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**Appendix 11:
Invitation to Comment and Attend
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INVITATION TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING BY TRANS ATLANTIC DIAMONDS IN SEA CONCESSION AREA 14C

Anchor Environmental [REDACTED]

Thu 3/31/2022 3:08 PM

To: Anchor Environmental [REDACTED]

English notice follows the Afrikaans notice

KENNISGEWING: U WORD HIERMEE UITGENOOI OM KOMMENTAAR TE LEWER OP DIE VOORGESTELDE PROSPEKTERING DEUR TRANS ATLANTIC DIAMONDS IN SEEKONSESSIE AREA 14C, TUSSEN DORINGBAAI EN DONKINSBAAI

Geagte Belanghebbende,

Trans Atlantic Diamonds Pty (Ltd) ('Die Aansoeker') het by die Department van Minerale Hulpbronne en Energie (DMHE – die bevoegde owerheid) aansoek gedoen vir Omgewingsmagtiging en Prospekterregte om diamante; edelgesteentes; swaar- en industriële minerale; en yster-, basis- en kosbare metale in Seekonsessiegebied 14C te prospekter. Hierdie konsessiegebied is in die see geleë en ongeveer 5 km (2.7 seemyl) wes van die hoogwatermerk. Hierdie 5 km-punt is ongeveer 70m diep. Die C-konsessie strek weswaarts van hierdie punt af tot by 200 m waterdiepte. Die konsessiegebied strek vanaf net noord van Doringbaai, suidwaarts, tot net suid van Groothoekbaai langs die Weskus van Suid-Afrika.

Aansoeke is ingedien ingevolge die Wet op Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleumhulpbronne (28 van 2002), die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (107 van 1998) en die Omgewings-impakassesseringsregulasies, 2014 (soos gewysig). As deel van die aansoekproses word daar vereis dat 'n Basiese Assesering van die potensiële impakte van die voorgestelde aktiwiteit uitgevoer word. Alle bevindinge word dan in 'n Konsep Basiese Asseseringsverslag (BAR) saamgestel en saam met 'n omgewingsbestuursprogram (EMPr) aan die DMHE en publiek beskikbaar gestel vir 'n 30-dae kommetaartydperk (ook bekend as die 30-dae Openbare Deelname Proses). Daar word ook 'n Openbare Deelnamevergadering gehou waartydens hierdie inligting aan die publiek deurgegee word en die publiek se aanbevelings, bekommernisse en vrae opgeteken word. Alle spesialisbevindinge en publieke kommentaar word dan in die Finale BAR geïnkorporeer. Hierdie Finale BAR word weer saam met die EMPr aan die DMHE en publiek beskikbaar gestel. Die DMHE het 107-dae om die Finale BAR na te sien en die finale besluit te maak in terme van die toedien of afkeur van die prospekterregte.

Anchor Environmental Consultants (Edms) Bpk is deur die Aansoeker aangestel as die Onafhanklike Omgewingskonsultant (EAP) om die aansoeke in te dien en om 'n Basiese Asseserings- en Openbare Deelnameproses uit te voer.

U WORD HIERMEE UITGENOOI OM TE REGISTREER, DIE KONSEP BAR NA TE SIEN EN KOMMENTAAR TE LEWER OP DIE AANSOEK OM PROSPEKTERREGTE GEDURENDE DIE OPENBARE DEELNAME PROSES WAT SAL STREK:

Vanaf 6 April 2022 tot 9 Mei 2022 om 23:59.

U WORD OOK UITGENOOI NA DIE OPENBARE DEELNAME VERGADERING NAASTE AAN U:

Kaapstad: Maandag, 11 April 2022 om 13:30 – 16:00; Steenberg House, Silverwood Close, Steenberg Office Park, Tokai, Kaapstad

Doringbaai: Dinsdag, 12 April 2022 om 18:00 – 20:00; Miriam Owies

Gemeenskapsentrum, Haweweg 1, Doringbaai

Ebenhaeser: Woensdag, 13 April 2022 om 18:00 – 20:00; Ebenhaeser Community Hall, 118 Louise Street, Nuwestasie, Ebenhaeser

METODES OM KOMMENTAAR TE LEWER:

- 1) Voltooi die vraelys of lewer u kommentaar op 'n dokument van u keuse en stuur dit aan die kontakpersoon hieronder per pos, e-pos of telefonies.
- 2) Handig dit by die Doringbaai-, Ebenhaeser- of Lutzville Biblioteek of die Strandfontein Inligtingsentrum in.
- 3) Handig dit tydens die Openbare Deelname Vergadering in of lewer u kommentaar mondelings tydens die vergadering.

'n Agtergrondinligtingsdokument, vraelys, spesialisstudies en 'n Konsep BAR met besonderhede oor die prospekteraktiwiteite, potensiele impakte en omgewingsbestuursprogram sal gedurende die Openbare Deelnameproses by die volgende webwerf (<https://anchorenvironmental.co.za/>), by die Doringbaai-, Ebenhaeser- en Lutzville Biblioteke en by die Strandfontein Weskus Inligtingsentrum beskikbaar wees. Dit sal ook tydens die vergaderings versprei word.

