NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED

MINING OF GENERAL CLAY AND SHALE/BRICK MAKING CLAY ON PORTION 22 OF FARM DRIEFONTEIN 355 IQ, MERAFONG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, WITHIN THE WEST RAND DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG

INVITATION TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY AND COMMENT ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT

SEF Project Code: 505914 GDARD Ref: Gaut 002/14-15/0055

Notice is given in terms of Section 54 of Government Notice (GN) No. R.543 in Government Gazette No. 33306 (18 June 2010) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998), as amended [NEMA], that Aquarella Investments 389 (Pty) Ltd (Aquarella) intends to establish a quarry for the mining of general clay and shale/brick making clay. The proposed project will be undertaken on Portion 22 of the Farm Driefontein 355 IQ, in Carletonville, Merafong Local Municipality within the West Rand District Municipality in Gauteng. The proposed area to be mined is approximately 877 ha in extent.

Aquarella appointed Strategic Environmental Focus (Pty) Ltd (SEF) as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to facilitate the Environmental Authorisation process- Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) and Mining Right Application processes.

In terms of Government Notice (GN) No. R.545 (Listing Notice No. 2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2010, the following listed activities require Environmental Authorisation (EA) by way of a S&EIR Process:

- Activity Number 15; and
- Activity Number 20.

The **Draft Scoping Report** for the abovementioned project is available for **public review and comment from Friday**, **11 July 2014 to Wednesday**, **20 August 2014** on SEF's website (www.sefsa.co.za) and at the Carletonville Public Library, c/o Celestine and Emerald Street. Contact Mrs Carol Skuce Tel: 018 788 9541 for assistance.

Interested and/or affected parties (I&APs) who wish to participate by contributing comments, or who would like to obtain more information, should please contact Ms Kagiso Motlhasedi at:

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