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### **Samara Mining (Pty) Ltd**

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**Attention:** Ndivhudzanny Mofokeng

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### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION LODGED IN TERMS OF SECTION 24 OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) READ WITH REGULATION 31 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS, 2014 FOR THE PROSPECTING RIGHT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURAL ACTIVITIES ON SEA CONCESSION 4C AND 5C SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND**

1. I refer to the abovementioned matter and confirm that your application for an Environmental Authorisation herein referred to as "EA" lodged on **09 February 2021** is hereby acknowledged.
2. You are advised to submit a final Scoping report within 44 days from the date that the application has been acknowledged. Your 44) days will lapse on **11 August 2021**. Please note that this inclusive of weekends but exclusive of public holidays.
3. Acknowledgement of your application does not grant you permission to commence with mining activities. Commencement of a listed activity without an environmental authorisation constitutes an offence in terms of Section 49A (1) (a) of NEMA, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) as amended and upon conviction for such an offence, a person is liable to a fine not exceeding R10 million or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years, or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

or these Regulations lapses and a competent authority will deem the application as having lapsed, if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless extension has been granted in terms of regulation 3(7)."

Hope that this letter will receive your utmost attention.



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Dear sender

Kindly note that I am no longer with the Department, since assuming new responsibilities at the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI). Kindly direct your emails to the Office of the Deputy Director-General: Biodiversity and Conservation: Ms Miriam Phasha on [MPhasha@environment.gov.za](mailto:MPhasha@environment.gov.za) ; Ms Leah Ditshego on [LDitshego@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDitshego@environment.gov.za) or Ms Livia Modiba on [Livia@environment.gov.za](mailto:Livia@environment.gov.za)

Regards

Mr Shonisani Munzhedzi  
Former Deputy Director-General: Biodiversity and Conservation

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**Attachments:** 576461\_Samara\_WC\_locality\_A3L\_14092021.jpg

**Importance:** High

Dear Mr Magodi,

Our discussions yesterday refers. Please find attached, the updated Samara Concession footprint area indicating that the offshore concession area lies next to the 5 km buffer area surrounding the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area.

We trust that the attached map will suffice.

Kind regards  
Laetitia

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**Importance:** High

Dear Mr Magodi,

As discussed earlier today (following the email response below), please find attached the updated map of which the offshore concession areas have been amended to exclude the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area.

The maps contained in the Final Scoping Report will be updated to include the amended maps and updated footprint areas.

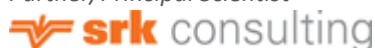
Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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**Subject:** RE: NCS 30/5/1/1/2/1 (12853) PR

**Importance:** High

Dear Mr Magodi,

Thank you for taking the time to provide feedback on the Samara Project (NCS 30/5/1/1/2/1 (12853) PR). Please find attached an updated map in which the footprint area of the Offshore concession areas have been amended to visually illustrate that the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area (MPA) or any other MPAs (including the 5 km buffer areas) are excluded from the prospecting footprint area as described within the Draft Scoping Report. The maps contained in the Final Scoping Report will be updated to include the amended maps and updated footprint areas.

Should you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Laetitia

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**EXTERNAL**

Dear Vusi and Laetitia

Our telephonic conversation this afternoon bears reference.

The Directorate of Protected Areas Planning and Management Effectiveness would like to thank you for the opportunity to review the scoping report for the aforementioned reference number.

We went through the scoping report and noted that the executive summary Page iii indicated that *“It is noted that the Prospecting area excludes the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area, located within the Offshore concession areas”*.

Further, Page 14 of the scoping report mentioned that *“Although there are a number of declared MPAs off the West Coast, Samara Mining does not intend prospecting in these areas and consequently there will be no impact on these MPAs.*

Furthermore, we also noted that the proposed project will take place in the Offshore Concession Areas 4C and 5C of approximately 912 206 hectares for Prospecting Right area as depicted in red colour on the locality map (Figure 3, Page 3).

