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DMR Reference Numbers: NC 30/6/1/2/2/268 MR (existing Mining Right); and NC 30/5/1/2/2/10053 MR (new

Mining Right)

DENC Reference Number: NC/EIA/05/JTG/HOT/KUD/2013/NCP/EIA/0000219/2013

LANDOWNERS WITHIN AND ADJACENT TO THE KUDUMANE PROJECT AREA

ATTENTION: LANDOWNER

KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD (KUDUMANE)

NOTICE OF INTENT TO LANDOWNERS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE

ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN EXISTING MINING RIGHTS AREAS AND THE

ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL MINING RIGHTS AREAS AT KUDUMANE MANGANESE MINE

Dear landowner

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane), a South African mining company holds a mining right on the farms York A 279 and Telele 312 located approximately 3 km south west of the town of Hotazel in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality in the Northern Cape.

The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Programme (EMP) submitted as part of the approved mining right application covers the opencast mining and infrastructure on the farm York A 279 and underground mining on the farm Telele 312 under the DMR authorisation (NC 30/6/1/2/2/268 MR). In broad terms the approved EIA/EMP included the establishment of an opencast and future underground mining operation, associated residue handling and disposal facilities, a crushing and screening plant, water management facilities, rail and road transport infrastructure and various support infrastructure and services.

Kudumane now wishes to expand its mining operations and applied for a new mining right to include the farms Kipling 217, Devon 277 and Hotazel 280. In addition to adding new mining rights areas to its existing mining rights areas, Kudumane intends to establish additional infrastructure to what has already been approved.

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Kudumane sumitted a new mining right application for the inclusion of additional mining areas on the farms

Kipling 271, Devon 277 and Hotazel 280 in November 2013. In line with the requirements of the MPRDA, an

environmental impact assessment has to be undertaken and an EMP submitted in support of this new mining

right application. In this regard, Kudumame will undertake an environmental impact assessment to amend

its approved EMP to incorporate these additional mining areas. At the same time the EMP will be amended

to incorporate the additional infrastructure associated with the existing mining rights areas.

This letter serves to inform you that the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) has accepted Kudumane's

Mining Right application and in this regard, Kudumane is required to amend its approved EIA/EMP to

incorporate these additions.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR), an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been

appointed by Kudumane to manage the environmental process. Prior to the commencement of the proposed

project an environmental assessment process including a scoping phase (already in progress) and an EIA

and EMP phase must be conducted in terms of both the MPRDA and the National Environmental

Management Act (NEMA), 107 of 1998. Both laws apply because the proposed project is a mine and it

incorporates a number of listed/identified activities from Regulations R.544, R.545 and R.546 promulgated in

terms of NEMA. Aspects of the project will also require approval in terms of the National Water Act (NWA),

36 of 1998, and the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (NEM:AQA), 39 of 2004. In this

regard, authorisation will be required from the DMR and the Department of Environment and Nature

Conservation (DENC).

SLR and Kudumane would like to consult with the relevant landowners at the start of the environmental

assessment process. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Kind regards

Caitlin Hird

Suan Mulder

For SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

# **Caitlin Hird**

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This letter serves to inform you that Kudumane's Mining Right application to include the farms Kipling 217, Devon 277 and Hotazel 280 and to establish additional infrastructure to what has already been approved, has been accepted by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR).

In this regard kindly see attached letter of intent.

Should you wish to obtain any further details please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

### **Caitlin Hird**

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# OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUERINGSPROSES VIR DIE WYSIGING VAN 'N OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUERING (OIE) EN OMGEWINGSBESTUURPROGRAM (OBPr) VIR BYKOMENDE BEPLANDE INFRASTRUKTUUR EN MYNGEBIEDE KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (EDMS.) BPK.

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NC 30/5/1/2/2/268 MR (bestaande mynreg); (Restant en Gedeelte 1 van die plaas Telele 312; Restant en Gedeelte 2 van die plaas York A 279)

#### DOB Verwysingsnommer:

NC/EIA/05/JTG/HOT/KUD/2013/NCP/EIA/0000219/2013

### **DO Verwysingsnommer:**

Moet nog bekom word

#### Naam van projekvoorsteller:

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Edms.) Bpk. (Kudumane)

#### Beskrywing van voorgestelde aktiwiteit:

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- Gelyste Aktiwiteite ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 544: Aktiwiteit 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 22, 26, 28, 37 en 42;
- Gelyste Aktiwiteite ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 545: Aktiwiteit 5, 11, 15 en 26;
- Gelyste Aktiwiteite ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 546: Aktiwiteit 2, 3, 4, 10, 14 en 16;
- Afvalaktiwiteite ingevolge NEM:WA Skedule: Kategorie A (11, 12 en 18) en Kategorie B (7 en 11)
- Watergebruike ingevolge Artikel 21 van die NWA: 21 (a) (c) (g) (i) en (j)
- Gelyste Aktiwiteite ingevolge NEM:AQA Kategorie 4 (4.5) en (5) 5.1

#### Ligging van die voorgestelde aktiwiteite:

Die voorgestelde aktiwiteite sal by die Kudumane Mangaanmyn op die plaas Telele 312, Devon 277, York A 279, Hotazel 280, Kipling 271 en Devon 277, naby Hotazel in die Noord-Kaap geleë wees.

# Naam van konsultant om te kontak:

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### Datum van publikasie van hierdie advertensie:

5 November 2013

# Openbare vergaderings:

Een openbare bestekopnamevergadering is gereël as deel van die openbare deelnameproses. Die besonderhede van die bestekopnamevergadering verskyn in die tabel hieronder:

### Besonderhede van openbare bestekopnamevergadering

Datum	Plek	Tyd
26 November 2013	Hotazel Ontspanningsklub	15h30

#### Registrasie van B&GP's en indiening van kommentaar:

Ten einde te verseker dat u as 'n belangstellende en/of geaffekteerde party (B&GP) geïdentifiseer word, moet u asseblief u naam, kontakbesonderhede en belang by die projek binne 30 dae ná die publikasie van hierdie advertensie by die bostaande kontakpersoon indien.

### **Bykomende inligting:**

Tree asseblief in verbinding met die bogenoemde konsultant ten einde bykomende inligting oor die voorgestelde projek te bekom.

# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP) AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD

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#### **DMR Reference number:**

NC 30/5/1/2/2/268 MR (existing mining right); (RE and Ptn 1 of the Farm Telele 312; RE and Ptn 2 of the Farm York A 279)

#### **DENC** reference number

NC/EIA/05/JTG/HOT/KUD/2013/NCP/EIA/0000219/2013

#### DEA reference no

To be obtained

#### Name of proponent

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane)

#### **Description of proposed activity**

The original Kudumane EIA/EMP report was approved by DENC in June 2011. The DMR authorised the EIA/EMP report in May, 2013 with the notarial execution of the Mining Right. Kudumane is proposing to amend its existing approved EIA/EMP report to include additional mining areas through a mining right application process in terms of the MPRDA. THE EIA/EMP will also be amended to make provision for additional infrastructure on the existing mining rights area. The proposed Kudumane EIA/ EMP amendment project requires a number of "identified" activities in terms of various environmental regulations. These may include the following activities:

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- Listed Activities in terms of NEMA Regulation 546: Activity 2, 3, 4, 10, 14 and 16
- Waste Activities in terms of NEM:WA Schedule: Category A (11, 12 and 18) and Category B (7 and 11)
- Water Uses in terms of Section 21 of the NWA: 21 (a) (c) (g) (i) and (j)
- Listed Activities in terms of NEM:AQA Category 4 (4.5) and (5) 5.1

#### Location of the proposed activities

The proposed activities will be situated at the Kudumane manganese mine on the farms Telele 312, Devon 277, York A 279, Hotazel 280, Kipling 271 and Devon 277, located near Hotazel in the Northern Cape.

# Name of consultant to contact

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# Public meetings

One public scoping meeting has been arranged as part of the public participation process. The details of the scoping meeting are provided in the table below:

#### **Details of public scoping meeting**

Date	Venue	Time
26 November 2013	Hotazel Recreational Club	15h30

# Registration of IAPs and submission of comment

To ensure that you are identified as an interested and/or affected party (IAP), please submit your name, contact information and interest in the matter in writing to the contact person(s) given above within 30 days of publication of this advertisement.

#### **Additional information**

To obtain additional information about the proposed project, please contact the above mentioned consultant



Site Notice 1: Hotazel Supermarket



Site Notice 2: Hotazel Recreation Centre



Site Notice 3: Intersection of R380 and Kathu-Deben Road



Site Notice 4: Entrance to site



Site Notice 5: Entrance to Kathu



Site Notice 6: Kathu Civic Centre



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Sluit aan!

# Graad 12s Maak 'm Verskil vir Groot Katte



Marina Roets saam met Thato die cheetah en Chriszanne en Nicol Burger, eienaars van Felidae Centre.

arina Roets, Melanie Krauze, Adelaide Leyden en Nadia Kruger van Hoërskool Kathu het gehoor van die Felidae Centre (Cats Place of Safety) buite Kimberley op die Petrusville-pad, en uitgevind dat hulle dringend hulp nodig het om vyf leeus van geblikte jag te red. Die doel van hulle Graad 12-inisiatief was om geld in te samel om sodoende die Felidae Centre te kan help om die vyf merkwaardige diere te red. Die leerders het plakkate by die skool opgesit en gereël dat verteenwoordigers van Felidae Centre 'n toespraak by die skool kom hou. Hulle het ook blikkies by besighede geplaas vir donasies. 'n Bedrag van R3 400 is

aan Felidae Centre oorhandig. Dié bedrag is bygevoeg by die groottotaal vir die betaling van die leeus aan die oorspronklike eienaar, wie hulle wou terughê vir gebruik vir geblikte jag. Die vyf leeus asook die welpies wat tot dusver gebore is sal dus nou die eiendom van Felidae Centre bly. Die welpies wat gebore is, is met die hand grootgemaak en word vir opvoedkundige doeleindes op toere gebruik. Die graad 12's het hulle dank uitgespreek teenoor die gemeenskap vir hulle bydraes tot die fondse wat aan Felidae Centre oorhandig is. Meer inligting oor die sentrum kan op die webtuiste by www.felidaecentre.co.za of op hulle Facebook-bladsy verkry word.



Marina Roets oorhandig die bedrag van R3 400 aan Chriszanne en Nicol Burger.

VInr: Mnr Meiring Botha (skoolhoof van Kathu Hoërskool), mnr Nicol Burger (Felidae Centre), Marina Roets (Graad 12-leerling, Kathu Hoërskool), mej Chriszanne Burger (Felidae Centre), Nadia Kruger (Graad 12-leerling, Kathu Hoërskool), Adelaide Leyden (Graad 12-leerling, Kathu Hoërskool), Melanie Krauze (Graad 12-leerling, Kathu Hoërskool) en mev Marina Reyneke (onderwyseres, Kathu Hoërskool).

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# Name of consultant to contact

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- Relevante ervaring
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Sluitingsdatum: 22 November 2013

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# DORPSAANLEGSKEMA: VOORGESTELDE HERSONERING VAN ERF 68, HOOFSTRAAT 68, LAMBRECHTSDRIFT

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Beskrywing van eie Ligging Oppervlakte Aansocker

Erf 68, Lambrechtsdrift Hoofstraat 68, Lambrechtsdrift

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VJB Engelbrecht Yunisipale Bestun

. Doel van aansoek

//KHARA HAIS MUNICIPALITY
NOTICE NG2/2613
TOWN PLANNING SCHEME: PROPOSED REZONING OF ERF
68, 68 MAIN STREET, LAMBRECHTSDRIFT

Notice is given in terms of the provisions of the Northern Cape Planning; Development 198, (Act 7 of 1998) and the applicable Scheme Regulation for //Kharr Hais Municipality, that it is the intention of the Council consider the rezoning on immovable property:

. Description of property Site

: 2 862 m2 Applicant
Registered owner
Present utilisation
Proposed utilisation

: 2 802 mz
: B Bosman
: //Khars Hais Municipality
: Unspesified Zone
: Business Zone I with consent for

place of entertainment:
Rezoning of Erf 68, Lambrechtsdrift, to
Business Zone I, in order to utilise a
Tavern and General Dealer on the

Full particulars are obtainable from the Town Planner of the Council, tel. 054 338 7372, during normal office hours (Monday to Friday, 07:30 – 12:30 and 13:30 – 16:30) and objections against the application, if any, must be lodged in writing with the Municipal Manager on or before Friday, 22 November 2013. Any person with objections against the application, who is usable to write, oan during normal office hours on or before Friday, 22 November 2013, report to Mr J du Plessis in office 57, who will put such a person's objections in writing.

WJB Engelbrecht Municipal Manage Civic Centre

OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUERINGSPROSES VIR DIE WYSIGING VAN 'N OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUERING (OIE) EN OMGEWINGSBESTUURPROGRAM (OBPr) VIR BYKOMENDE BEPLANDE INFRASTRUKTUUR EN MYNGEBIEDE KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (EDMS.) BPK.

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA) van 1998, die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerate en Petroleum Hulpbronne (MPRDA) 28 van 2002, die Nasionale Waterwet (NIVA) 36 van 1998 en die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur. Afval (NEM:WA) 59 van 2008, asooi de Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur: Luggehalte (NEM:AQA) 30 van 2004 van die voorneme om die aktiviteite wat hieronder beskryf word, te ondermeen: "Nanaoock sall in hierdle verband by die Departement van Omgewingsake man Bewaring (DOB), die Departement van Waterwess (DW) en die Departement van Omgewingsake (DO) ingedien word en kennisgewing sal aan die Departement wan Minerale Hulpbronne (DMH) gestuur word. Gegewe die aard van die projek, sal prosedures vir 'n bestekopname sowei as 'n omgewingslaveluering gevolg word.

DMH Verwysingsnommer:
NC 30/5/1/2/2/268 MIR (bestaande mynreg); (Restant en Gedeelte 1 van die plaas Telele 312; Restant en Gedeelte 2 van die plaas Telele 312; Restant en Gedeelte 3 van die plaas Telele 312; Restant en Ge

NC/EIA/05/JTG/HUT/NUD/ZU DO Verwysingsnommer: Moet nog bekom word Naam van projekvoorsteller:

Naam van projekvoorsteller:
Kudumane Manganese Resources (Edms.) Bpk. (Kudumane)
Beskrywing van voorgestelde aktiwitelt:
Die oorspronklike Kudumane OiE/OBPr-versiag is in Junie 2011 deur die DOB goedgekeur. Die DMH het die OiE/OBPrverslag in Mei 2013 gemagtig met die notariële uitvoering van die Mynreg. Kudumane doen aan die hand dat sy
bestaande goedgekeurde OiE/OBPr-verslag gewysig word om bykomende myngebiede in te sluit deur 'n
aansoekproses om mynreg Ingevolge die MPRDA. Die OIE/OBPr sal ook gewysig word ovorslening te maak vir
bykomende infrastruktuur op die bestaande mynreggebied. Die voorgestelde Kudumane OIE/OBPr wysigingsprojek
versis 'n aantal 'geidentifiseerde' aktiwiteite ingevolge verskele omgewingsregulesies. Dit kan die volgende aktiwiteite
insluit-

Gelyste Aktiwiteits ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 544: Aktiwiteit 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 22, 28, 28, 37 en 42; Gelyste Aktiwiteits ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 545: Aktiwiteit 5, 11, 15 en 26; Gelyste Aktiwiteits ingevolge NEMA Regulasie 546: Aktiwiteit 2, 4, 4, 10, 14 en 16; Afvelaktiwiteit 2, 4, 4, 10, 14 en 16; Afvelaktiwiteit 10, 44; All 2, 4, 10, 14 en 16; Afvelaktiwiteit 10, 44; All 2, 4, 12 en 18) en Kategorie B (7 en 11) Watergebruike ingevolge Artikal 21 van die NWA: 21 (a) (c) (g) (i) en (i) Gelysie Aktiwiteits ingevolge NEM: AQA Kategorie 4 (4.5) en (5) 5.1

Ligging van die voorgestelde aktiwiteite: Die voorgestelde aktiwiteite sal by die Kudumane Mangaanmyn op die plaas Telele 312, Devon 277, YorkA 279, Hotazel 280, Kipling 271 en Devon 277, naby Hotazel in die Noord-Kaap geleë wees.

Naam van konsultant om te kontak: SLR Consulting (Africa) (Edms.) Bpk.

