# SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTING (S&EIR) PROCESSES

## NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF SULPHUR DIOXIDE (SO2) ABATEMENT EQUIPMENT AT ANGLO AMERICAN PLATINUM LIMITED: POLOKWANE SMELTER, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

Notice is given in terms of Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (08 December 2014) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) for submission of applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983 and GNR 984 (08 December 2014)

#### **BACKGROUND AND LOCATION**

The Proponent, Anglo American Platinum Limited (AAP) proposes to install Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) Abatement Equipment at AAP: Polokwane Smelter, in the Limpopo Province. The proposed development requires that a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process in terms of GNR 982 (Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations) be undertaken.

In order to comply the National Environmental Management Air Quality Act (No. 39 of 2004) (NEM:AQA) and associated emission standards, an SO<sub>2</sub> abatement system must be installed at the Polokwane Smelter. This application is in support of the authorisation of the new activities at Polokwane Smelter.

### ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The following listed activities are being applied for:

- GNR 983 (Listing Notice 1) Activity 24: The development of a new road which will be wider than 8 metres but have a reserve of less than 30 metres will be constructed
- GNR 983 (Listing Notice 1) Activity 27: The majority of the development will be situated on previously impact areas, however there is the potential that 1 hectares or more, but less than
  - 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation be cleared for the contractors camp and proposed new roads.
- GNR 983 (Listing Notice 1) Activity 34: The existing Atmospheric Emissions Licence (AEL) for Polokwane Smelter will be amended.
- GNR 984 (listing Notice 2) Activity 4: The facility will store in excess of 500 cubic metres of dangerous goods.
- GNR 985 (Listing Notice 3) Activity 2: The storage of water in excess of 250 cubic metres within 5km of a protected area.
- GNR 985 (Listing Notice 3) Activity 4: The development of a new road which will be wider than 4 metres but have a reserve of less than 13.5 metres will be constructed within 5km of a protected area.

#### REGISTRATION

WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd (WSP | Parsons Brinckerhoff) has been appointed as the EAP (Environmental Assessment Practitioner) by AAP, to manage the S&EIR processes. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Projects are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below by 3 March 2017. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence, and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

#### DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Environmental Scoping Report will be made available at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from 06 March 2017 to 07 April 2017.

Area	Venue	Street Address	Contact No
Polokwane	Polokwane Smelters	Beyersnek Road, Polokwane, 0699	015 290 3000
Polokwane	Polokwane City Library	71 Hans Van Rensburg Street, Polokwane, 0700	015 290 2155
WSP Website	WSP Website (http://www.wsp-pb.com/en/WSP-Africa/What-we-do/Services/All-Services-A-Z/Technical-Reports/)		

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