# White Paper

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

**Greenland Anorthosite Mining ApS (License no. 2019-162)** 

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#### **Introduction**

In connection with the hearing process for the company's Term of Reference (ToR) for EIA and SIA reporting, Greenland Anorthosite Mining has received 10 hearing responses, five of which have no comments on the project.

The White Paper for the EIA includes three hearing responses from resp. the Ministry of Fisheries and Hunting, private person Flemming Hybholt and the Greenland Police.

In the corresponding White Paper for the SIA, nine consultation responses from Qeqertalik Municipality, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade, Business and Climate, the Ministry of Housing, Infrastructure and Gender Equality, the Greenland Police, the Ministry of Finance and Home Affairs, Greenland Business, GE (Sulisitsisut), Air Greenland, the Settlement Council and the Ministry of Fisheries and hunting have been included.

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## Forwarded written hearing replies regarding the draft for the EIA report

### 1. Reply from the Ministry of Fisheries and Hunting

No.	Questions/comments	GAM's reply/com-	Reply/comments	Reply/comments from	Amendment –
		ments	from the Environ-	DCE and GINR	section or
			mental Agency for		page in ToR
			Mineral Resource Ac-		
			tivities (EAMRA)		
1.1	The Ministry of Fisheries and Hunting	An account of mitigation	The Environmental	The existing wildlife in	No change.
	(APN) has received the submitted consultation material from the Mineral License	measures will be part of the EIA report. The po-	Agency for Mineral Resource Activities ask	the project area must be described in the EIA re-	
	and Safety Authority regarding pre-hear-	tential impact of noise,	the licensee to be	port. Potential impacts	
	ing of the terms of reference for the SIA	dust and ship traffic on	aware of the following	of terrestrial, limnic and	
	and EIA report for the Greenland Anor-	terrestrial and marine	comments from DCE	marine wildlife in the	
	thosite Mining project at Qeqertarsuatsi-	wildlife will be included	and GINR.	project area as well as	
	aat.	in these assessments.		impacts in connection	
	ADNI has the faller in a commont.			with sailing to and from	
	APN has the following comments:			the project area must be	
	APN is generally satisfied with the previ-			included in the EIA re-	
	ous baseline studies and the resulting as-			port.	
	sessments in the EIA report of the poten-				

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1.2	tial impact on the surrounding wildlife, including terrestrial and marine mammals as well as seabirds. However, it is recommended that mitigation measures be taken as far as possible in connection with the activities on land and the increased maritime traffic in the bay and fjord system, so that disturbance and other effects on the surrounding wildlife can be averted or reduced.  The project area is located in a reindeer region (region 5), which is a hunting area for reindeer. In this connection, with the intended activities, the necessary precautions and considerations must be taken so that potential nuisances to reindeer and thus the hunt for them are avoided. Reindeer hunting in the region usually takes place in the period 1 August - 31 December. APN therefore expects the field rules to be strictly observed.	GAM is aware of the area's use for reindeer hunting by the local population, and that the applicable field rules are complied with.  The company will therefore, as far as possible, take the necessary considerations into account in exploration, establishment and construction phase.	The Environmental Agency for Mineral Resource Activities ask the licensee to be aware of the following comments from DCE and GINR.	Local use of the project area and mitigating measures in order not to disturb reindeer hunting must be included in the EIA report.	No change.
1.3	Attention is drawn to the fact that when staying in Greenland, one must be aware of current guidelines and precautions in areas where the risk of encountering polar bears is present. The guidelines for	GAM is aware of the risk of encountering polar bears in Greenland, and will ensure that employ- ees comply with the	The Environmental Agency for Mineral Resource Activities ask the licensee to be aware of the following	The company should pay attention to the applicable-guidelines for encountering polar bears as well as whales.	No change.

	meeting polar bears are therefore in-	company's safety rules	comments from DCE		
	cluded for information. Guidelines for ob-	in this regard. The nec-	and GINR.		
	serving injured or dead and stranded	essary equipment for			
	whales are also included.	scaring bears away, etc.			
		will be present both in			
		the mining town and at			
		process and port facili-			
		ties.			
		With regards to whales,			
		GAM will follow the			
		guidelines if dead or			
		stranded whales are en-			
		countered.			
1.4	In addition, ADN kindly points out that	GAM is aware that all	The Environmental	The company must nov	No shanga
1.4	In addition, APN kindly points out that			The company must pay	No change.
	fishing and hunting are not permitted	the general Greenlandic rules in relation to hunt-	Agency for Mineral Re-	attention to the applica-	
	without hunting licenses, fishing licenses		source Activities ask	ble rules for hunting and	
	and licenses, which is why all fishing and	ing and fishing also ap-	the licensee to be	fishing.	
	fishing activities without these will be	ply to the project area.	aware of the following		
	considered illegal and what follows.	Anyone with employ-	comments from DCE		
	In addition, APN has no further com-	ment or other relation-	and GINR.		
	ments on the hearing.	ship to the project will			
		be informed of the rules			
		upon arrival at the pro-			
		ject area.			
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## 2. Reply from Flemming Hybholt