However, Figure 2 shows that the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area falls within the proposed prospecting right area that contradicts the point that the proposed project will not affect the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area.

Consequently, this directorate seeks clarity on whether the project will be undertaken inside MPA or outside or if it will affect MPA anyhow to ensure that we provide the correct recommendations and comments for the project.

Do not hesitate to contact the undersigned for any queries.

Kind regards,  
**Magodi Rofhiwa**



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Morning Rhofohiwa;

Please see attached report for your attention

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**EXTERNAL**

Dear Vusi

Our telephonic conversation this morning bears reference.

Kindly provide us with the draft scoping report and supporting documents for our review.

Kind regards,  
**Rofhiwa Magodi**



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**To:** Vusi Masango  
**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

### EXTERNAL

Dear Vusi,

I hope that you are doing well.

Could you please register me as a stakeholder for this case, as SAHRA is the NHRA commenting authority, specifically the MUCH unit with the application being offshore.

Once the scoping report is available, you will need to create a case on SAHRIS and upload it there. I will assign myself as the case officer and issue our comment in line with your commenting dates.

If you have any trouble doing this, please feel free to e-mail me and I will assist you promptly.

Warm regards,  
Ruan

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**From:** Vusi Masango <[VMasango@srk.co.za](mailto:VMasango@srk.co.za)>  
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**Subject:** 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

Dear Stakeholder,

### INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS

#### STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESS: EIA PROCESS FOR A DIAMOND PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION IN OFFSHORE CONCESSION AREAS 4C AND 5C OFF THE WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA

#### **DMR Reference Number: NCS 30/5/1/1/2/1 (12853) PR**

Notice is hereby given of a stakeholder engagement process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA), the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, and the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002 (MPRDA) for proposed diamond prospecting and related activities in Offshore Concession Areas 4C and 5C off the Western Coast of South Africa.

Please refer to the attached letter for more information.

*As of 1 July 2021, there have been some changes to the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013 (POPIA) which aims to promote protection of personal information. You may be receiving this correspondence as a registered Interested and Affected Party on an existing database for previous environmental authorisation processes undertaken in the project area. Should you no longer wish to receive further information relating to the Samara Mining environmental authorisation processes and would like to be removed from the database, please notify SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd via email at [VMasango@srk.co.za](mailto:VMasango@srk.co.za).*

*Should you wish to remain on the database, your information will only be used as part of the public participation process as outlined in the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation, 2014, as amended. This information will be securely stored and only made available to the regulatory authorities upon request. For more information please see our Privacy Policy.*

*In light of the lockdown SRK staff will be working remotely using the company's technological infrastructure and resources to ensure that work and project activities proceed as seamlessly as possible. SRK staff will continue to be responsive to client queries and requests during the lockdown period. Our preferred method of communication is email.*

**Kind Regards**

**Vusi Masango**  
**Environmental Consultant IA/A**



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## Interim Comment

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

Attention: Samara Mining (Pty) Ltd

**The project aims to gather sufficient data on the proposed prospecting right concession. A phased approach to exploration will be undertaken. Commencing with additional geophysical data acquisition over areas where coverage is not adequate to support sampling and adjacent to areas onshore which show potential for diamond prospecting. The objective of the 1st phase of sampling will be to ground truth geophysics and identify mineralization. At the latter end of the sampling voyage, it is proposed that follow up sampling be taken around positive results to expand on mineralization continuity.**

The South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) would like to thank you for submitting a Draft Scoping Report (DSR) under section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, No 25 of 1999 (NHRA) for a Diamond Prospecting Right in the Offshore Concession (sea concession 4C and 5C) off the West Coast, South Africa.

