



## **KCGM Media Release 30<sup>th</sup> January 2009**

### **Golden Pike Approval**

Acting Environment Minister John Day has approved the Golden Pike Cutback, which will allow KCGM to expand the Super Pit and extend the mine life of the operation for up to 10 years, KCGM announced today.

A Ministerial statement issued to KCGM late yesterday said the Minister had consulted with the relevant decision making authorities, who agreed that the expansion could proceed subject to certain conditions being met by KCGM.

The decision is a major milestone in the approvals process for Golden Pike, as it marks the countdown to the final stages of a long and comprehensive process which began in December 2004.

“It’s an exciting time for KCGM as the decision paves the way for a longer mine life and the company can look forward to continuing to contribute to the economic future of Kalgoorlie-Boulder,” said Russell Cole, KCGM General Manager.

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