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Mining Operations
Western Australia
Off Del Park

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Dear Ms Maddison

Re: Alcoa's future Mining Plans in the Northern Jarrah Forest, Western Australia

I refer to your letter of February 14, 2006. In response to your questions, I can advise:

1. that Alcoa's current indicative 25-year mine plans do not extend to the State Forest corridor or the general region you referred to. Our current plans do not extend north of the Albany Highway. As such no further consideration has been given the (logging) coupes identified.
2. Beyond the current indicative 25-year mining envelopes Alcoa has not confirmed future mining areas; consequently I cannot forecast when mining in the region referred to might be scheduled.

Yours sincerely

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