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For attention:

Natasha Higgitt

DMR Reference No: NW/30/5/1/2/3/2/1/10110EM
& NW30/5/1/2/2/10110MR

6 March 2017

Dear Ms Higgitt,

RE: INTERIM COMMENT FOR THE DOORNHOEK FLUORSPAR MINE ON VARIOUS PORTIONS OF FARMS DOORNHOEK 305 JP, FARM 306 JP, KNOFLOOKFONTEIN 310 JP, STRYDFONTEIN 326 JP, RHENOSTERFONTEIN 304 JP, KWAGGAFONTEIN 297 JP, PAARDEPLAATS 296 JP, SAAMGEVOEG 320 JP AND WITRAND 325 JP, ZEERUST DISTRICT

The interim comment received from SAHRA dated 28 February 2017 refers.

1. With regards to the comment on graves received from Ms Green on page 127 of the FEIA&EMPR, please note that the presence of graves on the affected properties was assessed in Section 5.4 of the Archaeological Impact Assessment Report (Appendix 7.2 of the FEIA&EMPR). Please note that no graves or human burials were observed in any of the survey areas.
2. With regards to the comment by Mr Paul Snyman on page 131 concerning the family cemetery located on the farm, please note that the remaining extent of the farm Kafferskraal 306 is not directly affected by the mining development. All mining activities and surface infrastructure will be restricted to the following properties: Farm 306 (Portion 1, 5, 10, 24, 25, 26, 27, 29, 30), Rhenosterfontein 304 (Portion 9, 10), with possible extension to Knoflookfontein 310 (Portion 1 & 7). The family cemetery located on the remaining extent of Farm 306 will therefore not be affected by the proposed mining development.
3. With regards to Mr Gerhard Snyman's comments on page 135 regarding old graves on the property. Note that Portion 4 of Doornhoek 305 JP is not directly affected by the mining development. Refer to point 2 above.
4. Mr Grobler's comment on page 136 relating to the presence of historical Matabele krale with iron smelting

where spears were made and his family cemetery located on the farm refers. Portions 5, RE (6), 13, 14, 24, 27 of the farm Doornhoek 305 JP and Portion 5 of the farm Kwaggafontein 297 JP are not directly affected by the mining development. Please refer to point 2 above for properties which will be directly affected by mining activities.

We therefore trust the comments received from the public with regards to possible impact by the project on graves have been adequately assessed and addressed and await further comment from SAHRA.

Please feel free to contact the undersigned should you have any queries.

Kind regards,

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