Kontakpersoon: Me. Caitlin Pringle Posadres: Posbus 1596, Cramerview 2060 Tel. 011 467 0945 Faks 011 467 0978 E-pos: cpringle@sirconsulting.com

Datum van publikasie van hierdie advertensie: 31 Oktober 2013

Openbare vergaderings: Een openbare bestekopnamevergadering is gereël as deel van die openbare deelnameproees. Die besonderhede var die bestekopnamevergadering verskyn in die tabel hieronder:

Besonderhede van openbare bestekopnamevergadering Datum: 28 November 2013 Plek: Hotazel Ontspanningsklub Tyd:15:30

Registrasie van B&GP's en indiening van kommentaar: Ten einde te verseker dat u as 'n belangstellende en/of geaffekteerde party (B&GP) gefdentifiseer word, moet u asseblief u naam, kontakbesonderhede en belang by die projek binne 30 dae ná die publikasie van hierdie advertensie by die bostaande kontakpersoon indien.

Bykomende Inligting:
Tree assebilef in verbinding met die bogenoemde konsultant ten einde bykomende inligting oor die voorgestelde projek te bekom.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP) AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD

Notice is given in terms of the National Environment Management Act (NEMA) 107 of 1998, the Mineral Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) 28 of 2002, the National Water Act (NWA) 36 of 1998 and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (NEM: WA) 59 of 2006 and the National Environmental Management: Art Quality Act (NEM: ACt) (

DMR Reference number: NC 30/5/1/2/2/288 MR (axisting mining right); (RE and Ptn 1 of the Farm Telele 312; RE and Ptn 2 of the Farm York A 279)

NC 30/97/12/2200 MR (existing filting fight), (see and 10 DENC reference number: NC/EIA/05/JTG/HOT/KUD/2013/NCP/EIA/0000219/2013 DEA reference No.

Name of proponent:
Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Lid (Kudumane)
Description of proposed activity:
The original Kudumane EIA/EMP report was approved by DENC in June 2011. The DMR authorised the EIA/EMP report
In May, 2013 with the notarial execution of the Mining Right. Kudumane is proposing to amend its existing approved
EIA/EMP report to include additional mining areas through a mining right application process in terms of the MPRDA. The
EIA/EMP will also be amended to make provision for additional infrastructure on the existing mining rights area. The
proposed Kudumane EIA/ EMP amendment project requires a number of "identified" activities in terms of various
environmental regulations. These may include the following activities:

Listed Activities in terms of NEMA Regulation 464: Activity 2, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 22, 26, 28, 37 and 42;

Listed Activities in terms of NEMA Regulation 645: Activity 5, 11, 15 and 26

Listed Activities in terms of NEMA Regulation 646: Activity 2, 3, 4, 10, 14 and 16

Waste Activities in terms of NEMA Regulation 546: Activity 2, 3, 4, 10, 14 and 16

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Location of the proposed activities:
The proposed activities will be situated at the Kudumane manganese mine on the farms Telele 312, Devon 277, York A
279, Hotzaze 380, Kipling 271 and Devon 277, Iocated near Hotazel in the Northern Cape.

Name of consultant to contact: SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

Contact person: Ms Caitlin Pringle Postal address: PO Box 1596, Cramerview 2060

Postal address: PO Tel. 011 467 0945 Fax 011 467 0978

E-mail: cpringle@slrconsulting.com

Public meetings
One public scoping meeting has been arranged as part of the public participation process. The details of the scoping meeting are provided in the table below:

onal Club

Registration of IAPs and submission of comment

To ensure that you are identified as an interested and/or affected party (IAP), please submit your name, contact information and interest in the matter in writing to the contact person(s) given above within 30 days of publication of this

Additional information:
To obtain additional information about the proposed project, please contact the above mentioned consultant.

# KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL WORK
ASSOCIATED WITH AN EIA/EMP AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED
INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS November 2013 (Rev 2)

#### INTRODUCTION

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane) proposes to submit a new Mining Right application in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA), 28 of 2002 to include additional mining areas to its exsiting mining rights area. Kudumane will therefore submit a mining right application in terms of Section 22 of the MPRDA. In this regard, Kudumane is proposing to amend its approved Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to incorporate the additional mining rights areas and to add additional infrastructure to its existing mining rights area.

# Existing mining rights area:

- Telele 312: changes to surface infrastructure associated with underground mining
- York: additional surface infrastructure

# Additional mining rights area:

- Hotazel 280 and Kipling 271: new opencast pit and associated infrastructure
- Devon 277: Tailings storage facility (TSF)

The proposed mining operations will be located on various farms in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality of the Northern Cape Province (Figure 1). The existing D3336 gravel road (off the R380/R31) will be used to access the mine.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR), an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Kudumane to manage the environmental assessment process.

# ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL

Prior to the commencement of the proposed project an environmental assessment process including: a scoping phase, EIA and EMP phase must be conducted in terms of both the MPRDA and the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 107 of 1998. Both laws apply because the proposed project is a mine and it incorporates a number of listed/identified activities from Regulations R.544, R.545 and R.546 promulgated in terms of NEMA. Aspects of the project will also require

authorisation in terms of the National Water Act (NWA), 36 of 1998, the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (NEM: WA), 59 of 2008, and the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (NEM:AQA), 39 of 2004.

# YOUR ROLE

Public involvement is an essential part of the environmental assessment process.

#### HOW TO RESPOND

Responses to this document can be submitted by means of the attached comments sheet or through communication with the person listed below.

the project team. You will receive feedback on how your comments have been taken into account and the outcome of the assessment.

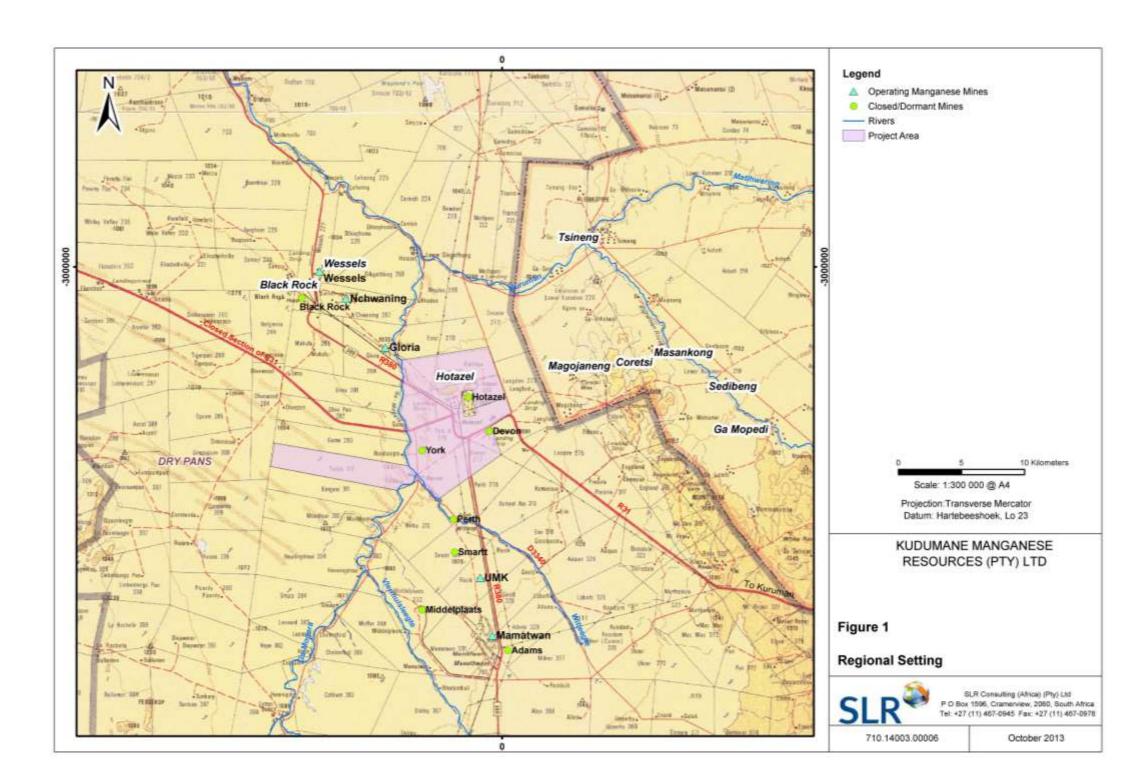
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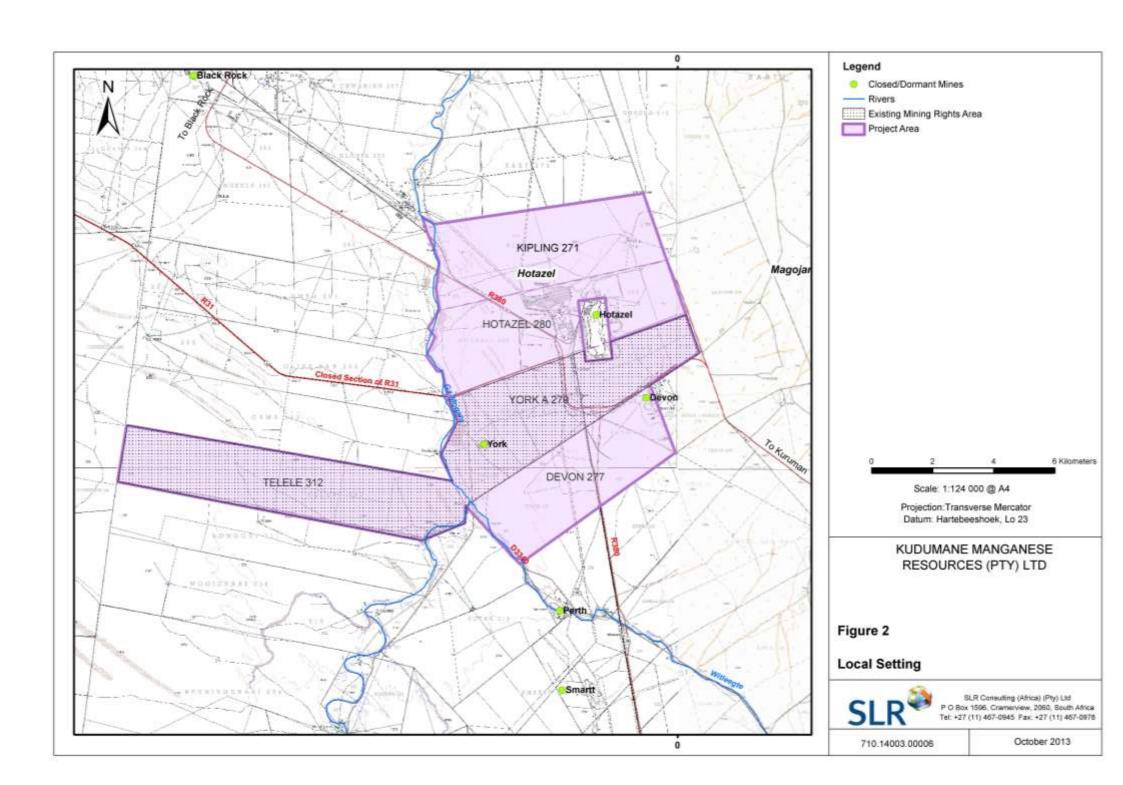
- about the proposed project;
- about the environmental assessment process to be followed;
- of possible environmental impacts; and
- of how you can have input into the environmental assessment process.

#### WHO TO CONTACT

Caitlin Pringle on (011) 467 0945 (tel) or (011) 467 0978 (fax) or

cpringle@slrconsulting.com





# DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

#### MINING AND PROCESSING

The resource to be mined is the manganese ore body of the Kalahari Manganese field. The approved EIA/EMP made provision for access to the ore body utilising underground and opencast mining methods. In this regard, an open pit on York A 279 and a vertical shaft on Telele 312 were included as part of the approved infrastructure. Kudumane proposes to establish an additional open pit on the farm Hotazel 280 and Kipling 271 and changes to the infrastructure for the approved shaft on Telele 312. Processing facilities, comprising crushing and screening activities were included in the approved EIA/EMP. Kudumane is also proposing to establish a sinter plant to further process manganese ore on site as well as a TSF for the disposal of fines generated during the crushing and screening process.

# SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

### Stockpiles

The product will be stockpiled on-site for loading and transport via a combination of roadand rail,

#### Access

An approved access road off the R380 will be utilised (Figure 1).

#### Power

Power will be supplied by on-site generators until such time as Eskom power is available.

# Water

Potable water will be supplied by Sedibeng Water. Process water will be provided by mine dewatering.

#### Stores

Storage facilities will be established on-site for the storage of general consumables, spares and hazardous materials (such as exlosives, fuel and lubricants).

# Workshops

Maintenance of project equipment will be carried out at on-site workshops and wash-bays.

# Staff facilities

Ablutions, change houses as well as administration and security facilities will also be required. The approved facilities will be used for this. Where possible employees will be recruited from surrounding communities. Limited housing facilities are therefore proposed. A temporary construction camp is

planned for use druing the construction phase. Kudumane is in the process of building a few houses in Hotazel.

#### WASTE

The crushing and screening process will generate a slurry which will be disposed of in a proposed tailings storage facility. Waste rock from shaft sinking, open pit and ore body access will be stockpiled on-site and/or used for construction. Construction, general and hazardous (eg. used lubricants) waste will be temporarily stored on site prior to disposal at appropriately licensed facilities. Sewage will be treated at on-site treatment facilities.

# MOTIVATION FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

Kudumane will produce various grades and sizes of manganese products to suit market demand. The anticipated market prices in the medium and long-term are considered to be favourable for project development. Furthermore, the project will create additional direct jobs and will have a positive impact on both indirect businesses and employment.

# ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The process of considering alternatives will form part of the scoping phase of the environmental assessment process. More information will be provided at the scoping meetings.

#### PLANNED TIMING OF THE PROJECT

If the project is approved, mining will commence in towards the end of 2014. The life of mine (LOM) on current planning is between 15 and 20 years.

# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The environmental assessment process provides:

- Information on the proposed project and the environment in which it is being undertaken;
- Identifies, in consultation with Interested and/or Affected Parties (IAPs), the potential negative as well as positive impacts of the proposed project; and
- Reports on management measures required to mitigate negative impacts to an acceptable level and to maintain and enhance positive impacts.

IAPs and other stakeholders will receive notification of meetings and report review periods at least two weeks in advance.

# STEPS IN THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

# PHASE 1 - Environmental Application (November - December 2013)

- Submit application to DMR (MPRDA) and DENC (NEMA), and DEA (NEM:WA)
- Discussions with key regulatory authorities, if required a regulatory authority scoping meeting will be arranged
- Conduct site visit and commence with baseline studies and identify potential impacts

# PHASE II - Scoping (November - March 2014)

- Notify all regulatory authorities and IAPs of the proposed project (via direct consultation, newspaper advertisements, site notices, this document)
- Arrange a public scoping meeting
- Define outstanding issues and terms of reference for addressing potential environmental impacts
- Compile scoping report and make it available for comment by IAPs, DMR and other Regulatory **Authorities**
- Collect and forward IAP comments to Regulatory Authorities
- Commence with specialist investigations

# PHASE III - EIA / EMP (February 2014 - September 2014)

- Assess impacts of proposed project and compile EIA/EMP report
- Make this available to IAPs, DMR and other Regulatory Authorities for review
- Collect and forward IAP comments to Regulatory Authorities

# RECORD OF DECISION (approximately January 2015

• Circulate notification of record of decision to IAPs (upon receipt from DMR and DENC)

# SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

# PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS

### PROJECT PROPONENT

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd

#### PROJECT TEAM

- SLR
- Mine design and planning team
- Specialist consultants

#### IAPS

- Surrounding landowners/users
- Surrounding communities
- Surrounding industries
- Non-government organisations and associations in the area

# REGULATORY AUTHORITIES

- Department of Mineral Resources (DMR);
- Department of Environment and Nature Conservation (DENC)
- Department of Water Affairs (DWA)
- South African Heritage Resources Agency
- Department of Land Affairs (DLA)
- Department of Environmental Affairs
- John Taolo Gaetsene District Municipality
- Joe Morolong Local Municipality

# ENVIRONMENTAL PERMISSIONS TO BE **OBTAINED**

- Environmental authorisation (DENC)
- Mining right and decision on EMP (DMR)
- Water use licence (DWA)
- Palaeontological permit (SAHRA) (if applicable)
- Waste licence (DEA) (if applicable)
- Protected plant species removal permit (DAFF) (if applicable)

# Primary environmental permissions required for the project:

- EIA/EMP comment and approval (under MPRDA & NEMA)
- Water use licence (NWA)
- Waste license (NEM: WA),
- Air Emission Licence (NEM:AQA)

# EXISTING BASELINE ENVIRONMENT

<u>Geology:</u> Kudumane Mine is located in the Kalahari Basin which is a manganese hotazel iron formation.

<u>Climate:</u> Northern Steppe Climatic Zone. Semi arid regions characterised by seasonal rainfall (386mm to 455mm) generally in form of thunderstorms. In general winds blow from the north and north-east.