The application pertains to prospecting activities for diamonds in four phases. The first phase involves desktop studies, the second phase entails geophysical surveying, the third phase includes invasive exploration sampling, and the fourth phase entails a feasibility study. The desktop phase will involve understanding the proposed diamond deposit character and the geophysical surveying will involve equipment appropriate for the depth and survey method. The invasive sampling phase of the project will include the use of crawlers on board vessel(s) to dredge materials from the seabed and these will be sifted on board the vessel(s).

Although the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area (MPA) is located within sea concession 4C and 5C, the DSR mentions that this area will be excluded from all prospecting activities, including surveying. SAHRA is satisfied with the high-level mitigation measures indicated in Table 20 on page 51 in that those areas where shipwreck sites are known are to be excluded. However, most wreck locations are unknown, and provisions must be made for the potential impact and mitigation measure on these and included in that portion of the table.

The DSR further mentions that an Underwater Heritage Impact Assessment is proposed. A heritage impact

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assessment (HIA) for sea concession 4C, 5C, and 6C was conducted in 2017. This HIA found that at least five vessels wrecked in sea concession areas 4C, 5C, and 6C and that a further 28 vessels might have wrecked somewhere in the area. As the DSR proposes potential invasive sampling methods which could destroy underwater heritage resources, SAHRA supports that the project should include an Underwater HIA. SAHRA looks forward to seeing the recommended management measures that the Underwater HIA must include, as is alluded to on page 55 of the DSR.

SAHRA has noted inaccurate information in the report which needs updating. On page 44 under the heading 'Marine Archaeological Sites' the estimated number of shipwrecks along the South African coastline is listed as 2000 when the number is in fact closer to 2800. In the same paragraph, mention is made of the National Monument's Council (NMC) as providing protection for wrecks older than 60 years. Please note that NMC ceased to exist in 2000 when the promulgation of the NHRA established SAHRA as the national heritage resources authority. All wrecks and associated artefacts older than 60 years are considered archaeological and are therefore provided protection under section 2 and 35 of the NHRA as opposed to having National Monument Status as indicated in the DSR. These above points must be amended in the final scoping report.

If any wrecks are encountered, the location and associated data used to identify the wreck must be provided to SAHRA. Should any shipwrecks be identified as part of this project then SAHRA must be notified to enable the information to be added to the national shipwreck database. Any new discoveries or updated data is a valuable resource in adding to our knowledge of South Africa's maritime history.

Please also note that all updates and/or changes to the project, supporting documentation, correspondence, reports, or any other work relating to the project must be uploaded to the case on SAHRIS to provide SAHRA with the opportunity to comment. SAHRA does not accept emailed documents or hard-copy documents received via post.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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South African Heritage Resources Agency

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**EXTERNAL**

Hi Vusi,

Thank you so much. Have a wonderful evening.

Best,  
Ruan

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Afternoon Ruan;

We are busy with the Draft Scoping Report we will load it on the SAHRA website once it is ready

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**Sent:** Tuesday, 24 August 2021 15:51  
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**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

**EXTERNAL**

Dear Vusi,

I have not seen this application uploaded onto SAHRIS yet.  
Please let me know if you require any assistance.

Warm regards,  
Ruan

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**From:** Ruan Brand

**Sent:** Monday, 02 August 2021 11:09

**To:** [vmasango@srk.co.za](mailto:vmasango@srk.co.za)

**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

Dear Vusi,

I hope that you are doing well.

Could you please register me as a stakeholder for this case, as SAHRA is the NHRA commenting authority, specifically the MUCH unit with the application being offshore.

Once the scoping report is available, you will need to create a case on SAHRIS and upload it there. I will assign myself as the case officer and issue our comment in line with your commenting dates.

If you have any trouble doing this, please feel free to e-mail me and I will assist you promptly.