No.	Question/comments	GAM's reply/com- ments	Reply/comments from the Environ- mental Agency for Mineral Resource Ac- tivities (EAMRA)	Reply/comment from DCE and GINR	Amendment – section or page in ToR
2.1	At first glance, there seems to be a basis for establishing a hydropower plant at Qaqqat Akuleriit which is located about 8 km from the mine, especially in connection with scenario B. This will be a small part of the total potential, but there is a basis for establishing a simplified plant., which is adapted to the current needs.  It must be assumed that there will be direct economy in this solution, at least in scenario B, where diesel oil consumption can be reduced by 4 - 5 million liters on an annual basis and thus DKK 20 - 25 million on an annual basis. It is therefore recommended that detailed calculations and assessments be made of the necessary additional investments in a hydropower solution. With such a solution, CO2 emissions from the project will be halved. If, contrary to expectations, it is not economically attractive to establish	GAM is exploring the possibilities for local alternative forms of energy (solar, wind, water) and their practical applicability and profitability in connection with the project.  Renewable energy sources, if they are locally available and economically realistic, can partially cover energy needs, thus reducing the consumption of primary fuel and reducing the CO2 footprint of mining.  The company does not believe that a hydroelectric power plant at Qaqqat Akuleriit is a realistic option at present.	The Environmental Agency for Mineral Resource Activities ask the licensee to be aware of the following comments from DCE and GINR.	The company must explain the possibility of using green energy in the project in the EIA report.	No change.

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	hydropower, it will be possible to use am-	In addition to requiring			
	monia as fuel instead of diesel oil as	very large construction			
	stated below regarding scenario A.	investments (power			
		plants, roads, port facili-			
		ties, etc.), the site has			
		only been examined pe-			
		ripherally, which is why			
		the power potential is			
		actually unclear. The			
		size of the reservoir re-			
		quires e.g. a lowering of			
		the reservoir of 25 m. It			
		is not clear whether this			
		can be done at all.			
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2.2	With regard to scenario A, it may be more	There is currently not	See comment under	See comment 2.1.	No change.
	appropriate to achieve CO2 reduction by	established ammonia	2.1.		
	replacing diesel with hydropower-based	production in Green-			
	ammonia. It must be expected that am-	land, and GAM is not			
	monia production will be established in	aware of current pro-			
	Greenland over the coming years, which	jects that will be able to			
	will be available and at a competitive	do this in the near fu-			
	price.	ture.			
	It must be recommended that ammonia-	GAM is currently as-			
	based electricity production is included as	sessing battery solutions			
	an alternative, and it must be recom-	and the use of surplus			
	mended as a minimum that used diesel	heat from the pro-			
	engines can use ammonia as fuel (dual	cessing plant to heat of-			
	fuel).	fices and residential ar-			
		eas, which will reduce			
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	diesel consumption and		
	lower total CO2 emis-		
	sions.		

### 3. Reply from the Greenland Police

No.	Questions/comments	GAM's reply/comments	Reply/comments from the Environ- mental Agency for Mineral Resource Ac- tivities (EAMRA)	Reply/comment from DCE and GINR	Amendment – section or page in ToR
3.1	The Greenland Police have reviewed the consultation material, and in this connection have the following remark:  If the establishment of infrastructure, including the establishment of an explosives depot, fuel and other flammable and/or explosive substances in relation to the mining town and the mine, takes place in accordance with the rules laid down by the Naalakkersuisut, cf. Greenland Parliament Act No. 14 of 26 May 2010 Chapter 6 on preventive measures, the Greenland Police have no comments on this.	GAM will comply with the current rules for the establishment and storage of explosives and flammable materials in the project establishment.	Noted.	The company must pay attention – as to the present environmental guidelines for explosives depot, fuel and other flammable and / or explosive substances.	Section 2.5.5 (page 17) has been added the following:  "GAM will also comply with the current rules for the establishment and storage of explosives and flammable materials in the project establishment."