



Australian Government

Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts

Notification of REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled action

South of Embley Bauxite Mine Extension (EPBC 2008/4435)

This decision is made under Section 75 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Proposed action

proposed action	To extend existing bauxite mining operations and construct and operate a new bauxite processing plant and associated infrastructure approximately 45 kilometres south east of Weipa and 50 km north of Aurukun.
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Referral decision: Controlled action

status of proposed action	The proposed action is a controlled action. <i>The project will require assessment and approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 before it can proceed.</i>
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relevant controlling provisions	The project is likely to have a significant impact on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)• Listed migratory species (sections 20 & 20A)
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designated proponent	Rio Tinto Alcan
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Decision on assessment approach

assessment approach	To be advised.
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Person authorised to make decision

Name and position	Cathy Skippington Assistant Secretary Environment Assessment Branch
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date of decision	2 October 2008
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