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Attention: Mr. V.S. Madlela

APPLICATION FOR A PROSPECTING RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, ACT 28 OF 2002 (ACT) AS AMENDED BY SECTION 12 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENT ACT, ACT 49 OF 2008 "HEREIN REFERRED TO AS THE AMENDED ACT": THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 14, PORTIONS 839, 840, 841, 842, THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 843, PORTIONS 844, 845, 846, 846, 847, 848, 849, THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 850, PORTIONS 851, 852, 896, 897, 898, 899 AND 900 OF THE FARM MAMAGALIESKRAAL 420 JQ, PORTIONS 1, 3 AND 4 OF THE FARM BOKFONTEIN 426 JQ AND THE FARM BOKFONTEIN 421 JQTHE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 14, PORTIONS 839, 840, 841, 842, THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 843, PORTIONS 844, 845, 846, 846, 847, 848, 849, THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 850, PORTIONS 851, 852, 896, 897, 898, 899 AND 900 OF THE FARM MAMAGALIESKRAAL 420 JQ, PORTIONS 1, 3 AND 4 OF THE FARM **BOKFONTEIN 426 JQ AND THE FARM BOKFONTEIN 421 JQ, SITUATED** IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF BRITS

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I hereby confirm that your application for a prospecting right and permission to remove and dispose of Rare Earths, Zinc Ore, Coper Ore, Manganese Ore, Tantalum / Niobium Ore, Vanadium Ore, Platinum Group Metals, Iron Ore, Gold Ore, Nickel Ore, Niobium(columbium) Ore in terms of sections 16 and 20 (2) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) (as amended) has been accepted.

In terms of Section 12(d) of the said Act, you are therefore required to consult in the prescribed manner with the landowner, lawful occupier and any interested and affected party and include the result of the consultation in the relevant environmental reports.

In light of the minimum requirements as stipulated on Regulation 16(1) and 16(2) of the EIA Regulations, your application for an Environmental Authorisation was incomplete as it was not accompanied by this acceptance letter as per Sub Regulation 16(1)(ix) and considering that it is now completed by this acceptance letter, you are hereby required to submit the documents as stipulated on Regulation 19(1) to 19(8) of the EIA Regulations (Only in cases where Basic Assessment Report is applicable) or Regulation 21 (Scoping Report) and Regulation 23 (EIR and EMPR) (In case of Scoping and Environmental Impact Report). Please ignore the submission of this report in case you have already submitted. All timeframes are effective from the date of this letter.

Kindly take note that you are required to consult with the Department of Land Affairs if the land is state owned and in the event that the land is subject to land restitution, to consult the office of the Commission on Restitution of Land Rights and submit online and hard copy to the Regional Office the results of such consultation on or before the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2021 (30 days).

You are further requested to consult with the below mention company as they have an existing right for Dimension Stone and Gabbro/Norite in respect of various portions of various farms including portions 848, 850, 852 and 854 of the farm Mamagalieskraal 420 JQ.

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You are further requested in terms of section 17 (4) of the act to give effect to the objects referred to in section 2 (d) of the Act (BEE). In this regard you are required to submit **online** and hard copy to this Regional office by not later than the **05**<sup>th</sup> of **January 2022** (60 days), the following documents:

- a) duly signed shareholders agreements;
- b) share certificates and shareholder's registers;
- c) articles and memorandum of association of the company;
- d) details relating to funding (all relevant agreements); and
- e) any other agreement or documents relating to the agreement

Your attention is drawn to the provision of section 17 (1) (e) of the MPRDA, which provide that the Minister may grant an application for a prospecting right if the applicant is not in contravention of any relevant provision of this Act. Section 19 (2) (f) places an obligation on the holder of a prospecting right to pay the prescribed prospecting fees, as per Regulation 76 of the MPRDA.

"You are therefore reminded to ensure that payment of all prospecting fees for all the prospecting rights that you hold, are up to date, failing which this may have a negative impact on the outcome of your current application".

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Acceptance of your application does not grant you the right to commence with prospecting operations. Your application will be evaluated/processed and a recommendation on the granting/refusal of the right will be forwarded to the Minister or her delegate. Any person operating without a prospecting/mining right or mining permit will be in contravention of Section 5(4) of the MPRDA and would be guilty of an offence in terms of the relevant Act.

Take note further that failure to submit the documents as requested and failure to adhere to the timeframes as stipulated above amounts to non-compliance with the provision of the Act and will therefore lead to your application being recommended for refusal without further notification to you.

Yours faithfully

REGIONAL MANAGER NORTH WEST REGION

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