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Department for Energy and Mining

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Hoetomo Wihodo
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Ahava Energy Pty Ltd
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Dear Tom,

Re: Regulation 14 - Statement of Environmental Objectives (SEO)

Thank you for your letter dated 28 July 2021 requesting that I, as the Minister's delegate, concur with Ahava Energy's (Ahava) position that the Exploration Drilling Activities in the APY Lands Region SEO (November 2015) does not require revision or re-gazettal pursuant to Regulation 14 of the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Regulations 2013*. Your premise for this request is that you are currently preparing to decommission and rehabilitate the 3 well wells currently under suspension and subsequently relinquish the Petroleum Exploration Licenses.

DEM-ERD acknowledges that early discussions have been held and initial scoping documentation drafted in preparation for well decommissioning and final site rehabilitation activities to commence as soon as possible, subject to contractor availability.

On this basis, I concur that there is no need to revise the current SEO. I also understand and request that decommissioning and rehabilitation activities continue under the requirements of the current SEO gazetted in November 2015.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact Jarrod Spencer via email at jarrod.spencer@sa.gov.au or on (08) 8429 2447.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Barry Goldstein'.

Barry Goldstein
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