporate and Information Services. The terms and conditions of the invoice will require you to make payment within 30 days of receipt.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Registrar or Assistant Registrar via email through enquiries.aapa@nt.gov.au or by phone on 8999 4359 or 8999 4356.

Yours sincerely,



Simon Tukaki
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR



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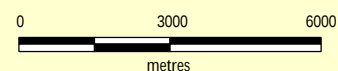
Tanami Road

MAP SHOWING SACRED SITES RECORDED AS AT 16/09/2013

ISSUED TO:
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SCALE 1 : 150 000



Projection: MGA Zone 52
Horizontal Datum: GDA94

KEY



Subject Land



Recorded Sacred Site

* The Sacred Site point is not indicative of the specific site location and does not represent the location of any features of the site.