<u>Topography</u>: The mine is located in a relatively flat area with a gentle slope towards the west. The average elevation on site is 1040 metres above mean sea level (mamsl).

<u>Soils and land capability</u>: Soils types are homogeneous in terms of texture, structure, and soil depth and consist of deep (>1.2m) sandy, red and yellow soils of the Hutton and Clovelly forms. Soils at the mine have a low cultivation potential due to the high infiltration rates associated with sandy soils.

<u>Land use:</u> Land uses surrounding the mine include a combination of livestock grazing, game farming, mining, railway and sparsely situated residences.

Animal life: Several bird and mammal species are likely to occur on site. These include, the Northern Black Korhaan, the Longbilled lark, the Grey hornbill, Chat Flycatcher, Steenbok, Duiker, Suricate, White-tailed Mongoose, Molerat, and ground squirrels. It should be noted that the animal life population in general has been disturbed due to the existing mining activities and pre-mining activities such as farming and prospecting.

<u>Plant life:</u> The Kudumane Mine falls within the Kathu Bushveld and consists of three habitat/vegetation types. These habitat/vegetation types include the Acacia haematoxylon Savannah, Mixed Acacia Savannah and Grewia Flava Scrub.

<u>Surface water:</u> The site is located in the Orange River Basin, in quaternary catchment D41K. The project area is located downstream of a large catchment area (approximately 8000 km²) which feeds the Ga-Mogara river. No perennial drainage lines are located within or near the project area. The ephemeral Ga-Mogara River as well as one of its tributaries, the ephemeral Witleegde River, are located along the western boundary of the opencast mining area and approximately 500 m south of the project footprint, respectively. Due to the large catchment area of the Ga-Mogara River, when the river is in flood, flows can become considerable.

<u>Groundwater:</u> Two aquifers are present beneath the mine, namely a shallow aquifer comprising Kalahari sands and calcrete and a deeper fractured aquifer comprising Dwyka clay and Mooidraai dolomite formation. The average ground water level at the mine ranges from 19m to 47m below ground level. Groundwater flows mimic the topography of the area.

Air quality: Apart from the current Kudumane Mine activities, various activities in the area have potential to contribute to the emission of pollutants. These pollutants include: fugitive dust from veld fires, wind erosion from open areas, dust generated by dirt road travelling, agricultural activities, vehicle tailpipe emissions, emissions from neighbouring mines, household fuel combustion, and rail-related fuel combustion.

Noise: The greater area is generally defined by rural features and is not subjected to elevated noise levels. Existing noise in the project area is mainly caused by surrounding farming activities, localised traffic, train movements, and mining operations.

<u>Visual</u>: The Kudumane Mine is located within the flat open plains of the Kalahari. The site is rural in nature as it is sparsely populated with farmhouses scattered throughout the area. The existing mining operations (on site and adjacent to the site) and construction activities have somewhat already affected the sense of place and natural visual character of the area.

<u>Heritage/cultural & paleontological resources</u>: No significant heritage resources or cultural materials have been found to occur at the Kudumane Mine.

<u>Socio-economic</u>: Farm houses and farm worker residences are the closest settlements to the mine and are located within a 3 km radius. There is a high level of unemployment with a dependency on subsistence agriculture, the public sector, seasonal workers and employment in the mining sector. Water provision and sanitation remains a challenge, mostly in the rural areas

# POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

The list below is based on issues typically associated with projects of this nature as well as issues raised by various IAPs during previous environmental assessments in the region. Any additional issues raised by IAPs during the proposed scoping phase, will be added to the list.

	POTENTIAL ISSUES	PROPOSED STUDY TEAM
GEOLOGY	<ul> <li>Loss of a mineral resources</li> </ul>	Kudumane & SLR
SOILS AND LAND USE	<ul><li>Loss of soil resource</li><li>Changes to land capability</li></ul>	ARC-Institute for Soil, Climate & Water
BIODIVERSITY	<ul><li>Loss of habitat</li><li>General disturbance to wildlife</li></ul>	Ecological Management Services
AIR QUALITY	Dust and air emissions	SLR
SURFACE WATER	<ul><li>Changes to drainage patterns</li><li>Surface water contamination</li></ul>	SLR
GROUNDWATER	<ul><li>Lowering of water table</li><li>Contamination of groundwater</li></ul>	SLR
BLASTING	<ul> <li>Impacts relating to ground vibrations</li> </ul>	SLR
TRAFFIC	<ul><li>Impacts on service levels of roads</li><li>Impacts on other road users</li></ul>	Siyazi Gauteng
NOISE	General noise pollution	SLR
VISUAL	Changes to the visual landscape	SLR
HERITAGE	<ul><li>Loss of heritage resources</li></ul>	Professional Grave Solutions (Heritage)
PALAEONTOLOGY	<ul> <li>Loss of fossil resources</li> </ul>	GSPD Consulting
SOCIO- ECONOMIC	<ul> <li>Investment in local and regional economy</li> <li>Employment opportunities and influx of job seekers</li> <li>Impact on the lifestyle and services of surrounding communities</li> <li>Land use analysis</li> </ul>	Equispectives Research and Consulting Services and Strategy4Good

# KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD ENVIRONMENTAL WORK ASSOCIATED WITH AN EIA/EMP AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS

REGISTRATION AND RESPONSE FORM FOR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

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PLEASE IDENTIFY YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROPOSED PROJECT
PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS HERE

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# KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (EDMS.) BPK.

AGTERGRONDINLIGTING OOR DIE OMGEWINGSWERK WAT GEPAARD GAAN MET 'N OIE/OBP WYSIGING VIR BYKOMENDE BEPLANDE INFRASTRUKTUUR EN MYNGEBIEDE

November 2013

#### INLEIDING

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Edms.) Bpk. (Kudumane) hou die indiening voor van 'n nuwe Aansoek om Mynreg ingevolge die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleum Hulpbronne (MPRDA), Wet 28 van 2002 ten einde bykomende myngebiede by sy bestaande mynreggebied in te sluit. Derhalwe sal Kudumane 'n aansoek om mynreg ingevolge Artikel 22 van die MPRDA indien. In hierdie verband stel Kudumane voor om sy goedgekeurde Omgewingsimpakevaluering (OIE) en Omgewingsbestuursplan (OBP) te wysig om die bykomende mynreggebiede te inkorporeer. Kudumane beplan ook om bykomende infrastruktuur by sy bestaande mynreggebied te voeg.

# Bestaande mynreggebied:

- Telele 312: Veranderinge aan bogrondse infrastruktuur wat met ondergrondse mynbou gepaard gaan
- York: Sinteraanleg en uitskotbergingsfasiliteit (UBF)

# Bykomende mynreggebied:

- Hotazel 280 en Kipling 271: Nuwe dagboumyngroef en gepaardgaande infrastruktuur
- Devon 277 276: Geen aktiwiteite word beplan nie, maar sal ingesluit word in die mynreggebied.

Die voorgestelde mynboubedrywighede sal op verskeie plase in die John Taolo Gaetsewe Distriksmunisipaliteit van die Noord-Kaapprovinsie (Figuur 1) geleë wees. Die bestaande D3336 gruispad (wat afdraai van die R380/R31) sal vir toegang tot die myn gebruik word.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Edms.) Bpk. (SLR), 'n onafhanklike firma van omgewingskonsultante, is deur Kudumane aangestel om die omgewingsevalueringsproses te bestuur.

#### **OMGEWINGSGOEDKEURING**

Voor die aanvang van die voorgestelde projek moet 'n omgewingsevalueringsproses onderneem word, insluitend: 'n bestekopnamefase, OIE- en OBP-fase ingevolge beide die MPRDA en die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA), Wet 107 van 1998. Albei wette is van toepassing aangesien die voorgestelde projek 'n myn is en dit 'n aantal gelyste/geïdentifiseerde aktiwiteite uit Regulasie R.544, R.545 en R.546 behels wat ingevolge NEMA afgekondig is. Aspekte van die projek sal ook magtiging

vereis ingevolge die Nasionale Waterwet (NWA), Wet 36 van 1998; die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur: Afval (NEM: WA), Wet 59 van 2008; en die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur: Luggehalte (NEM:AQA), Wet 39 van 2004.

# U ROL

Openbare betrokkenheid is 'n noodsaaklike deel van die omgewingsevalueringsproses.

U is as 'n belangstellende en geaffekteerde party (B&GP) geïdentifiseer wat moontlik oor die voorgestelde projek ingelig sal wil word en inset wil lewer in die omgewingsevalueringsproses.

Alle kommentaar sal aangeteken en aan die projekspan voorgelê word. U sal terugvoer ontvang oor hoe u kommentaar in ag geneem is en wat die uitkoms van die evaluering is.

# HOE OM TE REAGEER

Reaksie op hierdie dokument kan deur middel van die aangehegte kommentaarblad of deur kommunikasie met die persoon wat hieronder genoem word, ingedien word.

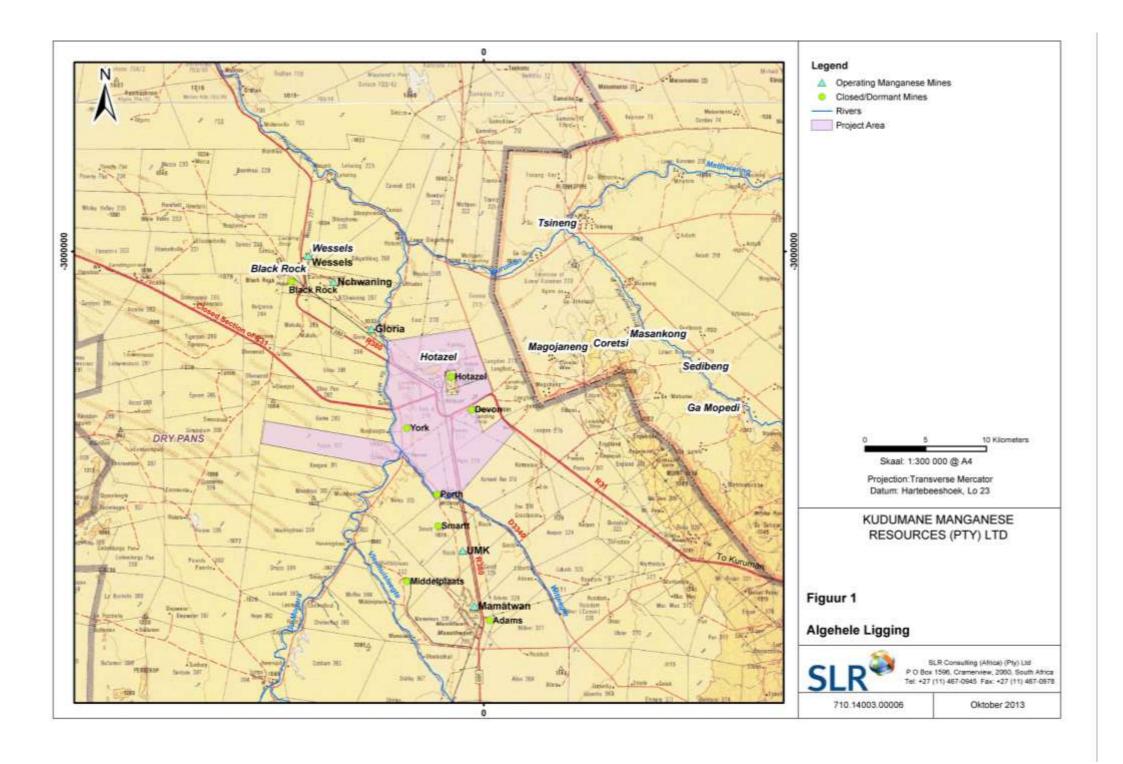
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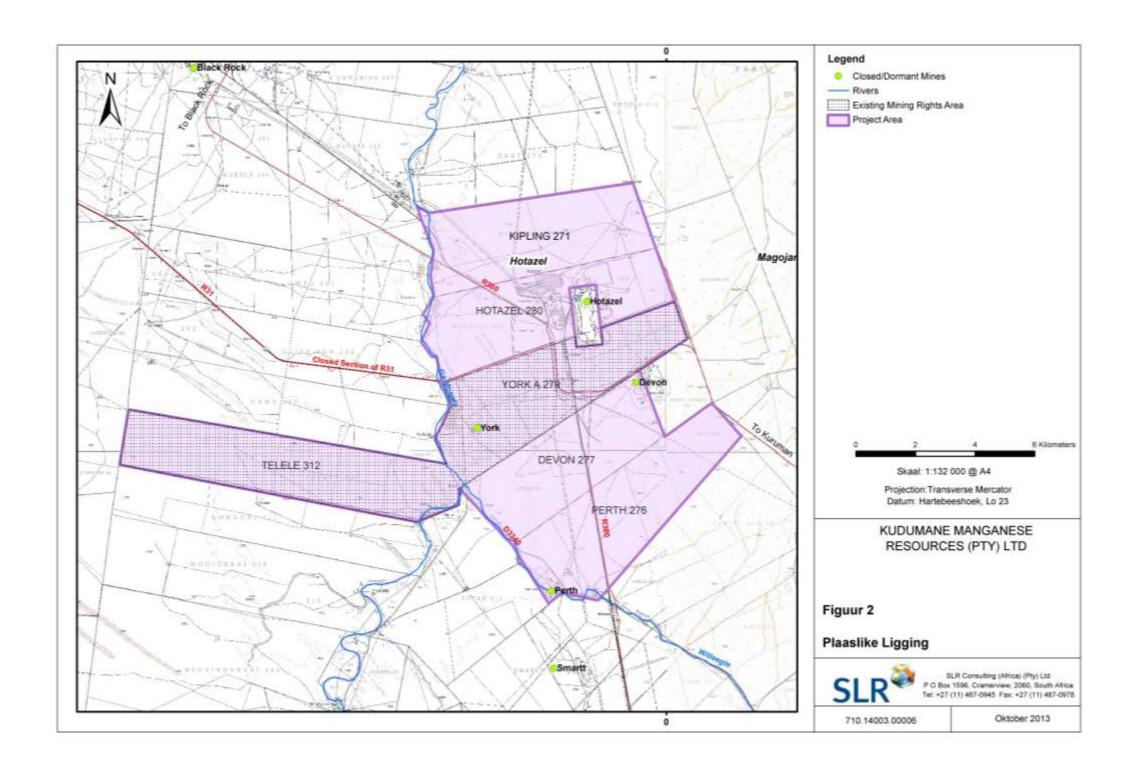
SLR het hierdie dokument opgestel om u in te lig:

- oor die voorgestelde projek;
- oor die omgewingsevalueringsproses wat gevolg gaan word;
- van moontlike omgewingsimpakte; en
- hoe u insette kan lewer in die omgewingsevalueringsproses.

### WIE OM TE KONTAK

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# GEDETAILLEERDE PROJEKBESKRYWING

# MYNBOU EN VERWERKING

Die hulpbron wat gemyn sal word, is die mangaan ertsliggaam van die Kalahari Mangaanveld. Die goedgekeurde OIE/OBP maak voorsiening vir toegang tot die ertsliggaam deur ondergrondse en dagboumynmetodes aan te wend. In hierdie verband is 'n oop groef op York A 279 en 'n vertikale skag op Telele 312 ingesluit as deel van die goedgekeurde infrastruktuur. Kudumane doen aan die hand om 'n bykomende oop groef op die plaas Hotazel 280 en Kipling 271 en veranderinge aan die infrastruktuur vir die goedgekeurde skag op Telele 312 te vestig. Verwerkingsaanlegte, wat bestaan uit vergruis- en siftingsbedrywighede, is in die goedgekeurde OIE/OBP ingesluit. Kudumane stel ook die oprigting van 'n sinteraanleg voor om die mangaanerts verder op die terrein te verwerk, asook 'n UBF vir die wegdoening van fyn stof wat tydens die vergruising- en siftingprosesse gegenereer word.

#### **STEUNDIENSTE**

#### Voorraadstapels

Die produk sal op die terrein opgestapel word om deur 'n kombinasie van pad en spoor gelaai en vervoer te word.

#### Toegang

'n Goedgekeurde toegangspad wat van die R380 af uitdraai, sal gebruik word (Figuur 1).

#### Krag

Krag sal deur generators op die terrein verskaf word tot tyd en wyl Eskomkrag beskikbaar is.

# Water

Drinkwater sal deur Sedibeng Water voorsien word. Proseswater sal deur mynontwatering verskaf word.

# Store

Bergingsgeriewe vir die berging van algemene verbruiksgoedere, onderdele en gevaarlike materiale (soos plofstof, brandstof en smeermiddels) sal op die terrein aangebring word.

### Werkswinkels

Die instandhouding van projektoerusting sal by werkswinkels en wasplekke op die terrein onderneem word.

