

NOTICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE WATERVAL MINE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME REPORT TO INCLUDE THE PROPOSED UG1 OPENCAST PROJECT AND PR 2060 INTO THE MINING RIGHT AREA, AND THE ASSOCIATED WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION

AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME REPORT FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Applicant: Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd – Waterval Mine

Location: Remaining extent of Portion 82 of the Farm Waterval 306 JQ near Rustenburg, North-West Province

Project description:

Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Glencore) is the owner of the Waterval Mine located ~3 km east of Rustenburg in the North-West Province. Glencore proposes to amend its approved 2021 Consolidated Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for the Waterval Mine to include the UG1 opencast project, as well as to include Prospecting Right Area 2060 into the existing mining right area. The proposed UG1 opencast project will include an opencast pit and supporting infrastructure. Waterval Mine has appointed Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants cc (AVDE) as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the required environmental-related applications and associated public participation process.

Authorisations required:

Before Waterval Mine may commence with the development of the proposed UG1 opencast project, the following environmental authorisations are required:

- A Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014, as amended). The competent authority for this process is the Department of Minerals and Energy (DMRE). The following listed activities are triggered:
Listing Notice 1 (GNR 983): 12(ii), 19, 21D, 24, 27
Listing Notice 2 (GNR 984): 6, 17
Listing Notice 3 (GNR 985): 4, 12, 14
- Approval in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM:WA) (a combined application in terms of NEMA and NEM:WA to be submitted to the DMRE). The following activities are triggered:
Category B (GNR 921): 7, 10, 11
- A Water Use Licence Application (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998). The competent authority for this process is the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). The following Section 21 water uses will be applied for: Section 21 (a), (c), (g), (i) and (j)

Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme Report (EIA/EMPr):

The Draft EIA/EMPr is available for public comment for a period of 30 days, from **10 March to 12 April 2023** at the venues listed in the table below. The Draft EIA/EMPr is also available electronically on the AVDE website:

<https://www.altavandykenvironmental.co.za/public-documents/>

Public Place	Locality	Contact details
Glencore Waterval West Mine Security	Portion 27, Farm Waterval 306 JQ, Rustenburg	014 597 8163
Rustenburg Public Library	c/o Thabo Mbeki and Heystek streets, Rustenburg	014 590 3711
Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants	9 Mountain Sherman Crescent, Midlands Estate, Centurion	012 940 9457

If you would like more information on the proposed project, or wish to provide comments on the project or the Draft EIA/EMPr, please direct them to:

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Due date for comments on the Draft EIA/EMPr: 12 April 2023

In terms of Section 11 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), all personal information collected will be processed lawfully and explicitly for the Environmental Authorisation and Water Use Licence Application Processes.

