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## ALCOA — BAUXITE MINING OPERATIONS

1807. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to Alcoa's bauxite mining operations in Western Australia, along those of its subsidiaries and associated companies, and I ask:

- (a) how many tenements are held by each company, broken down by the type, number, and hectare size;
- (b) when are each of the mining license held by the companies identified at (a) due to expire;
- (c) how many hectares have been mined in each of the last five years;
- (d) what is the total area mined to date;
- (e) what is the total area cleared to date for mines, roads, conveyor belts, residue disposal and any other purpose;
- (f) how much of the total area mined required the clearing of native forest;
- (g) how much of the total area cleared was native forest;
- (h) how many hectares have been rehabilitated to date;
- (i) how much of the area at (h) has been rehabilitated with Jarrah forest species;
- (j) how much rehabilitated forest has been returned to the State over the last 10 years;
- (k) what is the current annual production, in metric tonnes, of:
  - (i) bauxite; and
  - (ii) alumina;
- (l) how many hectares are currently used as Residue Disposal Areas;
- (m) what is the total area of closed Residue Disposal Areas;
- (n) how much residue has been produced in each of the last five years;
- (o) what is the total amount of residue produced to date;
- (p) when did Alcoa begin exporting bauxite;
- (q) how much bauxite has been exported to date; and
- (r) will the Minister table a map showing:
  - (i) the mining leases;
  - (ii) the area mined to date;
  - (iii) Residue Disposal Areas;
  - (iv) all other areas from which jarrah forest has been and remains cleared;
  - (v) the total area cleared to date; and
  - (vi) the area rehabilitated to date?

## Hon Sue Ellery replied:

(a)–(b) Please refer to the table.

Alumina Refinery Agreement Act 1961

Company/Holder (a)	Type/Tenement (a)	Area (hectares) (a)	Expiry (b)
Alcoa of Australia Limited	Mineral Lease 1SA	702,261	24/09/2024

Other Titles (Bauxite)

Company/Holder (a)	Type/Tenement (L-Miscellaneous Licence) (a)	Status (a)	Area (hectares (a))	Expiry (b)
Alcoa of Australia Limited	L70/16	Live	0.72	11/04/2026

Cape Bougainville Mining Leases (formerly part Alumina Refinery (Mitchell Plateau) Agreement Act 1971)

Company/Holder (a)	Type/Tenement (M-Mining Lease)	Area (hectares) (a)	Expiry (b)
	(a)		

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Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/47	Live	511	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/48	Live	769	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/49	Live	793	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/50	Live	704	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/51	Live	992	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/52	Live	978	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/53	Live	642	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/54	Live	960	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/55	Live	505	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/56	Live	340	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/57	Live	269	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/58	Live	137	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/59	Live	136	05/08/2027
Alcoa of Australia Limited & Mitchell Plateau Bauxite Co. Pty Ltd	M80/60	Live	93	05/08/2027

<sup>(</sup>c)–(r) I ask that questions (c)–(r) are referred to the Minister for State Development.