Warm regards,

Ruan

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**From:** Vusi Masango <[VMasango@srk.co.za](mailto:VMasango@srk.co.za)>

**Sent:** 30 July 2021 15:11

**Subject:** 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

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**From:** [Vusi Masango](#)  
**To:** [Marissa Swart](#)  
**Cc:** [Laetitia Coetser](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 576461\_20230309\_Samara Notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase  
**Date:** Thursday, 09 March 2023 10:55:45

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**From:** Ruan Brand <rbrand@sahra.org.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 09 March 2023 10:55  
**To:** Vusi Masango <VMasango@srk.co.za>  
**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20230309\_Samara Notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase

**EXTERNAL**

Dear Vusi,

Thank you kindly for this notification.

When the EIA report is ready it must be uploaded to the case on SAHRIS so that SAHRA can issue a comment (<https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/diamond-prospecting-right-offshore-concession>).

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**From:** Vusi Masango <VMasango@srk.co.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 09 March 2023 10:02  
**Subject:** 576461\_20230309\_Samara Notification of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase

Dear Stakeholder,

**NOTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PHASE**

**STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESS - EIA PROCESS FOR A  
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**Attachments:** Government Notice Amendment of EIA Regulations.pdf

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**From:** Adri La Meyer <Adri.LaMeyer@westerncape.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Sunday, 01 August 2021 19:50  
**To:** Vusi Masango <VMasango@srk.co.za>  
**Cc:** Andrew Caddick <ACaddick@srk.co.za>  
**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210730\_\_576461\_SAMARA WC\_ INVITATION TO REGISTER, PARTICIPATE AND COMMENT

### EXTERNAL

Dear Vusi,

Thank you for your e-mail of 30 July 2021 with Project Announcement Letter. Kindly register the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning as a commenting authority for the S&EIR application. You may add me as the Department's contact person for this application. I will facilitate the Department's comments on the application.

I note the listed activities applicable to the PR application. Please refer to the attached GN No. 517 dated 11 June 2021 where amendments to the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Listing Notices were made. Various amendments to the description of certain listed activities were made and certain activities were deleted (e.g. Activity 22 of LN 1).

Could you please notify me when the DSR is available for comment? We prefer to download the documents from your website or other online platforms.

Kind regards,  
Adri

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**Sent:** Monday, 30 August 2021 12:42  
**To:** Vusi Masango  
**Cc:** Laetitia Coetser  
**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

**EXTERNAL**

Hi Vusi,

Many thanks for the link!

Kind regards,  
Adri

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**From:** Vusi Masango <VMasango@srk.co.za>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 30, 2021 12:41  
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**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

Morning Adri;

Please see the link below

<https://docs.srk.co.za/en/za-scoping-report-diamond-prospecting-right-offshore-concession-areas-4c-and-5c-west-coast-south>

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**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2021 20:46  
**Subject:** 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

Dear Stakeholder,

**DRAFT SCOPING REPORT**

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**DMR Reference Number: NCS 30/5/1/1/2/1 (12853) PR**

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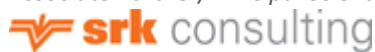
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**Sent:** Monday, 30 August 2021 14:10  
**To:** Adri La Meyer; Vusi Masango  
**Cc:** Andrew Caddick; Keagan-leigh Adriaanse; Taryn Dreyer; Eldon van Boom; Christopher Dalgliesh  
**Subject:** RE: 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW  
**Attachments:** 576461\_20210827\_R\_Samara\_Draft Scoping Report\_DMR\_Final\_V2.pdf

**Importance:** High

Dear Adri,  
Please find attached a copy of the updated report in which the correction was made.  
Should you have any additional queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.  
Kind regards  
Laetitia

