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## Statement on Mining Lease Application 6M/2021

Last year, MMG Australia lodged an application for a lease for storage and other purposes over the access road to its South Marionoak site near Rosebery on Tasmania's west coast.

The application was assessed by Mineral Resources Tasmania in line with existing relevant processes and the Director of Mines recommended that I grant the application under s106 (3) (a) of the Act.

The Director advised that the lease would enable the land to be used to enable the applicant to access its existing lease at South Marionoak and that it would also enable work associated with mining at the South Marionoak site to be carried out.

Prior to accepting the Director's recommendation, I also requested that the Department of State Growth undertake a review of MMG's application and processes followed to support the advice provided to me.

In light of this, I have found no compelling reason not to grant this lease application. Upon consideration of the application and the advice received, I decided to exercise my discretion to grant the lease.

In line with the Government's policy position to make a Statement of Reasons available for the grant of a mining lease under the Act where the decision relates to a significant or particularly sensitive mining project, I have proactively released a Statement which is available at

<https://www.mrt.tas.gov.au/home>