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Your ref: 40-SMP-AUT-LE-0066

Our ref:

NYM/2017/0533/CVC

Date:

26 April 2018

Dear Mrs Kelly

Verification check of conditions 14 & 15 of planning approval NYM/2014/0676/MEIA at Woodsmith Mine (Formerly Dove's Nest Farm & Haxby Plantation), Sneatonthorpe,

I refer to your application received on 28 July 2017 (reference nym/2017/0533/meia) for the discharge of conditions relating to monitoring and reporting of subsidence for RAF Fylingdales (condition 14) and submission of a Subsidence Monitoring Strategy (condition 15).

Whilst your submission relates to conditions 14 and 15 as imposed on planning permission nym/2014/0676 dated 19 October 2015, the Authority notes that conditions 14 and 15 of that permission were subsequently carried forward unchanged to the permission, dated 6 February 2018, issued pursuant to planning application nym/2017/0505/meia for a variation of the 2015 permission. For the avoidance of doubt this determination relating to conditions 14 and 15 should be treated as applying also for the purposes of discharge of conditions 14 and 15 of permission nym/2017/0505/meia.

The submitted details relating to the requirements of conditions 14 and 15 are approved subject to the following:

1) Your attention is drawn to the matters raised by the Ministry of Defence, Defence Infrastructure Organisation (MOD), in their letter dated 21 December 2017 (copy attached hereto). That letter sets out further detailed matters, relevant to the RAF Fylingdales facility, on which MOD indicate final agreement is required between Sirius Minerals Ltd and the MOD. These matters should be resolved directly between Sirius Minerals Ltd and the MOD and the Authority advised when such agreement has been reached, and the basis of the agreement.



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2) the Authority notes that Section 3.2 of the submitted Subsidence Monitoring Strategy does not, at this stage, provide specific locational details for monitoring points or benchmarks, and that these will be established within the potential zone of influence of the MTS and mine workings, along roads and footpaths. Whilst it is acknowledged that full details of such locations is not available at this stage, you are advised that it will be necessary for specific locational information for such points and benchmarks to be provided to the Authority for approval prior to their installation.

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Yours Sincerely

Mr C M France

Director of Planning

