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Dear Sir/Madam

REFUSAL TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 37 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REGULATIONS, 2014 AS AMENDED, WITH REGARD TO A MINING RIGHT ISSUED TO TSHIPI E NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD TO MODIFY WATER PIPELINE ON PORTIONS 16 (PORTION OF PORTION 1, PORTION 17 (PORTION OF PORTION 2) AND PORTION 18 (PORTION OF PORTION 3) OF THE FARM MAMATWAN 331 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM MOAB 700, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF KURUMAN.

With reference to the above-mentioned application, Please be informed that the above mentioned application for Environmental Authorisation has been refused.

The reasons for the decision are attached herewith.

In terms of regulation 4(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2014, you are instructed to notify all registered interested and affected parties, in writing within 14 (Fourteen) calendar days, of the date of the Department's decision in respect of your application and the provisions regarding the appeals 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, within 20 days from the date of notification, and such appeal must be lodged as prescribed by Chapter 2 of the Appeal Regulation of 2014, by means of one of the following methods:

By facsimile : (012) 359 3609

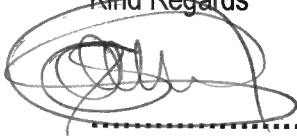
By post : Private Bag X 447, **PRETORIA**, 0001

By hand : Environmental House, Corner Steve Biko and Soutpansberg Street, Arcadia, **Pretoria**, 0083

By e-mail : Appealsdirector@environment.gov.za

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.

Kind Regards



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R. Nkambule

Chief Director: Central Regions

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DATE: 12 October 2020



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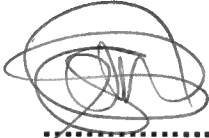
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1. The above mentioned application was received by this Department on the **25nd of July 2019.**
2. The proposed amendments to the authorised Environmental Authorisation (EA)/ EMPr have been evaluated and has not been approved and after due consideration.

- b. The report supporting the application for amendment dated 28 August 2019.
- c. The proposed closure objectives won't be sustainable since half of the pit will be left opened and partially rehabilitated.
- d. The proposed amendments will result in an increase the footprint of mine dumps in the vicinity of the mining area.
- e. The proposed amendments will have negative environmental impacts and also pose danger in terms of health and safety.
- f. The current approved EMPr commitment does not have financial implication after closure therefore environment and socio-economic is catered for.
- g. The proposed amendments does not make sound environmental, socio-economic and technical factors.

Your interest in the future of our environment is appreciated.

Yours faithfully



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Date of Decision: 2/10/2020