APPENDIX C

Meeting Minutes

LAMAN PROSPECTING ACTIVITIES – FARM 206 PORTION 5 BATHURST

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY THE 13 MARCH 2012 AT BIRBURY FARM 206 PORTION 5

MINUTES

ITEM		ACTION
1.	PRESENT	
	Mr Sikoma	
	Mr Scott	
	Mr Percy Elliot.	
2.	APOLOGIES.	
	No apologies.	
3.	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	
	Mr Scott chaired the meeting	
	Mr Scott made the introductions:	
	Mr Sikoma (GS): Laman	
	Mr Scott (DS): Terreco Mr Percy Elliot (PE): Landowner	
4.	PURPOSE OF THE MEETING	
	DS explained the purpose of the meeting as to inform relevant stakeholders and landowners about the proposed prospecting activities	
	and to give the landowners a chance to comment as part of the EIA	
	process.	
5.	PROJECT PROPOSAL	
	Gcobani Sikoma (GS) explained the project proposal as follows:	
	To use a TLB to undertaken prospecting activities at a selection	
	sites on the affected farms. The intention is to establish the existence and quality of a limestone reserve on the site.	
6.	DMR PROCESS	
	DS explained that:	

- Terreco Consulting have been appointed by Laman to assist them with their application for a Prospecting Right as required under the national environmental legislation.
- Before the work may commence, there needs to be approval from the Department of Mineral Resources.
- An integral component of the process is the Public Participation Process, whereby interested and affected persons are informed of the project and afforded the opportunity to participate in the assessment process. Part of the environmental process includes public participation – i.e. informing the public, the communities and the various stakeholders of the proposed work and providing them with an opportunity to comment and raise any concerns.
- This meeting is being held in order to inform the affected community of the proposed works.
- The prospecting sites will have to be properly rehabilitated on closure and left in a condition whereby they do not present a safety risk to livestock and people.

7. ISSUES AND CONCERNS

The affected landowner did not object to the proposed prospecting activities and had little concern regarding their impact. The major concern raised was the potential threat to the safety of livestock should any animals be allowed to fall into open trial pits. This issue was addressed by informing the landowner that all test pits would be backfilled immediately after they had been investigated and any samples taken. This would prevent animals from falling in and injuring themselves.

DS explained that the granting of the Prospecting Right by the DMR is a separate process to the granting of a Mining Right. Should the Prospecting Right be granted then Laman would investigate the reserve. Before Laman would be allowed to continue with any further mining Laman would have to apply for a Mining Right and it would be necessary to conduct another round of public participation with the landowners and to negotiate the proposed mining activities with them.

8. WAYFORWARD

It was resolved that the landowners gave their consent for Laman to undertake the proposed prospecting activities on their properties:

- The EM Plan including public participation information will be submitted to the DMR.
- Interested and Affected parties will be notified of the

	response received from DMR. • Should the reserves prove to appear a viable source then Laman will return to present and discuss that information with the landowners.	
9.	CLOSURE The meeting was then closed.	