

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT FOR THE
MINING PERMIT APPLICATION FOR CHROME ORE ON
PORTION 4 OF SYFERKUIL 9 JQ FARM, WITHIN
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF BOJANALA IN NORTH WEST
PROVINCE.**

DMR REFERENCE NUMBER: NW30/5/1/3/2/11144MP

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1. PURPOSE OF BID

Crysol Pty Ltd is appointed by Ziphatheni Holdings Pty Ltd to undertake a Mining Permit application in North West Province. This Background Information Document (BID) has been prepared as part of the notification and consultation process required in terms of the Section 27 (5) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resource Development Act (Act 28 of 2002) (MPRDA), as amended by Section 23 (5) of the Amendment Act. It describes the following;

- ◆ Background information regarding the planning for this project
- ◆ Information about the site and the proposal being considered
- ◆ An overview of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) application
- ◆ Suggestions on how you can participate on the process

2. APPOINTED EAP

Crysol (Pty) Ltd as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) was appointed by Ziphatheni Holdings Pty Ltd to conduct Basic Assessment process for the Mining Permit application in terms of section 27 (5) of MPRDA (Act 28 of 2002), as amended by Section 23 (5) of the Amendment Act for the Chrome ore.

3. PROJECT LOCATION

The proposed project is located on Portion 4 of Syferkuil 9 JQ Farm, within the magisterial district of Bojanala in North west Province.

4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed Mining Permit application is for Chrome ore. Currently there are no commercial or any activities on the property under application.

During establishment, operation and decommissioning of the Mining activities, the following tasks are anticipated to be undertaken:

- Stripping and stockpiling of topsoil
- Excavation of proposed minerals
- Loading and transportation of mineral to clients
- Sloping and landscaping upon closure of the site
- Replacing the topsoil and vegetating the disturbed area

It must be noted that no primary processing of material will take place on site.

Equipment and infrastructure on site will be limited to the following:

- 1 Excavator.
- 2 Front end loaders / back actors (TLB).
- 1 Articulated Dump Truck.
- Ablution facilities to be used by employees.
- Small site office (it is envisaged that one of the existing accommodation units on site will be renovated and used as a site office).
- Access control point (boom gate) to prevent unauthorised access into the mining area.

5. ENVIRO-LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

An application for a mining permit in terms of Section 27 (5) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No 28 of 2002) was submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (North West Regional Office). The proposed project triggers

the following listed activities in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations as amended (December 2014) and therefore requires Environmental Authorisation following a Basic Assessment Process. The authorising/Competent authority for this Mining Permit Application is the Department of Mineral Resources.

- GNR 983 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014 Activity 21:

“Any activity including the operation of that activity which requires a mining permit in terms of section 27 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (act No. 28 of 2002), including associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks directly related to the extraction of a mineral resource, including activities for which an exemption has been issued in terms of section 106 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No 28 of 2002). “

- GNR 983 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014 Activity 22:

“The decommissioning of any activity requiring a closure certificate in terms of section 43 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No 28 of 2002). “

- GNR 983 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014 Activity 27:

“The clearance of an area of 1 hectare or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation. “

- GNR 983 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Listing Notice 1 of 2014 Activity 28:

“Commercial developments where such land was used for agriculture or afforestation on or after 01 April 1998 and where such development (ii) will occur outside an urban area, where the total land to be developed is bigger than 1 hectare.”

6. NEED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

The purpose of public consultation process is to enable land owners, lawful occupiers, directly affected individuals, and/or other

Interested and Affected Parties (I& APS) to raise any issues, concerns and/or comments regarding the mining activities. A proof of consultation report will be developed and submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE). The proposed project requires Basic Assessment process. The assessment will be conducted in terms of the Mineral and petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002, as amended and the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) as amended.

The environmental assessment will culminate in the compilation of a Basic Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme which will be submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR), the regulatory authority responsible for issuing environmental authorisation for this Mining Permit Application.

7. HOW TO GET INVOLVED

All Interested and Affected parties (I&APS) are invited to submit their issues, concerns' and comments regarding the proposed Mining Permit activities to Crysbol (Pty) Ltd via email, facsimile, registered post or telephonically. A Registration Form (provided herewith) is made available below for you to fill in your personal details and comments, kindly do so and submit to Crysbol at the details provided below.

8. HOW TO OBTAIN FURTHER INFORMATION

Registering as I&APs will ensure that you are placed on a data base to be informed of any progress regarding the project. You can do so by filling in the form below and return it to the relevant EAP listed below.

