



**SOUTHERN AFRICAN TANTALUM MINING (PTY) LTD**  
**MINING RIGHT APPLICATION FOR COPPER AND TUNGSTEN**  
**ON PORTION OF PORTION 13, A PORTION OF PORTION 14,**  
**AND A PORTION OF PORTION 21 OF THE FARM NABABEEP**  
**134**

**NAMA KHOI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NAMAKA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY,**  
**NORTHERN CAPE**

**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT**  
**REPORT (DEIR)**

**APPENDIX B: PUBLIC PARTICIPTION REPORT**

**DMR REF: NC 30/5/1/2/2/10150MR**

**Date: 5 August 2019**


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# **1 CORRESPONDENCE WITH DMR**

## **1.1 DMR LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE OF FINAL SCOPING REPORT**



## mineral resources

Department:  
Mineral Resources  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

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Tel: 027 712 8175 Fax: 027 712 1959 Email: Deidre.Karsten@dmr.gov.za, Ref: 30/5/1/1/3/2/1(10150) MR  
**From:** Mineral Regulation **Enquiries:** Deidre Karsten

Southern African Tantulum Mining (Pty) Ltd  
32 Joseph Avenue  
Northcliff  
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**Attention:** J.A. Barnard

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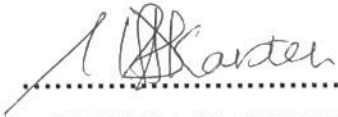
**CONSIDERATION OF SCOPING REPORT IN TERMS OF REGULATION 22 OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) (AS AMENDED) REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING ACTIVITIES ON THE FARM NABABEEP NO 134 , IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND**

**APPLICANT: SOUTH AFRICAN TANTULUM MINING (PTY) LTD**

1. Your scoping report was examined by the relevant authorities and found that it meets the requirements stated in the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 regulations.
2. Therefore, you are advised to continue with the tasks contemplated in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment.
3. In addition to this, you must within 106 days (**08<sup>th</sup> May 2019**) of the acceptance of the scoping report submit an environmental impact report inclusive of any specialist reports, and an environmental management programme, which must have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority.

4. You must include the local government departments in Springbok i.e Department of Environment and Nature Conservation, Springbok, Department of Water and Sanitation in Upington and the The Department of Public Works in Kimberley.
  
5. In a case where there are significant changes in the information that was previously submitted; you will need to notify the Department in writing of such changes within the 106 days stated above and submit an environmental impact report within 156 days of acceptance of the scoping report by the Department.

Yours faithfully



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**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**

**NORTHERN CAPE REGION**

DATE.....16/01/2019.....

## 1.2 REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME DATED 5 MARCH 2019 & RESPONSE FROM DMR

 **SOUTHERN AFRICAN TANTALUM  
MINING (Pty) Ltd (SAFTA)**

*(Registration No. 99 24232/07)*

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**Attention: Ms D Karstens  
Department Mineral Resources  
Springbok  
Northern Cape**

**5<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Dear Deidre**

**RE: Requested 60 day extension for submission of SAFTA's environmental impact report**

**As per our discussion yesterday, I should like to request a 60 day extension for SAFTA's environmental report.**

**Although our testwork is progressing at a pace, we have incurred various delays with consultants and testwork.**

**Our original deadline was 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and in view of the necessity of the preceding public participation, it would be most helpful if this can be extended until 8<sup>th</sup> July. This will enable SAFTA to complete the specialist studies in a full and proper manner.**

**I hope this request receives your serious consideration.**

**Please contact me directly should you wish to discuss.**

**Regards**

**PD Hibberd  
Chief Executive  
083 400 6178**

**Address: 32 Joseph Ave, Northcliff, JHB 2195, SA**

**Directors: PD Hibberd (Chief executive); W Whittaker (CFO)**



**From:** [Jenny Barnard](#)  
**To:** "[Jenny Barnard](#)"  
**Subject:** FW: SAFTA - request for environmental reporting extension  
**Date:** Friday, August 2, 2019 5:50:37 PM  
**Attachments:** [SAFTA.312.Enviro extension.Deidre DMR.doc](#)

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**From:** Deidre Karsten [<mailto:Deidre.Karsten@dmr.gov.za>]  
**Sent:** 05 March 2019 11:02 AM  
**To:** Peter Hibberd <[hibberd@icon.co.za](mailto:hibberd@icon.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: SAFTA - request for environmental reporting extension

Good day,

Your request for extension has been granted.

