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LDEDET Ref: 12/1/9/2-W59

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PROPOSED EXPANSION OF SEKOKO WATERBERG COLLIERY TO INCLUDE FARMS OLIEBOOMFONTEIN 22 LQ, DUIKERFONTEIN 264 LQ, SWANEPOELPAN 262 LQ AND VETLEEGTE 304 LQ WITHIN LEPHALALE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY OF WATERBERG DISTRICT (LDEDET Ref: 12/1/9/2-W59)

WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR AUTHORISATION:

Sekoko Coal (Pty) Ltd submitted an application to your Department in terms of the National Environmental Management Act of 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998, as amended) for the above mentioned development in May 2014. Sekoko Coal (Pty) Ltd obtained a Mining Right and an EA for the Sekoko Waterberg Colliery in August 2011 and March 2012 respectively (Mining Right Ref No: LP30/5/1/2/2/184 MR; Authorisation reference: 12/1/97/2-W11) to develop a 5Mtpa coal mine. The application submitted in May 2014 was in support of an expansion of the mine from 5Mtpa to 10Mtpa by adding four land parcels and expanding the activities.

Due to various technical and logistical issues regarding the project, as well as a delay in the need for coal from the Waterberg coalfields by Eskom Power Stations in the Mpumalanga Province areas, it has been determined that this expansion of the authorised mine is not required at this time. Sekoko Coal (Pty) Ltd therefore requests that the application for authorisation for the proposed project be withdrawn.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Operating Officer