# Personeelgeriewe

Ablusie-, aantrek- sowel as administratiewe en sekerheidsgeriewe sal ook benodig word. Die goedgekeurde geriewe sal hiervoor gebruik word. Waar moontlik sal werknemers uit omliggende gemeenskappe gewerf word. Beperkte behuisingsgeriewe word dus voorgestel. 'n Tydelike konstruksiekamp word beplan vir

gebruik tydens die konstruksiefase. Kudumane is besig om 'n paar huise in Hotazel te bou.

#### **AFVAL**

Die vergruising- en siftingproses sal flodder genereer waarvan in 'n voorgestelde uitskotbergingsfasiliteit mee weggedoen sal word. Afvalrots as gevolg van skaggrawing, die oop groef en toegang tot die ertsliggaam sal op die terrein opgestapel en/of vir konstruksie gebruik word. Bourommel, algemene en gevaarlike afval (bv. gebruikte smeermiddels) sal tydelik op die terrein geberg word totdat daar mee weggedoen word by geskikte gelisensieerde aanlegte. Riool sal by behandelingsaanlegte op die terrein behandel word.

# MOTIVERING VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE PROJEK

Kudumane sal verskeie grade en groottes mangaanprodukte produseer om aan die vraag in die mark te voldoen. Die verwagte markpryse oor die medium- en langtermyn word gunstig geag vir projekontwikkeling. Voorts sal die projek bykomende regstreekse werksgeleenthede skep en 'n positiewe impak op beide onregstreekse besighede en werkskepping hê.

# ALTERNATIEWE WAT OORWEEG WORD

Die proses van die oorweging van alternatiewe sal deel vorm van die bestekopnamefase van die omgewingsevalueringsproses. Meer inligting sal by die bestekopnamevergaderings verskaf word.

# BEPLANDE TYDSBEREKENING VAN DIE PROJEK

Indien die projek goedgekeur word, sal mynbou naby die einde van 2014 'n aanvang neem. Op grond van huidige beplanning is die lewensduur van die myn (LOM) tussen 15 en 20 jaar.

# **OMGEWINGSEVALUERINGSPROSES**

Die omgewingsevalueringsproses:

- bied inligting oor die voorgestelde projek en die omgewing waarin dit onderneem word;
- identifiseer, in oorleg met belangstellende en/of geaffekteerde partye (B&GP's), die potensiële negatiewe en positiewe impakte van die voorgestelde projek; en
- doen verslag oor bestuursmaatreëls wat benodig word om negatiewe impakte tot 'n aanvaarbare vlak te versag en om positiewe impakte te handhaaf en te verbeter.

B&GP's en ander belanghebbendes sal minstens twee weke vooraf kennisgewing van vergaderings en verslagoorsigtydperke ontvang.

# STAPPE IN DIE EVALUERINGSPROSES

# FASE 1 – Omgewingsaansoek (November 2013 – Desember 2013)

- Dien aansoek in by DMH (MPRDA) en DENC (NEMA) en DO (NEM:WA)
- Besprekings met vernaamste reguleringsowerhede, indien benodig sal 'n bestekopnamevergadering met reguleringsowerhede gereël word
- Hou terreinbesoeke en begin met basislynstudies en identifiseer potensiële impakte

# FASE II – Bestekopname (November 2013– Maart 2014)

- Verwittig alle reguleringsowerhede en B&GP's van die voorgestelde projek (deur regstreekse raadpleging, koerantadvertensies, terreinkennisgewings, hierdie dokument)
- Reël 'n openbare bestekopnamevergadering
- Omskryf uitstaande kwessies en beperking van studie ten einde potensiële omgewingsimpakte aan te spreek
- Stel bestekopnameverslag saam en maak dit beskikbaar vir kommentaar deur B&GP's, die DMH en ander reguleringsowerhede
- Win B&GP's se kommentaar in en stuur dit aan die reguleringsowerhede
- Begin met spesialisondersoeke

# FASE III - OIE/OBP (Februarie 2014 - September 2014)

- Evalueer impakte van voorgestelde projek en stel OIE-/OBP-verslag saam
- Stel dit aan B&GP's, DMH en ander reguleringsowerhede beskikbaar vir oorsig
- Win B&GP kommentaar in en stuur dit aan reguleringsowerhede

# REKORD VAN BESLUIT (rondom Januarie 2015)

 Sirkuleer kennisgewing van rekord van besluit aan B&GP's (met ontvangs vanaf DMH en DENC)

# PARTYE BETROKKE BY DIE EVALUERINGSPROSES

#### **PROJEKVOORSTELLER**

• Kudumane Manganese Resources (Edms.) Bpk.

#### PROJEKSPAN:

- SLR
- Mynontwerp- en beplanningspan
- Spesialiskonsultante

#### B&GP's

- Omliggende grondeienaars/-gebruikers
- Omliggende gemeenskappe
- Omliggende nywerhede
- Nie-regeringsorganisasies en verenigings in die gebied

# REGULERINGSOWERHEDE

- Departement van Minerale Hulpbronne (DMH)
- Departement van Omgewingsake en Natuurbewaring (DENC)
- Departement van Waterwese (DW)
- Suid-Afrikaanse Erfenishulpbronagentskap (SAHRA)
- Departement van Grondsake (DG)
- Departement van Omgewingsake (DO)
- John Taolo Gaetsene Distriksmunisipaliteit
- Joe Morolong Plaaslike Munisipaliteit

# OMGEWINGSTOESTEMMINGS WAT BEKOM MOET WORD

- Omgewingsmagtiging (DENC)
- Mynreg en besluit oor OBP (DMH)
- Watergebruiklisensie (DW)
- Paleontologiese permit (SAHRA) (indien van toepassing)
- Afvallisensie (DO) (indien van toepassing)
- Permit vir die verwydering van beskermde plantspesies (DAFF) (indien van toepassing)

# Primêre omgewingstoestemmings wat vir die projek vereis word:

- OIE/OBP kommentaar en goedkeuring (ingevolge MPRDA & NEMA)
- Watergebruiklisensie (NWA)
- Afvallisensie (NEM: WA)
- Lugemissie-lisensie (NEM:AQA)

# POTENSIËLE OMGEWINGSVRAAGSTUKKE

Die lys hieronder is gegrond op vraagstukke wat normaalweg met projekte van hierdie aard gepaard gaan, asook vraagstukke wat deur verskeie B&GP's geopper is tydens vorige omgewingsevaluerings in die streek. Enige bykomende vraagstukke wat deur B&GP's geopper word tydens die voorgestelde bestekopnamefase, sal by die lys gevoeg word.

	POTENSIËLE VRAAGSTUKKE	VOORGESTELDE STUDIESPAN
GEOLOGIE	Verlies aan mineraalhulpbronne	Kudumane & SLR
GROND EN GRONDGEBRUIK	<ul><li>Verlies aan grondhulpbronne</li><li>Veranderinge aan grondvermoë</li></ul>	LNR - Instituut vir Grond, Klimaat & Water
BIODIVERSITEIT	<ul><li>Verlies aan habitat</li><li>Algemene versteuring van wilde diere</li></ul>	Ecological Management Servicese
LUGGEHALTE	Stof en lugemissies	SLR
OPPERVLAKWATER	<ul><li>Veranderinge aan dreineringspatrone</li><li>Oppervlakwaterbesoedeling</li></ul>	SLR
GRONDWATER	<ul><li>Verlaging van watertafel</li><li>Besoedeling van grondwater</li></ul>	SLR
SPRINGWERK	Impakte wat verband hou met grondvibrasies	SLR
VERKEER	<ul><li>Impakte op diensvlakke van paaie</li><li>Impakte op ander padgebruikers</li></ul>	Siyazi Gauteng
GERAAS	Algemene geraasbesoedeling	SLR
VISUEEL	Veranderinge aan die visuele landskap	SLR
ERFENIS	Verlies aan erfenishulpbronne	Professional Grave Solutions (Erfenis)
PALEONTOLOGIE	Verlies aan fossielbrandstowwe	GSPD Consulting
SOSIO- EKONOMIES	<ul> <li>Belegging in plaaslike en streeksekonomie</li> <li>Indiensnemingsgeleenthede en invloei van werksoekers</li> <li>Impak op die leefstyl en dienste van omliggende gemeenskappe</li> <li>Ontleding van grondgebruik</li> </ul>	Equispectives Research and Consulting Services en Strategy4Good

# KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (EDMS.) BPK. OMGEWINGSWERK WAT GEPAARD GAAN MET 'N OIE/OBP WYSIGING VIR BYKOMENDE BEPLANDE INFRASTRUKTUUR EN MYNGEBIEDE REGISTRASIE- EN ANTWOORDVORM VIR BELANGSTELLENDE EN GEAFFEKTEERDE PARTYE

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IDENTIFISEER ASSEBLIEF U BELANG IN DIE VOORGESTELDE PROJEK
SKRYF ASSEBLIEF U KOMMENTAAR EN VRAE HIER NEER

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# **Caitlin Hird**

From: Caitlin Pringle

**Sent:** 06 November 2013 01:33 PM

Cc: Suan Mulder

**Subject:** Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment: Public Scoping Meeting 26th Nov 2013

Attachments: Kudumane Public Scoping Meeting-IAPs invitation.pdf; Kudumane BID (English).pdf;

Kudumane BID (Afrikaans).pdf

Dear Sir/Madam

# **KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD**

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP) AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS AT KUDUMANE

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane) proposes to submit a new mining right application in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA), 28 of 2002 to include additional mining areas to its existing mining rights area. Kudumane will therefore submit a mining right application in term of Section 22 of the MPRDA. In this regard, Kudumane is proposing to amend its approved Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to incorporate the additional mining rights areas and to add additional infrastructure to its existing mining rights area.

As part of the environmental assessment process, you have been identified as a key stakeholder in the project's process who may be interested in hearing more about the proposed project and to provide input into the environmental assessment process.

In this regard kindly see attached meeting invitation for the Scoping Meeting which is to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> November as well as Background Information Document (BID) for the proposed project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the attached.

Kind Regards,

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# **Caitlin Hird**

**From:** Caitlin Pringle

**Sent:** 04 November 2013 01:31 PM

To: 'Marlaine Andersen'
Cc: Suan Mulder

**Subject:** RE: Kudumane Managese Mine : Hotazel

Attachments: Kudumane BID (English).pdf; Kudumane Public Scoping Meeting-IAPs invitation.pdf

# Good afternoon Marlaine,

Thank you for being in contact with me. I have added your details to our database and you will receive any project related correspondence which we send to IAPs going forward.

As requested, kindly find attached the BID for the proposed project as well as the meeting invitation for the public scoping meeting scheduled for the 26<sup>th</sup> November. I will be sending the BID and meeting invitation to all stakeholders on our database, however should you know of anyone in particular whom you feel should be included please do let me know.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss anything further.

#### **Thanks**

From: Marlaine Andersen [mailto:MarlaineA@L2B.co.za]

**Sent:** 04 November 2013 12:41 PM

**To:** Caitlin Pringle

**Subject:** Kudumane Managese Mine: Hotazel

# Dear Ms Pringle

I am just emailing you with regard to the above proposed mining project that is undergoing an EIA amendment. Please could you register me as an Interested Party and also if you have a Background Information Document, please could you email me a copy?

Many thanks Kind regards

Marlaine Andersen Senior Regional Content Researcher Private Projects Leads 2 Business (<u>www.L2B.co.za</u>)

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# **Caitlin Hird**

From: Caitlin Pringle

**Sent:** 11 November 2013 12:01 PM

**To:** 'Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)' **Cc:** Suan Mulder; 'Babra Mudzanapabwe'

**Subject:** RE: Hotazel

Attachments: Kudumane Public Scoping Meeting-IAPs invitation.pdf; Kudumane BID (English).pdf

#### Good afternoon Dineo

As promised, please find attached meeting invitation as well as background information document (BID).

Please don't hesitate to contact me should anything be unclear.

#### **Thanks**

From: Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset) [mailto:Dineo.Peta@bhpbilliton.com]

**Sent:** 11 November 2013 11:06 AM **To:** Caitlin Pringle; Babra Mudzanapabwe **Cc:** Suan Mulder; Sechaba Letaba; John Rutiri

Subject: RE: Hotazel

Morning Caitlin,

Thank you for that.

Kind regards



**Dineo Peta** 

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Sent: 11 November 2013 11:04 AM

To: Babra Mudzanapabwe; Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)

Cc: Suan Mulder; Sechaba Letaba; John Rutiri

Subject: RE: Hotazel

Good morning Dineo

I have added you to our database and will include you in further correspondence with IAPs going forward.

I will send you the formal meeting invitation later today.

**Thanks** 

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**From:** Babra Mudzanapabwe [mailto:Babra.Mudzanapabwe@kmr.co.za]

**Sent:** 11 November 2013 10:36 AM

To: Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)

Cc: Suan Mulder; Caitlin Pringle; Sechaba Letaba; John Rutiri

Subject: RE: Hotazel

Dear Dineo,

Please note that we are still in the process of the EIA. The EIA has not been concluded. We have our first public meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> November 2013. I have copied Suan Mulder & Caitilin Pringle to our communication, and they will ensure that you are invited to the Public Meeting.

In the mean-time, if there are any issues you would like to discuss now, please feel free to raise the issues so as to start the conversation.

# Suan, Caitlin,

Please ensure that Dineo Peta is added to our IAPs database and all correspondence be forwarded to them.

Thank you,

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From: Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset) [mailto:Dineo.Peta@bhpbilliton.com]

**Sent:** 11 November 2013 10:16 AM

To: Babra Mudzanapabwe

Cc: Netshipale, Mashudu (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)

Subject: RE: Hotazel

Morning Babra,

The correspondence below refers.

I note from Sechaba's email that he is expecting the EIA in March which means that the sections 10 and 22 consultations have already taken place. We were not invited to the consultation meeting and have a number of issues that we would like to raise and discuss with yourselves.

Please advise how we can go about addressing this.

I look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Kind regards



#### **Dineo Peta**

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Cc: Babra Mudzanapabwe; John Rutiri; Paschal Masha; Netshipale, Mashudu (BSA - Manganese SA Asset); Peta,

Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)

Subject: Re: Hotazel

Dear Ravi,

Thank you very much for this quick response. I will await their call

# Regards

Sent from Samsung Mobile

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From: "Moodley, Ravi (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)"

Date:08/11/2013 13:25 (GMT+02:00)

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Asset)", "Peta, Dineo (BSA - Manganese SA Asset)"

Subject: RE: Hotazel

#### Hi Sechaba

We have also had a change in portfolios. David has left Manganese to run with a CEO role in a state owned mining company. He's done very well and we are very proud of him. Mashudu has recently joined us and has assumed David's portfolio. He is supported by Dineo Peta, our lawyer on land rights. Both of my colleagues are copied in this email. Mashudu is the Head of Resource Planning and Development and will contact you as soon as possible regarding these matters.

Take care, see you soon

Ravi

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Subject: Hotazel

Dear Ravi,

Schalk started discussions some time back with you over the purchase of potion of Hotazel farm. I mentioned this the last time and you were going to follow up. I should get the EIA by March 2014 and mining should start later around September in the same year.

I do appreciate your busy schedule because mine is the same. Is there perhaps someone you can assign this task to and I will connect them to my people this side so that they can run with this. Since Schalk has left, we have since appointed a new General Manager by the name of John Rutiri. The person in my office who deals with all licenses and agreements is Babra Mudzanapabwe though copied in this email.

Attached please find remainder of portion 280 of farm Hotazel within parameters ABCD which we would like to purchase from your organisation.

# Regards

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# **Caitlin Hird**

From: Caitlin Pringle

**Sent:** 06 November 2013 01:48 PM

Cc: Suan Mulder

**Subject:** Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment: Regulatory Authorities Scoping Meeting: 26th

November 2013

**Attachments:** Kudumane Authorities Scoping Meeting Invitation.pdf; Kudumane BID (English).pdf;

Kudumane BID (Afrikaans).pdf

**Dear Regulatory Authority** 

### **KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD**

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP) AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS AT KUDUMANE

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the attached.

Kind Regards,

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### **Caitlin Hird**

From: Caitlin Pringle

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November 2013

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Dear Dawn and Ester

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#### **KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES**

#### MINUTES OF SCOPING MEETING FOR IAPS

DATE	15h30, 26 November 2013		
VENUE:	Hotazel Recreation Centre		
PROJECT:	Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment		
SLR COMPANY:	SLR Consulting (Africa)		
PROJECT NUMBER:	710.14003.00006		
PURPOSE:	The purpose of the meeting was to:		
	introduce the proposed project;		
	<ul> <li>understand the environmental process being followed;</li> </ul>		
	raise and record environmental issues; and		
	<ul> <li>discuss possible environmental specialist investigations to be conducted for the EIA/EMP.</li> </ul>		
ATTENDANCE:	An attendance register is presented in APPENDIX 1.		

