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Dear Stakeholder

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 397; MPUMALANGA

WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed by Rietvlei Coal Company (RCC) as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake a comprehensive environmental authorisation and stakeholder engagement process for the establishment of a greenfields opencast coal mine, north of Middelburg on the remaining extent and portion 1 of the farm Rietvlei 397; Mpumalanga (Project).

Attached please find the following documentation pertaining to this project:

- Notification letter (English and Afrikaans)
- Background Information Document (English and Afrikaans)
- Registration and comment form (English and Afrikaans)

Should you have any queries about the project, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Kind regards



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8 February 2014

Attention: Mr. Phillip Misi
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 387; MPUMALANGA

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Notice is given in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (No. 59 of 2008) (NEMWA); the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA); and the National Water Act (No. 36 of 2004) (NWA) of RCCs intent to establish the Rietvlei opencast coal mine.

The Project has been identified as an empowerment project. The coal will be sold on to Eskom and will thus contribute to the reliable provision of electricity, which is critical to industrial development and other poverty alleviation initiatives in the country. The mining activity will provide income generation for the surrounding area, as well as a cash injection into the provincial economy.

Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:

- Environmental authorisation for activities identified in terms of GNR 544, GNR 545 and GNR 546 (18 June 2010)
- A waste management licence for activities identified in terms of GNR 921 (29 November 2013) published in terms of the NEMWA
- A water use license application in terms of the NWA
- A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

This notification forms part of the stakeholder consultation process in which stakeholders are given an opportunity to comment on the Project. Please find attached herewith the background information document pertaining to the above. Please fill out the response sheet attached and return to WSP at the contact details provided below.

Kind regards,

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The Project has been identified as an empowerment project. The coal will be sold on to Eskom and will thus contribute to the reliable provision of electricity, which is critical to industrial development and other poverty alleviation initiatives in the country. The mining activity will provide income generation for the surrounding area, as well as a cash injection into the provincial economy.

Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:

- Environmental authorisation for activities identified in terms of GNR 644, GNR 645 and GNR 646 (18 June 2010)
- A waste management licence for activities identified in terms of GNR 821 (29 November 2013) published in terms of the NEM:WA
- A water use license application in terms of the NWA
- A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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Attention: Mr Mike Combrink
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The Project has been identified as an empowerment project. The coal will be sold on to Eskom and will thus contribute to the reliable provision of electricity, which is critical to industrial development and other poverty alleviation initiatives in the country. The mining activity will provide income generation for the surrounding area, as well as a cash injection into the provincial economy.

Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:

- Environmental authorisation for activities identified in terms of GNR 544, GNR 545 and GNR 546 (10 June 2010)
- A waste management licence for activities identified in terms of GNR 821 (28 November 2013) published in terms of the NEMA
- A water use license application in terms of the NWA
- A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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Attention: Mr Dinah Pule
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- A waste management licence for activities identified in terms of GNR 921 (29 November 2013) published in terms of the NEM:WA
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Attention: Ms Priscilla Nkwirika
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Attention: Miss Insh Moxwalhupa
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 397; MPUMALANGA

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Attention: Mrs Caron Swart
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr. Joe Mabaza
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELD OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELD 397, MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Kgata Motsona
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Fax: 086 710 1877

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Willie Fouche
 Steve Tshwete Local Municipality
 Fax: 013 243 2550

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8 February 2014

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Attention: Mr Gilbert Masuku
Dept of Public Works
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Attention: Mr T C Sepanyane
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr T Segoaane
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Attention: Mr M J Strydom
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Attention: Cnr G T Mthimuniye
Hlangwa District Municipality
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Attention: C/r C J Tehabalala
Mangata District Municipality
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Attention: Mr Mike Yorke-Hart
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Attention: Mr Benjamin Mokino
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Thabo Magenba
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Attention: Ms Nokuthula Cebekulu
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Attention: Mr S Ngubana
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 Fax: 013 768 8457

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Roy Mandazi
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Fax: 013 789 1478

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Attention: Mr. Stanford Macevele
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Bheki Mhlango
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Attention: Ms S van Buuren
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Attention: Ms Nonotho Ndobochani
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Attention: Mr Koos Pretorius
Federation for Sustainable Environment Mpumalanga
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Attention: Mr Nkosinathi Mabuyana
Dept of Labour
Fax: 017 634 3306

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Cyril Dzanini
Local Government and Housing
Fax: 013 760 0430

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8 February 2014

Attention: Dr A De Lange
MDEDET
Fax: 013 766 8265

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr G Nkgali
Mpumalanga Geographical Names Committee
Fax: 013 768 8253

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Iziah Khuzza
Dept of Safety & Security
Fax: 013 760 4600

