

Environmental Regulatory Process required for the Proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project, Situated in Hendrina Mpumalanga Province

# **Public Participation Report**

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# 1. Introduction

Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro) is the holder of a Prospecting Right (PR), reference MP 30/5/1/1/2/360 PR. Exxaro is now applying to mine coal through underground mining methods at the proposed Arnot South Mine. The Project area is situated near the town of Middelburg within two District Municipalities, namely: Nkangala District Municipality and Gert Sibande District Municipality. The area falls within the jurisdiction of Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality, located in the Mpumalanga Province.

The PR included various farm portions across Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, as well as Schoonoord 164 IS.

The PR, authorised by the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017, and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) and Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the Regional DMRE prior to the PR expiring and issued acknowledged of the MWP with reference number MP 30/5/1/2/10292 MR. The Environmental Authorisation (EA) application with the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) were submitted to the Regional DMRE on 14 December 2020.

To this effect, Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) has been appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to independently facilitate and undertake the required environmental-legal processes to support the EA application incompliance with the following legislation namely the:

- MPRDA;
- National Environment Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (GN R982 of 4 December 2014 as amended by GN R326 of 7 April 2017) (EIA Regulations, 2014);
- National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA); and
- National Environmental Management Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM: WA).

The DMRE acknowledged receiving the Final Scoping Report on the 09 March 2021 and subsequently approved the Final Scoping Report on the 30 April 2021 allowing the Applicant to proceed to the EIA Phase. This Public Participation Process (PPP) is being undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), which includes consultations with stakeholders who might be affected by or interested in the project.

This report presents the PPP activities which have been undertaken during the Scoping phase and which will take place during the EIA phase.

# 2. Public Participation Process Objectives

Digby Wells sets out to achieve the following objectives throughout the PPP:



- To provide information and the environmental-legal process to be followed for the proposed project;
- To identify and register Interested and Affected Persons (I&APs);
- To provide I&APs with an opportunity to comment on the proposed project;
- To utilise local knowledge to identify and record material environmental and social issues and concerns associated with the proposed project;
- To consult with registered I&APs who are impacted by the proposed project; and
- To record all issues and comments for inclusion into the Final EIA Report.

# 3. Legal Framework for Public Participation

A phased-consultative approach has been adopted to execute the PPP activities as a legislative requirement in terms of Chapter 6 of the EIA regulations, 2014 (as amended) in accordance with Section 24(5) and 44 of the NEMA. The phased consultative approach includes the following, namely:

- Announcement Phase;
- Scoping Phase;
- Impact Assessment Phase; and
- EA decision-making Phase.

# 4. Methodology for Public Participation

The following methodology has been implemented in accordance with the Disaster Management Act, 2002: Amendment Regulations issued in terms of Section 27 (2) to adhere to national COVID-19 restrictions.

# 4.1. Scoping Phase

The following activities were undertaken during the Announcement and Scoping Phases of the proposed project.

## 4.1.1. Compilation of Stakeholder Database

The compilation of a stakeholder database was done to ensure adequate representation of stakeholders interested in or affected by the proposed project. The following steps were undertaken:

- Development of a local regional setting and land tenure maps showing the district and local municipal levels in the area;
- A review of existing stakeholder databases of projects previously undertaken in the area and specifically for Exxaro;



- A map was also developed showing the different land parcels found within the area in order to identify landowners. The information gathered was complemented by Windeed and internet searches to identify and verify land ownership and obtain contact details;
- Additional stakeholders were identified when the site notices were displayed in the surrounding areas and distribution of the Background Information Documents (BID) was undertaken via email; and
- Internet searches to identify government officials and for the confirmation of their contact details.

Subsequently, additional stakeholders were identified after the public release of the Draft Scoping Report through:

- Requests to be registered as I&APs; and
- Telephonic and one-on-one interactions with landowners and land occupiers during the site visit.

Stakeholders for the proposed project have been identified and added to the stakeholder database accordingly.

# 4.1.2. Announcement and Public Participation Communication Channels

The legislative requirements indicate that specific materials and communication tools be utilised as part of the PPP to identify, inform, and engage with I&APs as outlined below:

- Site Notices: English site notices were put up at various places as indicated in Table 4-1. These site notices contained a brief project description, information about the required legislation, details of the appointed EAP, details on how to register as an I&APs as part of the PPP.
- A Background Information Documents (BID) with Registration and Comment Form (RCF) was emailed to I&APs. The BID entailed a project description, geographic location of the project, legislative processes, and requirements, triggered listed activities in terms of NEMA, NWA and NEM: WA, the stakeholder engagement and registration processes as well as contact details of the Digby Wells Stakeholder Engagement Office. A RCF was attached to the BID and provided for stakeholders to use for formal registration as I&APs or to submit comments. The BID was available in English only.
- Announcement Letter: A letter was sent via email in English which contained information about the proposed project, applicable legislation, details of the environmental process, information about availability of the draft Scoping Report for public comment.



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### 4.1.2.1. Stakeholder Consultation

It should be noted that consultations were only undertaken with a select of the identified stakeholders. To date, Exxaro is in the process of arranging engagement meetings with the directly and indirectly affected landowners as a form of introductory meetings. The aim of these meetings will be to have conversations around the potentially impacted farms and land access for Digby Wells to be able to undertake the PPP and complete the specialists' studies during the Impact Assessment Phase. It should however be noted that a Focus Group Meeting (FGM) was held with a select affected parties particularly with the Ward Councillors from the surrounding community of Kwazamokuhle as outlined in Table 4-1.

### 4.1.2.2. Stakeholder Comments

All comments raised by I&APs through completion of the RCF and during the Focus Group Meeting, have been captured in the Comments and Response Report (CRR). Digby Wells will be updating the CRR with comments from the upcoming FGMs with affected farm landowners.

### 4.1.2.3. Summary of Public Participation Activities during Scoping Phase

Table 4-1 details the activities undertaken during the Scoping Phase, together with referencing materials appended.

| Activity                                  | Details  | Reference in Report  |
|---|--|--|
| Identification<br>stakeholder<br>database | The Stakeholder Database represents government<br>authorities at national, provincial, and local levels, directly<br>affected and<br>adjacent landowners, as well as communities in and around<br>the proposed project area. | Details of the<br>database excluded<br>due to the POPI Act 4<br>of 2013. |
| Stakeholder<br>Engagement Plan            | A SEP was submitted to the DMRE prior to the commencement of the Scoping Phase on 14 December 2020   | Appendix A: SEP  |
|   | English site notices were placed on 21 January 2021<br>on-site and in public places frequently visited by the local<br>public, namely:   |  |
| Placement of site                         | <ul> <li>Nkangala District Municipality;</li> </ul>  | Appendix B: Site   |
| notices                                   | <ul> <li>Steve Tshwete Local Municipality;</li> </ul>  | Notice Report  |
|   | <ul> <li>Hendrina Post Office;</li> </ul>  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>Farm Mooiplaas Entrance 1,2 &amp; 3 and;</li> </ul>   |  |
|   | <ul> <li>Isimeleni Esigangeni Primary School.</li> </ul>   |  |

#### Table 4-1: Public Participation Scoping Phase Activities

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| Activity                               | Details  | Reference in Report   |
|--|--|---|
| Distribution of BID and RCF.           | English BIDs and RCF were emailed and handed out to stakeholders on 22 January 2021.   | Appendix D:<br>Information Material:<br>BID and CRF           |
| Distribution of<br>Notification letter | A Notification letter was emailed to stakeholders on 22 January 2021.  | Appendix E:<br>Notification Letters                           |
| Stakeholder<br>Consultation            | <ul> <li>Digby Wells interacted with the following I&amp;APs during the announcement of the project who requested to be added or the database as Interested and Affected Persons;</li> <li>Gugu Maphahlaza</li> <li>Dan Mokhine</li> <li>Sponono Madimabe</li> <li>Busisiwe Sibanyoni</li> <li>Anna Mofokeng</li> <li>Doctor Skhosana</li> <li>Victor Roberts</li> <li>Mirriam Motswene</li> <li>The following ward Councillors who fall under Steve Tshwete Local Municipality from ward 1&amp;3 respectively were consulted:</li> <li>Lindiwe Mahlangu</li> <li>Doctor Skhosana</li> </ul> | <b>Appendix F:</b> Consent<br>Form<br><b>Appendix G</b> : CRR |