Regards,

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**From:** Peter Hibberd [<mailto:hibberd@icon.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 05 March 2019 10:21 AM  
**To:** Deidre Karsten  
**Subject:** SAFTA - request for environmental reporting extension

Good Morning Deidre,

As discussed yesterday, I have attached a request for a 60 day time extension for SAFTA's environmental impact submission.

We have been delayed by external factors beyond our control and need this time to complete suitable documentation.

Please let me know if anything further is required and I hope this meets with your approval.

Kind regards

Peter Hibberd  
083 400 6178

### 1.3 SAFTA REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME DATED 22 MAY 2019

# SOUTHERN AFRICAN TANTALUM MINING (Pty) Ltd. (SAFTA)

*(Registration No. 1999/024232/07) ("Company")  
VAT Registration Number: 4060280841*

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Ms D. Karsten  
Department of Mineral Resources  
Van Der Stel st.  
Springbok  
Northern Cape

22 May 2019

Dear Deidre

**Request for a time extension in terms of Regulation 7(3) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2017 to submit Environmental Impact Report for Ref: 30/5/1/1/3/2/1(10150) MR due to exceptional circumstances.**

SAFTA would like to request an additional extension of 60 days to complete the PPP on the draft EIR and compile the Final EIR including specialist studies.

SAFTA has been unfortunate in that the testing of the previous water supply led to an unexpectedly poor result and necessitated an additional pump test, along with redesigned pipeline and pump stations. As you are aware, changes of this nature have knock-on effects for subsequent work required in the application.

In addition, we have been severely impacted by the loss of our chief engineer who without any warning fell serious ill recently.

The re-opening of the Nababeep mines is a keenly anticipated event in a very depressed area. SAFTA has been working diligently to move as quickly as possible, despite the circumstances, to be able to a meaningful part in the upliftment of the community.

We hope that this request for an extension is given your serious consideration and meets with your approval for the benefit of all the affected parties.

Should you wish, I would be glad to answer any questions arising from this letter.

Sincerely

Peter Hibberd  
Chief executive  
083 400 6178

## 2 LETTER NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF EIA PHASE

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Postnet Somerset Mall  
Shop 1B; Melcksloot Village  
Suite 922; Private Bag X15  
Somerset West  
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5<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Dear Interested and/or Affected Party

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PHASE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

### **DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED SAFTA MINING RIGHT APPLICATION ON A PORTION OF PORTION 3, A PORTION OF PORTION 13, A PORTION OF PORTION 14, AND A PORTION OF PORTION 21 OF THE FARM NABABEEP 134**

#### **DMR REFERENCE NO.: NC 30/5/1/1/2/10150MR**

On behalf of the Applicant, Southern African Tantalum Mining (Pty) Ltd (SAFTA) notice is hereby given of the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIR) for the 30 day comment period for the Mining Right Application on a Portion of Portion 3, a Portion of Portion 13, a Portion of Portion 14, and a Portion of Portion 21 of the Farm NababEEP 134.

The Environmental Impact Assessment process is undertaken in terms of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002), the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2014 (as amended), the National Environmental Management Waste Act (Act 59 of 2008) and the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998). In terms of Government Notice Regulations (GNR) 983, 984 and 985 of 8 December 2014 of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) as amended by GNR 324, 325, 326 and 327 of 7 April 2017 (referred to as the **EIA Regulations**) Environmental Authorisation from the Competent Authority, in this case the Department of Mineral Resources Northern Cape Region, is required prior to the undertaking of any activity triggered within GNR 983, 984 and/or 985, as amended.

In line with the EIA Regulations Section 41(5)(b)(iii), registered Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) must be notified in writing of the availability of the DEIR for the 30 day comment.

The scoping and environmental impact assessment process is illustrated in Diagram 1 on page 2, and where we are in the process is indicated.