#### 1. OPEN AND INTRODUCTION

Caitlin Pringle (CP) from SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR) opened the meeting and welcomed delegates. Also present from SLR was Suan Mulder (SM). Present from Kudumane was Tshifhiwa Nemakhavhani. CP explained that the presentation would be given in English but concerns and issues could be raised in both English and Afrikaans and would be responded to in Afrikaans if required. CP explained that the BID had been updated since the first round of distribution and all IAPs were provided with a copy of the revised BID as well as the meeting presentation.

#### 2. APOLOGIES

None. It should be noted that no authorities attended the authorities meeting which was held at 12h00 on this day. In this regard only meeting minutes of the **public** scoping have been recorded.

#### 3. PRESENTATION

Using a Powerpoint presentation, CP detailed the proposed project and the environmental assessment process that is currently underway for the Kudumane Mine EIA/EMP Amendment. A copy of the presentation is attached in APPENDIX 2.

#### 4. DISCUSSION

A number of issues were raised by IAPs, in particular Mr Eben Anthonissen and Mr Gert Theart during the meeting. BHP Billiton also submitted comments by email prior to the meeting and Mr Thabo Manne who attended the meeting as representative of BHP Billiton, referred to the letter in his comments. For this reason, the contents of the letter from BHP Billiton have been recorded as part of the meeting's proceedings. All issues raised have been recorded in the table attached as APPENDIX 3. Where a response was provided the response has been included in the table.

#### 5. THE WAY FORWARD

CP outlined the way forward as follows:

- Distribute scoping report (approximately February 2014)
- Regulatory authority and public review (40 days)
- Specialist EIA investigations
- Distribute EIA and EMP report
- EIA/EMP feedback meetings
- Distribute notifications of decisions

#### **EIA Process Logistics:**

Distribution of summaries, newsletters, notice of decision:

• By post and/or e-mail to registered IAPs (English and Afrikaans); and

Distribution of complete reports

- Joe Morolong Local Municipality;
- John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality;
- Hotazel Public Library;
- Kathu Public Library;
- SLR's offices in Johannesburg; and
- Electronically on a CD, made available to IAPs on request.

Registered IAPs will receive invitations to meetings, summary documents, newsletters and records of decision via post and/or email. Complete reports will be placed at the locations located above.

#### 6. CLOSE

The meeting was closed by CP.

## APPENDIX 1: ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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## APPENDIX 2: PRESENTATION

## APPENDIX 3: RECORD OF ISSUES RAISED AND RESPONSES GIVEN

ISSUE RAISED	NAME	RESPONSE GIVEN
Technical/project related issues		
Given the close proximity between the Hotazel town and residential area, and the area over which Kudumane is applying for a mining right, a number of environmental concerns and impacts arise. In particular, there is noise, dust, and air pollution and further possible groundwater contamination. We require that these issues receive specific attention as it relates to the impacts on the Hotazel town.	Dineo Peta, comments on behalf of BHP Billiton, received by email on 26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2013 and discussed during scoping meeting (raised by Mr Manne during the meeting)	At this stage it is not expected that the Kudumane mine will encroach further towards the town of Hotazel in a manner that should exacerbate the existing impacts to noise, air and groundwater pollution. Kudumane will continue to use the existing road close to Hotazel for access to the mine. Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
The issue of domestic waste and litter, in particular along the Kudumane access roads, should also be brought to the mine's attention. The contractor's vehicles do not stick to the prescribed roads and routes and in addition to this they are not adequately maintained. Waste removal services are particularly bad. Kudumane must ensure that its contractors stick to prescribed roads and routes and should discuss with contractors that their vehicles should be adequately maintained.  The R3340 (Witleegde Road) is of concern to me. The sewage removal trucks dump sewage on the side of the road on several occasions. Can the mine provide some sort of guarantee that the contractors will only use formal routes and roads? Can the mine inspect/maintain the state of the roadsides to make sure that this is not a perpetual problem?  I would like to suggest that a mining forum is established where	Eben Anthonissen  Gert Theart	Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
mines and farmers can engage on a regular basis.	Con mount	
Groundwater and surface water issues		
I am concerned about the groundwater on the western boundary	Gert Theart	Your concern regarding the Kathu Grysland has been noted. The

ISSUE RAISED	NAME	RESPONSE GIVEN
of Telele. There is an underground lake called the Kathu Grysland which flows from the Ga-Mogara. If Kudumane is proposing underground mining close to this water resource, the mine will be flooded and the water resource will be lost.		groundwater specialist team will be notified of this and this will be addressed further in the EIA/EMP phase.
I am concerned about the cumulative impact of yet another mine undertaking dewatering. What will Kudumane's contribution be and how will it continue to be monitored?  What will happen to the water after it has been dewatered?	Eben Anthonissen	Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
What will happen to the treated effluent from the sewage treatment plant?		It is expected that this treated effluent water will be used on the mine for activities such as dust suppression. It will not be discharged.
The Sedibeng pipeline is already at capacity? There are studies underway for a new pipeline but where will Kudumane get water from in the interim?		Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
There is water underneath the red clay layer underground. I am concerned that the underground mining and opencast operations will draw water from the Kathu Grysland water reserve. There will be no way of replenishing this.	Gert Theart	
I am concerned about the cumulative impact that mining will have on a regional scale. Will the Kalahari dyke be depleted?	Eben Anthonissen	
Will Kudumane drill monitoring boreholes? If so we would like to receive the monitoring data/reports of these boreholes from Kudumane.	Gert Theart	Kudumane will drill monitoring boreholes and is in the process for making arrangements for such. Reports/monitoring data will be made available to IAPs upon request.
Blasting issues		
When the mines blast, dust settles on the Ga-Mogara and it is almost unrecognisable. How is Kudumane going to make sure that there is no blasting damage? For example if a reservoir is damaged from blasting how is it possible to hold a particular mine accountable when there are so many mines blasting? Will blasting be monitored and will a seismograph be installed? We would also like to be notified of the mine's blasting schedule.	Eben Anthonissen	IAPs will be provided with a blast schedule upon request. A seismograph will also be installed.
Socio-economic issues		
There are fire protection unions which have been started and	Eben Anthonissen	Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further

ISSUE RAISED	NAME	RESPONSE GIVEN
comprise various farmers associations. Farmers contribute in terms of labour and capital and fire-fighting equipment. We would like the mines to do the same. This includes the maintenance of fire breaks. It would be good to have a formal agreement with the mines, including Kudumane, in this regard. There is potential fire hazard associated with job seekers making fires on the side of the roads. Mines need to take responsibility for this even though they are the indirect reasons for these fires. How will Kudumane mitigate these risks?		addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
There is a continuous influx of people looking for work. Can Kudumane ensure the general public of their safety? How will this be done? There have been several incidents relating to security, this includes poaching.  Heritage issues	Eben Anthonissen	Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.
Along the R3440 there is an old grave close to the existing mine entrance (approximately 500 m on the left hand side). It seems that the grave has already been damaged.	Eben Anthonissen	TN will be in contact with Mr Anthonissen so that the grave can be identified by the mine.
The farm Hotazel 280 incorporates the town of Hotazel. Hotazel Manganese Mines (Pty) Ltd ("HMM") is the landowner of the farm and further owns the majority of the property in town. Our concern pertaining to the proposed mining activity is that it is situated on the farm where current and proposed residential properties exist: In this regard, the following should be noted:  • Hozazel is a formally proclaimed town of the Joe Morolong Local Municipality. The current population of Hotazel is conservatively over 2500 people, and it contains, among other infrastructure, two schools, a library, and sporting facilities.  • Detailed studies have been conducted by HMM relating to the development of this land for residential and commercial purposes. The process of residential	Dineo Peta, comments on behalf of BHP Billiton, received by email on 26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2013 and discussed during scoping meeting (raised by Mr Manne during the meeting)	Your concerns in this regard have been noted and will be further addressed in the EIA/EMP Phase.

ISSUE RAISED	NAME	RESPONSE GIVEN
development is currently underway in Hotazel, phase 1 was constructed between 2010 and 2012 and the development of phase 2 is currently in the process of planning. The conceptual design of phases 3 and 4 have been completed. These phases are necessary in order to ensure that the town of Hotazel expands in order to cater for housing requirements of employees from a number of mines in the area, as well as the further sustainable development and growth of the region. The town of Hotazel has been identified by government as a local node.  It is understood that mining activities will be on the west boundary of the farm Hotazel 280. A large section to the west of the R380 has already been proclaimed as part of the town commonage of Hotazel, as well as having an EIA conducted thereon for future township development. The EIA was completed and approved in 2010. Phase 3 and 4 of the Hotazel town development occur up to this farm boundary.  • HMM is further the owner of the property where the Hotazel airstrip is located and utilises this facility to fly in and out, employees and service providers on an almost daily basis. The proposed mining activities could also have a potential impact thereon.  In light of the above, the proposed activities will have an impact	NAME	RESPONSE GIVEN
on the further development of the township. Given these circumstances, we require further engagement so as to meet a		
mutually acceptable agreement in terms of how the mining activities and the township can proceed without interference to these respective priorities.		



Project: Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment Project

SLR Company: SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

Date: 26 November 2013

Meeting: Hotazel Recreational Club - General Scoping Meeting

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Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed additional infrastructure and mining areas at Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane)

**Scoping Meeting** 

# **Agenda**

- Welcome and opening
- Overview of the proposed project
- Environmental process overview
- Overview of the existing status of the environment
- General discussion
- Close



# Meeting protocol

- Please switch cell phones off or onto a silent setting
- There will be a dedicated question and answer session
- Before asking a question, please raise your hand and state your name clearly so that we may correctly record it in the minutes
- This is a Scoping Meeting, and therefore the emphasis is on recording the questions and comments correctly, so that they may be addressed in the Scoping Report or Environmental Impact Assessment. We do not have all the answers at this stage.



# Overview of proposed project

- Kudumane currently operates the developing Kudumane Mine located on the farm York A 279, approximately 3 km from Hotazel
- Kudumane currently holds a mining right (NC 30/5/1/2/2/268 MR) from the DMR which covers RE and Portion 1 of the Farm Telele 312 and the RE and Portion 2 of the Farm York A 279
- Kudumane currently operates under a DENC approved EIA/EMP NC/KGA/JTG/HOT-KUR1/16/2009 and DMR approved Prospecting Right NC 30/5/1/1/2/034 PR.
- Kudumane is proposing to amend its approved EIA/EMP and submit a new mining right application to add additional mining areas to what has already been approved and to cater for additional planned infrastructure.
- The following is proposed:

## **Existing Mining Rights Area**

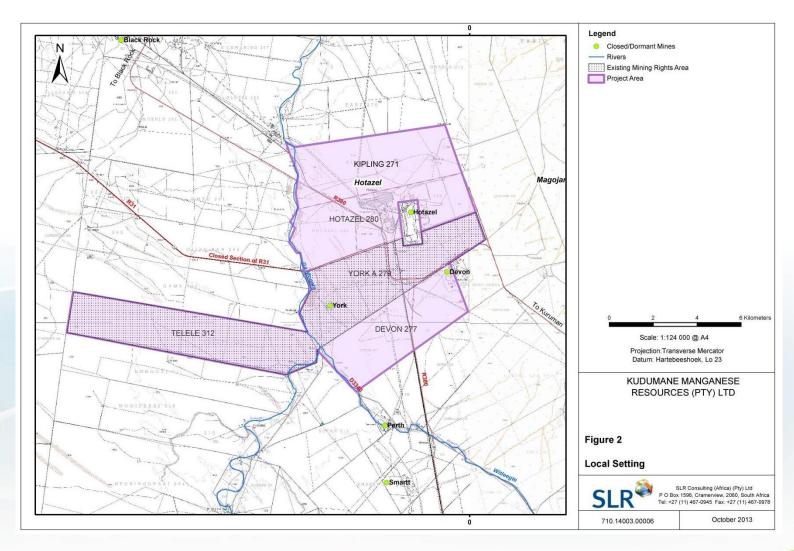
- Telele 312: Changes to surface infrastructure associated with underground mining
- York A 279: Additional infrastructure (sewage treatment plants, waste management complex etc.)

## **Additional Mining Rights Area**

- Hotazel 280 and Kipling 271: New opencast pit and associated infrastructure
- Devon 277: Tailings Storage Facility (TSF)



# Local setting of proposed project





# **Environmental Process (1)**

## What?

- Assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed project on the environment
- Environment definition (water, soils, air etc.)
- Implementing appropriate management measures

# Why?

- Legal requirement
- It is the right thing to do



# **Environmental Process (2)**

## How?

- Scoping phase
  - Identification and participation of IAPs (landowners, adjacent landowners, land users, NGO etc..)
  - Identification of potential impacts
  - Sets out potential impacts to be assessed further and how these investigations will be done
  - Compilation of scoping report
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Programme (EMP) phase
  - Assessment of impacts of the proposed project on the environment
  - Identification of management measures
  - Compile EIA and EMP report



# **Environmental Process (3)**

## Permissions to be obtained:

- Environmental authorisation (DENC)
- Decision on Mining Right Application & EMP Amendment (DMR)
- Water use licence for new water uses (DWA)
- Waste licence for the expansion of the sewage plant (DEA)
- Air Emissions License for the expansion of the diesel storage facility (DENC)

## Local authorities

- Joe Morolong Local Municipality
- John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality



- Geology: Kudumane Mine is located in the Kalahari Basin which is a manganese hotazel iron formation.
- <u>Climate</u>: Northern Steppe Climatic Zone. Semi arid regions characterised by seasonal rainfall (386mm to 455mm) generally in form of thunderstorms. In general winds blow from the north and northeast.
- <u>Topography</u>: The mine is located in a relatively flat area with a gentle slope towards the west. The average elevation on site is 1040 metres above mean sea level (mamsl).
- Soils and land capability: Soils types are homogeneous in terms of texture, structure, and soil depth and consist of deep (>1.2m) sandy, red and yellow soils of the Hutton and Clovelly forms. Soils at the mine have a low cultivation potential due to the high infiltration rates associated with sandy soils.

- <u>Land use</u>: Land uses surrounding the mine include a combination of livestock grazing, game farming, mining, railway and sparsely situated residences.
- Animal life: Several bird and mammal species are likely to occur on site. These include, the Northern Black Korhaan, the Longbilled lark, the Grey hornbill, Chat Flycatcher, Steenbok, Duiker, Suricate, White-tailed Mongoose, Molerat, and ground squirrels. It should be noted that the animal life population in general has been disturbed due to the existing mining activities and pre-mining activities such as farming and prospecting.



- <u>Plant life</u>: The Kudumane Mine falls within the Kathu Bushveld and consists of three habitat/vegetation types. These habitat/vegetation types include the *Acacia haematoxylon Savannah*, Mixed *Acacia* Savannah and Grewia Flava Scrub.
- <u>Surface water</u>: The site is located in the Orange River Basin, in quaternary catchment D41K. The project area is located downstream of a large catchment area (approximately 8000 km²) which feeds the Ga-Mogara river. No perennial drainage lines are located within or near the project area. The ephemeral Ga-Mogara River as well as one of its tributaries, the ephemeral Witleegde River, are located along the western boundary of the opencast mining area, south of the project footprint. Due to the large catchment area of the Ga-Mogara River, when the river is in flood, flows can become considerable.

- Groundwater: Two aquifers are present beneath the mine, namely a shallow aquifer comprising Kalahari sands and calcrete and a deeper fractured aquifer comprising Dwyka clay and Mooidraai dolomite formation. The average ground water level at the mine ranges from 19 m to 47m below ground level. Groundwater flows mimic the topography of the area.
- <u>Air quality</u>: Apart from the current Kudumane Mine activities, various activities in the area have potential to contribute to the emission of pollutants. These pollutants include: fugitive dust from veld fires, wind erosion from open areas, dust generated by dirt road travelling, agricultural activities, vehicle tailpipe emissions, emissions from neighbouring mines, household fuel combustion, and rail-related fuel combustion.



- <u>Noise:</u> The greater area is generally defined by rural features and is not subjected to elevated noise levels. Existing noise in the project area is mainly caused by surrounding farming activities, localised traffic, train movements, and mining operations.
- <u>Visual:</u> The Kudumane Mine is located within the flat open plains of the Kalahari. The site is rural in nature as it is sparsely populated with farmhouses scattered throughout the area. The existing mining operations (on site and adjacent to the site) and construction activities have somewhat already affected the sense of place and natural visual character of the area.
- Heritage/cultural & paleontological resources: No significant heritage resources or cultural materials have been found to occur at the Kudumane Mine.



