

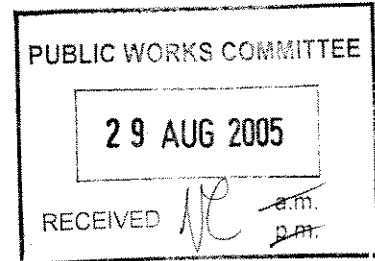


# Parker Centre

The Parker CRC for Integrated Hydrometallurgy Solutions

26<sup>th</sup> August 2005

The Chair Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600



Dear Sir,

## CSIRO Minerals Laboratory Extension, Waterford, Perth

The Parker Cooperative Research Centre for Integrated Hydrometallurgy Solutions fully supports the proposed Extension to the CSIRO Minerals Laboratory at Waterford in Western Australia.

The proposed Extension is highly complementary to the proposed Minerals and Chemistry Research and Education Precinct being developed at the southern entrance to the Curtin University of Technology. The CSIRO Minerals Laboratory Extension and the developments planned by Curtin University and the Chemistry Centre of Western Australia will make a substantial contribution to creating a world-class research and education facility to service the needs of the national and international minerals industry.

The proposed Extension provides opportunity for co-location of entities that serve the research needs of the minerals industry, such as Cooperative Research Centres, industry associations and businesses. Such co-location is highly conducive to enhanced collaboration between research entities, individual professional and technical research staff and to the effective sharing of equipment and facilities.

CSIRO is to be commended for their inclusive approach they have adopted as they developed the proposal for the Extension.

The Parker Centre will be pleased to participate in a public hearing if convened by the Committee.

Yours sincerely

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