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| Activity   | Details  | Reference in Report                              |
|--|--|--|
| Announcement<br>of Scoping<br>Report   | Announcement of the availability of the Draft Scoping Report<br>was emailed to stakeholders together with the formal project<br>announcement letter on 22 January 2021. The Draft<br>Scoping Report was made available on<br><u>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</u><br>(Under Public Documents).<br><i>Due to the COVID-19 national regulations and</i><br><i>associated restrictions, the Draft Scoping Report was</i><br><i>released electronically via a data free resource.</i> | <b>Appendix C:</b><br>Newspaper<br>Advertisement |
|  | (The Draft Scoping Report was made available for a 30-<br>days commenting period from 22 January 2021 until 22<br>February 2021.   |  |
| Announcement of the Final Scoping Report was submitted to DMRE on <b>11 March 2021.</b><br>A notification letter for availability of the Scoping Report will be emailed to all stakeholders on the database. The Scoping Report will also be made available on <u>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</u> under Public Documents. |  |  |
| Obtaining<br>comments<br>from<br>stakeholders  | Comments, issues of concern and suggestions received from stakeholders have been captured in the Comment and Response Report.  | Final Scoping<br>Report                          |

# 5. EIA Phase

During the EIA phase, involvement, and participation of stakeholders on proposed project will be enforced in order to comply with the legislation. A request to conduct specialists' studies was sent to directly affected landowners on 12 April 2021 and 15 June 2021.

# 5.1. Update of Stakeholder Database

A stakeholder database which represents government, directly affected and adjacent landowners as well as communities in and around the proposed project area was updated during the Scoping Phase to include new stakeholders who requested to be part of the Public Participation Process.

**To Note**: The Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 4 of 2013) (POPI Act), took effect on 01 July 2021. The POPI Act regulates how personal information of individuals in South Africa is collected, stored, processed, and shared.

Digby Wells is required to comply with the POPI Act and hereby request all I&APs who were previously registered for this Proposed Project to provide consent to be included for the EIA phase. Please see Appendix H for the consent form.



# 5.2. Summary of Planned Public Participation Activities to be undertaken during Draft EIA Phase

Table 5-1 Details of the activities underway and the planned activities for the EIA phase

### Table 5-1: EIA Consultations

| Activity                             | Details   |  |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Announcement of Draft EIA Report.    | Notification on the availability of the Draft EIA<br>Report will be emailed and SMS' will be sent to<br>registered I&APs together with the formal project<br>notification letter on Monday <b>30 August 2021.</b><br>The Draft EIA Report will be made available on<br>Digby Wells' website via a data free link on<br>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/   |  |
|                                      | (Under Public Documents).   |  |
|                                      | (A 30-day legislated public review and<br>commenting period for the draft EIA report will<br>commence on 30 August 2021 until 1 October<br>2021)  |  |
| Focus Group Meetings (FGM)           | FGMs will be planned and undertaken during the public review and commenting period of 30 August 2021 – 1 October 2021   |  |
| Obtaining comments from stakeholders | Comments, issues of concern and suggestions received from stakeholders will be captured in the CRR.   |  |
| Announcement of the Final EIA Report | The Final EIA Report will be submitted to DMRE<br>on 07 October 2021 after comments from the<br>Draft EIA have been incorporated into the<br>document. A notification letter on the submission<br>of the Final EIA Report will be emailed to all<br>stakeholders on the database. The Final EIA<br>Report will also be made available on Digby<br>Wells' website via a data free link on<br>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/_under<br>Public Documents. |  |

# 6. Decision Making

The documentation appended to this report provide all stakeholder materials generated and distributed as part of the PPP for the prosed project. The detailed CRR as well as copies of all



comments received to date have also been included in Appendix G. Where applicable, all the stakeholders' comments will be shared with the various specialists on the project for further consideration during the EIA phase.

Documentation related to the acceptance or rejection of the draft EIA, an updated CRR (including stakeholder and I&APs' comments raised during the Draft EIA phase), and PPP chapter will be publicly available during the submission of the Final EIA Report.

In terms of the legislated timeframes, the DMRE has 107 calendar days<sup>1</sup> to review the Final EIA and reach a decision. Based on Digby Wells submitting the Final EIA on 07 October 2021, a decision on the EA is expected to be issued in February 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This timeframe excludes public holidays and the period between 15 December to 05 January



# Appendix A: SEP



| RE:   | Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro) Public Participation Plan |         |                       |
|-------|---|---------|-----------------------|
| From: | Modiegi Monaledi  | Proj #: | MP30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR |
| То:   | Department of Mineral Resources and Energy - Mpumalanga             | Date:   | 15 December 2020      |

#### Dear Sir/Madam

The Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd Arnot South Project with Mining Right MP30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR, has reference.

The Applicant is applying for environmental authorisations required for the proposed Arnot South underground coal mining project. Digby Wells Environmental is the appointed Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the environmental regulatory processes, which includes an Environmental Authorisation Application, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process as promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and an Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

The Covid-19 Regulations, (Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of Covid-19 Relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences (GN R 650 of 5 June 2020)) have been considered for this application process. In accordance with Annexure 3 of GN R 650, an applicant is required to submit a Public Participation Plan, which is to be approved by the Competent Authority prior to public participation commencing.

Digby Wells hereby submits the Public Participation Plan for the proposed Arnot South Project, for your comment and approval.

Regards,

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Assistant Environmental Consultant

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# **1** Public Participation Plan

The Public Participation Plan (refer to Table 1) explains the engagement process per phase of the S&EIA process.

### Table 1: Public Participation Plan

| Project Phases   | Stakeholders groups                                     | Communication Methods   | Outputs  |
|--|---|---|--|
|  | General public  | <ul> <li>Placement of newspaper<br/>advertisement.</li> </ul>   | Register Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs)   |
|  | National government                                     |   |  |
| Announcement   | Provincial and District and Local government            | <ul> <li>Distribution of e-mail and<br/>SMS.</li> <li>Distribution of Background</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto the<br/>Comments and Responses Report (CRR); where applicable,<br/>distribute specific comments to the relevant Specialists.</li> </ul> |
|  | Neighbouring landowners                                 | Information Document<br>(BID), including a<br>Registration and comment  |  |
|  | Closest Community (Rietkuil):<br>Ward Committee Members | sheet.  |  |
| Public review and comment of<br>Draft Scoping Report and<br>consultation | All stakeholders captured in the database               | <ul> <li>Upload Draft Scoping<br/>Report onto data-free online<br/>site for free report<br/>download;</li> <li>Provide data-free link to<br/>I&amp;APs through e-mail, SMS;</li> <li>Telephonic and/or e-mail<br/>consultations with<br/>stakeholders who need<br/>additional information;</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto CRR;<br/>where applicable, distribute specific comments to the relevant<br/>Specialists.</li> </ul>                                     |



| Project Phases  | Stakeholders groups                       | Communication Methods   | Outputs  |
|---|---|---|--|
|   |   | <ul> <li>Virtual or face-to face Focus<br/>Group meeting with directly<br/>affected landowners; and</li> <li>One Focus Group Meeting<br/>with the community leaders.</li> </ul>   |  |
| Final Scoping   | All stakeholders captured in the database | <ul> <li>Distribution of e-mail, SMS<br/>and WhatsApp notifications<br/>to notify I&amp;APs of Final<br/>Scoping Report on Digby<br/>Wells website.</li> </ul>  | N/A  |
| Public review of Draft<br>Environmental Impact<br>Assessment Report and<br>consultation | All stakeholders captured in the database | <ul> <li>Distribution of e-mail, SMS<br/>and WhatsApp notifications;</li> <li>Upload Draft EIA Report<br/>onto data-free online site for<br/>free report download;</li> <li>Provide data-free link to<br/>I&amp;APs through e-mail, SMS;</li> <li>Telephonic and/or e-mail<br/>consultations with<br/>stakeholders who need<br/>additional information;</li> <li>Virtual or Focus Group<br/>Meetings with community<br/>leaders/ representatives<br/>and directly affected<br/>landowners (if required).</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Meeting minutes.</li> <li>Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto CRR;<br/>where applicable, distribute specific comments to the relevant<br/>Specialists.</li> </ul> |
| Final Environmental<br>Assessment Report  | All stakeholders captured in the database | Distribution of e-mail, SMS<br>and WhatsApp notifications<br>to notify I&APs of Final<br>Environmental Assessment<br>Report on Digby Wells<br>website.  | N/A.   |



| Project Phases              | Stakeholders groups         | Communication Methods   | Outputs |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---|---------|
| Environmental Authorisation | All registered stakeholders | <ul> <li>Place a newspaper<br/>advertisement</li> <li>Send e-mail, SMS and<br/>WhatsApp notifications.</li> </ul> | N/A     |



# 2 COVID-19 Measures during Face-to-face Meetings

The following provides further detail to meeting conduct, should the Department of Mineral Resources approve this plan.



