

**Appendix 7:**  
**Authority Correspondence**

## 7.1 1<sup>st</sup> Extension Request



Date: 20 April 2021

To: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy  
Mineral Regulation: Northern Cape Office  
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Ref No: NC 30/5/1/1/2/12769 PR  
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**APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT 28 OF 2002 AS AMENDED: FOR MANGANESE ORE AND IRON ORE ON: THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM PLUMSTEAD NO. 418; THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTIONS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 OF THE FARM GNOOLOOMA NO. 416; REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM MELTON NO. 420; THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM DIEPWATER NO/ 361 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM LA ROCHELLE NO. 359: WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF KURUMAN**

Menar Capital (Pty) Ltd (Menar) submitted an application for a Prospecting Right in terms of Section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) and Environmental Authorisation in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), to prospect for iron ore and manganese over the above-mentioned properties. The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) accepted the application in terms of the MPRDA on a letter dated 04/03/2021.

Menar appointed uKhozi Environmentalists (Pty) Ltd (uKhozi) as the independent environmental consultant, to facilitate the application process on the 16/04/2021. uKhozi is required in terms of Regulation 19 (1) of the EIA Regulations (GNR 983 as amended in 2017) to submit the final Basic Assessment Report (BAR) to the DMRE, which has been subjected to a public participation process (PPP) of at least 30 days, within 90 days from the acceptance of the application.

After the desktop assessment it became evident that there are many stakeholders that will have to be consulted due to the size of the prospecting right application area (>18 000ha) which stretches over two local municipalities. In order to comply with Regulation 44(1) uKhozi must consult with all the stakeholders and record the results of consultation in the BAR. The time that is currently available (43 days) to submit the final BAR will restrict the PPP and will not allow for thorough consultation with all stakeholders.

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Regulation 3(7) of the EIA regulations stipulates that *“In the event where the scope of work must be expanded based on the outcome of an assessment done in accordance with these Regulations, which outcome could not be anticipated prior to the undertaking of the assessment, or in the event where exceptional circumstances can be demonstrated, the competent authority may, prior to the lapsing of the relevant prescribed timeframe, in writing, extend the relevant prescribed timeframe and agree with the applicant on the length of such extension.”*

In the light of the above considerations, uKhozi hereby applies for a **50-day extension** to the Environmental Authorisation application process. If the extension is granted, the final BAR will be submitted on or before the **28<sup>th</sup> of July 2021** taking into account the public holidays which does not count as reckoning days.

We trust that you will find the above in order. Please inform us if you have any enquiries or if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely



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## 7.2 Extension Approval



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Dear Sir/Madam

**EXTENSION FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE BASIC ASSASSMENT REPORT IN TERMS OF REGULATION 3 (1) (7) FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURAL ACTIVITIES IN RESPECT OF IRON ORE AND MANGANESE ORE ON THE REMAPORTION 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF GNOOLOOMA 416; PORTION 1, 2, 3, 4 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF MELTON 420; PORTION 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT DIEPWATER 361; PORTIONS 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF LA ROCHELLE 359; TRACK 350 AND WITSTAM 347, SITUATED WITHIN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF POSTMASBURG NORTHERN CAPE REGION.**

1. Your letter dated the **28<sup>th</sup> April 2021** was received;

2. As per your request, the Regional Manager: Mineral Regulation has granted the extension for the submission of the Basic Assessment Report which comply with chapter 6 of EIA regulation, 2017 as amended. You must submit the required final Basic Assessment Report on or before 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
3. **Note that there will be no further extension with regard to the submission of the additional information. Further note that failure to abide by the above mentioned and the time frame provided may jeopardize your application.**

Hope that this letter will receive your utmost attention.

  
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**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**  
**NORTHERN/CAPE REGION**  
DATE: 30/04/2021

## 7.3 2<sup>nd</sup> Extension Request



**Date:** 15 July 2021

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uKhozi Environmentalists (Pty) Ltd (uKhozi) have been appointed by Menar Capital (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for proposed prospecting activities on various portions of the farms Gnoolooma 416, Melton 420, Diepwater 361, La Rochelle 359 and Plumstead 418, Kathu Magisterial District, Northern Cape Province (NC 30/5/1/1/2/12769 PR).

A draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations for all the relevant activities which require authorisation in terms of NEMA and the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA) (as amended).

As required in terms of Regulation 40(2)c of the NEMA EIA Regulations the draft BAR was submitted to the relevant organs of state for comment. Interim comments submitted by the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) requested that a desktop Heritage Impact Assessment inclusive of a desktop Palaeontological Impact Assessment be conducted as part of the EA application process (refer to the correspondence between SAHRA and uKhozi attached as **Annexure A**).

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Regulation 19(1)b of the EIA Regulations stipulates that ***“a notification in writing that the basic assessment report, inclusive of specialist reports, an EMPr and where applicable, a closure plan, will be submitted within 140 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, as significant changes have been made or significant new information has been added to the basic assessment report or EMPr or, where applicable, a closure plan, which changes or information was not contained in the reports or plans consulted on during the initial public participation process contemplated in sub regulation (1)(a) and that the revised reports or EMPr or, where applicable, a closure plan will be subjected to another public participation process of at least 30 days”.***

We hereby notify the department that we will be utilising the 50-day timeframe extension in terms of Regulation 19 (1) (b) as stipulated above. The Final BAR, which will be subject to another round of public participation, will be submitted on or before the **17<sup>th</sup> of September 2021** taking into account the public holidays which does not count as reckoning days.

We trust that you will find the above in order. Please inform us if you have any enquiries or if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely



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Dear Sir/Madam

**EXTENSION FOR THE SUBMISSION OF THE FINANCIAL PROVISION IN TERMS OF SECTION 24 P (1) OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) READ WITH REGULATION 8(1)(a);(b)&(c) OF THE REGULATION PERTAINING TO THE FINANCIAL PROVISION FOR PROSPECTING, EXPLORATION, MINING OR PRODUCTION OPERATIONS, 2015 FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURAL ACTIVITIES IN RESPECT OF IRON ORE AND MANGANESE ORE ON THE REMAPORTION 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF GNOOLOOMA 416; PORTION 1, 2, 3, 4 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF MELTON 420; PORTION 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT DIEPWATER 361; PORTIONS 1 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF LA ROCHELLE 359; TRACK 350 AND WITSTAM 347, SITUATED WITHIN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF POSTMASBURG NORTHERN CAPE REGION.**

1. Your letter dated the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 was received;



2. As per your request, the Regional Manager: Mineral Regulation has granted the extension for the submission of the Basic Assessment Report , Environmental Management Plan report and all comment and responds from interested and affected parties which comply with chapter 6 of EIA regulation, 2017 as amended.
3. **You must submit the required final Basic Assessment Report on or before 23<sup>th</sup> August 2021.**
4. **Note that there will be no further extension with regard to the submission of the additional information. Further note that failure to abide by the above mentioned and the time frame provided may jeopardize your application.**

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**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**  
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DATE: 21/07/2021.....