A copy of the Draft EIR and Appendices can be downloaded from the Green Direction website: [www.greendirection.co.za](http://www.greendirection.co.za).

The legislated 30-day comment period commences from 6<sup>th</sup> August and ends on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Please complete the Comment Form on page 3 as indicated.

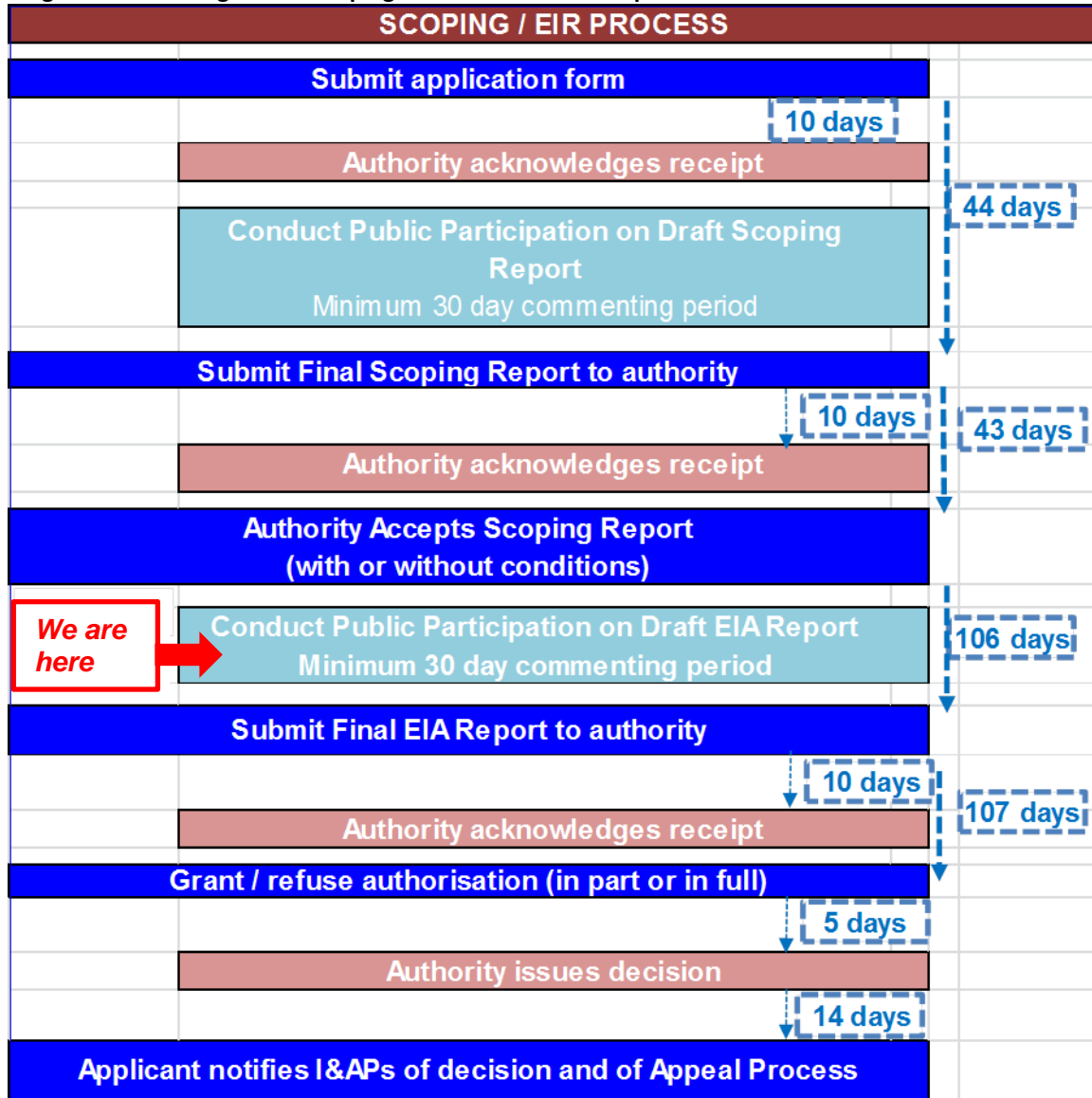
Should you have any queries please contact the undersigned as per the contact details on the Form.