#### Avoid large gatherings:

- No gatherings of 50+ people will be held. All Focus Group Meetings will comprise of 15 people or less.
- Participants will be confirmed by invitation only.



#### Wearing of cloth face-masks:

- Mandatory wearing of face masks by all participants incl. Consultants.
- Universal Coal will provide face masks for participants.
- Both Consultants and Community members have right to refuse to participate if someone is refusing to wear a mask.



#### Maintenance of Social distancing:

- Consultants and community members will be seated 2m apart in all Focus Group Meetings.
- Meetings will mostly be held outside; when possible; if inside, DWE will ensure that there is adequate ventilation.



#### Hand washing and sanitising:

- Hand sanitisers will be provided in all meetings.
- DWE and Universal Coal will provide hand sanitisers at the entrance of the venue.



#### Regular cleaning of shared surfaces and equipment:

- Consultants will sanitise and clean chars and tables in the venue regularly.
- There will be a designated rubbish bin in the meeting venue to collect all waste generated. All waste will be handled and treated as hazardous waste.



# Appendix B: Site Notice Report



# ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESS REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

## SITE NOTICE REPORT

## THE SITE NOTICES WERE PLACED IN AREAS THAT ARE IN AND AROUND THE PROJECT AREA NEAR HEND

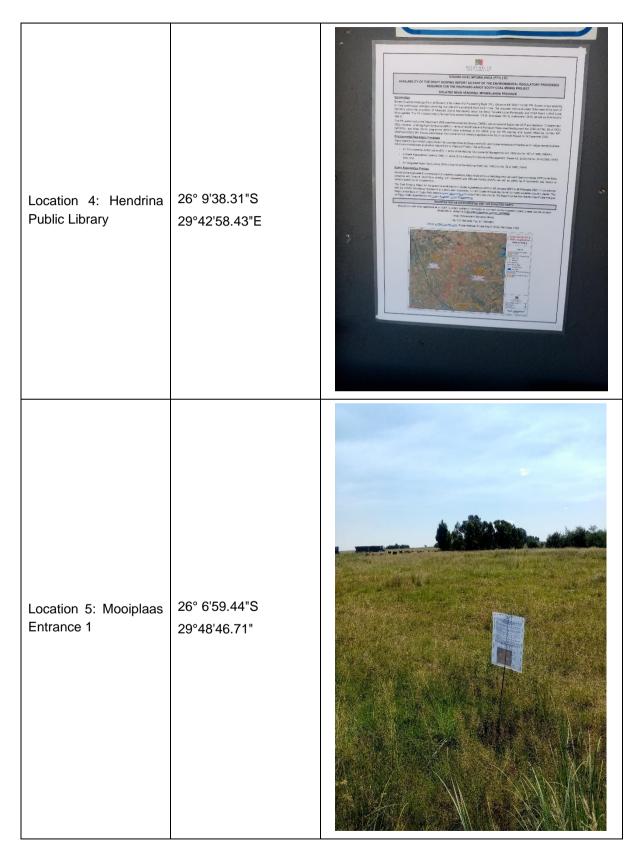
| Public Place                                 | Coordinates                   | Photo  |
|--|-------------------------------|--|
| Location 1:Nkangala<br>District Municipality | 25°47'3.49"S<br>29°26'26.89"E | <image/> <image/> <section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><text><text><section-header><text><text><text><text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></section-header></text></text></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header> |

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| Location 2: Steve<br>Tshwete Local<br>Municipality | 25°46'27.02"S<br>29°27'17.32"E | <image/>   |
|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Location 3: Hendrina<br>Post Office                | 26° 9'30.06"S<br>29°42'58.00"E | <image/> <image/> <section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></text></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header></section-header> |







| Location 6:1.Isimeleni<br>Esigangeni Primary<br>School. | 26° 7'19.71"S<br>29°48'49.24"E |                                 |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Location 7: Mooiplaas<br>Entrance 2                     | 26° 6'59.55"S<br>29°48'46.66"E | <complex-block></complex-block> |



| Location 8: Mooiplaas<br>Entrance 3 | 26° 8'54.33"S<br>29°45'44.22"E |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
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# Appendix C: Newspaper Advertisement

#### Classifieds • Geklassifiseerd

# 0500 **PROPERTY TO LET**

## 0515 FLATS

FURN. BACHELOR Units - R3 330 Incl. Wat & Flect Cleanin ROOMS - R950 - R1 390pm Furnished Units - Sleeps

10 people at R1 300p.m. Dm sharing. Excl. VAT Estelle 083 304 2277 Marinda 084 261 3405 Mercy 062 008 8012 Christina 074 279 6403 1977 Privaat, veilig. 1 Slp/k aparte sit/k, aparte eet/k Buite stoep met motor afdak. Water en ligte ingesluit. R4 200 p/m. Dep word benodia. Skakel 083 229 4202 OS012137

GHOLFSIG

FLOMIA - WOONSTELLE (CBD Dorp) • 1 Slpk - R4 330 + Dep • 2 Slpk - R5 770 + Dep Met sekuriteit. Sluit in W&L. Geen diere. 083 999 7995

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Vir enkellopende manspersoon. Groenkol. R3 300 p/m. Dep. R3 300. W&L ing. Sitvertrek, slp/k met bad/k. Stort. Geen diere.

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#### EXXARO COAL MPUMALANGA (PTY) LTD

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESSES REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

Introduction: Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro) is the holder of a Prospecting Right (PR), reference MP 30/5/1/1/2/360 PR. Exxaro is now applying to mine coal through underground mining methods at the proposed Arnot South mine. The proposed mine is situated 10 km east of the town of Hendrina within the jurisdiction of Nkangala District Municipality under the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Chief Albert Luthuli ocal Municipalities. The PR included various farm portions across Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, as well as Schoonoord 164 IS.

The PR, authorised by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017 and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). and Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the DMRE prior the PR expiring and issued reference number MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR. Exxaro submitted an Environmental Authorisation application for the Arnot South Project on 14 December 2020.

Environmental Regulatory Processes: Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) has been appointed by Exxaro as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner to independently facilitate the environmental-legal application relevant to the proposed Project. This will include:

- An Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental
- Management Act, 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998) (NEMA); A Waste Management Licence (WML) in terms of the National Environmental
- Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM: WA); and An Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998

#### **Public Participation Process**

You are hereby notified, as a potential Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) of the proposed application processes. As part of the Environmental Process, a Public Participation Process (PPP) must be undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The Draft Scoping Report is available for a 30-day legislated period from 22 January 2021 to 22 February 2021

Please note: Due to the COVID-19 national lock down, the Draft Scoping Report will be released electronically. To access the report (free of charge/ data-free); please click on the following link http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ or copy the link onto your URL to download the Report for your review and comment or visit our website www.digbywells.com (under Public Documents).

Stakeholders are requested to submit written comments via email, or contact Digby Wells telephonically (Project reference number: (UCD6802.)

#### **Digby Wells Stakeholder Engagement Office:**

(Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

Lerato Ratsoenyane or Bongane Nkuna Fax: 011 069 6801, Telephone: (011) 789 9495, WhatsApp: 068 297 8335 Postal Address: Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125, Email: sh@digbywells.com

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Closing date: 1 February 2021 OS012128

EIENDOMS KONSULTANT Matriek, 28 Jaar & Ouer Energiek, Gemotiveer Kommissie Inkomste Buigsame werksure, eie

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middelburg@everitt.co.za



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#### EMMAH

Is dringend opsoek na huiswerk vir 5/3/2 dae per week. Uitslaap. Het `n verwysing en praat goed Afrikaans. Emmah 071 356 1662 OS012153

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on or before 01 March 2021.