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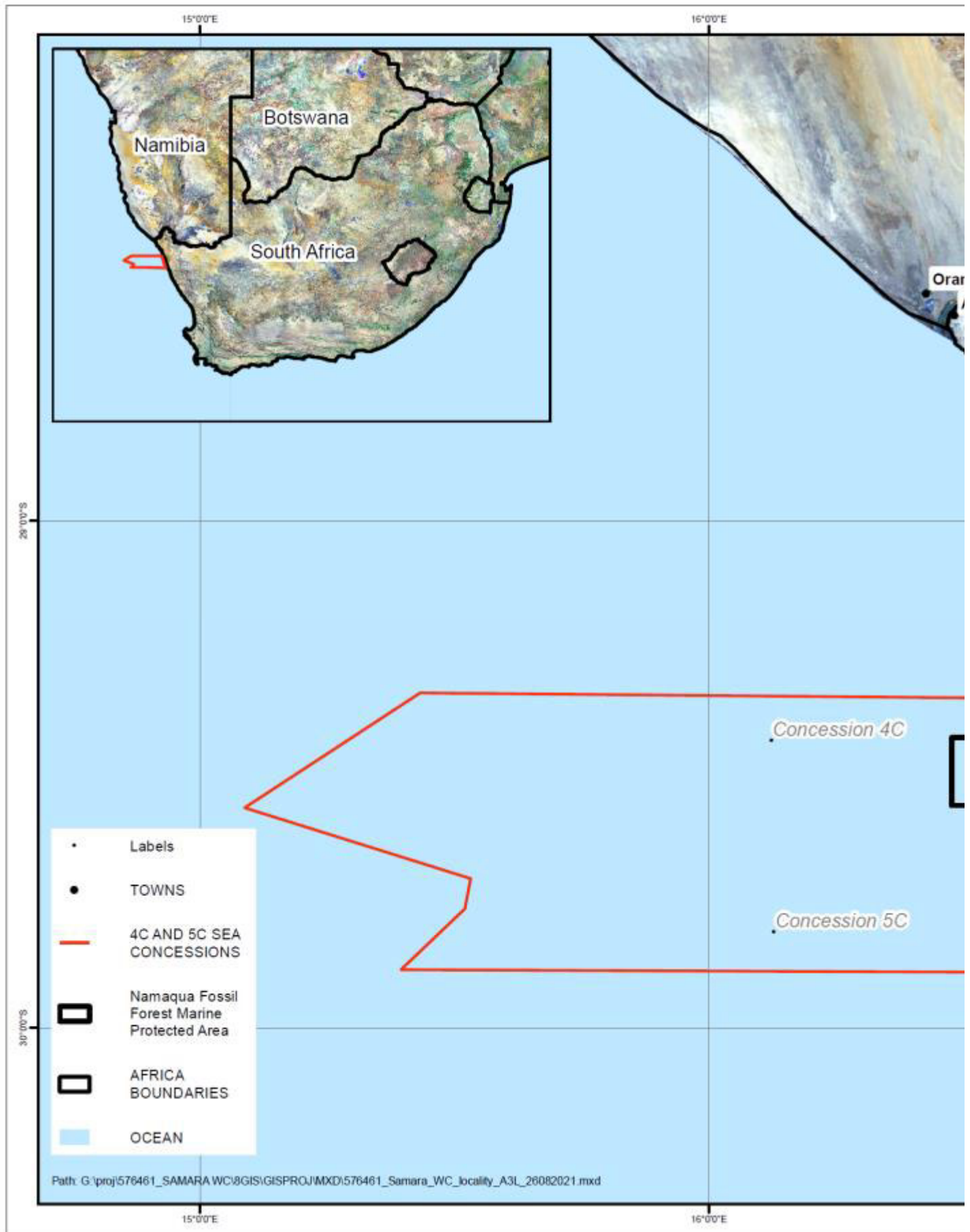
Apologies for bothering you again. Thanks for the link to download the DSR.

I have downloaded the DSR and note that the competent authority for the application is the DMRE (Western Cape). I just need clarity regarding the statement in the DSR please: "*The eastern boundary of the proposed Offshore Concession Area is located approximately 14.5 km from both Port Nolloth and from Kleinsee, respectively.*" Noting that the land-based site notices were placed in Porth Nolloth and Kleinsee (situated in the Northern Cape), can you please confirm that portions of Sea Concessions 4C and 5C do fall within the sea-based geographical area of the Western Cape? Also, is the DMRE (Western Cape Region) the CA for the application?