Yours sincerely



Ms. Jennifer Barnard  
Pr.Nat.Sci.; EAPSA  
**Green Direction Sustainability Consulting (Pty) Ltd**

Diagram 1: Flow Diagram for Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment Process



# COMMENT FORM

## DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT (DEIR)

**FOR THE PROPOSED SAFTA MINING RIGHT APPLICATION ON A PORTION OF PORTION 3,  
A PORTION OF PORTION 13, A PORTION OF PORTION 14, AND A PORTION OF  
PORTION 21 OF THE FARM NABABEEP 134, NORTHERN CAPE**

**DMR REFERENCE NO.: NC 30/5/1/2/2/10150MR**

NAME:

DATE:

ORGANISATION:

POSTAL ADDRESS:

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FAX. NO.:

### COMMENTS

**SEND YOUR COMMENTS ON OR BEFORE 5 SEPTEMBER 2019 VIA EMAIL / POST**

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Somerset West; 7130

### 3 DATABASE OF REGISTERED I&APS



**REGISTERED I&AP DATABASE**

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3	Fortuin	Mr Chris	Namakwa District Municipality Municipal Manager	027 712 8000 027 712 8040	NA	<a href="mailto:info@namakwa-dm.gov.za">info@namakwa-dm.gov.za</a>	Private Bag X20 Springbok 8240	HJ Visser Building Van Riebeeck Street
4	Hardley	Mr Russel	Nama Khoi Municipality Landowner Ptn 3 Nababeep	027 718 8100 027 712 1635	NA	<a href="mailto:Russel.Hartley@namakhoi.gov.za">Russel.Hartley@namakhoi.gov.za</a>	P Bag 17 Springbok, 8240	4 Namakwa Street, Springbok
5	Smit	Mr Christo	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform & Rural Development;	054 337 8000 027 712 2270	082 5609 254	<a href="mailto:jabu.smit@gmail.com">jabu.smit@gmail.com</a>	P.O. Box 52 Upington 8800	Water Affairs Offices, Louisvale Rd, Upington
6	Abrahams	Ms. Nicole	National Department of Transport: Environmental Co-ordinator	021 957 4602	021 910 1699	<a href="mailto:Abrahamsn@nra.co.za">Abrahamsn@nra.co.za</a>	Private Bag x 19; Bellville; 7535	1 Havenga Street; Oakdale; 7530
7	Engelbrecht	Mr. Sammy	Eskom (Pty) Ltd	027 7128202	083 7766795	<a href="mailto:engelbst@eskom.co.za">engelbst@eskom.co.za</a>		
8	Nogwili	Mr Kholekile	Department of Roads and Public Works (Deputy Information Officer)	053 839 2109		<a href="mailto:knogwili@ncpg.gov.za">knogwili@ncpg.gov.za</a>		Tebogo Leon Tume Complex; 9 - 11 Stokroos street; Squarehill Park; Kimberley; 8000
9	Natasha Higgitt	SAHRA	SAHRA	021-4624502	NA	SAHRIS online application system	PO Box 4637; Cape Town; 8001	SAHRA; 111 Harrington Street; Cape Town; 8001

OTHER								
No.	Surname	Initials	Company	Tel	Mobile	email	Post Box	Physical
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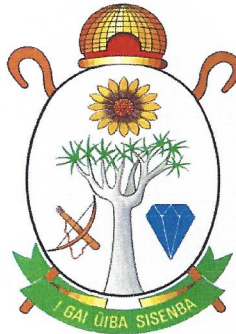
#### **4 LETTER FROM NAMA KHOI MUNICIPALITY RE: POTABLE WATER CONNECTION**

# NAMA KHOI

## MUNISIPALITEIT

Alle korrespondensie moet gerig word aan die:  
KANTOOR VAN DIE MUNISIPALE BESTUURDER

All correspondence to be addressed to:  
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MANAGER



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Web: [www.namakhoi.org.za](http://www.namakhoi.org.za)

Navrae / Enquiries:  
Ons Verwysing / Our Reference:

01 August 2019

The Director  
Southern African Tantalum Mining (Pty) Ltd  
32 Joseph Avenue  
Northcliff  
**JOHANNESBURG**  
2195

**Attention:** Mr. P. D. Hibberd  
Mr. W.J. Whittaker

### RE: APPLICATION FOR WATER CONNECTION

Your application for a water connection at your proposed mining operations in Nababeep refers.