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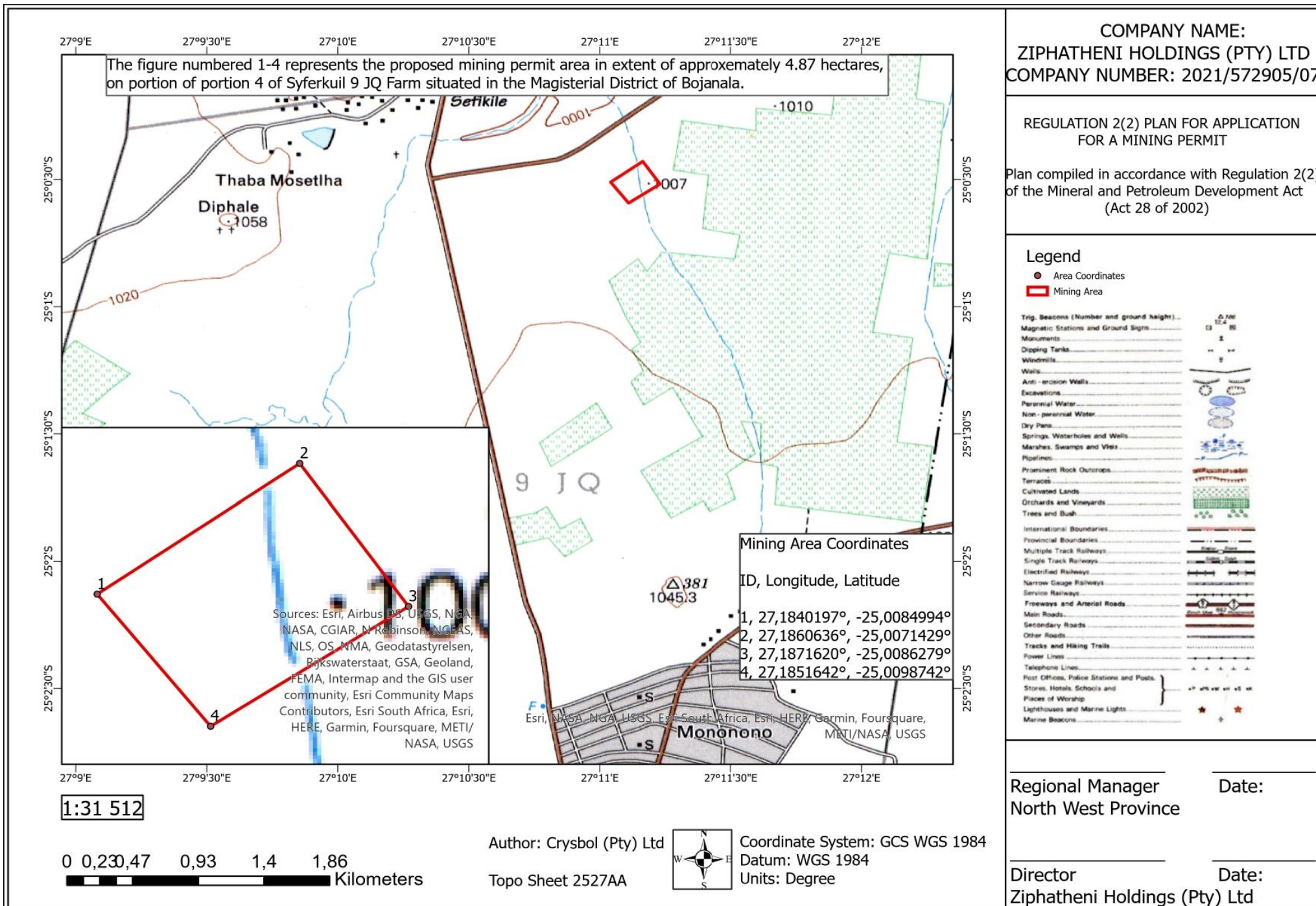


Figure 1: Locality Map (Reg 2.2)

I&AP Registration Form

DMR REF. NO.: NW 30/5/1/3/2/11144 MP

Name and Surname	
Physical Address	
Contact Details	Telephone No.: Fax No.: Cell No.: E-mail Address:
Please indicate any issues, comments and concerns regarding the proposed project	
Please indicate in which aspects you would require more information	
Please indicate any I&APs whom you think should be contacted	
In order to be registered as an I&AP for this project fax, mail, or e-mail the completed registration form to Crysbol (Pty) Ltd; Telephone No: 011 038 0131 OR Fax: 086 480 7682 OR Postal Address: PostNet Suite #157, Private Bag X121, Halfway House, 1685.OR Email Address: comments@crysbol.co.za	