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ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 of 1998) AS AMENDED (NEMA) AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS, 2017: ACTIVITY RELATED TO PROSPECT PRODUCTION AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT FOR BERYLLIUM, BISMUTH, CHROME, COBALT, GOLD, HEAVY MINERALS, PHOSPHATE, IRON, LEAD, MOLYBDENIUM, MONAZITE, NICKEL, NIOBIUM, PLATINUM GROUP METALS, RARE EARTHS, RUTILE, SILVER, SULPHUR, SULPHUR IN PYRITE, TANTALUM, TIN, URANIUM, VANADIUM, ZINC AND ZIRCONIUM (EXCLUDING CUPPER AND TUNGSTEN) ON) PORTION OF PORTION 3, PORTION OF PORTION 13, PORTION OF PORTION 14, PORTION OF PORTION 21 OF NABABEEP NO 134 WITHIN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAN NORTHERN CAPE REGION.

With reference to the abovementioned application, please be advised that the Department has decided to **grant** an environmental authorisation in terms of Section 24 L of National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998). The environmental authorisation and reasons for the decision are attached herewith.

In terms of Regulation 4 (2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2017, you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing within 14 (Fourteen) calendar days, from the date of the Department's decision in respect of your application and the relevant provisions regarding the lodgement of appeal must be provided for in terms of the National Appeal Regulations of 2014

Should you wish to appeal any aspect of the decision, you must submit the appeal to the Minister of Environmental Affairs and a copy of such appeal to the Department of Mineral Resources (Northern Cape Regional Office), within 20 days from the date of notification, and such appeal must be lodged as prescribed in by Chapter 2 of the National Appeal Regulations of 2014, by means of the methods as per prescribed below:

Appeal to the Department of Environmental Affairs

Attention : Directorate Appeals and Legal Review
Email : appealsdirector@environment.gov.za
By post : Private Bag X 447, **PRETORIA**, 0001
By hand : Environmental House, Corner Steve Biko and Soutpansberg Street,
Arcadia, **Pretoria**, 0083

Copy of the lodged appeal to the Department of Mineral Resources

Attention : Regional Manager: Northern Cape Region
By facsimile : (053) 8328 593
E-mail : Ntombi.Mayekiso@dmr.gov.za
By post : Private Bag X 6093, **Kimberley**, 8300
By hand : DMR Building, 65 Phakaamile Mabija Street, **Kimberley**, 8301

Should you decide to appeal, you must comply with the National Appeal Regulation of 2014 in relation to notification of all registered interested and affected, and a copy of the official appeal form can be obtained from the Department of Environmental Affairs.

Kind Regards

Mk Muthemwa
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Acting **REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**
NORTHERN CAPE REGIONAL OFFICE
DATE: *15/02/2022*