Socio-economic: Farm houses and farm worker residences are the closest settlements to the mine and are located within a 3km radius. There is a high level of unemployment with a dependency on subsistence agriculture, the public sector, seasonal workers and employment in the mining sector. Water provision and sanitation remains a challenge, mostly in the rural areas.



# Anticipated environmental aspects associated with the proposed project

- Loss and sterilisation of mineral resources (associated with the open pit, TSF and other infrastructure)
- Hazardous excavations and infrastructure
- Soil and land capability
- Biodiversity (Loss of Fauna and Flora)
- Surface water (Alternation of drainage patterns and pollution of surface water resources)
- Groundwater (Contamination of groundwater)
- Air (Contribute additional air pollution)
- Visual
- Heritage
- Land use
- Socio-economic (Positive and negative socio-economic impacts)



# **Questions, Comments and Queries**



# Way forward

Scoping Report public and authority review (February 2014)

- Summary (English/ Afrikaans): by post and e-mail
- Scoping report (English): at public venues
- Suggested venues:
  - Joe Morolong Local Municipality
  - John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality
  - Hotazel Public Library
  - Kathu Public Library
- Regulatory authorities and IAPs: 40 days to submit comments

Conduct specialist investigations and complete EIA

Stakeholder feedback meetings in EIA Phase and opportunity to review EIA/EMP report



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NORTHERN CAPE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURE CONSERVATION

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**ATTENTION: MR MARVIN MATTHEWS** 

# ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS AT KUDUMANE

Dear Marvin

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In a fax dated 15 April 2013, which SLR received from you, the applicant was provided with the DENC reference number given above.

Prior to the amendment to the listed NEM:WA activities as published in GN No, R.912 of 29 November 2013, a Waste License Application was to be submitted in order to cover the proposed waste activities which would be triggered on site. It should be noted that **no** waste licence application has been submitted to date. The amendment of the listed NEM:WA however, implies that some of the activities previously requiring a waste licence application, are no longer regarded as listed activities and as such need to be incorporated into the DENC application for environmental authorisation.





Details regarding the applicability of the waste activities, excluded from the DENC application dated 10 April 2013, as it was anticipated that a waste licence application would have been submitted to the DEA, , are outlined in the Table 1 below:

TABLE 1: NEMWA ACTIVITIES IN TERMS OF GN R 718, 3 JULY 2009: NOW TO BE INCLUDED IN DENC APPLICATION OF APRIL 2013

INDICATE THE NO. & DATE OF THE RELEVANT NOTICE:	ACTIVITY NU THE WAS ACTIVITY LIS		APPLICABLE LISTED ACTIVITY	AUTHORISATION REQUIRED
GN32368, 3 July 2009	Category A (2)	The storage including the temporary storage of hazardous waste at a facility that has the capacity to store in excess of 35 m³ of hazardous waste at any one time, excluding the storage of hazardous waste in lagoons.	This activity is longer regarded a listed activity in terms of category A or B of the GN No, R.912 of 29 November 2013. A waste licence in this regard is therefore no longer required.	None
GN32368, 3 July 2009	Category A (11)	The treatment of effluent, wastewater or sewage with an annual throughput capacity of more than 2 000 cubic metres but less than 15,000 cubic metres.	This activity is longer regarded a listed activity in terms of GN No, R.912 of 29 November 2013 Sewage treatment facilities now form part of the listed activities under NEMA as amended on the 29 <sup>th</sup> of November. 2013.	NEMA (Activity 55A in terms of R922, November 2014)
			Kudumane is proposing to construct three sewage treatment plants. The total throughput of the sewage plants will therefore be 7600m <sup>3</sup> annually.	
GN32368, 3 July 2009	Category A (18)	The waste management area and sewage treatment plants will be constructed.	The construction of facilities for activities listed in Category A of this schedule (not in isolation to associated activity)	None
			No category A activity will be constructed in terms of the updated 2013 NEM:WA regulations.	
GN32368, 3 July 2009	Category B (5)	The treatment of hazardous waste using any form of treatment regardless of the size or	The treatment of hazardous waste using any form of treatment regardless of the size or capacity of such a	None

		capacity of such a facility to treat waste.	facility to treat waste.  Kudumane will undertake bio-remediation activities to treat oil contaminated soils. The new NEM:WA regulations introduced a trigger limit of 1 ton/day. Kudumane will treat less than 1 ton/day.	
GN32368, 3 July 2009	Category B (11)	The construction of facilities for activities listed in Category B of this Schedule (not in isolation to associated activity).	No category B activity will be constructed in terms of the updated 2013 NEM:WA regulations.	None

The activities listed above which require an authorisation in terms of NEMA were not included in the April 2013 application.

Based on the information provided in this letter, including Table 1, we request that you review the application which was submitted to your Department in April 2013 in respect of the listed activities in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA), specifically the inclusion of activity 55A in terms of R922, November 2013 As mentioned, the Scoping and EIA/EMP Amendment process will no longer be run in accordance with NEM:WA and as such will not be submitted to the DEA.

We look forward to your response. Should you have any queries in this regard, please feel free to contact us at any time.

Kind regards

Caitlin Pringle Suan Mulder

For SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

CC: Mrs Babra Mudzanaphabwe (Kudumane Manganese Mine)Ms Tshifhiwa Nemakhakhani (Kudumane Manganese Mine)

#### **Caitlin Hird**

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Good morning Leona

I trust you are well and had a good and restful holiday.

Could you kindly confirm whether your department received the attached letter on 29<sup>th</sup> January.

I also tried to fax it to 053 831 3530 but it was unsuccessful. Could you please advise as to whether there is an alternative fax number I should try?

Many thanks

#### **Caitlin Hird**

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries.

Kind Regards,

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14 March 2013

Department of Water Affairs: Northern Cape 28 Central Road Beaconsfield Kimberley 8301

ATTENTION: ALEXIA HLENGHANI

Dear Alexia

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Unfortunately we have been unable to get hold of you telephonically to confirm the receipt of these

documents.

3. CONCLUSION

Based on our discussions of 15 October 2013, the following issues still need to be addressed towards

finalising the Water Use Licence application in preparation for review by the Pretoria office:

Sedibeng contract or commitment from Kudumane that the Sedibeng contract will be renewed to

incorporate a long term agreement.

Written commitment of where the sludge from the Lilliput system will go after the 2 or 3 year period

(e.g. agreement from municipality for waste disposal).

Groundwater assessment.

We also eagerly await feedback from your department regarding the status of the Bulk Sample water use

application, DWA reference number- 27/2/2/D/1041/111/1, which is being addressed as part of the Letsema

process in Pretoria.

More detail with regards to status of each of these issues is provided in Table 1, which is attached as

appendix A to this letter. Please confirm whether you are in agreement with the outstanding information as

listed in Table 1. Could you also please be so kind to provide us with a brief outline of the application process

going forward?

Should you have any additional information requirements or would like to discuss any aspect of these two

water use licence application, please contact either Caitlin Pringle or myself at the SLR Offices at the contact

details provided.

Yours faithfully

Suan Mulder

Project Manager

Caitlin Pringle

Project Manager

## APPENDIX A:

The following table briefly outlines the outstanding actions on the issues identified during our meeting on the 15th of October 2013.

TABLE 1: OUTSTANDING ISSUES PERTAINING TO THE WATER LISE LICENCE FOR KILDIMANIE

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INFORMATION REQUIRED AND STATUS	Progress	EXPECTED TIME OF COMPLETION
BULK SAMPLE WATER USE LICENCE (DWA	BULK SAMPLE WATER USE LICENCE (DWA REFERENCE NUMBER- 27/2/2/D/1041/11/1)	
Status regarding the Bulk Sample water use application, DWA reference number-27/2/2/D/1041/111/1, which is being addressed as part of the Letsema process in Pretoria.	Department of Water Affairs to indicate	
MINING OPERATIONS WATER USE LICENCE (	Mining Operations Water Use Licence (DWA reference number – 16/2/7/D4110/C4/1)	
Copy of mining authorisation, including letters of approval of EMP and SLP.	Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane) submitted a mining right application to the Department of Mineral Resources for the remainder extent and portion 1 of the farm Telele 312 and the remainder extent and portion 2 of the farm York 276 which was accepted the DMR on the 25 <sup>th</sup> of May 2010 (DMR reference number: (NC) 30/6/1/2/2/268 MR). In support of the mining rights application, Kudumane submitted the relevant documentation including the Social and Labour Plan and the Environmental Impact Assessment and Management Report (EIA/EMP Report).	Upon notarial execution of the mining right. Awaiting feedback from the Department of Mineral Resources.
	The EIA/EMP Report was submitted to the DMR on the 23 <sup>rd</sup> of September 2010. This report was also submitted to Department of Environment and Nature Conservation (DENC). The reference number of this application is NC/KGA/JTG/HOT-KUR/16/2009 which issued a positive record of decision on the 13 <sup>th</sup> of June 2011.	
	The mining right has not yet been finalised. Only once the mining right is notarially executed, letter authorisation the SLP and EMP will be issued. Kudumane has recently requested a status report from the DMR with regards to the mining right application.	
Sedibeng contract or commitment from Kudumane that the Sedibeng contract will be renewed to incorporate a long term agreement.	Kudumane has a draft contract in place. A long term contractual agreement can only be negotiated once a mining right has been issued by the Department of Mineral Resources.	Upon finalisation of mining right.
Written commitment of where the sludge from the Lilliput system will go after the 2 or 3 year	SLR, on behalf of Kudumane will be initiating a formal negotiation process with the relevant local authority.	Mid April 2013.

period (e.g. agreement from municipality for		
waste disposal).		
Groundwater assessment	SLR was appointed to undertake the groundwater study. Additional drilling   End May 2013.	End May 2013.
	work, which is required to inform the groundwater model will commence	
	towards the end of March 2013. Once the drilling work has been completed, it	
	will take another 2 months to complete the study.	

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Further to the written communication from SLR on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March 2013 and the telephonic conversation with SLR's Ms Caitlin Pringle last week, I would like to provide you with a brief update regarding the outstanding additional issues in support of the Water Use Licence Application for the mining operations.

In on our letter to the DWA, dated the 25<sup>th</sup> March 2013, SLR indicated that the following issues still need to be addressed towards finalising the Water Use Licence application in preparation for review by the Pretoria office:

- Sedibeng contract or commitment from Kudumane that the Sedibeng contract will be renewed to incorporate a long term agreement.
- A written agreement for the disposal of the sludge from the Lilliput system.
- Copies of the mining authorisation, approved Environmental Management Programme (EMP) and Social and Labour Plan (SLP).
- Groundwater assessment.

#### 2. STATUS UPDATE REGARDING OUTSTANDING ISSUES

#### 2.1. SEDIBENG CONTRACT

A contractual agreement between Sedibeng Water and Kudumane for the supply of bulk water was finalised on the 25th of April 2013. A copy of this agreement is attached as Appendix A to this letter.

#### 2.2. DISPOSAL OF THE SLUDGE

Kudumane is in the process of engaging with a local service provider for the collection and safe disposal of the sewage sludge which will be generated from the Lilliput system. Once this agreement is concluded, a copy will be submitted to the DWA.

#### 2.3. MINING AUTHORISATION, EMP AND SLP

The mining right for the remainder extent and portion 1 of the farm Telele 312 and the remainder extent and portion 2 of the farm York 276 (DMR reference number: (NC) 30/6/1/2/2/268 MR) was recently granted to Kudumane by the Department of Mineral Resources on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2013. The letter from the DMR granting the mining right is attached as Appendix B.

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Kudumane, together with the DMR, is in the process of arranging for the notarial execution of the mining right. On the date of the execution, the EMP and SLP documents will also be signed off. SLR will submit

copies of these documents to the DWA shortly after the execution date.

2.4. GROUNDWATER ASSESSMENT

Kudumane has appointed SLR Consulting (South Africa) to undertake a detailed groundwater assessment, which will include the drilling of additional geohydrological boreholes to assess shallow and deep aquifers in the project area. A copy of the action plan is included as Appendix C. The hydrocensus study will commence during the week of the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2013. Once the study has been concluded, a final report will be submitted

to the Department.

3. CONCLUSION

Your assistance in this regard is highly appreciated. Should you have any additional information requirements or would like to discuss any aspect of the water use licence applications, please contact either Caitlin Pringle or myself at the SLR Offices at the contact details provided.

Yours faithfully

Suan Mulder

Project Manager

Caitlin Pringle

**Project Assistant** 

APPENDIX A: SEDIBENG WATER CONTRACT



#### **AGREEMENT**

#### ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN

SEDIBENG WATER

herein represented by

#### REMBULUWANI TRADEWIN TAKALANI

in his capacity as

#### **ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

and

KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (Registration number: 2008/025568/07) herein represented by

DR. SCHALK WILLEM VAN DER MERWE

in his capacity as

#### MINE MANAGER

duly authorised by resolution of the mine (hereinafter referred to as "the Consumer")

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WHEREAS Sedibeng Water and the Consumer ("the Parties") recognise that the Consumer has the authority to extract and use water; and

WHEREAS the Parties are desirous of working towards the object of Sedibeng Water providing water supply services to the Consumer in an efficient, equitable and sustainable manner; and

WHEREAS Sedibeng Water has the capacity to provide bulk water supply services to the Consumer and is willing to provide such services to the Consumer; and

WHEREAS the Consumer is willing to purchase water supply services from Sedibeng Water.

NOW THEREFORE the Parties agree as follows:

#### 1. Definitions

"the Act" means the Water Services Act, 1997 (Act No. 108 of 1997);

"bulk water supply service" means the extraction, conveyance, treatment or supply of potable water, or of water intended to be converted to potable water, to identified points for onward distribution or sale by the Consumer to its consumers;

"Sedibeng Water" means Sedibeng Water Board and includes its delegated or authorised employees, agents and assigns.

"Consumer" means KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (Registration number: 2008/025568/07) and includes its delegated or authorised employees, agents and assigns.

#### 2. DURATION OF THE AGREEMENT

This agreement will come into full force and effect on 1 September 2012 ("the effective date"), irrespective of the date of signaturehereof, and shall continue for a period of 3 (three) years ("the Initial Period") whereafter the Consumer shall be entitled to renew this agreement on the same terms and conditions as herein contained, for further periods of 1 (one) year each ("the Renewal Periods") on 1 (one) months' notice furnished prior to the expiry of the Initial Peroid, or prior to the expiry of any Renewal Period, in the event that this agreement is renewed.

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#### 3. THE SCOPE OF THE AGREEMENT

The bulk water supply services will consist of the supply of potable bulk water by Sedibeng Water from the VAAL GAMAGARA Water Supply Scheme, to the Consumer at the take-off points as indicated in Annexure "A", subject to the provisions of this agreement.

#### 4. QUANTITY OF SUPPLY.

The Consumer shall under normal conditions purchase a minimum quantity of water per month, as set out in Annexure "B", at the applicable tariff stipulated in Annexure "C".

- 4.1.1 The minimum quantity of water to be purchased by the Consumer will be reviewed two months before the end of June each year (which is tge Sedibeng Water financial year end) and amended or adjusted if necessary by agreement between the parties. The annual review will take into consideration the basic water supply conditions as may be prescribed by the Minister of Water and Environmental Affairs from time to time.
- 4.1.2 The quality of the water supplied to the Consumer shall at all times comply with all applicable laws and regulatory provisions.

#### 5. WATER METERS

- 5.1 Sedibeng Water shall maintain an appropriate water meter at each point of supply. The Consumer shall have the right to install and maintain a second water meter at its own cost to verify the Sedibeng Water meter readings.
- 5.2 The type, size and capacity of the Sedibeng Water meters will be appropriate for the pipe size and flow at the relevant point of supply so as to ensure accurate readings.
- 5.3 Sedibeng Water will timeously advise the Consumer of the date on which the meters will be read each month and the Consumer will have the right to arrange for its representative to accompany the Sedibeng Water's meter reader so that each reading may be verified.
- 5.4 Sedibeng Water will conduct a functionality check of all meters at least once a month.
- If a meter is found to be registering incorrectly, Sedibeng Water will install a water meter in good working order accompanied by a Calibration Certificate, without charge to the Consumer, within 7 (seven) days of the meter having been found to be registering incorrectly.

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- Unless it can be proved that a lesser or greater quantity of water has been 5.6 consumed, the quantity of water to be paid for by the Consumer from the date of the previous reading of the meter prior to the date of discovery that the meter is failing to register correctly, up to the time of its repair or replacement, shall be reasonably determined on the basis of -
- 5.6.1 the average monthly quantity of water supplied during the 3 (three) months prior to the last correct registration; or, if this is not possible
- 5.6.2 the average monthly quantity of water supplied over a period of 3 (three) months after repair or replacement of the meter.
- In the case of a second meter being installed, that reading will be used for 5.7 the determination of consumption.

