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Senator Urquhart asked:

Could you advise of the status of the installation of a continuous monitoring systems at Settlement Creek and Redbank mine to track contaminants flowing into Settlement Creek, and is it fully operational?

Answer:

The regulation of the resource sector under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* is confined to those actions which have the potential to significantly impact on matters of national environmental significance.

The Department does not currently regulate any activities at the Redbank Mine Site. A proposed expansion of the mine has been approved under the Act, however, this action has not commenced.

The Northern Territory Government has jurisdiction over the mine's monitoring systems.