Based on the map in the DSR, it appears that Hondeklipbaai (also in the NC), is excluded from the PR area, which gives the impression that the Western Cape Province is excluded from the PR application?

Please note that if the sea-based areas of the Western Cape Province are not impacted by the diamond right prospecting application, this Department does not have jurisdiction to provide any comments.

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**Sent:** Friday, August 27, 2021 20:46  
**Subject:** 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

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**DRAFT SCOPING REPORT**

# STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PROCESS - EIA PROCESS FOR A DIAMOND PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION IN OFFSHORE CONCESSION AREAS 4C AND 5C OFF THE WEST COAST, SOUTH AFRICA

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**To:** Vusi Masango  
**Cc:** Andrew Caddick; Adri La Meyer  
**Subject:** FW: 576461\_20210827\_AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW

Hi Vusi,  
Can you please update the Register as per request?  
Kind regards  
Laetitia

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*Associate Partner/Principal Scientist*



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### EXTERNAL

Dear Laetitia,

Many thanks for the confirmation. This is good news – one less application for the Department to comment on



Please could take our name off the I&AP list in future reports for this application?

Kind regards,  
Adri

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**Importance:** High

Dear Adri,

Apologies, you are correct, it must be the Northern Cape. It will need to be updated to reflect the correct information.

Kind regards

Laetitia

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**EXTERNAL**

Hi Vusi,

Apologies for bothering you again. Thanks for the link to download the DSR.

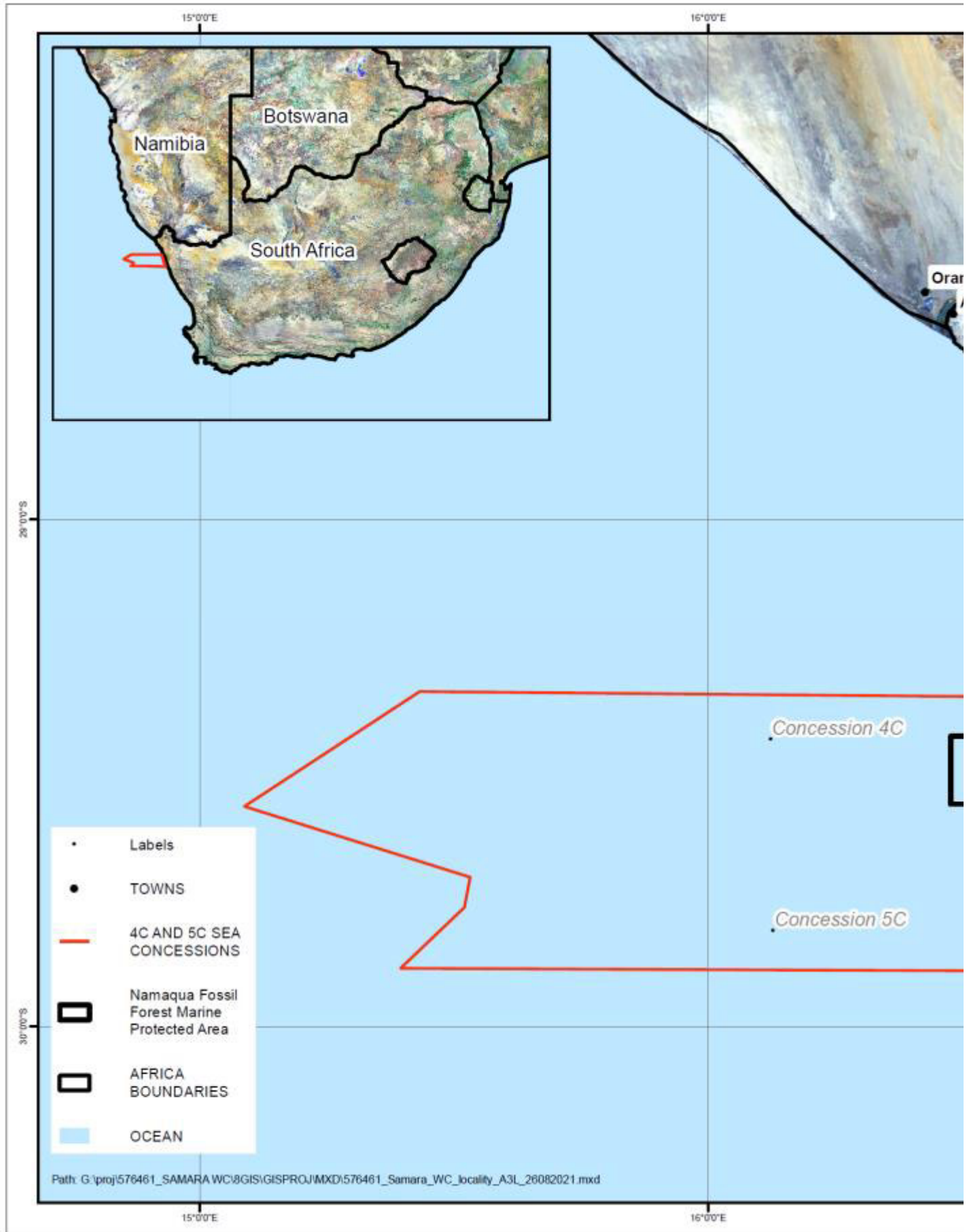
I have downloaded the DSR and note that the competent authority for the application is the DMRE (Western Cape). I just need clarity regarding the statement in the DSR please: "*The eastern boundary of the proposed Offshore Concession Area is located approximately 14.5 km from both Port Nolloth and from Kleinsee, respectively.*" Noting that the land-based site notices were placed in Porth Nolloth and Kleinsee (situated in the Northern Cape), can you please confirm that portions of Sea Concessions 4C and 5C do fall within the sea-based geographical area of the Western Cape? Also, is the DMRE (Western Cape Region) the CA for the application?

