**Time Allowed:**

**(AT HOME)** Minimum 4 nights

or 1 weekend,

**(IN CLASS)** 50 minutes

**Marks: HOME: / 15**

**IN CLASS: / 25**

**\*\*\* START OF AT HOME SECTION\*\*\***

Mining is an integral part of the Western Australian economy. There are two types of mining, underground mining and above ground mining.

Review the fact sheets about Ranger 3 Deeps at the following web address: <http://www.energyres.com.au/operations/reserves-resources/ranger-3-deeps/>

Answer the following questions about the project:

1. When was the decision made that the project should **not** proceed to Final Feasibility Study in the current operating environment?

(one mark)

1. How much did the prefeasibility study that was undertaken into the Ranger 3 Deeps project cost? (give the answer to the nearest ten million Australian Dollars)

(one mark)

Using the information provided in the Draft Environmental Impact Study (EIS) fact Sheets, answer the following questions about the project:

1. The Ranger mine operated from August 1981 to November 2012. How many years was the mine operational? (Give the answer to the nearest half year.)

(one mark)

1. During this time, ERA (Energy Resources Australia) produced from Ranger Mine over 110 000 tonnes of product for use in overseas nuclear power stations. How many tonnes of product were produced each year? (Give your answer to the nearest hundred tonnes.)

(one mark)

1. Using information in Chapter 3 of the Environmental Impact Study: “The Project underground mine”, describe where the underground uranium ore body is located.

(one mark)

1. How far below the surface will most of the mining activity occur?

(one mark)

1. How many mega tonnes (Mt) of uranium ore are being proposed to be removed?

(one mark)

1. How many tonnes is this?

(one mark)

1. According to the document, 0.27% of the rock removed will be viable product (U3O8). What mass of product will be produced from the total amount of ore (question 7)? Give the answer to the nearest tonne and show all your working.

(three marks)

1. An additional 0.6Mt of low grade ore and 0.5 Mt of waste rock will also be removed. What is the total amount of ore that will be removed from the ground? Give you answer to the nearest 0.1Mt.

(two marks)

1. What is the percentage of waste ore that will be removed?

(two marks)

**\*\*\*\* END OF THIS SECTION\*\*\*\***