#### **NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION FOR DECOMMISSIONING OF ARNOT LANDFILL SITE**

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DIGBY WELLS

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (Eskom) was issued with a waste disposal permit (B33/2/210/40/P17) for the Arnot landfill site in terms of the Environmental Conservation Act (Act 73 of 1989). The landfill site is approximately 6.3 hectares and was operational from 1995 r the disposal of general domestic waste, garden refuse and rubble from the power station and surrounding co runitv of Rietkuil The landfill site was not designed and constructed according to the permit specifications. Eskom ceased operations and closed the landfill site in 2015 and intends to decommission and rehabilitate the disposal facility. In order to proceed with the decommissioning process, Eskom needs to apply for an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in the form of a Basic Assessment (BA) process as directed by the National Environmental Management Waste Act (59 of 2008) (NEM:WA) and Regulations 921 of 2015 Green Gold Group has been appointed as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to facilitate an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in a form of Basic Assessment in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998 (NEMA) read in conjunction with Chapter 5 of the EIA Regulations 2014 as amended.

EMMAH Is dringend opsoek na huiswerk vir 5/3/2 dae per week. Uitslaap. Het `n verwysing en praat goed Afrikaans. Emmah 071 356 1662 -OS012154

FAUSTINA Is in need of domestic employment for 3/5 days per week. Sleep out. Reference Ponthso Malada 076 511 6565 Faustina 079 618 9578 OS012147

JOHANNA Bekwame skoonmaker /naaldwerkster is opsoek na werk, 3, 2 of 5 dae 15jr ondervinding + Verwys. Sy praat Afr en is `n hardwerkende mens. Skakel 079 826 0132 02801

#### KATE Is in need of domestic employment for full-time or piece work. Has a reference. C Hartsuiker 083 434 2298 Speaks English and Afrikaans. 083 362 7476/ 076 502

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SKAKEL 072 551 2045 079 648 4705 -0.5012126 MOLLY

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Is looking for domestic work. Sleep out. Full-time.
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betroubaar. Uitslaap. Skakel 072 548 3595 of 079 355 7907 OS012116

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Westhuisen: 072 350 3927

0900 LEGALS

0910 PUBLIC / LEGAL NOTICES

ANNEXURE 2 INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS IN APPLYING FOR A LIQUOR LICENSE IN TERMS OF SECTION 35(2) (a) OF THE MPUMALANGA LIQUOR LICENSING ACT, 2006 A. PERSONAL DETAILS I DIKAA LEBOGANG MAHLANGU **ID** Number 910319 0441 08 2 an adult FEMALE hereby invites written public comments concerning my application for a liquor license to the Mpumalanga Liquor Authority to trade under the name EXOTIC BRAAI. I make this application on behalf of the juristic person: **EXOTIC BRAAI** (PTY) LTD. B. LICENSE TYPE The retail sale of liquor in terms of a special liquor license for consumption on and off the premises where the liquor is sold **C. BUSINESS PREMISES** Physical address: Street 4453 CHOCOLATE STREET Extension: EXTENSION 2 Suburb: MHLUZI City: MIDDELBURG Province: MPUMALANGA Code: 1055 Postal address SUITE MW 465 PRIVATE BAG X 1838 MIDDELBURG 1050 being an address in the Republic of South Africa and situated within the

boundaries of Mpumalanga Province D. ADDRESSES TO WHICH COMMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED Comments should be made in writing and be addressed to the municipality concerned and a copy to the applicant, to reach the said addresses within thirty (30) days of this publication. Municipality's address: Physical Address: STEVE TSHWETE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY Street: CORNER OF STREET AND WANDERERS AVENUE City: MIDDELBURG Province: MPUMALANGA Code: 1050 Postal address: PO Box **PO BOX 14** City: MIDDELBURG Province: MPUMALANGA Code: 1050 Applicant's address: Physical address: Street: **34 LOUWS CREEK STREET** Suburb: AERORAND City: MIDDELBURG Province: MPUMALANGA Code: 1050 Postal address NOORD 12, SUITE MW 465 REGISTRATION

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Registration Number:

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Attorneys: 1st Floor, De Jure Building, Government Square, Marble Hall, 0450, Limpopo Province Tel: (013) 261 2497 Reference: B234 -OS012054

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ACCOUNT IN DECEASED ESTATE LYING FOR INSPECTION REGISTERED NO OF ESTATE: 004018/2017 ESTATE LATE ELIZABETH PRETORIUS IDENTITY NUMBER: 350914 0034 08 0 In terms of Section 35(5) of Act 66 of 1965 notice is hereby given that copies of the first and final liquidation and distribution account in the above estate will be open for the inspection of all persons with an interest therein for a period of 21 days from the date of publication hereof at the Masters Office Nelspruit and Middelburg Magistrate's Office. Should no objection thereto be lodged with the Master concerned during the specified period, the executors will proceed to make payments in accordance with the account. SIGNED AT SECUNDA ON 18 JANUARY 2021 (signed A J G VILJOEN) VOS, VILJOEN & BECKER INC V V & B BUILDING HORWOOD STREET PO BOX 1750, SECUNDA REF: Mr. A Viljoen / sr TEL : (017) 620 9000 OS012114 NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 34(1) OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT, ACT 24 OF 1936

Notice is hereby given that DS PRETORIUS EIENDOMME CC (Reg. No: 2005/079522 /23) intends to transfer PORTION 39 OF FARM LOSKOP NOORD 12, REGISTRATION DIVISION J.S., LIMPOPO PROVINCE. MEASURING: 25,9414 HECTARE as a going concern to KATLEGO SITRUS (PTY) LTD (Reg. No: 2012/197126 For any gueries in connection with the transfer contact: Janse van Rensburg at PDR Attorneys. Ref: MAT11878 at lorette@legaledge.co.za or Tel no: 012 342 9895 OS012142 NOTICE IN TERMS OF

SECTION 34(1) OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT, ACT 24 OF 1936 Notice is hereby given that JJ BEKKER (ID No: 550105 5010 088) intends to transfer PORTION 40 OF THE FARM LOSKOP

**DIVISION J.S., LIMPOPO** 

MEASURING: 30,3473

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# Tel: 013 243 1434 /07) For any queries in

connection with the transfer contact: L. Janse van Rensburg at PDR Attorneys, Ref: MAT11894 at lorette@legaledge.co.za or Tel no: 012 342 9895 OS012144

#### NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 34(1) OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT, ACT

24 OF 1936 Notice is hereby given that LESEDI SITRUS (PTY) LTD (Reg. No: 2004 /026698/07) intends to transfer PORTION 6 OF FARM SLAGBOOM 7, REGISTRATION DIVISION J.S. LIMPOPO PROVINCE, MEASURING: 66,1623 HECTARE and PORTION 64 OF FARM LOSKOP NOORD 12, REGISTRATION DIVISION J.S., LIMPOPO PROVINCE, MEASURING: 61,9812 HECTARE and PORTION 65 OF FARM LOSKOP NOORD 12, REGISTRATION DIVISION J.S., LIMPOPO PROVINCE, MEASURING: 106,9001 HECTARE as a going concern to KATLEGO SITRUS (PTY) LTD (Reg. No: 2012/197126 , (07) For any queries in connection with the transfer contact: L. Janse van Rensburg at PDR Attorneys, Ref: MAT11895 at lorette@legaledge.co.za or Tel no: 012 342 9895 OS012140 NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN DECEASED ESTATE Estate late: TABUKANA JAMES MASHA Estate No: 6761/2020 Master's office POLOKWANE

Date of death: 2020-10-08 Identity No: 7202085749088 Date of Birth: 8 FEBRUARY 2020 Last Address: 2333 STEVE TSHWETE STREET, EXT 6, MARBLE HALL All persons having claims against the above-mentioned Estate are required to lodge their claims with the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication hereof. THUS SIGNED AND DATED AT POLOKWANE ON THIS THE 18TH DAY OF JANUARY 2021. DA MOHUBA (SGD) MAKWELA MP ATTORNEYS OFFICE NO.14 BLOCK B 89 BICCARD STREET P O B0X 563 POLOKWANE, 0700 TEL NO: (015) 297 0483/0014 FAX NO: (015) 297 0483/0014 FAX NO: (015) 297 0459 REF: DA/TJM/ESTATE

STEVE TSHWETE DORPSBEPLANNING-SKEMA 2004 WYSIGINGSKEMA 835 KENNISGEWING VAN AANSOEK OM WYSIGING VAN DORPSBEPLANNING-SKEMA INGEVOLGE ARTIKEL 62 (1) EN 94(1)(A) VAN DIE STEVE TSHWETE STADSRAAD SE RUIMTELIKE BEPLANNING EN GROND GEBRUIK BEHEER BYLAAG 2016. Ek, Matthys Johanne Jonker, synde die gemagtigde agent van die eienaar van Erf 1132, Middelburg, gee hiermee ingevolge artikel 62(1) en 94 (1)(A) van die Steve Tshwete Stadsraad se Ruimtelike Beplanning en Grond Gebruik Beheer Bylae 2016, kennis dat ek by die Steve Tshwete Munisipaliteit aansoek aedoen het om die wysiging van die Dorpsbeplanning skema bekend as Steve Tshwete Dorpsbeplanningskema 2004. Hierdie aansoek bevat die volgende voorstelle: Die hersonering van Erf 1132, Middelburg, vanaf "Besigheid 4' "Residensieel 1" vir doeleindes van `n Wooneenheid.