#### 6. TARIFFS

Payment of water by the Consumer will be in terms of the tariff as set out in Annexure "C" and shall be levied monthly for the water actually supplied in the previous month. The tariff will be revised and adjusted by Sedibeng Water in accordance with the provisions of the MFMA (No. 56 of 2003). effective from July each year.

#### 7 PAYMENT

- Sedibeng Water, shall on or before the last business day of each calendar month, as from the effective date, furnish the Consumer with a written invoice indicating at least:
- 7.1.1 the period for which the invoice is rendered;
- 7.1.2 the quantity of water supplied during the period;
- 7.1.3 the total amount payable.
- The Consumer shall pay the amount due by not later than 30 (thirty) days 7.2 after the date of receipt by the Consumer of such invoice.

#### 8. REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE, INTERRUPTION AND SUSPENSIONS

In the event of repairs, whether routine or emergency, every reasonable 8.1 effort shall be made by Sedibeng Water to advise a senior official of the Consumer by telephone or email of the intended repairs and the extent of the likely impact on the supply of water. OF W

- 8.2 In the event of general or routine maintenance, Sedibeng Water will give the Consumer at least 7 (seven) days' written notice regarding any part of the service which will be interrupted.
- 8.3 Should emergency conditions, of whatever nature and however arising, mean that Sedibeng Water cannot supply at least the minimum quantity and quality of water required, then the Parties will meet as soon as reasonably possible to agree on emergency measures to be taken.
- 8.4 During the period that the emergency conditions exist, the obligation of Sedibeng Water to supply the minimum quantity of water and the obligation of the Consumer to purchase the minimum quantity of water, will be suspended.

#### 9. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 9.1 Any dispute or claim, which cannot be settled between the parties, will be referred to arbitration whereby a single arbitrator is to be mutually agreed upon, or failing agreement to be nominated by the Association of Arbitrators.
- 9.2 The arbitration shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Arbitration Act of 1965 as amended and shall be conducted in accordance with such procedures as may be agreed between the Parties, or failing agreement, in accordance with the Rules for the Conduct of Arbitrators published by the Association of Arbitrators.
- 9.3 This clause is provides the mechanisms and procedures to settle any dispute prior to approaching a court to resolve the dispute as required in Section 41(3) of the Constitution of South Africa, 1996 as amended.
- 9.4 The cost of arbitration will follow the decision.

#### 10. BREACH

If at any time either party commits a breach of any of the terms and conditions of this agreement and fails to remedy such breach within 14 (fourteen) days after the delivery of written notice by the aggrieved party requiring it to remedy such default, the aggrieved party shall have the right, at its option, and without prejudice to any claim which it may have for damages for breach of contract or otherwise, to cancel this agreement, or to claim specific performance.

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- 11.1 No party shall be liable for any failure to fulfil its duties and obligations in terms of this agreement where such failure is caused by any event, occurrence, circumstance or condition beyond the reasonable control of the parties to this agreement, the occurrence of which could not have been reasonably foreseen on the effective date and which, despite the exercise of diligent efforts could not have been prevented, limited or minimized, that affects the powers, rights, duties or obligations of the Parties under this agreement including but not limited to
  - 11.1.1 a landslide, lightning, earthquake, tornado, floods or other natural disaster;
  - 11.1.2 the acts of civil or military authority, the acts of a public enemy, war, blockade, sabotage, fire, explosion, bombing, insurrection, riot or civil disturbance;
  - 11.1.3 industrial action, except where solely restricted to the employees of either of the Parties; and
  - 11.1.4 consumer boycotts which -
    - (i) cause material and unavoidable physical damage or destruction to all or any of the water services works or assets;
    - (ii) materially delay or prevent the performance of any duties and obligations in terms of this agreement; or
    - (iii) interrupt the water supply services.
- 11.2 The party affected by an event, occurrence, circumstance or condition referred to in clause 12.1 shall promptly notify the other party in writing of the event, occurrence, circumstance or condition and the estimated extent and or duration of such party's inability to perform its duties and obligations.
- 11.3 Upon the cessation of the event, occurrence, circumstance or condition referred to in clause 12.1, the party affected thereby shall notify the other party of such cessation.
- 11.3.1. If, as a result of event, occurrence, circumstance or condition referred to in clause 11.1, the performance of a party's duties and obligations is only partially affected, such party shall remain liable for the performance of those duties and obligations not affected by the event, occurrence, circumstance or condition.
- 11.4 If an event, occurrence, circumstance or condition referred to in clause 11.1 continues for more than 90 (ninety) or more consecutive days of any notification thereof, the affected party may cancel this agreement with immediate effect.

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- 16.2 Any notice or communication required or permitted to be given in terms of this agreement shall be valid and effective only if effected in writing, but it shall be competent to give notice by telefax or email.
- 16.3 Either party may by notice to the other party change the physical address chosen as its domicilium citandi et executandi to another physical address in the Republic of South Africa, provided that the change shall become effective on the 7<sup>th</sup> day after the receipt of the notice.
- 16.4 Any notice to a party -
  - 16.4.1 sent by pre-paid registered post in a correctly addressed envelope, addressed to such party's chosen domicilium citandi et executandi; or
  - 16.4.2 delivered by hand to a responsible person during ordinary business hours at its chosen *domicilium citandi* et executandi; or
  - 16.4.3 in a telefax sent to the telefax number stipulated for such party in this agreement, during ordinary business hours;
    - shall be deemed to have been received, in the case of Clause 16.4.1, on the 7<sup>th</sup> business day after posting (unless the contrary is proven), and in the case of Clauses 16.4.2 and 16.4.3, on the day of delivery or dispatch, as the case may be.
- 16.5 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, a written notice or communication actually proven to have been received by a party shall be adequate written notice or communication to it notwithstanding that it was not sent to or delivered at its chosen domicilium citandi et executandi.

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N WITNESS WHEREOF, Sedibeng Water has executed this agreement on this  15 day of MARCH 2013 at  RALKform 15 107
WITNESSES:
NINHKHAKHE SEDIBENG WATER
N WITNESS WHEREOF, the Consumer has executed this agreement on this
VITNESSES:
THE CONSUMER

FINAL CONTRACT SEDIBENG WATER 27/11/2012

#### Annexure A

The take-off points for supply of potable bulk water by Sedibeng Water from the VAAL GAMAGARA Water Supply Scheme, to the Consumer shall be:-

OFFTAKE POINT	DIAMETER	METER NUMBER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
Kudumane Manganese Mine	150mm	Rb 30aa	22 <sup>0</sup> 58′07.74″E	27 <sup>0</sup> 14′17.39″S
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#### Annexure B

Consumer Authorized Volume: 40 000 m<sup>3</sup>

The Consumer shall under normal conditions purchase a minimum quantity of water per financial year based upon percentage of Authorized Volume as set out in Table 1.

The Minimum Quantity: 32 000 m<sup>3</sup>.

The consumer will be billed according to the Minimum Quantity at approved tariffs if actual consumption is less than the Minimum Quantity.

The above will be taken into account on monthly bases and any over payment will be rectified in the June account of each year.

The consumer will supply Sedibeng Water two months before the beginning of each financial year with their expected consumption requirements as set out in Table 2.

TABLE 1

Authorized Volume m³	Minimum Quantity As a % of Authorized Volume
<500 000	80%
>500 000<1 000 000	85%
>1 000 000<2 500 000	90%
>2 500 000	95%

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ABLE 2: Expected Consumption 2012/2013

VOLUMES	JOI.	AUG	SEP	0CT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	NOI	TOTAL
nimum	Minimum 2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	2 667	32 000
Predicted	Predicted 3 333 Actual	3 333	3 333	3 333	3 333	3 3 3 3 3	3 333	3 333	3 333	3 333	3 333	3 333	40 000
ximum	Maximum 3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	3 667	44 000

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#### Annexure C

Users must note that their section of supply might be supplied from both groundwater and Vaal River water. Accounts will be issued indicating the prorate use.

#### NORTHERN CAPE REGION WATER TARIFF INCREASE 2012/2013 FINANCIAL YEAR

SECTION	TARIFF 2011/2012	OPERATIONAL COST 2011/2012	TCTA	WRC	WRMC	TOTAL TARIFF 2012/2013	% INCREASE
Under Utilized Allocation	1 28	THIS APPL	IES TO ALL	CONSUME	RS	1.39	
Punfication Works To Kneukel Including Delportshoop (Purified Water From Vaal River)	5.02	3 71	1.6881	0.039	0.0118	5,45	8.5%
Kneukel To Clifton [Purified Water From Vaal River]	5.45	4.18	1.6881	0.039	0.0105	5,91	8.5%
Postmasburg To Roscoe (Punified Water From Vaal River)	6.87	5.72	1.6881	0.039	0.0105	7.45	8.5%
Postmasburg To Roscoe [Ground Water From Beeshoek]	3.19	3.41	0	0.039	0.0105	3.46	8.5%
Roscoe To Blackrock [Purified Water From Vaal River]	7.84	6.77	1.6881	0.039	0.0105	8.51	8.5%
Roscoe To Olifantshoek [Purified Water From Vaal River]	7.49	6.39	1.6881	0.039	0.0105	8.13	8.5%
Sishen To Blackrock [Groundwater From Beeshoek]	4.60	4.94	0	0.039	0.0105	4.99	8.5%
Sisten To Olifantshoek [Groundwater From Beeshoek]	4.26	4.57	0	0.039	0.0105	4.62	8.5%
From Sishen Groundwater [Kalahari East]	1.09	1.13	0	0.039	0.0105	1.18	8.5%
Supplementary Water From Beeshoek In Case shortage at Sishen [Kalahari East]	2.67	2.85	0	0.039	0.0105	2.90	8.5%

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#### APPENDIX B: LETTER FROM DMR GRANTING MINING RIGHT



Enquiries: B. Guthrie Tel: (012)444-3926 Fax: 086 710 0990 Ref No. NC 30/5/1/2/2/0268 MR

#### Per Registered Mail

The Manager
De Atouguia Eduardo
C/o Kudumane Manganese Resources
(Pty) Ltd
PO Box 1010
Houghton
2014

Fax no: (011) 447 5912

Dear Sir/ Madam

APPLICATION OF A MINING RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTION 22 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT 28 OF 2002): THE REMAINDER AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM TELELE NO.312 AND THE REMAINDER AND PORTION 2 OF THE FARM YORK NO.279: ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF KURUMAN.

- This serves to inform you that a mining right for manganese ore in terms of section 23(1) of the abovementioned Act has been granted over the abovementioned properties.
- Take note that the Regional Manager will approve the relevant Environmental Management Programme and sign the right on or before 17 May 2013. The Regional Office will prepare the final copies of the right to be signed.

Ref No. 30/5/1/2/2/068 MR

- 3. In the light of the afore-going you are requested to:
  - Ensure that all documents/information listed below are submitted to this Office by no later than the date mentioned above;
    - a) A representative of your Company is present during the execution of the said right.
    - b) Submit six original copies of surveyor approved plans, the plans must be in WGS84 co-ordinate system, approved and signed by a registered surveyor, be up to scale, have a PLS number and have a space for signature by both Regional Manager and the applicant (must be in color).
    - c) Forward the name and place of practice of your nominated Notary Public to assist the office in finalizing your right.
    - d) Nominate by way of a resolution, duly authorized representative to sign documents on behalf of the company on the day of the execution of the right.
    - e) Within 30 days of the signing of the right, the applicant or the Notary must lodge the right for registration at the Mining Titles Registration Office (MPRTO) at DMR Head Office in Pretoria.
    - f) Kindly take note that should you appoint a contractor to perform any duties/activities on your mining area, you still remain responsible for compliance with the MPRDA.
- 4. Your attention is drawn to the matters set out in the "Term Sheets", the "flow back Agreement" with regard to the market value of the minerals and the shareholding of the Employee Trust (3%) and the Community Trust (3%), which are to be formalized and submitted to Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd Ref No. 30/5/1/2/2/068 MR

the Department within 1 (one) year from the date of issuing of the mining right.

5. Failure to comply may result in the withdrawal, suspension or cancellation of the right.

Yours faithfully

DIRECTOR GENERAL:

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

DATE: 26/4/ 2012



Ref No: NC/ 30/5/1/2/2/0268 MR

#### **POWER OF ATTORNEY**

I, Dr. THIBEDI RAMONTJA, in my capacity as Director-General of the Department of Mineral Resources, by virtue of the powers delegated to me in terms of section 103 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002), hereby grant a Power of Attorney to the Regional Manager: Northern Cape Region of the Department of Mineral Resources, to sign the mining right as contemplated in section 23(1) of the said Act, in favor of Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd to mine manganese ore in respect of the Remainder and Portion 1 of the farm Telele No.312 and the Remainder and Portion 2 of the farm York No.279, situated in the Administrative District of Kuruman, according to the approval signed by me today.

Signed at Pretaria on this 26th day of April 2013

DIRECTOR-GENERAL:

**DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES** 

AS WITNESSES:

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd

Ref No. 30/5/1/2/2/068 MR

#### APPENDIX C: GROUNDWATER PROGRAMME



Project Reference: 710.14003.00006 23 April 2013

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd Suite 205 Willowbrook Willowbrook Close Melrose North

ATTENTION:

**DAVID WELLBELOVED** 

Dear David

#### PROJECT SCOPE AND PROGRAMME FOR THE GROUNDWATER INVESTIGATION

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of work for the groundwater assessment which recently commenced for the Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (KMR) operations near Hotazel, is split into six (6) tasks:

- 1. Reconnaissance site visit
- 2. Desktop literature review
- 3. Hydrocensus
- 4. Aquifer Assessment Drilling & Pumping Test Programme
- Conceptual model development
- 6. Final report

#### 2. PROJECT PROGRAMME

The following activities and estimate timeframes will be undertaken in order to complete the groundwater investigation:

- Once the coordinate system has been sorted out, geological and hydrogeological maps will be created. Exploration boreholes and groundwater boreholes will be plotted on the map.
- The plotted boreholes will be used to decide on the strategy for boreholes selection for the hydrocensus study and the drilling.

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- During the hydrocensus study, a number of samples will be collected and analysed at an SANAS accredited laboratory in Pretoria. The laboratory analysis duration is estimated to be 3 weeks.
- The drilling programme will commence immediately after the completion of the hydrocensus and once the location of the 6 boreholes to be drilled has been finalised with the client.
- The drilling programme is estimated to take about fourteen (14) days, depending on the depth to be drilled and the site conditions.
- The depth of the boreholes will be finalised after considering the geology and hydrogeology conditions onsite.
- The drilled boreholes will be pump tested to determine hydraulic parameters of the aquifers and the duration of this aquifer assessment is estimated to be 2 weeks.
- Conceptual model and report writing is estimated to be complete in 2 weeks after receiving all fieldwork reports including results from the laboratory.

Kind regards

Karabo Lenkoe-Magagula
SLR Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd



Department: REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA Water Affairs

# Northern Cape Region

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By Registered

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd P. O. Box 1010 HOUGHTON

Attention: Mr.S Van Der Merwe

APPLICATION FOR WATER USE AUTHORIZATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998): PORTION 2 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM YORK A 279, KURUMAN NORTHERN CAPE.

The Department hereby acknowledges receipt of your Integrated Water Use Licence Application (IWULA) supporting documents submitted to DWA offices on 27 February 2012. The following documents as submitted for this application are already on file:

- From the report, water supply for dust suppression will be from borehole abstraction. Then apply for taking of water from a borehole which is 21(a).
- Ŋ Provide a detailed water balance indicating all sources and quantities of water for each process.
- Apply for Section 21(g), for dust suppression.
- The letter of agreement between Kudumani and Sedibeng
- $\omega + \omega$ be removed Consent letter from the municipality for disposal of sludge and hazardous waste that will
- Consent letter Agriculture for change of land use
- <u> ქ</u>ე Submit the report envisaged impact on the resource for each facility as mitigation measures that the mine will employ to reduce the impact or the impact on the used as the water
- Ω From the report the company indicated that they are BBBEE complaint. Please provide
- ဖ Resources (DMR) An approved social and labour Development Plan from the Department of Minerals

- 10. Mining Right/ Permit of all the properties are required.
  11. According to comments from geohydrology, the report that you submitted to the Department does not meet the minimum requirements. See the attached comments.

Please be informed that should a response not be received within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter, your application will be returned to you.

Please also note that any use of water without authorization is unlawful as it is in contravention of the National Water Act, 1998 and is punishable by law.