Herewith to inform you that your application is successful. Please contact our Technical Department on 027 7188100 for finalization.

Kind regards

**J.S. CLOETE**

ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER

## 5 CORRESPONDENCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF WATER & SANITATION



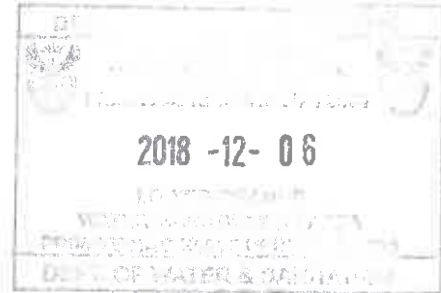
## water & sanitation

Department:  
Water and Sanitation  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

Enquiries: S.C.Cloete  
Telephone: 054 338 5800

South Africa Tantulum Mining (Pty) Ltd  
PO Box 960  
Schweinzer- Reneke  
2870

To: Jenny Barnard



### **WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT 36 of 1998), LOWER ORANGE WATER MANAGEMENT AREA: SOUTH AFRICA TANTULUM MINING (PTY) LTD**

The Department of Water and Sanitation has assessed your water use license application (DW 755) that was submitted and the site inspection conducted on the 12 November 2018. In order for the Department to further process your application the following additional information is requested;

- The following forms: DW 758, DW760, DW763, DW768, DW767, DW905, DW805, DW901 and DW902.
- Pump Test Certificate & Geo hydrological Report (Please used WULA Regulation No.40713 dated March 2017 for guidance when drafting this report).
- Technical Report (Please used WULA Regulation No.40713 dated March 2017 for guidance when drafting this report).
- Motivation in terms of Section 27 (1) b of the National Water Act, Act 36 of 1998
- Environmental Management Plan (EMP).
- Storm Water Management Plan.
- Water Quality Report.
- Design Drawings for section 21 (g) waste facilities.
- Proof of Public Participation Process.
- Company Registration Certificate.
- Title Deeds of all properties/farms involve.
- IWWMP.
- Water Balance
- BBBEE Certificates & shareholding structure of the company.
- Receipt of R115 Administration fee.



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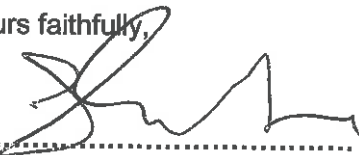
*Letter 5: Request for Additional Information*

**WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT 36 of 1998), LOWER ORANGE WATER MANAGEMENT AREA: SOUTH AFRICA TANTULUM MINING (PTY) LTD.**

The information requested must be submitted to the Department on or before 15 April 2019. Failure to submit the required information will result in the Department making a decision based on the available information.

Should you wish to make any further enquiries in this regard please do not hesitate to contact Mr. S.C.Cloete at telephone number 054 338 5800.

Yours faithfully,



Mr

Mr.AAM.Abrahams

PROVINCIAL HEAD: NORTHERN CAPE

Date: 06/11/2018



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*Letter 5: Request for Additional Information*

**From:** [Cloete Shaun](#)  
**To:** [Jenny Barnard](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Letter for the submission of WULA's  
**Date:** Monday, December 10, 2018 7:50:56 AM

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`Good Day Jenny

Please ignore the section 21 c and i application for Red Granite if the project will not trigger such water use.

DW 904 is not required for the fine residue dam but the DW 905 is compulsory with the DW 767 for this dam.

The issues with the preliminary design I will have to confirm with the engineers but I what I am sure of is that the design should be signed off by the time of submission of the WULA by a registered ECSA engineer.

I hope you find the above in order.

Thank You.  
Shaun

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**From:** Jenny Barnard [mailto:jenny@greendirection.co.za]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 06 December 2018 17:43  
**To:** Cloete Shaun  
**Cc:** Jansen Melinda(UPN)  
**Subject:** RE: Letter for the submission of WULA's

Hi Shaun

Thank you for the letters confirming the requirements for the SAFTA copper mine and the RED Graniti Mining Right projects.

