



Reference: 41100700

March 2018

Dear Stakeholder

RE: WRITTEN NOTICE TO ALL POTENTIAL INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT (BA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF FOUR COAL FIRED BOILERS AT TUBATSE CHROME IN STEELPOORT, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

Notice is given in terms of regulation 41(2) of GNR 326 (07 April 2017) published under sections 24(5) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) for the submission of an application for an environmental authorisation (EA) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 327 (07 April 2017). Notice is also given in terms of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (No. 39 of 2004) (NEM:AQA) for the submission of an amendment application for an atmospheric emission license (AEL) in respect of listed activities identified in terms of Section 23(1) of NEM:AQA. This notice is given to all potential interested and affected parties (I&APs), including:

- The owner or person in control of that land if the applicant is not the owner or person in control of the land;
- The occupiers of the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken or to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken;
- Owners and occupiers of land adjacent to the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken or to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken;
- The municipal councillor of the ward in which the site or alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represent the community in the area;
- The municipality which has jurisdiction in the area;
- Any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity; and
- Any other party as required by the competent authority.

The Proponent, Tubatse Chrome (Pty) Ltd, proposes to establish four 25t/h Coal Fired Boilers at the Tubatse Chrome Plant in Steelport, Limpopo Province. Tubatse Chrome has an existing power generation plant, which has the capacity to generate 30MW, but currently only generates approximately 7MW. The addition of four Coal-Fired Boilers would enable the power generation plant to generate up to its design capacity of 30MW. The Proposed Project site is located at the existing Tubatse Chrome Plant, situated on the Farm Goudmyn 337 KT Portion 6 off the R555 near Steelport.

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Prior to the commencement of the proposed project, the following legal requirements must be met:

- An Environmental Authorisation for Activity 34, identified in terms of GNR 327 (07 April 2017);
- An Environmental Authorisation for Activity 12, identified in terms of GNR 324 (07 April 2017); and
- An amendment of an Atmospheric Emissions License (AEL) in terms of Section 23(1) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (No 39 of 2004) (NEM:AQA).

ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

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LEGISLATIVE

FRAMEWORK GNR ACTIVITY ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

NEMA	GNR 327	Activity 34	The expansion or changes to existing facilities for any process or activity where such expansion or changes will result in the need for a permit or licence or an amended permit or licence in terms of national or provincial legislation governing the release of emissions or pollution.
	GNR 324	Activity 12	The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan. e. Limpopo ii. Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans; or
NEM:AQA		Section 23(1)	Tubatse Chrome is required to amend their AEL with the addition of a new emissions point as well as their registration as a controlled emitter.

REGISTRATION

WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed, by Tubatse Chrome, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), to undertake the Basic Assessment (BA) Process in an independent, diligent and transparent manner. The purpose of this notification is to provide you (as an identified stakeholder/I&AP) with sufficient details of the application and to encourage participation in the stakeholder engagement process for the project.

Please refer to **Appendix A** for a locality map of the proposed project. Should you wish to receive additional information regarding the proposed project or have any queries, please respond with your name, contact details and interest in the project on the Comment and Registration Form attached as **Appendix B** and return to WSP at the contact details provided below.



DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Basic Assessment Reports will be made available at the venues below for review and comment for 30 days from **15 March 2018** to **20 April 2018**.

AREA	VENUE	STREET ADDRESS	CONTACT NO
Steelpoort	Tubatse Chrome Security Office	R555, Steelpoort	013 230 8367
	Mapodile Public Library	Steelpoort	083 881 2023
Burgersfort	Burgersfort Public Library	Cnr Kort & Eddie Sedibe(Old Municipal Building)	013 231 1292
WSP Website	WSP Website (http://www.wsp-pb.com/en/WSP-Africa/What-we-do/Services/All-Services-A-Z/Technical-Reports/)		

As a stakeholder, we would value input into the Basic Assessment Process. We are looking forward to your meaningful contributions

Should you have any queries or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the EAP. The contact details of the EAP are:

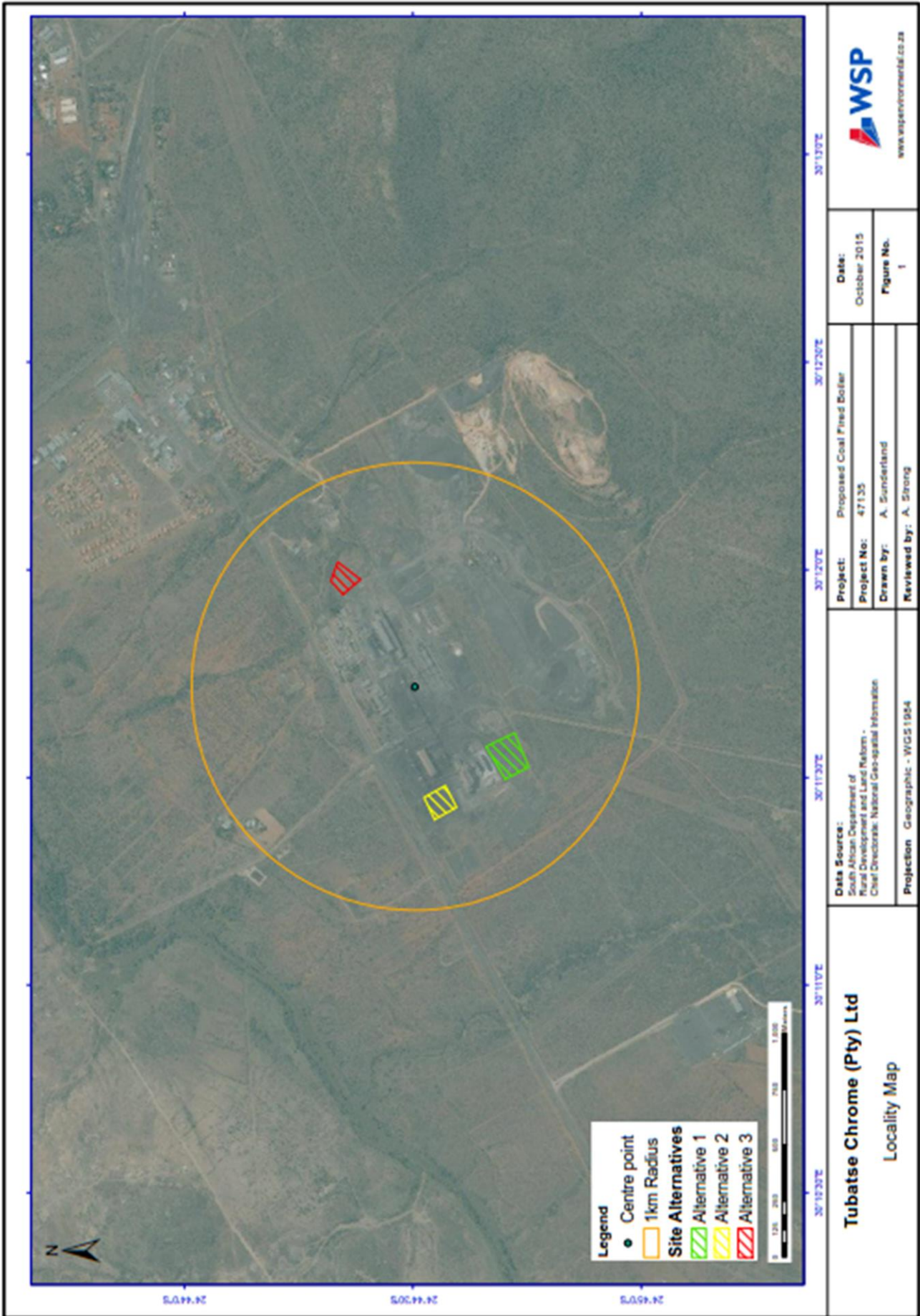
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Kind regards,

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Appendix A – Locality Map



Tubatse Chrome (Pty) Ltd
Locality Map

Data Source:
South African Department of
Rural Development and Land Reform -
Cradle Directorate: National Geo-spatial Information
Projection: Geographic - WGS 1954

Project: Proposed Coal Fired Boiler
Project No: 47135
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Date: October 2015
Figure No.: 1



Appendix B – Comment and Registration Form



Registration and Comments Sheet

PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF FOUR COAL FIRED BOILERS AT TUBATSE CHROME IN STEELPOORT, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

To be a registered stakeholder and ensure all comments and queries regarding this project are accurately documented and addressed please forward your comments and contact details with the attached response sheet to:

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Email: Ashlea.Strong@wsp.com

Please insert your personal details below:

Name:				
Organisation & Designation:				
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I would like my notifications by: (please tick the appropriate box)	Letter (mail)	E-mail	Fax	Telephone
<p>In terms of Regulation 43 of GNR 983 please disclose below any direct business, financial, personal or other interest that you may have in the granting or rejection of the application for environmental authorisation:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Please list your interest in the project and comments below:</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>				
Signature	Date			