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6 February 2014

Attention: Dr S M Zungu
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Fax: 013 766 3471

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Mokope Tshwe
 Mpumalanga Provincial Government
 Fax: 013 788 2495

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Attention: Mr Lebena Mota
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D13 768 2495

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr David Mabuza
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 Fax: 013 766 2484

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Attention: Mr Kgoshi Mashile
National House of Traditional Leaders
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Frans Mashabela
Dept of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries
Fax: 013 764 0735

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Attention: Mr Paris Mashego
National Mine Workers Union
Fax: 013 690 1286

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8 February 2014

Attention: Mr Dean du Plessis
Dept of Mineral Resources (Mpumalanga)
Fax: 013 656 0632

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Coen Bester
Middelburg Chamber of Commerce
Fax: 013 282 8419

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Tolie van den Berg
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Attention: Mr Ben Viljoen
 Provincial Roads Administration
 Fax: 013 282 6410

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Attention: Mr Aubrey Madamalala
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Elphus Mathabula
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6 February 2014

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Attention: Mr S Shik
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Piet Voges
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr. Hussain Verachia
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Attention: Mr Stephen Nhlapo
National Union of Metal Workers
Fax: 013 658 1110

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Attention: Mr A G Zimba
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 Fax: 013 249 2145

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Dumisani Mhembu
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- A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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Attention: Ms Zingza Phoho
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- Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mrs Lesipo Bepela
Dept of Water Affairs
Fax: 012 336 7399

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 397; MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Daniel Venter
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr David Maiza
Dept of Mineral Resources
Fax: 013 690 2390

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Lemmy Mkhil
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Attention: Madala Masuku
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Fax: 013 766 8438

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Attention: Ms M Mthabane
Dept of Transport
Fax: 013 766 8449

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6 February 2014

Attention: Ms S Sybil
Dept of Provincial Local Govt. & Housing
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Attention: Mr A Anthony
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 Fax: 013 766 9241

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 - A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Cnr SK Masho
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Fax: 085 538 0388

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6 February 2014

Attention: Dr Garth Batchelor
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 397; MPMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Kleinboel Mabaso
 Provincial Roads Administration
 Fax: 013 947 0429

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6 February 2014

Attention: Ms Marina Caird
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 Fax: 088 013 760 0554

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9 February 2014

Attention: Mr Philip Owen
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Fax: 073 088 0887

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Attention: Mr Solomon Baloji
Dept of Agriculture
Fax: 013 773 1032

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6 February 2014

Attention: Ms Candith Mashogo-Dzimini
 Dept of Local Government and Housing
 Fax: 013 768 8539

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr J Blaauw
Dept of Public Works
Fax: 013 766 0665

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELD OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELD 307, MPUMALANGA

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MDEDET Ref: 17/212R-341
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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr S Singh
Mpumalanga Department of Culture, Sports and Recreation (DCSR)
Fax: 013 708 8256

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 397, MPUMALANGA

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Attention: Mr MJ Senyane
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WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed by Rietvlei Coal Company (RCC) as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake a comprehensive environmental authorisation and stakeholder engagement process for the establishment of a greenfields opencast coal mine, north of Middelburg on the remaining extent and portion 1 of the farm Rietvlei 397; Mpumalanga (Project).

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- A water use license application in terms of the NWA
- A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Rudolph Bouwer
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8 February 2014

Attention: Ms G G Radise
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Fax: 013 249 7077

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 397; MPUMALANGA

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Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:

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8 February 2014

Attention: Mr Metel Sapaane
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 397; MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr Kim Slosana
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Fax: 013 249 7077

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELJ OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF IDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELJ 397; MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Ms Ester Khoza
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 4 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 337; MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

Attention: Mr TL Shitubane
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 397; MPUMALANGA

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8 February 2014

Attention: *Mev Anel Schultz*
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVLEI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVLEI 397; MPUMALANGA

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Attention: Mr Jan Stander
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8 February 2014

Attention: Dr Anthony Turton
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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELD OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELD 397; MPUMALANGA

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6 February 2014

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6 February 2014

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NOTICE OF SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING PROCESS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PROPOSED RIETVELI OPENCAST COAL MINE, NORTH OF MIDDELBURG, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM RIETVELI 397, MPUMALANGA

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 - A water use license application in terms of the NWA
 - A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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Attention: Mr Lebeau Lebuschagne
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- Environmental authorisation for activities identified in terms of GNR 644, GNR 545 and GNR 546 (10 June 2010)
 - A waste management licence for activities identified in terms of GNR 821 (28 November 2013) published in terms of the NEM:WA
 - A water use licence application in terms of the NWA
 - A mining right application in terms of the MPRDA

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