The triggered activity that requires an EA for the decommissioning of the landfill site is as follows:

#### NEMWA LIST: GNR-921 (24-JUL-2015) 3. A person who wishes to commence, undertake or conduct a waste management activity listed under this Category A Category, must conduct a basic assessment process set out in the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations made under section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as part of a waste management licence application contemplated in section 45 read with section 20(b) of this Act. Construction, expansion or decommissioning of facilities and associated structures and infrastructure 14) The decommissioning of a facility for a waste management activity listed in Category A or B of this Schedule. As an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP), you are invited to express interest and participate in the Public Participation Process (PPP) The registration period commences on 29 January 2021. In order to participate or to obtain further information, please contact Green Gold Group, EIAs at P.O. Box 65384, Erasmusrand, 0165, Pretoria. Tel: 012 000 6562/060 354 2780 Email: EIAs@greengoldgroup.co.za,

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NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 34(1) OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT, ACT

24 OF 1936

Notice is hereby given that KATLEGO DSP

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DIVISION J.S., LIMPOPO

PROVINCE, MEASURING: 58,5226

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NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION NO: 983 (LISTING NOTICE 1; ACTIVITY 21 & 27), AS AMENDED ON 04 DECEMBER 2014 OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) AND AN APPLICATION FOR WATER USE IN TERMS OF SECTION 21(a) (b) (g) AND (j) OF NWA ACT NO 36 OF 1998

Aarnoot Mining (Pty) Ltd lodged application for mining permit for Coal with the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in terms of section 27 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 2002 (Act 28 of 2002), Ref No: MP30/5/1/3/2/12053MP in respect of portion of portion 1 of the farm Rondeboschje 468 JS, the area is Approximately 15 kilometres south of Middelburg town.

#### Application for Environmental Authorisation to undertake the following activities: NEMA Government Notice 983, Listing Notice 1: Activity No: 21 and 27

The proposed mining permits will constitutes the site establishment, access road, mobile office, water separation trenched, drilling and Blasting, and hauling of coal to the nearby processing site

Interested and affected parties (I&AP) are hereby requested to raise their concerns, objection and issues within 30 days of this notice to Mr G Mtsweni on the following:

Postal address: P O Box 71534, Mamelodi, 0041, Contacts: Cell 078 016 5207/061 587 0395, E-mail: kekanamolfs@gmail.com or mtswenis@ymail.com and/or Regional Manager, DMR, Private Bag X7279, Witbank, 1035, Tel: 013 653 0500.

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#### CONCOR LUBOCON ADF JOINT VENTURE **REQUEST FOR QUOTATION KENDAL ADF- PHASE 1**

#### YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO QUOTE FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE CONCOR LUBOCON ADF JV

**QUOTATION NUMBER: SDL-SITE SECURITY-07-2021** DESCRIPTION: PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES. IT IS A REQUIREMENT OF THIS QUOTATION THAT ONLY PEOPLE FROM EMALAHLENI AND VICTOR KHANYE MUNICIPALITIES SUBMIT QUOTATION.

#### INTRODUCTION

Concor Lubocon ADF Joint Venture, Kendal Power Station, hereby invites tenders from suitably qualified and experienced service providers for the provision of SECURITY SERVICES. Only tenderers with B-BBEE Contributor Levels of 1/2 and are EME/QSE will be considered for appointment.

#### VALIDITY PERIOD

The proposal must remain valid for a period of 31 days from the day the tender closes.

#### **TENDER ADJUDICATION/EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

The tender shall be evaluated on –:  $\frac{80}{20}$  Preference Point System in accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017, issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act No. 5 of 2000.

#### **GATE KEEPERS**

- 1. The company must be PSIRA Registered and provide proof of registration.
- 2. Company directors must be PSIRA Registered

#### **TECHNICAL EVALUATION**

- All security officers must be registered in terms of the Private Security Industry Regulation Act 56 of 2001 and accredited by the Security Industry Regulatory Authority.
- The tenderer must provide proof of registration of firearm/s.
- The company directors must provide SAPS competency certificate to handle fire arms
- The submission of PRSIRA letter of good standing
- 5. Proof of registration with security provident fund

#### Patrol Car

1. Proof of ownership / lease agreement of at least one patrol car, or provide the proof of the potential to buy or lease a patrol car. Guards

- 1. The officers to be PSIRA registered.
- 2. Criminal checks to be provided no later than 30 days after appointment.
- 3. Dog handler must be trained at an accredited institution and must be in possession of accredited competence certificate.

#### **SCOPE OF WORK**

- 1. Render 24/7 guard duty (12 hr. shifts).
- 3. Registration of visitors / car control
- 2. Access control and temperature control. 4. Control of company assets / equipment.
- 5. Static guarding 6. Foot and vehicle patrol of company assets 7. Armed guards to undergo regulatory 21-day training and assessment at least once a year as per regulation 79 of Firearm Control Act.
- **TACTICAL REACTION / RESPONSE**
- 1. To be deployed during community strikes/ uprisings
  - 2. To be deployed to crime incidents

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| AND TRIMMING OF<br>TREES, STUMP<br>REMOVALS, GRASS<br>CUTTING, RUBBISH<br>REMOVALS<br>Call Israel: 079 976 7383<br>LL002791<br>ALGEMENE TUIN<br>INSTANDHOUDING/<br>GENERAL GARDEN   | WITBANK DAKKAPPE<br>Ons vervaardig en lewer<br>dakkappe in Witbank en<br>omgewing, asook teëls,<br>fasiaborde ens. Ons staan<br>u ook by met oprigting van<br>u dak. Skakel ons gerus by<br>013 690 3536 of 082 348         | SPRING KASTELE<br>JUMPING CASTLES<br>R300 p/day. R500 for 2<br>days special. Spitbraaier<br>R350 per dag. Stoele en<br>tafels ook beskikbaar.<br>081 313 6754<br>LL002739   | SECURE SELF<br>STORAGE IN<br>RESIDENTIAL AREA<br>Immediately available<br>Danie: 082 856 9223<br>LL002740<br>CM00<br>FOR SALE   |
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The PR, authorised by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017 and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA), and Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the DMRE prior the PR expiring and issued reference number MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR. Exxaro submitted an Environmental Authorisation application **3 1452** SZ026048 HOUSE se 2x3 zes

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#### ACCOMMODATION Bachelor flat in Duvha Park R3 000, 50% Dep W+ E incl. 2 Bedroom flat in Tasbet Park 2 R4 200pm, 50% Dep Elec on Prepaid. Bachelor flat in EXt 8

#### 3. Tactical Guards to be fully equipped with ALL PPE.

#### 4. Armoured vehicle

#### PRICING SCHEDULE

| Item Number  | Description  | No of Guards | Rate | Total |
|--|--|--------------|------|-------|
| 1  | 4 x Unarmed Guards (Grade C) (Day Shift)                     | 4            |      |       |
| 2  | 8 x Unarmed Guards (Grade C) (Night Shift)                   | 8            |      |       |
| 3  | 1 x Armed Guard (Grade C) (Night Shift)                      |              |      |       |
| 4  | 1 x Dog (Night Shift)  | 1            |      |       |
| 5  | 1 x Dog Handler (Grade C)                                    | 1            |      |       |
| 6  | 1 x Supervisor, Armed (Night Shift)                          | 1            |      |       |
| 7  | 1 x Supervisor, Armed (Day Shift)                            | 1            |      |       |
| 8  | 1 x Patrol Car ( 4 X2 / HI-Rider)                            | 1            |      |       |
| 9  | 1 x Tactical Team in Armoured Vehicle (As and When Required) | 4            |      |       |
|  | TOTAL  |              |      |       |
| NB: Pricing must be all inclusive.         Other Documents that MUST be submitted together with quote:         1. B-BBEE Level of Contribution certificate – original or certified copy.         2. Valid Tax Clearance Certificate         3. Letter of Good Standing         4. CIPC Certificates         5. CSD Certificate |  |              |      |       |

Closing Date: 15 February 2021 – 16H00 Contact Details and Submission to SD&L Team: kendaladftenders@lubocon.co.za for the Arnot South Project on 14 December 2020.

