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## INTRODUCTION AND THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

Singo Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as an independent Environmental Consultant by **Montungwa S.A Trading and Projects (Pty) Ltd** to conduct Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) through Basic Assessment, Compile a Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) and undertake Public Participation Process (PPP). This is done for processes of acquiring Environmental Authorization for the proposed Mining Permit Application within **portion of Portion 13 of the Farm Teutfontein 407 JS**, under the **Magisterial District of Middleburg, Mpumalanga Province**. (DMRE Ref: MP 30/5/1/1/3/13187 MP).

The Purpose of this Background Information Document (BID) is to provide a perfunctory description of the project and outline EIA processes to be followed and contributions from Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) on the issues related to the project in question, allowing comments and concerns to be raised. Results of the EIA through basic assessment, both negative and positive will be submitted and made available to the relevant Departments such as the Department of Mineral Resources and energy if requested, Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environmental, Water and Sanitation, Landowners, and other interested stakeholders.

This Background Information Document therefore requests and invite I&APs to comment on the environmental, physical, Social and economic impacts associated with the proposed Mining Activities. Be assured that your comments are of great value as they ensure that relevant issues are taken into consideration. Attached at the end of this document is a registration form, kindly complete it and send it back to **Ms Zwivhuya Tshabuse** through given means of communication also attached there.

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) (Act 28 of 2002) and EIA regulations 2014, published under Government Notice No. 982 in Gazette No. 38282 of 8 December 2014, amended on 11 June 2021, that **Montungwa S.A Trading and Projects (Pty) Ltd** has an intention to mine coal on the aforementioned portion.

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## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Mining Permit Application has been submitted for the extraction of **Coal** resource on the property mentioned above. The Mining Permit area is situated approximately 12.22 km East of Middelburg and approximately 8.20 km Northeast of Rockdale.

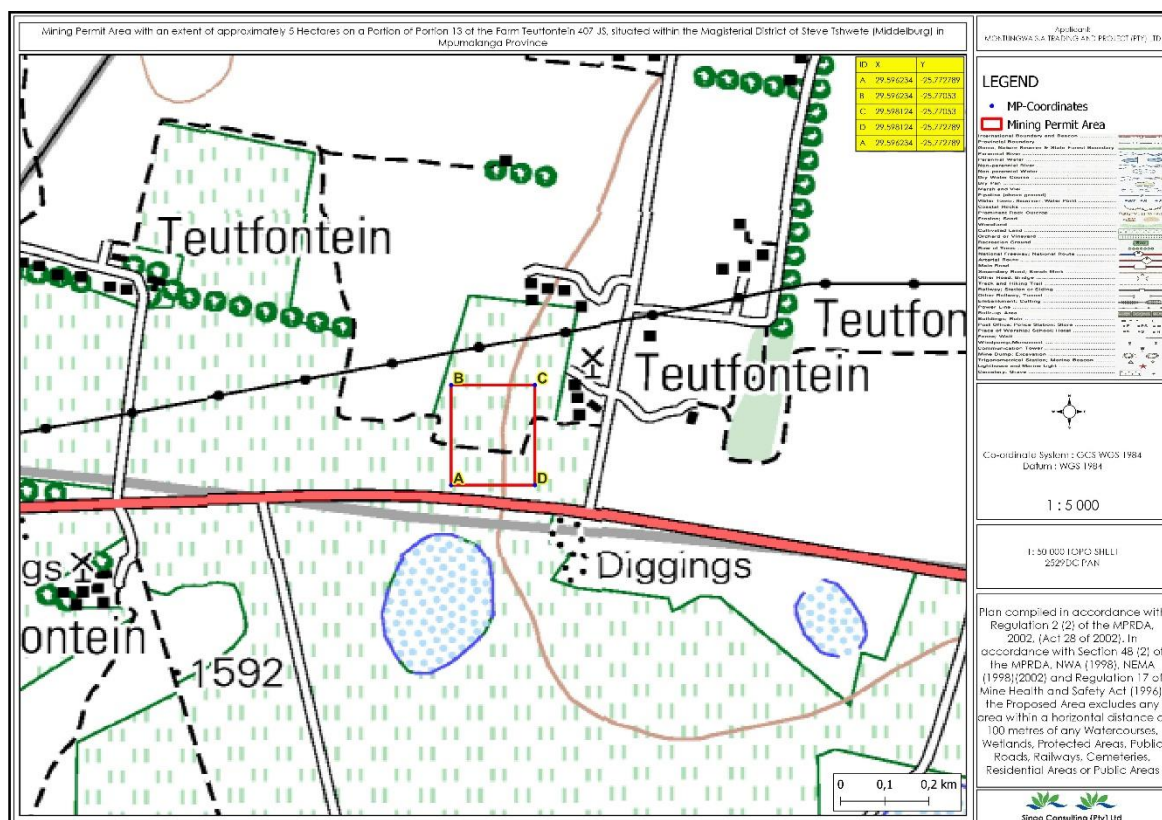
Mining activities will be undertaken over a period of two (2) years. This project will entail an open cast method of excavation. The mine design will be developed according to the dimension of the applied mineral deposit within the project area, but overall mining activities will be limited to an area of 5 Ha as per mining permit requirements. The topsoil will be stockpiled elsewhere on site preferably next to the farm boundary and will be used during rehabilitation period. Once a box cut has been made, the overburden and mineral resources where necessary will be loosened by blasting. The loosened material will then be loaded onto trucks by excavators. A haul road will be situated at the side of the open cast, forming a ramp up which trucks can drive, carrying ore and waste rock. Waste rock will be piled up at the surface, near the edge of the open cast (waste dump). The waste dump will be tiered and stepped, to minimize degradation. All the activities will be guided by the project's EMPr such that the project does not impact the environment negatively.

## REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

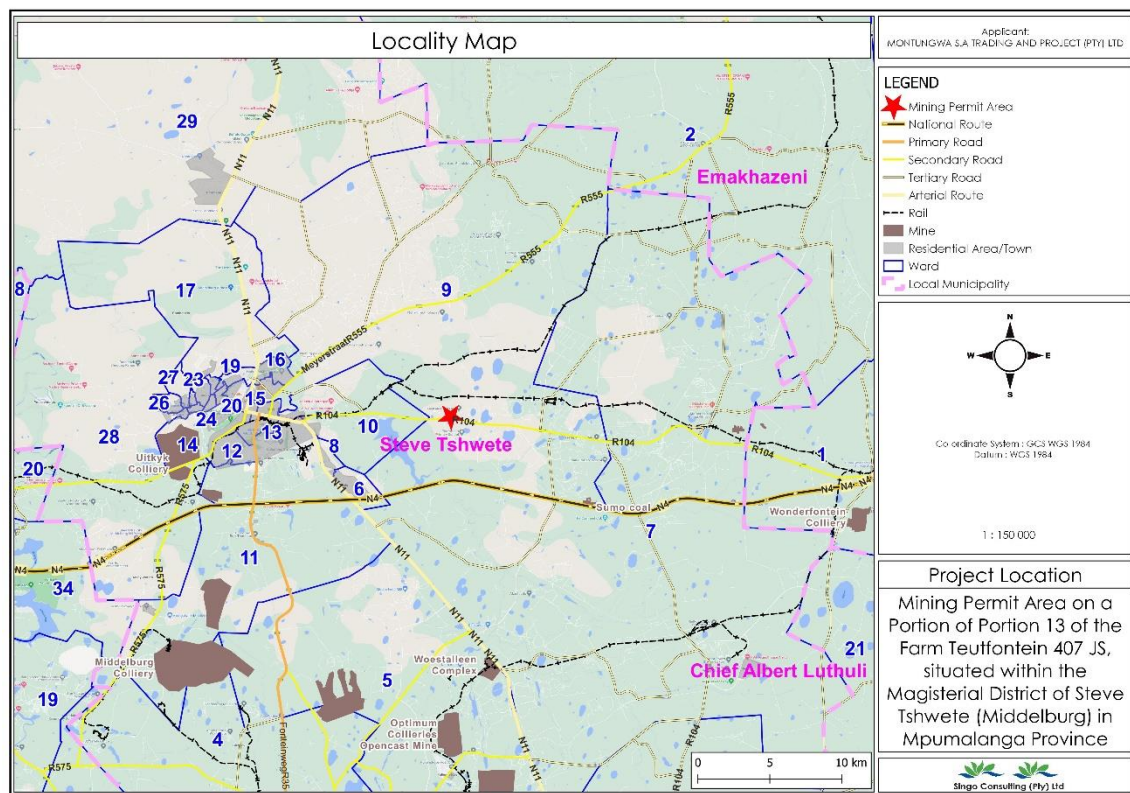
The EIA process through BAR & EMPr to be undertaken will be conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment regulations as amended (June 2021).

The activity is to extract the existence and occurrence of the applied mineral; therefore, this will be conducted in accordance with Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, (Act 28 of 2002). Other regulatory guidelines to be followed include: National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998), National Air Quality Standards (GN 1210: 2009) and National Dust Control Regulations (GN 827: 2013).

These all will accurately be followed to ensure that identified impacts are assessed and mitigated according to their significance so that the protection of the receiving environment and populations is met.



**Figure 1: Regulation 2.2 map (A. -25.772789, 29.596234)**



## BASIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT & PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

These are planning and decision-making tools used in identifying potential environmental, economic, and social consequences of a proposed activity prior the commencement of the activity.

These together with the public issues and concerns are to be identified sufficiently early so that they can be assessed and incorporated into the final reports when/if necessary.

These tools are regarded crucial because they are utilized in order to demonstrate to the relevant stakeholders about the potential impacts, which in turn leads to the Mining application process being a success or declined.

Public Participation remains a cornerstone of the Environmental Impact Assessment process. It ensures provision of relevant and enough information with openness and transparency. Public Participation process presents to I&APs, an opportunity to understand what the project is about, and affords them an opportunity to make valuable contributions towards the EIA process.

I&AP can be any person, group of persons or organization interested in or affected by the proposed activity, and any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.

Kindly keep the following dates:

- Review period of the draft BAR & EMP: **14<sup>th</sup> December 2022- 03<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 (with exclusion of public holidays that will affect business days as per regulation 3(2) of NEMA EIA Regulations from the 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2022 until the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 2023)**

The BAR & EMP will be available at **Gerard Sekoto Public Library (Wanderers Avenue, Middelburg, 1055)** and a soft copy (via emails; Dropbox link; Google drive; WeTransfer, etc.), upon request from Singo Consulting (Pty) Ltd using the contact details of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), Dr



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**REGISTRATION & COMMENT SHEET-( MINING PERMIT REF MP 30/5/1/1/3/13187 MP)**

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<b>Please provide your comments and questions here:</b>					
Please feel free to attach a separate document					
<b>Please add any person you think may be interested and affected parties:</b>					
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