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PROVINCIAL HEAD: NORTHERN CAPE

DATE:

21/08/2012



# Northern Cape Region

Enq: Mr L. Baloyi

email: baloyil2@dwa.gov.za

Attention: A.A Hlengane

Refer to the Geohydrological report brought to groundwater section for comments..

level the farm York A, portion 2 and the remaining extent of portion 0. The AFYM revealed that the two farms occupy the total area of 13.36 km<sup>2</sup> and the aquifer system as outlined on the document attached drastically. The geohydroogical report must address the groundwater regimes required is expected that the mine dewatering will have significant impact on groundwater can yield up to a total of 2.131/s which is equivalent to 65772.27 m³/a collectively. It The aquifer firm yield model was used in order to estimate the yield of the aquifer in with over 100% and the cone of depression is also expected to decline

# Recommendations

before the actual mining operation commence. that detailed geohydrogical report be submitted to the Department of Water Affairs submitted does not meet the minimum requirement of the WULA and recommend Based on the outcomes of the evaluation on the report, it appears that the report

Hope you will find comment in order

L. Baloyi

(Scientst Production: Geohydrology)

21/08/2012

# REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION: GROUNDWATER ABSTRACTION [S.21 (a)]

The Initial Regional assessment is needed to determine the amount of information necessary for each new Water Use licence application for abstraction from groundwater, based on the amount of recharge that is used by the applicant in relation to the specified property.

Categories A, B and C list the information requirements for the licence application, as should be provided by the applicant to the Department of Water Affairs & Forestry.

## Regional - Initial

- Size of property (AREA<sub>PROP</sub>)
- Recharge HP (RE)
- Existing use volume (ABS<sub>BX</sub>)
- New use volume (ABS<sub>NEW</sub>)
- Scale of abstractions (ABS<sub>SCALE</sub>)

## CALCULATION

AREA<sub>PROP</sub> \* RE = RE<sub>AREA</sub> (m³/a)

ABS<sub>EX</sub> + ABS<sub>NEW</sub> = ABS<sub>TOTAL</sub> (m³/a)

 $ABS_{SCALE} = (ABS_{TOTAL} / RE_{ARBA}) * 100$ 

Small scale abstractions (<60% recharge on property)
Medium scale abstractions (60-100% recharge on property)
Large scale abstractions (>100% of recharge on property)

Category A
Category B
Category C

the Reserve determination. The Regional RDM support is info that should be submitted with the request for a Reserve determination. This will not only speed up the process, but also render more confidence to

# Regional - RDM support

- Delineate resource units (default quaternary, unless geologically different)
- Delineate response units (same as resource uniess existing information shows otherwise)
- Drainage (rivers and gauging stations in the resource unit area)
- Climate (average rainfall, reference source)
- Vegter regions (hydrological regions and recharge)
- Geo-hydrology wq, wl, aquifer tests, main fracture zones storage, sustainable yield, assurance of supply?
- Aquifer status: Local expert consideration (reference source), natural / impacted (mapping these areas in the resource unit), importance (both socio-economic and and current resource classification system). strategic), vulnerability, dependent ecosystems, total current use, classification (Parsons
- Licensing conditions wl, wq, level of acceptable degradation?
- Monitoring requirements according to the Category.
- Site visit necessary to validate all info regional and applicant

- Detail borehole census on the property in question. Information to be collected should include pump depth / borehole depth, depth to water level, yield of the borehole, volume Volume and purpose of the water required.
- Proximity to surface water discharges (springs, seeps, wetlands streams, rivers, lakes) abstracted (daily, weekly, monthly).
- and groundwater dependant ecosystems (houses, stores, irrigation equipment) and current pollution sources (septic tanks, pit Geo-referenced map of the property in question, with boreholes, physical structures latrines, petrol/diesel tanks, irrigation areas) depicted.
- Monitoring programme monthly water levels, monthly rainfall

## Category B

- Geology of the area / borehole?
- Volume and purpose of the water required
- Detail borehole census within a 1km width zone around the property in question as well (daily, weekly, monthly), water quality (one macro analysis per property). as on the property itself. installation/borchole depth, depth to water level, yield of the borchole, volume abstracted information to be collected should at least include pump
- Proximity to surface water discharges (springs, seeps, wetlands streams, rivers, lakes) and
- physical structures (houses, stores, irrigation equipment) and current pollution sources Geo-referenced map of the property in question, with boreholes, surface water features, (septic tanks, pit latrines, petrol/ diesel tanks irrigation areas) depicted groundwater dependant ecosystems
- Contact details of relevant parties in the hydro census area
- Potential impacts of potential use on groundwater and surface water quality.
- Monitoring programme weekly water levels, weekly rainfall, 6 monthly macro analysis and surface water discharges in the 1km width zone

### Category C

- consultant. Report should include appropriate maps, tables and figures to support the A geo-hydrological report compiled by an acceptable and qualified geo-hydrological conclusions and recommendations.
- Detail geology of the area, including structures, maps etc.
- Detail borehole census within at least 1km width zone around the area of recharge as well pump installation depth, borehole depth, depth of water level, yield of the borehole, depth as on the area inself. Information to be collected for each borehole should at least include macro analysis per property in the zone). of water strike(s), volume abstracted (daily, weekly, monthly) and water quality (one
- properties (storativity and transmissivity). This would require testing. Drilling might or Aquifer description and characteristics including extent of the aquifer and hydraulic and a depth to water level contour map might not be required. Groundwater piezometric contour map showing flow direction

- Effective annual recharge on this property and the safe yield of the aquifer.
- Volume and purpose of the water required and the volume available for abstraction. A water balance that at least cover the aquifer unit in which the property is located should,
- in other words, is done that includes all gains and losses.
- Contact details of relevant parties in the hydro census area.
- Impact the abstraction will have on existing users and surrounding properties. This should be short- and long-term impact. This might have to be supported by a numerical
- Proximity to and potential impact of the abstraction on surface water discharges and
- groundwater dependant terrestrial ecosystems.
- Geo-referenced map of the property in question, with boreholes, surface water features, Potential impact of potential use on groundwater and surface water quality.
- pollution sources (septic tanks, pit latrines, petrol/ diesel tanks, irrigation areas) depicted geological features, physical structures (houses, stores, irrigation equipment) and current Monitoring programme - weekly water levels, weekly rainfall, 3 monthly macro analysis
- The Department of Water Affairs and Forestry recommends that the following measures be and surface water discharges and 6 monthly qualities in the 1km width zone
- taken when testing bore holes for sustainable yields and to provide the following information: Refer to test procedures in the South African National Standards Code No.: SANS 10299.
- Perform a three (3) hour stepped draw down test to determine the discharge rate of the intended constant rate test OR; The constant discharge test should be done at approximately  $^2/_3$  of the blow yield of the
- For HOUSEHOLD use it as recommended that a 8 hour constant rate test be performed
- For IRRIGATION it as recommended that a 24 constant rate test should be performed with the draw down and the recovery measured
- while the draw down and the recovery is measured. This test could also be performed for For BULK WATER SUPPLY in excess of 150 000 m per annum it as recommended intended BULK WATER SUPPLY for a volume of up to 150 000 m<sup>3</sup> per amum that a 72 hour constant rate test should be performed while the draw down and the
- recovery of the bore hole is measured All data as obtained above should be attached to the relevant Water Use License
- Application forms, together with an analysis of the data (including draw down curves) and recommendation for the sustainable yield of the borehole(s), by a qualified Geo-

#### **Caitlin Hird**

From: JacolineMa < JacolineMa@daff.gov.za>

**Sent:** 02 May 2013 01:49 PM

To: Suan Mulder

**Subject:** RE: 2013-04-23| Biodiversity off-set | Kudumane

#### Dear Suan

Thank you very much for your letter of commitment. I will then wait to hear from you again.

Kind Regards, Jacoline Mans

From: Suan Mulder [mailto:smulder@slrconsulting.com]

**Sent:** 23 April 2013 10:52 AM

To: JacolineMa

Subject: 2013-04-23| Biodiversity off-set | Kudumane

Good morning Jacoline

Attached, please find a letter we submitted to Elsabe Swart regarding the biodiversity off-set project at Kudumane. She is currently out of the office and will only be back on the 6<sup>th</sup> of May. Once I hear from her I will inform you of the way forward.

Kind regards

Suan

#### Suan Mulder

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#### **Caitlin Hird**

**From:** Ryan Oliver <rloliver@ruraldevelopment.gov.za>

**Sent:** 28 November 2013 12:43 PM

To: Caitlin Pringle
Subject: Re: Land Claim Issue

#### Good day

I have spoken to the project office in charge of the properties in question and he has indicated the response that was originally sent to you was correct.

The portions under claim for Farm Hotazel No. 280 are: PTN1, PTN2, and PTN3. As for Farm Kipling No. 271, the whole farm is under claim.

Hope you find the above in order.

#### Regards



>>> Caitlin Pringle <cpringle@slrconsulting.com> 11/19/2013 9:10 AM >>> Good morning Mr Oliver

I trust you are well.

Please see below correspondence which I received from a Mr Jan Wessels, concerning land claims on the properties in question for the Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment project.

You and I were in contact earlier this year (see attached) and you sent me a list of the properties on which claims had been made. Please could you advise as to which <u>portions</u> of the farms have had land claims lodged against them and also whether any new claims have been submitted since May.

I look forward to your response.

#### Thanks in advance

From: Caitlin Pringle

Sent: 18 November 2013 08:04 AM

To: Jan Wessels

Cc: ntsundeni.ravhugoni@dmr.gov.za; 'Mmboneni Mutheiwana'; Suan Mulder

Subject: RE: Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment: Public Scoping Meeting 26th Nov 2013

Good morning Jan,

Thank you for your email.

The attached correspondence with the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform in May 2013 has reference.

Further to your email, please see attached response from the Department.

#### Thank you

#### Caitlin Pringle

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From: Jan Wessels <a href="mailto:janwes@vodamail.co.za">[mailto:janwes@vodamail.co.za]</a>

Sent: 15 November 2013 04:59 PM

**To:** Caitlin Pringle

Cc: ntsundeni.ravhugoni@dmr.gov.za; 'Mmboneni Mutheiwana'

Subject: RE: Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment: Public Scoping Meeting 26th Nov 2013

Good day Caitlin.

On behalf of the Land Restitution Claimants of claim KL 221 I inform you that all the indicated properties are subject to the restitution claim.

You are referred to section 104 of the minerals act giving a preferent right to the community.

The claimants therefor reject this process of the DMR to award any mineral rights on the land subject to the restitution claim before the claim is settled.

Should your company be interested in an agreement with the official claimants in this regard you can inform me.

Regards.

Jan Wessels

**From:** Caitlin Pringle [mailto:cpringle@slrconsulting.com]

Sent: 06 November 2013 01:33 PM

Cc: Suan Mulder

Subject: Kudumane EIA/EMP Amendment: Public Scoping Meeting 26th Nov 2013

Dear Sir/Madam

**KUDUMANE MANGANESE RESOURCES (PTY) LTD** 

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMP) AMENDMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PLANNED INFRASTRUCTURE AND MINING AREAS AT KUDUMANE

Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd (Kudumane) proposes to submit a new mining right application in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA), 28 of 2002 to include additional mining areas to its existing mining rights area. Kudumane will therefore submit a mining right application in term of Section 22 of the MPRDA. In this regard, Kudumane is proposing to amend its approved Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) to incorporate the additional mining rights areas and to add additional infrastructure to its existing mining rights area.

As part of the environmental assessment process, you have been identified as a key stakeholder in the project's process who may be interested in hearing more about the proposed project and to provide input into the environmental assessment process.

In this regard kindly see attached meeting invitation for the Scoping Meeting which is to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> November as well as Background Information Document (BID) for the proposed project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss the attached.

Kind Regards,

#### Caitlin Pringle Environmental Assessment Practitioner

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From: Zeone Jessica Adams <Zeone@demarcation.org.za>

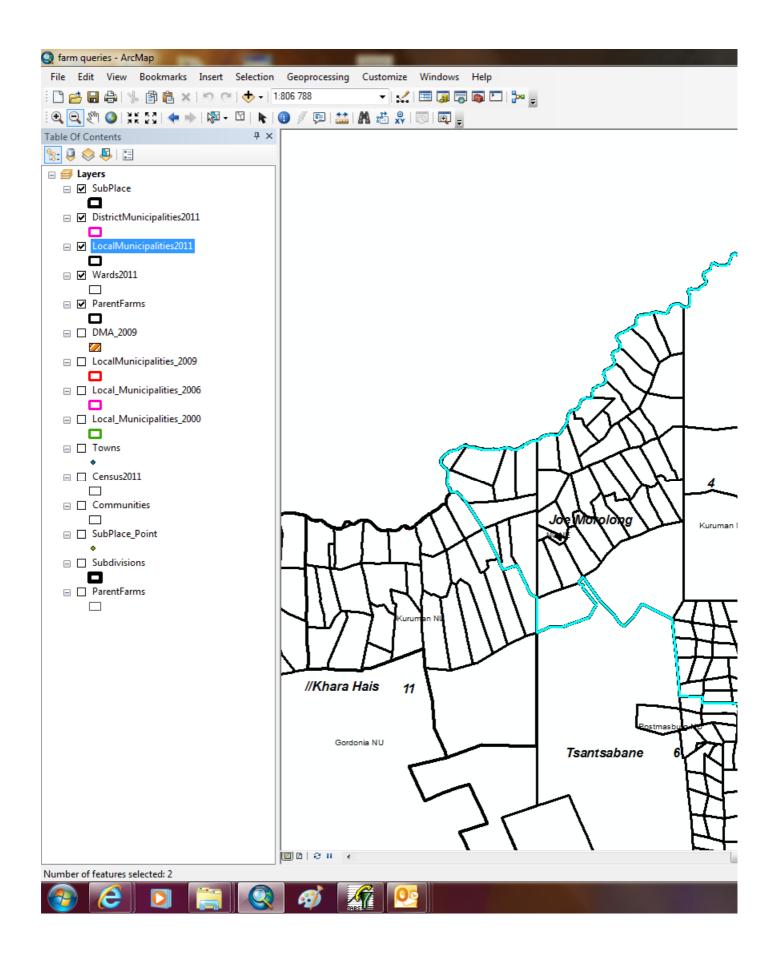
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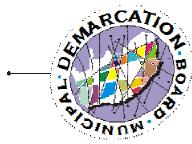
**To:** Caitlin Pringle

**Cc:** Aluwani Ramagadza; Hester Marais

**Subject:** Ward Querrie

Good day, I refer to your request for information, according to our information these farms are under ward 4, see print screen.





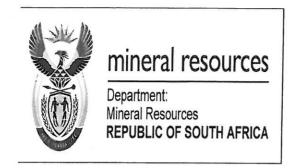
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#### PER REGISTERED MAIL

The Directors Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd Suite 104 Melrose Palace Willow Brook Close Melrose North Johannesburg 2041

Fax no: (086) 610 1258

Dear Sir/ Madam

#### **RE: APPLICATION FOR A MINING RIGHT**

Name of Applicant	Kudumane Manganese Resources (Pty) Ltd
Description of properties	The farms Kipling 271, Portion of the farm Hotazel 280 and the farm Devon 227
District	Kuruman

- 1. This is to inform you that your abovementioned application to mine Manganese ore in respect of the abovementioned properties in terms of section 22 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) has been accepted.
- 2. In terms of section 22(4) of the said Act you are therefore required:
  - 2.1 to submit six (6) copies of Scoping Report in terms of Regulation 49(2) on or before the 27 January 2014. One (1) copy must be submitted online and the remaining one (1) copy must be submitted manually at the DMR offices in Kimberley on or before 27 January 2014;
  - 2.2 to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment and submit six (6) copies of the Environmental Management Programme (EMP) for approval on or before the 22 August 2014. One (1) copy must be submitted online and the

remaining *five (5) copies must be submitted <u>manually</u>* at the DMR offices in Kimberley on or before **22 August 2014**, and

- 2.3 to notify in writing and consult with the landowner or lawful occupier and any other affected party and submit the result of such consultation to this office on or before the 22 August 2014,
- 3. You are further requested in terms of section **22(4)** of the Act to give effect to the object referred to in section 2(d) of the Act. In this regard you are required to submit by no later than **27**<sup>th</sup> **January 2014**, the following documents:
  - 3.1 duly signed shareholders' agreements;
  - 3.2 share certificates and shareholder's registers;
  - 3.3 articles and memorandum of association of the company;
  - 3.4 details relating to funding (all relevant agreements); and
- 4. Any other agreement or documents relating to the agreement.
  - 4.1. Joint Venture Agreements;
  - 4.2. Any other agreement relating to this transaction
- 5. Failure in submitting all required information within the prescribed timeframes could have negative impact on the processing of your application.
- 6. Kindly note that all the requested information should be submitted online, unless stated otherwise

Yours faithfully

ACTING REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION

NORTHERN CAPE REGION

DATE: 05/12/2012