Environmental Regulatory Processes: Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) has been appointed by Exxaro as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner to independently facilitate the environmental-legal application relevant to the proposed Project. This will include:

- An Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998) (NEMA);
- A Waste Management Licence (WML) in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM: WA); and
- An Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

#### Public Participation Process

You are hereby notified, as a potential Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) of the proposed application processes. As part of the Environmental Process, a Public Participation Process (PPP) must be undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The Draft Scoping Report is available for a 30-day legislated period from 22 January 2021 to 22 February 2021.

Please note: Due to the COVID-19 national lock down, the Draft Scoping Report will be released electronically. To access the report (free of charge/ data-free); please click on the following link http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ or copy the link onto your URL to download the Report for your review and comment or visit our website www.digbywells.com (under Public Documents).

Stakeholders are requested to submit written comments via email, or contact Digby Wells telephonically (Project reference number: (UCD6802.)

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Klipfontein & Duvha Pa R3300, 50 % Dep elec included. Johan Kruger 082 458 6120 -LL002793

RENT A Bachelor for R2500. 082 362 0706 073 716 2964 -LL002789

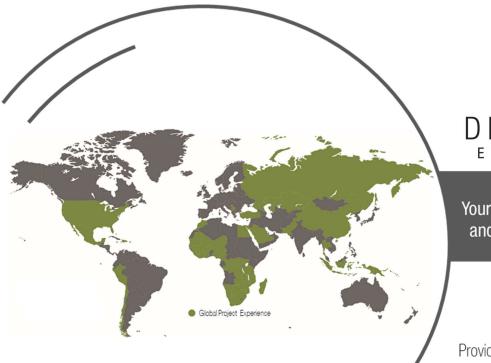
#### WOONSTEL TE HUUR

Enkel woonstel te huur op n Plot naby Elpaso. R3 000pm W&L ingesluit. Beskikbaar vanaf 1st Februarie 2021. Kontak 082 323 6009 LL002783

3 SLAAPKAMER HUIS TE HUUR Vanaf 1<sup>ere</sup> Februarie 2021. In Uitb 41 met groot leef area`s, 1 Badkamer,1 Garage, 2 motorafdakke, swembad en Lapa, Huur R8500 pm + prepaid elektriteit, deposit R8000 afbetaalbaar in 2 maande Kontak: 078 410 2279 -LL002788



Appendix D: Information Material: BID & Registration and Comment Form and Proof of Submission





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# Environmental Regulatory Process required for the Proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project, situated near Hendrina, Mpumalanga Province

## **Background Information Document**

DMRE Ref No: MP 30/5/1/2/3/2/1 (10292) MR

Prepared for: Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd Project Number: UCD6802

January 2021

TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY, SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS OR FOR MORE INFORMATION;

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CONTACT INFORMATION

Ms. Lerato Ratsoenyane or Mr Bongane Nkuna

Digby Wells Environmental (Pty) Ltd.

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# 1. Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this document is to provide all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with information relating to the proposed Environmental Regulatory Process required for the proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project, situated near Hendrina, Mpumalanga Province. This document aims to:

- Provide a description of the proposed Project;
- Provide an overview of the required regulatory processes;
- Provide details in terms of the regulated public participation process (PPP); and
- Invite all I&APs to register as stakeholders, provide comment, raise issues or concerns, and provide suggestions for the enhanced benefit of the Project.

# 2. Project Context

Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro) is the holder of a Prospecting Right (PR), reference MP 30/5/1/1/2/360 PR. Exxaro is now applying to mine coal through underground mining methods at the proposed Arnot South mine. The proposed mine is situated 10 km east of the town of Hendrina.

The PR included various farm portions across Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, as well as Schoonoord 164 IS.

The PR, authorised by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017 and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). and Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the DMRE prior the PR expiring and issued reference number MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR. Exxaro submitted an Environmental Authorisation application with the Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP) for the Arnot South Project on 14 December 2020.

# 3. Project Location

The Project area is situated near the town of Middelburg within two District Municipalities, namely: Nkangala District Municipality and Gert Sibanda District Municipality. The area falls within the jurisdiction of Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality, located in the Mpumalanga Province Figure 6-1 below illustrates the regional setting of the Arnot South Project Area.

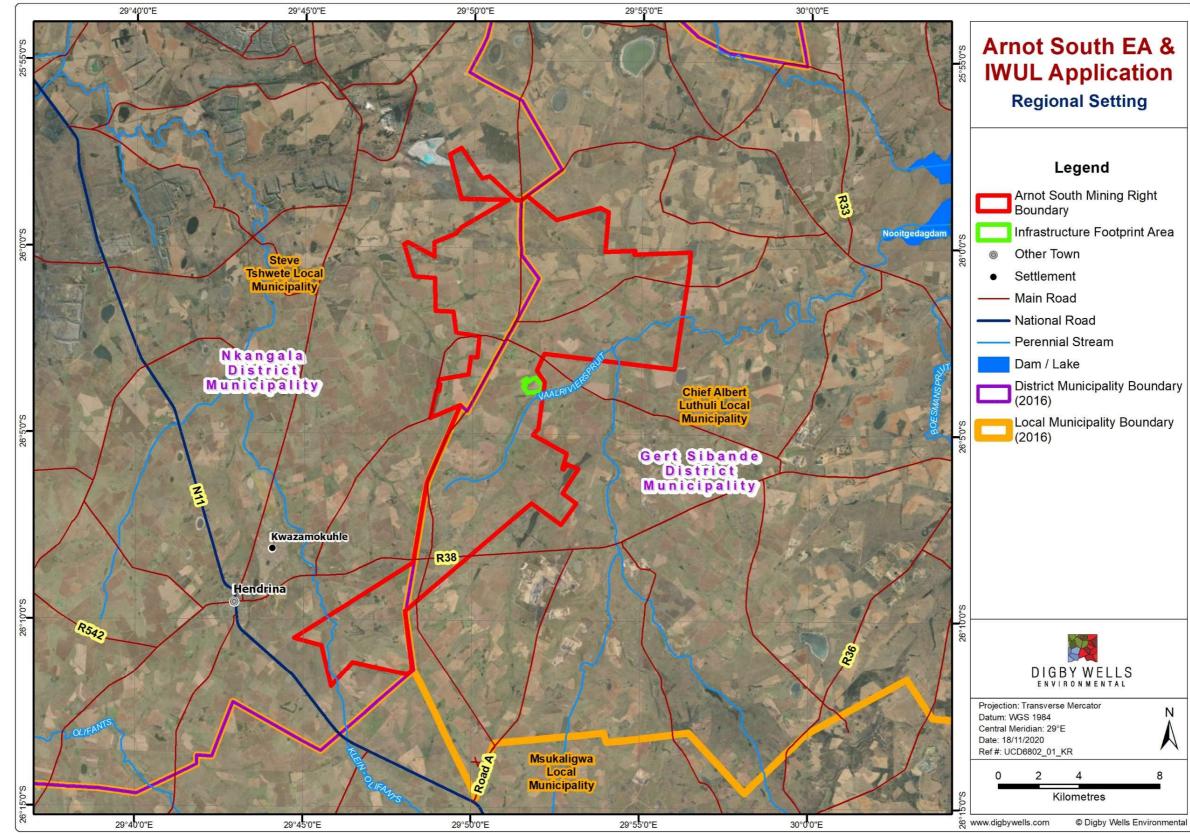


Figure 6-1: Regional Setting of the Arnot South Project





# 4. **Project Description**

The Project area can be reached by a district road that runs north from the R33 provincial road. The nearest accessible railway siding is the Rietkuil siding, approximately 18 km directly north of the Project area and 31 km by road.

The farms covered by the proposed Arnot South Project is 15,531.75 hectares (ha) in extent. The boreholes drilled in the prospecting area indicated that the area of interest lies mainly on the farms Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, and Schoonoord 164 IS.

All the necessary mine infrastructure for the Project area shall be established within the proposed Mining Right area. It is currently proposed that the infrastructure be placed on the farm Weltevreden 174 IS.

