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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL  
AUTHORISATION LODGED IN TERMS OF SECTION 24 OF NATIONAL  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) READ WITH  
REGULATION 31 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA)  
REGULATIONS, 2014 FOR THE MINING RIGHT AND RELATED  
INFRASTRUCTURAL ACTIVITIES ON THE REMAINDER OF HONDEKLIPBAY AND  
SEAWARD TO 31.4M BELOW LOW WATER MAK SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL  
DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND NORTHERN CAPE REGION.**

1. I refer to the abovementioned matter and confirm that your application for an Environmental Authorisation herein referred to as "EA" lodged on **12 August 2021** is hereby acknowledged.
2. You are advised to submit a final scoping report within 44 days from the date that this application was acknowledged which has been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received. Your forty four (44) days will lapse on **24 October 2021**. Please note that this inclusive of weekends but exclusive of public holidays.
3. Acknowledgement of your application does not grant you permission to commence with mining activities. Commencement of a listed activity without an environmental authorisation constitutes an offence in terms of Section 49A (1) (a) of NEMA, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) as amended and upon conviction for such an offence, a person is liable to a fine not exceeding R10 million or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years, or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

*Acknowledgement of application for Environmental Authorisation: Ref No NCS 30/5/1/2/2/ (088) MR*

4. NB: Regulation 45 of 2014 EIA Regulations stipulates that “an application in terms of these Regulations lapses and a competent authority will deem the application as having lapsed, if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless extension has been granted in terms of regulation 3(7).”

Hope that this letter will receive your utmost attention.

  
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**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**

**NORTHERN CAPE REGION**

**DATE.....** 08/09/2021

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