

**Rehabilitation of the Xstrata Atcom South Open Pit, construction of a new coal discard dump on the rehabilitated South pit and rehabilitation and closure of the Beath Dump and rehabilitation of the Steenkoolspruit river diversion, Atcom South Mine, near Witbank, Mpumalanga Province  
WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION (IWULA)  
INTEGRATED WATER AND WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN (IWWMP)**

**Invitation to a Public Meeting - Tuesday, 26 February 2013, 11:00 to 13:00**

Dear Stakeholder

**Background**

Atcom South is an opencast mine owned and operated by Xstrata South Africa (Pty) Ltd. (XSA). Approximately 600 ha have been mined by means of dragline operations. The remainder of the coal seams to the north east will be mined by truck and shovel. At present only a portion of the surface rehabilitation over the mined areas has been conducted.

As part of the above mining activity, the Steenkoolspruit was diverted along a route to the south-west of the open pit. To complete the above outstanding surface rehabilitation as well to avoid sterilisation of possible productive land, it is planned to locate a new coal discard dump (open pit discard dump) required by the mine for its current and expanded coal beneficiation plant on the spoils between ramps no. 0 and 1 of the Atcom South open pit. XSA is currently investigating the most feasible options for the rehabilitation of the open pit, the construction and rehabilitation of the open pit discard dump, as well as the rehabilitation and closure of the Beath dump and the rehabilitation of the Steenkoolspruit river diversion.

**Water use licensing process**

The Department of Water Affairs (DWA) requires that an IWWMP be compiled as a technical supporting document for any Integrated Water Use License (IWULA). The IWWMP will be compiled in accordance with the DWA Operational Guideline: Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan for the preparation of the Water Quality Management Technical Document to support the Application for Licenses for Mining and Industries in Terms of the Requirements of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) dated February 2010.

Atcom South would like to invite stakeholders to become involved in the process.

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You are cordially invited to a Public Meeting on Tuesday, 26 February 2013, 11:00 to 13:00. The meeting will take place in the Tweefontein Recreational Club.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Atcom South rehabilitation project Integrated Water Use Licence Application and its water uses and to obtain comments and suggestions regarding their proposed water management, from stakeholders. The inputs will be incorporated into the mine's facility specific IWWMP. The IWWMP will be submitted to the DWA as a supporting technical document for the IWULA.

If you would like to attend the above Public Meeting, please complete the attached registration sheet and send it back to the Public Participation office below.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.



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**REGISTRATION FOR PUBLIC MEETING  
AND COMMENT SHEET  
February 2013**

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*Please complete and return to the Public Participation Office (as above) by no later than Monday, 26 February 2013.*

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**REGISTRATION TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC MEETING**

I will attend the Public Meeting on <b>Tuesday, 26 February 2013 at 11:00</b> to discuss the Integrated Water Use Licence Application for Atcom South.	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<b>I would like any further notifications by:</b>		
Letter (mail)	E-mail	Fax
		Telephone

**COMMENTS** (please use separate sheets if you wish)

I suggest that the following issues of concern be investigated for the Integrated Water Use Licence Application:

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Any other comments:

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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTION**

<b>NAME:</b>	<b>SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>
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