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APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 of 1998) AS AMENDED (NEMA) AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS, 2014 ON UNSURVEYED STATE LAND (MALALE VILLAGE, SIGONDE VILLAGE, GUMBU VILLAGE AND TSHENZHELANI) WITHIN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MOPANI: LIMPOPO REGION.

The Scoping Report (SR) and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment received by the Department on 12 January 2018 refer.

1. The Department has evaluated the submitted SR and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated 12 January 2018 and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of Appendix 2(2) of National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (as amended) (NEMA) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014. The SR is hereby **accepted** by the Department in terms of regulation 22(a) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014.
2. You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment as required in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014.
3. Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR). This includes but is not limited to the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority, Provincial Environmental Department, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF), Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS), Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET) and the local municipality. Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the EIAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof of the attempts that were made to obtain comments should be submitted to the Department.

4. In addition, the following amendments and additional information are required for the EIR and EMPr:
 - a) Details of the future land use for the site and infrastructure after decommissioning in 10 years.
 - b) The total footprint of the proposed development should be indicated.
 - c) Should a Water Use License be required, proof of application for a license needs to be submitted.
 - d) Possible impacts and effects of the development on the vegetation ecology with regard to lowland-highland interface in the locality should be indicated.
 - e) Possible impacts and effects of the development on the surrounding industrial area.
 - f) Information on services required on the site, e.g. sewage, refuse removal, water and electricity. Who will supply these services and has an agreement and confirmation of capacity been obtained?
 - g) A construction and operational phase EMPr to include mitigation and monitoring measures.
5. The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of regulation 3 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 with regards to the time period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations.
6. Please ensure that the EIAR includes the A3 size locality maps of the area and illustrates the exact location of the proposed development. The maps must be of acceptable quality and as a minimum, have the following attributes:
 - Maps are relatable to one another;
 - Co-ordinates;
 - Legible legends;
 - Indicate alternatives;
 - Scale and
 - Vegetation types of the study area.
7. Further, it must be reiterated that, should an application for Environmental Authorisation be subjected to any permits or authorisations in terms of the provisions of any Specific Environmental Management Acts (SEMAs), proof of such application will be required.
8. You are requested to submit four (3) hard copies of the EIAR and EMPr and at least one electronic copy (CD/DVD) of the complete EIAR and EMPr to this Regional Office.
9. Your attention is brought to Section 24F of the NEMA which stipulates "that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the competent authority".

Yours faithfully,


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REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION

LIMPOPO REGION

DATE: 2018/02/27.....

Notice start of EIA Phase of EIA Study: SAMIN Group Prospecting Right Application Gumbu

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Dear Interested and Affected Party (I&AP),

1.

The public registration and comment period on the Scoping Report for SAMIN Group's Prospecting Right Application lapsed on 12 February 2018. We have therefore incorporated all the public inputs received during this period into a finalised Scoping Report. The final report has been submitted to the DMR for approval.

The Final Scoping Report is available for download from the Naledzi website:

www.naledzi.co.za/publicdocuments. We have provided responses to the issues raised by interested and affected parties in form of an Issues and Response Report which has been appended to the Scoping Report.

2.

We further bring to your attention that the Scoping Report has been approved by the DMR on 28 February 2018. (The DMR Scoping Approval is available on request). This officially marks the start of the Impact Phase of the EIA Study.

From this point forward we will undertake field investigations at the project site and prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPR) for the project. The draft EIR & EMPr will be made for public review. The tasks scheduled as part of the Impact Phase which will involve public consultation includes:

- Distribution of an EIR & EMPr for public review during May 2018
- Availability of a draft EIR&EMPr available for public review for 30 calendar days from May to June 2018
- Public Meeting during the public review period of the EIR& EMPr

We would keep I&APs posted on the progress of the EIA Study and announce the EIR & EMPr availability through newspaper advertisements, emailed notifications to registered I&APs and sms notifications.

Kind regards,

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