The mineral reserve consists of one economically mineable underground block. Mining is proposed to commence in the south-eastern end of the block from where the underground mining shall develop in a northwest direction.

Underground board-and-pillar mining with continuous miners is proposed due to the depth of the reserve. The proposed box cut will be located in the southeast and will allow access to the No. 2 Seam. An eight-degree ramp, 8.0 m wide, shall give access into the box cut and to the underground entrance portals. The inclination of the ramp shall allow rubber-wheeled equipment to travel up and down the ramp unassisted.

The basis of the selected position of the box cut is on the most practical underground mining layout with the least conveyor belt transfer points.

# 5. Environmental Regulatory Process

Exxaro has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner to independently facilitate the environmental-legal application relevant to the proposed Project. The following EA applications will be submitted and are guided by the following legislation:

| Application Type            | Legislation   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Environmental Authorisation | National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)<br>(NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)<br>Regulations, 2014 (GN R 982 of 4 December 2014 as amended by<br>GN R326 of 7 April 2017) (EIA Regulations, 2014), as amended<br>promulgated under the NEMA |
| Water Use Licence           | National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA)   |
| Waste Management Licence    | National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM:WA)  |



# 6. Public Participation Process

A public participation process (PPP) must be undertaken as part of an EA application processes. A PPP involves notifying Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the proposed project and providing them with sufficient information to enable effective engagement.

Digby Wells hereby invites I&APs to register and submit their comments regarding on the proposal project. The comments from I&APs will assist in informed decision-making for authorities and provide information to be considered by the project team and specialists conducting studies. I&APs can submit their comments and issues or recommendations directly to the Digby Wells Stakeholder Engagement Team by completing the Comment and Registration Form appended to the end of this document.

# ANNOUNCEMENT OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT

The Draft Scoping Report is available for a 30-day legislated period from

#### 22 January 2021 to 22 February 2021.

In compliance with the COVID-19 national regulations and associated restrictions, no hard copies of these reports will be made available at public places.

The Report is available on Digby Wells website (<u>www.digbywells.com</u>) under Public Documents. The Report is also available on Digby Wells' data-free link <u>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</u> for a free download, perusal and comments.

Stakeholders are requested to submit written comments via email, or contact Digby Wells telephonically (**Project reference number: UCD6802**):





## ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESS REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

#### **REGISTRATION AND COMMENT FORM**

#### January 2021

Registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) will be informed of ongoing developments via their preferred means of communication (SMS, email, post or fax).

In compliance with COVID-19 national regulations and associated restrictions, the Reports will be released electronically. To access the report (free of charge/ data-free); please click on the following link <a href="http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/">http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</a> or copy the link onto your URL to download the Report for your review and comment or visit our website <a href="http://www.digbywells.com">www.digbywells.com</a> (under Public Documents).

Comments raised by stakeholders will assist in informed decision-making for authorities and provides information to be considered by the project team and specialists conducting the Environmental Impact Assessment process. Please register as an I&AP and provide comments by sending this form, or other written correspondence, to the contact details provided below:

#### Ms. Lerato Ratsoenyane or Mr Bongane Nkuna

Digby Wells Environmental Stakeholder Engagement Office:

Fax: (011) 789 9498, Telephone: (011) 789 9495, Postal Address: Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125; Email: <u>sh@digbywells.com</u>

| Please formally register me as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) | Yes   | ;   | No   |     |
|--|-------|-----|------|-----|
| Do you wish to attend the focus group meetings                         | Yes   | ;   | No   |     |
| I would like to receive my notifications by                            | Email | SMS | Post | Fax |

#### Please indicate which sector you represent and also provide a name

| Government<br>Department       |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Municipality                   |  |
| Community                      |  |
| Non-Government<br>Organisation |  |



If you are a landowner or land occupier, please indicate which farm(s) and portion(s) you reside on

| Landowner     |  |
|---------------|--|
|               |  |
| Land occupier |  |
|               |  |

#### Please fill in your contact details below for the project database

| Title, Full Name |     |     |
|------------------|-----|-----|
| Designation      |     |     |
| Cellphone        | Fax | Tel |
| Email            |     |     |
| Postal Address   |     |     |

Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2014, promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, as amended, Section 44 (1) requires that we gather comments from I&APs. Please complete the questions below. Should you require assistance in completing these questions please contact the Stakeholder Engagement Office at contact information provided above.

| How do you think the project might impact (affect) you?  |
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| How do you think the project might impact (affect) your socio-economic conditions? (e.g. livelihoods, farm, business, household) |
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| How can these impacts be managed, avoided and / or fixed?  |

If you are a landowner or occupier, what is your land currently being used for?



| Are there any environmental, social or heritage features on the proposed project area we need to be aware of? |
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| Where are these found?  |
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| Do you think the project could impact (affect) infrastructure you might have? (e.g. houses, buildings, roads) |
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| If so how can these impacts (affects) be managed, avoided or fixed?   |
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| General Comments  |
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# If there are any other stakeholders, we should include onto the stakeholder database for the proposed project, please provide their contact details.

| Title, Full Name | Title, Full Name |  |
|------------------|------------------|--|
| Organisation     | Organisation     |  |
| Cellphone        | Cellphone        |  |
| Email            | Email            |  |

Signature

Date



# Appendix E: Notification Letters



Project Reference Number: UCD6802

15 June 2021

# Environmental Regulatory Process required for the Proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project, situated near Hendrina, Mpumalanga Province

### SITE ACCESS REQUEST: NOISE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Dear Mr PW Steinberg,

Exxaro held the Prospecting Right (PR) which included various farm portions across Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, as well as Schoonoord 164 IS. The PR, authorised by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017, and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA); and a Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the DMRE prior the PR expiring. The DMRE issued reference number MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR to the application. Exxaro submitted an Environmental Authorisation application for the Arnot South Project on 14 December 2020.

Digby Wells Environmental is the appointed independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner undertaking the applications in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998). To this effect; various specialist studies are being undertaken for the project to assess the potential environmental and social impacts of the Project on the current environment.

Digby Wells hereby request permission to access the below farm properties to undertake the Noise Impact Assessment study. The purpose of this study is to measure the existing baseline noise climate, determine the sources of sound, predicting the overall noise impact on receiving environment and providing mitigation measures and management plans to minimise negative impacts and enhance positive impacts associated with the proposed Project.

The table below details the properties and location at which the noise meter will be placed.

#### Table 1: Proposed locations for Placement of Noise meter

| Farm Name          | Farm Portion | Site ID |
|--------------------|--------------|---------|
| MOOIPLAATS 165 IS  | 4            | N1      |
| MOOIPLAATS 165 IS  | 2            | N2      |
| WELTEVREDEN 174 IS | 4            | N3      |

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As per access arrangement protocols, the details of the specialist is contained in table below:

#### Table 2: Specialist Details

| Name         | ID Number     | Designation | Contact Number |
|--------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|
| Keenan Terry | 9204235371084 | Noise Lead  | +27746433889   |

The specialist mentioned above will make contact with you one-week prior to accessing the site and will produce identification documents to confirm his identity and status as a Digby Wells employee.

Kindly contact us should you have any queries with this request for site access on the details provided below:

#### Stakeholder Engagement Office

 Tel: 011 789 9495
 Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125

 Fax: 011 069 6801
 Email: sh@digbywells.com

Regards

Bongane Nkuna Assistant Stakeholder Engagement and Environmental Consultant



18 May 2021

Attention: Ms N.F Malinga Vice Chairperson Mooiplaas Community Forum Cell: 060 879 5807 Delivery Method: nflorence2@gmail.com

#### ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESS REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

Dear Ms Malinga,

This memorandum serves to acknowledge receipt of your email correspondence with attached letter dated 12 May 2021 regarding comments and concerns raised on the proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project currently under Environmental Authorisation application by Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro).

To Note: Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) has been informed that Mr Johannes Skhosana is the land claimant for Portions 8 and 9 of the Farm Mooiplaas 165 IS. This information has been verified by the land claimant and Mr Erick Gumede who is a Senior Projects Officer at Mpumalanga Department of Land Reform and Rural Development (MDLRRD).

In response to your comments, please see below brief background on the Environmental Authorisation (EA) process that has been followed to date. Furthermore, to inform you the next steps regarding the consultations that will be undertaken with all registered Interested and Affected Persons (I&APs).

### 1. Brief Background

Exxaro has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner to independently facilitate the environmental-legal applications relevant to the proposed Project.

