To: Department for Education, South Australia

Re: Construction Industry Training Fund Act Review

1 February 2023

Introduction

AMEC appreciates the opportunity to provide a submission to the South Australian Construction Industry Training Fund (CITF) Act Review, following the release of an Issues Paper in December 2022

About AMEC

The Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC) is a national industry association representing over 540 member companies across Australia, with over 37 member companies with direct project interests in South Australia. Our members are mineral explorers, emerging miners, producers, and a wide range of businesses working in and for the in

capital value.

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General Comments

AMEC is concerned with the proposal to remove the exemption for mineral exploration and mining under Schedule 1 of the Construction Industry Training Fund Act 1993 (CITF Act) and Schedule 1(15) of the Construction Industry Training Fund Regulations 2021 (CITF Regulations).

revenue levied from the resources sector, to cross-subsidise training in other unrelated industries. There is limited detail as to the interrelationship between the sectors in South Australia, which could warrant an increase levies payable by related sectors.

The policy decision to require the mineral exploration and mining industry to support the growth and development of other industries, whilst in the midst of significant and increasing inflationary pressures coupled with a skills and worker crisis, is questioned. Any proposed changes to the current exemptions will have long-term impacts on the development of minerals projects across the State. With a strong State and Commonwealth Government agenda towards decarbonisation and net zero emissions, there is acknowledgement that more mining will be needed. To increase the costs of

Government. We welcome further opportunities to ensure this ambition can be addressed, whilst supporting the steady growth of the sector.

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