NATIONAL NATIVE TITLE TRIBUNAL

LT (name withheld for cultural reasons) & Ors on behalf of Tarlpa; Albert Little & Ors on behalf of Badima; LY (name withheld for cultural reasons) & Ors on behalf of Yinhawangka Part A; Barbara Sturt & Ors on behalf of Jaru; Bernard Stretch & Ors on behalf of Purnululu; Maggie John & Ors on behalf of Malarngowem; Albert Little & Ors on behalf of Badimia / Western Australia/ Skydove Holdings Pty Ltd; Top Iron Pty Ltd; Baldock Fe Pty Ltd; Uramin Pty Ltd; Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd [2014] NNTTA 64 (8 July 2014)

Applications No: WO2013/0766; WO2013/0868; WO2013/1151; WO2013/1260; WO2013/1261; WO2013/1262; WO2014/0091; WO2014/0227; WO2014/0298

IN THE MATTER of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)

- and -

IN THE MATTER of an inquiry into expedited procedure objection applications

Native title parties as listed in the attached schedule	(native title parties)
- and -	
State of Western Australia	(Government party)
- and –	
Grantee parties as listed in the attached schedule	(grantee parties)

DECISION TO DISMISS EXPEDITED PROCEDURE OBJECTION APPLICATIONS

Tribunal:	Helen Shurven
Place:	Perth
Date:	8 July 2014

Catchwords: Native title – future acts – proposed grant of exploration permits – expedited procedure objection applications – applications for exploration permits withdrawn – expedited procedure objection applications dismissed.

Legislation: Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), ss 29, s 148(a)

REASONS FOR DECISION TO DISMISS EXPEDITED PROCEDURE OBJECTION APPLICATIONS

- [1] On the dates specified in the attached Schedule, the State of Western Australia ('the Government party') gave notice under s 29 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) of its intention to grant various exploration permits to the grantee parties specified therein, and included in the notices a statement that it considered that the grants attracted the expedited procedure.
- [2] On the dates specified in the attached Schedule, the native title parties lodged expedited procedure objection applications with the Tribunal.
- [3] The Department of Mines and Petroleum, on behalf of the Government party, advised the Tribunal that each of the grantee parties had discontinued or withdrawn their application for an exploration permit on the dates specified in the attached Schedule, and as a result the matters were discontinued.

Decision

[4] The expedited procedure objection applications specified in the attached schedule are dismissed pursuant to s 148(a) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Helen Shurven Member

SCHEDULE – DETERMINATION

Tenement	Government Party Notification	Objection Application Lodged	Objection Application No.	Grantee Party	Native Title Party Name & Application Number	Date of Withdrawal
E53/1703	13/03/2013	12/07/2013	WO2013/0766	Skydove Holdings Pty Ltd	LT (name withheld for cultural reasons) & Ors on behalf of Tarlpa – WC2007/003	27/06/2014
E59/1945	10/04/2013	08/08/2013	WO2013/0868	Top Iron Pty Ltd	Albert Little & Ors on behalf of Badima – WC1996/098	01/04/2014
E47/2741	17/07/2013	12/11/2013	WO2013/1151	Baldock Fe Pty Ltd	LY (name withheld for cultural reasons) & Ors on behalf of Yinhawangka Part A – WC2010/016	19/06/2014
E80/4387	06/11/2013	04/12/2013	WO2013/1260	Uramin Pty Ltd	Barbara Sturt & Ors on behalf of Jaru – WC2012/003	26/06/2014
E80/4387	06/11/2013	04/12/2013	WO2013/1261	Uramin Pty Ltd	Bernard Stretch & Ors on behalf of Purnululu – WC1994/011	26/06/2014
E80/4387	06/11/2013	04/12/2013	WO2013/1262	Uramin Pty Ltd	Maggie John & Ors on behalf of Malarngowem – WC1999/044	26/06/2014
E58/453	9/10/2013	6/02/2014	WO2014/0091	Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd	Albert Little & Ors on behalf of Badimia – WC1996/098	2/07/2014
E80/4833	12/02/2014	02/04/2014	WO2014/0227	Uramin Pty Ltd	Maggie John & Ors on behalf of Malarngowem – WC1999/044	26/06/2014
E80/4833	12/02/2014	24/04/2014	WO2014/0298	Uramin Pty Ltd	Bernard Stretch & Ors on behalf of Purnululu – WC1994/011	26/06/2014