## 2. Environmental Authorisation and Public Participation Process

Digby Wells submitted the Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application on 14 December 2021. Subsequently, the Public Participation Process (PPP) commenced with the announcement of the project through the distribution of Background Information Document,

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placement of site notices and publication of an announcement advertisement in the Middelburg Observer (29 January 2021) and Witbank News (29 January 2021). In addition, the Draft Scoping Report was made available for public comment on 22 January 2021 and the Final Scoping Report was submitted on 12 March 2021.

The Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) approved the Final Scoping Report on 30 April 2021. To this effect, Digby Wells will proceed to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Phase which will focus on assessing potential environmental and social impacts associated with the proposed Project. Furthermore, these studies will also provide mitigation measures to reduce, limit or avoid negative impacts and enhance positive impacts through the management plans that would need to be implemented by the Applicant, Exxaro. To date, various specialist studies are being conducted to assess these impacts accordingly which will form part of the Draft EIA Report that will be made available for public comment in due course.

As requested, the Mooiplaas Community Forum (MCF) has been added to the stakeholder database as an Interested and Affected Persons (I&APs).

As part of the PPP, Focus Group Meetings will be announced and held with all registered I&APs between 16 August and 16 September 2021. All registered I&APs, including MCF, will be notified via SMS and e-mail about these meetings and the availability of the Draft EIA report for public comment. The meetings will provide a platform for you to raise any issues, comments and/or recommendations for consideration into the Final EIA report to be submitted to the DMRE.

Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact Digby Wells.

Attention: Mr Bongane Nkuna Digby Wells Environmental: Stakeholder Engagement Department

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Email: Sh@digbywells.com

Postal Address: Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125

Regards,

Bongane Nkuna Assistant Stakeholder and Environmental Consultant



22 January 2021

Digby Wells Reference Number: UCD6802

#### NOTIFICATION REGARDING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT AS PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESSES REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA

#### DMR REFERENCE NUMBER: MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR

Dear Stakeholder,

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Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Ltd (Exxaro) is the holder of a Prospecting Right (PR), reference MP 30/5/1/1/2/360 PR. Exxaro is now applying to mine coal through underground mining methods at the proposed Arnot South mine. The proposed mine is situated 10 km east of the town of Hendrina within the jurisdiction of Nkangala District Municipality under the Steve Tshwete Local Municipality and Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipalities.

The PR included various farm portions across Weltevreden 174 IS, Mooiplaats 165 IS, Vlakfontein 166 IS, as well as Schoonoord 164 IS.

The PR, authorised by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), was renewed in September 2017 and lapsed on 10 September 2020. However, a Mining Right Application (MRA) in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). and Mine Works programme (MWP) were submitted to the DMRE prior the PR expiring and issued reference number MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR. Exxaro submitted an Environmental Authorisation application for the Arnot South Project on 14 December 2020.

#### 2. Environmental Regulatory Processes

Exxaro appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner to independently facilitate the environmental-legal application relevant to the proposed Project. These applications are being made guided by the following national legislation:

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| Application Type            | Legislation  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Environmental Authorisation | Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (GN R<br>982 of 4 December 2014 as amended by GN R326 of 7 April 2017)<br>(EIA Regulations, 2014), as amended, promulgated under the<br>National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)<br>(NEMA). |
| Water Use Licence           | National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).   |
| Waste Management Licence    | National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008)  |

### 3. Public Participation Process

This letter serves to inform you, as a potential Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) of the proposed application processes. As part of the Environmental Process, a public participation process must be undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the NEMA.

The public participation process involves notifying stakeholders of the proposed applications and providing stakeholders with sufficient information to enable effective stakeholder engagement. Stakeholders affected by, or who are interested in the proposed application process, are invited to register as an I&AP.

The Draft Scoping Report is available for public review and comment. The report is available from **22 January 2021 to 22 February 2021** for a 30-day legislated period.

# Please note: Due to the COVID-19 national lock down restrictions and protocols, the Draft Scoping Report has been released electronically and can be downloaded free of charge.

The Report is available on Digby Wells website as indicated in the table below:

| Contact Person                       | Public Place /Location   | Contact                  |
|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| Electronic Copies                    |  |                          |
| Lerato Ratsoenyane/<br>Bongane Nkuna | <u>www.digbywells.com</u> (under Public Documents);<br>and <u>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</u><br>(data free link) | <u>sh@digbywells.com</u> |

Please use the Project reference number when providing your comment: UCD6802

Kind regards,

Stakeholder Engagement Team



#### Digby Wells Reference No: UCD6802

26 March 2021

#### NOTICE REGARDING THE SUBMISSION OF THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT TO THE REGIONAL DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ARNOT SOUTH COAL MINING PROJECT, SITUATED NEAR HENDRINA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

#### DMRE REF NO: MP 30/5/1/2/2/10292 MR

#### **Submission of Final Scoping Report**

Dear Stakeholder,

Digby Wells would like to thank all registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) who have indicated their interest and participated in the Public Participation Process (PPP) undertaken as part of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) process for the proposed Arnot South Coal Mining Project. This notice serves to inform you of the submission of the Final Scoping Report to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) for adjudication. In accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (GN R 982 of 4 December 2014 as amended by GN R326 of 7 April 2017) (EIA Regulations, 2014), as amended promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the DMRE must either reject, accept or request further information within 43 days of the Final Scoping Report being submitted.

The Final Scoping Report, including comments and responses received during the 30-day public comment period (22 January 2021 to 22 February 2021) can be viewed and downloaded on the Digby Wells website (www.digbywells.com) under Public Documents <u>http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/</u>.

The details of the relevant government official responsible for this EA application is indicated below

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Kind Regards,

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Lerato Ratsoenyane Manager: Stakeholder Engagement



# Appendix F: Consent Form



## **Consent Form**

Section 14 of the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996, indicates that everyone has the right to privacy. The Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 4 of 2013) (POPI Act) took effect on **01 July 2021.** 

The POPI Act aims to protect an individual's right to privacy regarding their personal information which may have been collected by a third party during a normal commercial transaction. It also seeks to bring South African law regarding ensuring and managing personal data in line with international data protection laws.

The purpose of POPI Act is to regulate and formalize how South African companies collect, store, protect, access, and distribute consumer information and to protect the ongoing integrity and sensitivity of that private information., as such Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) is required to comply with the POPI Act and hereby request all Interested &Affected Persons who were previously registered for this Proposed Project to provide consent.

#### I understand that:

During the project, Digby Wells Stakeholder Engagement Team will be required to collect, organize, process, and keep personal information in order to show transparency regarding Exxaro Coal Mpumalanga (Pty) Environmental Authorization Application.

- all information of any party which may or may not be marked "confidential," "restricted," "proprietary "or with a similar designation,
- distribute relevant personal information when it is legally required to do so.

By signing this consent form,

- I confirm that I understand my right to privacy and the right to have my personal information processed in accordance with the conditions for the lawful processing of personal information and hereby give my consent to the Digby Wells to all the above activities.
- confirm that I have been given the opportunity to refer any aspects that are unclear to me or questions I might have regarding my personal information to the stakeholder team.
- give consent that my personal information may be collected, processed, and stored for the proposed Project purposes,
- acknowledge that the Stakeholder services endeavors to keep my personal information up to date,
- I understand that I have the right to check my personal information retained by the Stakeholder Engagement Team to ensure that it is correct, complete, and current. All this information is supplied voluntarily, without undue influence from any party and not under any duress.

Accept that I have the right to:

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- know what information is being kept and how that information is being used.
- access the information at any reasonable time to rectify and correct my personal information details.
- understands that withdrawal of consent is not retroactive and will not affect the use of my information already made; and

All parties agree that they will comply with POPI regulations and process all the information and/or personal data in respect of the services being rendered in accordance with the said regulation and only for the purpose of providing the Services set out in the agreement to provide services.

| SIGNATORIES                              |    |                    |
|--|----|--------------------|
| Thus, signed on this day of              | 20 | in the presence of |
| the undersigned witnesses:               |    |                    |
| WITNESSES:                               |    |                    |
| 1  |    |                    |
| Print Name (FOR Digby Wells Stakeholder) |    |                    |
| 2  |    |                    |
| Signature                                |    |                    |
| Thus, signed on this day of              | 20 | in the presence of |
| the undersigned witnesses:               |    |                    |
| Regards,                                 |    |                    |
| Stakeholder Engagement Team.             |    |                    |

Digby Wells Environmental Pty Ltd



# Appendix G: CRR