Moet asseblief nie huiwer om met ons in verbinding te tree indien u enige vrae oor die voorgestelde projek of die openbare deelnameproses het nie.

Dankie

Vriendelike groete,

**Cheruscha Swart**

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Let daarop dat prospekteregte en omgewingsmagtiging om voort te gaan met prospekterwerk nog NIE toegeken is NIE.

Let asseblief daarop dat ons voldoen aan die Wet op die Beskerming van Persoonlike Inligting (POPI), ingevolge waarvan u persoonlike inligting nie sonder u toestemming of kennis versprei of openbaar gemaak mag word nie. Ons sal egter alle kommentaar van belanghebbendes aan die publiek beskikbaar stel, alhoewel dit anoniem sal bly.

Let daarop dat slegs geregistreerde belanghebbendes verdere korrespondensie sal ontvang. Ten spyte van voorsorgmaatreëls is daar verskeie e-posdiensverskaffers wat dalk u e-poskennisgewings as strooipos klassifiseer. Indien u wil registreer, voeg die volgende e-posadresse by u kontakte om te verseker dat u toekomstige opdaterings oor hierdie projek kan ontvang: info@anchorenvironmental.co.za

English notice**NOTICE: YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING BY TRANS ATLANTIC DIAMONDS IN SEA CONCESSION AREA 14C, BETWEEN DORINGBAAI AND DONKINSBAAI**

Dear Stakeholder,

Trans Atlantic Diamonds Pty (Ltd) ('The Applicant') has applied for Environmental Authorisation and Prospecting Rights with the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE - the competent authority) to prospect for diamonds; gemstones; heavy and industrial minerals; and ferrous, base and precious metals in sea Concession Area 14C. This concession area is located in the ocean approximately 5 km (2.7 nautical miles) west of the high-water mark. This 5 km point is about 70m deep. The C-concession extends westward from this point up to 200 m water depth (isobath). The concession area extends from just north of Doringbaai, southwards, to just south of Groothoekbaai along the West Coast of South Africa.

Applications have been submitted in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (28 of 2002), the National Environmental Management Act (107 of 1998) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The application process requires that a Basic Assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed activity be conducted. All findings are incorporated into the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and circulated, along with the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), to the DMRE and the public for a 30-day commenting period (also known as the 30-Day Public Participation Process). A Public Participation Meeting will also be held during this time to present the public with the findings and to record their recommendations, concerns and questions. All specialist findings and public comment are then incorporated into the Final BAR. This Final BAR is again made available to the DMRE and the public along with the EMPr. The DMRE has 107 days to review the Final BAR and make the final decision in terms of granting or rejecting the prospecting rights.

Anchor Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by the Applicant as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to submit the applications and to carry out a Basic Assessment and Public Participation process.

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO REGISTER, REVIEW THE DRAFT BAR AND COMMENT ON THE APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTION RIGHTS DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS THAT WILL EXTEND:

From 6 April 2022 to 9 May 2022 at 23:59.

YOU ARE ALSO INVITED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION MEETING CLOSEST TO YOU:

Cape Town: Monday, 11 April 2022 at 13:30 - 16:00; Steenberg House, Silverwood Close, Steenberg Office Park, Tokai, Cape Town

Doringbaai: Tuesday, 12 April 2022 at 18:00 - 20:00; Miriam Owies Community Center, 1 Harbor Road, Doring Bay

Ebenhaeser: Wednesday, 13 April 2022 at 18:00 - 20:00; Ebenhaeser Community Hall, 118 Louise Street, News Station, Ebenhaezer

METHODS TO PROVIDE COMMENT:

- 1) Complete the questionnaire or comment on a document of your choice and send it to the contact person below via post, e-mail or telephonically.
- 2) Hand comments/questionnaires in at the Doringbaai, Ebenhaeser or Lutzville Libraries or at the Strandfontein Information Centre.

3) Hand comments in during the Public Participation Meeting or provide comments verbally during the Meeting.

Background Information, a questionnaire and Draft Basic Assessment Report will be available from the following website (<https://anchorenvironmental.co.za/>), at the Doringbaai, Ebenhaeser and Lutzville libraries and at the Strandfontein West Coast Information Centre, during the Public Participation Process. These will also be circulated during the Public Participation Meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any questions concerning the proposed project or stakeholder consultation process.

Thank you

Kind regards,



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Please note that Prospecting Rights and Environmental Authorisation to commence with prospecting has NOT yet been granted.

We are compliant with the Protection of Personal Information (POPI) Act according to which your personal information may not be distributed or made public without your permission or knowledge. We will, however, make all stakeholder comments available to the public, although these will be kept anonymous.

Please note that only registered stakeholders will receive further correspondence. Despite precautionary measures that we have taken, our notifications could be categorised as spam by a number of email service providers. Should you wish to register, please add the following email addresses to your contacts to ensure that you receive future updates on this project: info@anchorenvironmental.co.za