I will add the borehole pump form DW784 and DW788Ind to the list for both projects.

I agree that we need to do a 21(c) and (i) for the SAFTA copper mine as the road widening crossing the water course will be triggered.

But I disagree that 21(c) and (i) is applicable to the RED Graniti project. Please can you check if these 2 activities are correct on the letter for the granite project?

Please can you help me understand if I need to complete the DW904 form for actual or monitored waste discharge or does this form only become applicable once the fine residue dam becomes operational and the waste can be monitored at the SAFTA copper mine?

Please can also inform whether preliminary design drawings are acceptable for the FRD at the SAFTA copper mine?

Thanks and kind regards  
Jenny

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**From:** Cloete Shaun [mailto:CloeteS@dws.gov.za]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 6, 2018 3:45 PM  
**To:** jenny@greendirection.co.za  
**Cc:** Jansen Melinda(UPN)  
**Subject:** Letter for the submission of WULA's

Good Day Jenny

Please find attached letters as discussed for both projects.

Thank You.

Shaun

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## 6 INTERIM COMMENT FROM SAHRA

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Enquiries: Natasha Higgitt  
Tel: 021 462 4502  
Email: nhiggitt@sahra.org.za  
CaseID: 13269

Date: Tuesday January 08, 2019  
Page No: 1

## Interim Comment

### In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Southern African Tantalum Mining (Pty) Ltd

PO Box 44547, Claremont 7735, Cape Town  
Cadiz Corporate Solutions, 4th floor, The terraces, 25 Protea Rd, Claremont 7700, Cape Town

### Proposed underground Copper Mining operation on farm NababEEP 134, Namaqualand, Northern Cape

Green Direction Sustainability Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Southern African Tantalum Mining (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application and Mining Right Application for proposed mining activities on farm NababEEP 134, Namaqualand, Northern Cape (NC30/5/1/2/2/10150MR).

A draft Scoping Report has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, No 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 28 of 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed mining will include underground mining with portals, ±2.8 ha of surface activities such as the waste rock dump and ±25.5 ha for the fine residue dam, access roads, access control, one 66kv power line and one 11kv powerline, water pipeline, logistics area (130 m x 160 m), processing plant, tailings storage facility, return water dam, storm water dam, potable water treatment plant, sewage treatment plant, rehabilitation and closure.

The McGregor Museum and Prof Marion Bamford were appointed to provide the heritage specialist component as part of the EA in terms of section 24(4)b(iii) of the NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

*Morris, D and Henderson, A. 2018. Heritage Impact Assessment Report for the proposed mining extensions on farm NababEEP 134, Namaqualand, Northern Cape.*

A total of 26 heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. These resources include surface scatters of Stone Age lithic material, three pre-colonial ovens, historic structural foundations,

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surface occurrences of ceramic, porcelain and glass fragments, and cement platforms and pegs associated with historical copper mining. All of these resources were rated as sites of low cultural heritage significance.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- Provision for on-going heritage monitoring in an environmental management plan which provides guidelines on what to do in the event of any major heritage feature being encountered during any phase of mining;
- Should unexpected finds be made during development (e.g. pre-colonial burials, ostrich eggshell container cache, or localised Stone Age sites with stone tools, pottery), the relevant Heritage Authority should be contacted.

*Bamford, M. 2018. Palaeontological Desktop Impact Assessment for the proposed mining operation near NababEEP and Springbok, Northern Cape Province.*

The underlying geology of the proposed development area includes the ore bodies of the Koperberg Suite that do not contain fossils. No fossils have been recorded in the overlying alluvial Quaternary sands in the surrounding area. There is no potential impact to palaeontological heritage predicted. No further recommendations are provided.

### **Interim Comment**

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted specialist studies and has no objections in principle to the proposed development. Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the draft EIA and associated appendices during the next phase of the EA application process.

Please note that this is not a Final Comment of approval as per section 38(4) of the NHRA. SAHRA reserves the right to make additional comments or request additional studies dependent on the pending EIA documents.

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