Based on the map in the DSR, it appears that Hondeklipbaai (also in the NC), is excluded from the PR area, which gives the impression that the Western Cape Province is excluded from the PR application?

Please note that if the sea-based areas of the Western Cape Province are not impacted by the diamond right prospecting application, this Department does not have jurisdiction to provide any comments.

Kind regards,

Adri



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Morning Adri;

Please see the link below

<https://docs.srk.co.za/en/za-scoping-report-diamond-prospecting-right-offshore-concession-areas-4c-and-5c-west-coast-south>

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Adri

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Public Documents

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- CDC Coega 9000 MW gas to power pro
- Charlesville BA
- Coega PET Polymer Plant EIA
- Der Brochen Mine Amendment Project
- Der Brochen-Mototolo Mine Consolidat
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Dear Sir/Madam,

**APPEAL IN TERMS OF SECTION 96 OF THE MPRDA AGAINST THE REJECTION OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PROSPECTING RIGHT BY DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES (PTY) LTD. AND ACCEPTANCE OF AN APPLICATION FOR A PROSPECTING RIGHT BY SAMARA MINING (PTY) LTD. FOR DIAMOND (GENERAL) OVER THE SEA AREAS 4C AND 5C OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.**

The above appeal dated 26 July 2021 has reference.

After careful consideration of the facts before me, I, **Jacob Mbele**, Director-General of Mineral Resources and Energy hereby,

1. Dismiss the appeal and confirm the decision of the Regional Manager: Northern Cape Region (hereinafter referred to as the "RM") to accept a prospecting right application by Samara Mining (Pty) Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the "Third Party") for Diamond (General) in respect of Sea Areas 4C and 5C situated in the Administrative District of Namaqualand, Northern Cape Province,



2. Uphold the appeal and set aside the decision of the RM to reject a prospecting right application by De Beers Consolidated Mines (Pty) Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as the "Appellant") to prospect for Diamond, Diamond (Alluvial) and Diamond (General) in respect of Sea Areas 4C and 5C situated in the Administrative District of Namaqualand, Northern Cape Province, and
3. Remit both applications to the RM for processing and evaluation in terms of section 17 read with section 9(2) of the MPRDA.

