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For attention:

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DEA Reference:

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NEAS Reference:

DEA/EIA/0001944/2013

16 January 2015

Dear Madam,

RE: REJECTION OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF PROVINCIAL ROADS OP09810 AND OP09811 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE FROM THE NATIONAL ROUTE 7, AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PRIVATE ROAD FROM STOFKRAAL WITH ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE TO SERVE AS ACCESS ROADS TO THE PROPOSED ZANDKOPSDRIFT MINE WITHIN KAMIESBERG AND MATZIKAMA LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES, IN THE NORTHERN & WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

The correspondence received from the Department dated 9 December 2014 refers. Please note that no Basic Assessment Report (BAR) dated August 2012 was submitted to the Department. The Draft BAR dated June 2014 was submitted to the Department on the 30 June 2014 and the Final BAR dated **October 2014** was submitted to the Department on the 3rd of November 2014. We would like to request clarification from the Department as to which report the rejection letter is based on. Please see our response to the Departmental correspondence below:

Project Description


Please note that the development footprint of the proposed activity is provided on page 11 of the Final BAR. The servitude for the road within which the concrete drift and culverts will be constructed is 501 000m². The length and width of the road is provided on pages 3, 4 and 11 of the Final BAR. The length of the entire road is 20040m and the width of the road is 9.8 within a 25m reserve. The individual footprints of the proposed concrete drifts and culverts are provided in Appendix E6 of the Final BAR. However for ease of reference the footprints for the proposed concrete drifts and culverts as well as the footprints of the two provincial roads and the new private road are provided in the attached addendum to the BAR.

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Listed Activities

The Department's attention is drawn to email correspondence from the EAP upon a request for clarification in this regard from the Department, dated 4 December 2014 (please see attached). Please note that the activities which were not deemed relevant were amended and the amended list of relevant listed activities was included in both the Draft and Final BAR. None of the listed activities as per the application form submitted to the Department has been removed, the description of the activities have however been amended where relevant. However, please find an amended application form attached as requested. Please note that the listed activities in both the amended application form and BAR have been updated to include footprints or capacities of all proposed infrastructure.

Should you require any further information please contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

Christine Vivier
Environmental Assessment Practitioner



Appendix A - Addendum to the BAR

Table 1: Proposed individual development footprint for the concrete drifts and culverts at each crossing

Description	Length (m)	Width (m)	Footprint (m ²)
Concrete drift No 1	25	9.8	245
Concrete drift No 2	40	9.8	392
New culvert No 1	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 2	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 3	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 4	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 5	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 6	2.44	2.4	5.856
New culvert No 7	2.44	3.6	8.784
New culvert No 8	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 9	2.44	3.6	8.784
New culvert No 10	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 11	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 12	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 13	2.44	2.4	5.856
New culvert No 14	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 15	2.44	2.4	5.856
New culvert No 16	2.44	1.8	4.392
New culvert No 17	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 18	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 19	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 20	2.44	1.2	2.928
New culvert No 21	2.44	2.4	5.856
New culvert No 22	2.44	4.2	10.248
New culvert No 23	2.44	0.6	1.464
New culvert No 24	2.44	0.6	1.464
Culvert upgrade No 1	2.44	0.6	1.464

Table 2: Existing footprint of culvert proposed to be upgraded

Description	Length (m)	Width (m)	Footprint (m ²)
Culvert upgrade No 1	12.5	0.45	5.625

Table 3: Proposed individual development footprint of each road section

Road	Activity	From and to	Length	Width
Provincial Road: OP09810	Upgrade of existing provincial road	N7 to OP09811	10.70 km	9.8 m
Provincial Road: OP09811	Upgrade of existing provincial road	OP09811 to Private Road	2.55 km	9.8 m
Proposed Private Road	Construction of new private access road	OP09811 to proposed Zandkopsdrift Mine	6.79 km	9.8 m

Table 4: Existing individual footprint of each the provincial roads

Road	Activity	From and to	Length	Width
Provincial Road: OP09810	Upgrade of existing provincial road	N7 to OP09811	10.70 km	5 m
Provincial Road: OP09811	Upgrade of existing provincial road	OP09811 to Private Road	2.55 km	5 m



Appendix B – Amended Application Form



Appendix C – Amended Final Basic Assessment Report