My decision is based on the following reasons:

- Both applications were lodged on the same day over the same mineral and land, as a result, the applications need to be processed in line with the provisions of section 9 of the MPRDA.
- Section 9(1)(a) of the MPRDA leaves the RM no other discretion but to receive the applications and have them processed by the Minister in terms of section 9(2) of the MPRDA.
- The Minister will not be able to make the determination in terms of section 9(2) if both competing applications are not put before him for consideration.

Yours faithfully,



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**MR. JACOB MBELE**  
**DIRECTOR-GENERAL**  
**MINERAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY**  
DATE: 1/11/2022.



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**From:** Mineral Regulation **Enquiries:** Deidre Karsten

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### **CONSIDERATION OF SCOPING REPORT IN TERMS OF REGULATION 22 OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) (AS AMENDED) REGARDING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING ACTIVITIES ON SEA CONCESSION 4C AND 5C, IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND**

1. Your scoping report was examined by the relevant authorities and found that it meets the requirements stated in the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 regulations.
2. Therefore, you are advised to continue with the tasks contemplated in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment.
3. In addition to this, you must within 106 days (**09 May 2023**) of the acceptance of the scoping report submit an environmental impact report inclusive of any specialist reports, and an environmental management programme, which must have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority.

4. In a case where there are significant changes in the information that was previously submitted; you will need to notify the Department in writing of such changes within the 106 days stated above and submit an environmental impact report within 156 days of acceptance of the scoping report by the Department

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Sander', is written over a dotted line. The signature is slanted and includes a large, stylized initial 'K'.

**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**

**NORTHERN CAPE REGION**

**DATE: 26 January 2023**



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IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND**

I refer to the abovementioned matter and confirm that extension for submission of final  
EIA is hereby granted for 50 days until 26 June 2023.

Kind Regards

  
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**REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION**

**NORTHERN CAPE REGION**

**DATE..... 09/03/2023**

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**Date:** Tuesday, 16 May 2023 12:13:00

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Dear Ms Mokhoantle

Thank you for your email.

Please note that we added Ms Hlengani and Mr Cloete on our stakeholder database. They will now also receive communication regarding the Prospecting Right application for Samara.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further queries.

### Kind Regards

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Environmental Scientist



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### EXTERNAL

Good day

Please take further communication with colleagues copied on this e-mail as this I believe is in their area. Please do not send this only to me in future rather to all of us then who ever is relevant to the area will respond. Thank you

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**From:** Marissa Swart <[MSwart@srk.co.za](mailto:MSwart@srk.co.za)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 10, 2023 4:20 PM

**Cc:** Laetitia Coetser <[LCoetser@srk.co.za](mailto:LCoetser@srk.co.za)>

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**Importance:** High

Dear Stakeholder

**INVITATION TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC CONSULTION MEETINGS AND COMMENT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

Samara has appointed NDI Geological Consulting Services (Pty) Ltd (NDI) as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), to undertake the application for the Environmental Authorisation (EA) while SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SRK) has been sub-contracted to provide specialist input and to undertake the Stakeholder Engagement Process for a diamond prospecting right in Offshore Concession Areas 4C and 5C off the West Coast, South Africa.

As part of the stakeholder engagement and public consultation process, meetings will be held on 23, 24, and 25 May 2023 in Hondeklip Bay, Kleinzee, and Port Nolloth, respectively to discuss the proposed project and address questions from Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs).

Accordingly, please find herewith attached an invitation Letter to the Public Consultation Meetings and further information on the respective meetings.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

**Kind Regards**

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