BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

Proposed Prospecting Right Application for Chrome, Copper, Iron, Manganese, Nickel, Platinum Group Metals, Tin and Uranium with an extent of approximately 2314,56 hectares (ha) of the Farm Strydkraal 537 KS.

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FETAKGOMO/ TUBATSE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

INTRODUCTION AND THE PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

Singo Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as an independent Environmental Consultant by Ulibo Resources (Pty) Ltd to conduct Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), Compile an Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) and undertake Public Participation Process (PPP). This is done for the processes of acquiring environmental authorization for the proposed Prospecting Right Application for Chrome, Copper, Iron, Manganese, Nickel, Platinum Group Metals, Uranium with an approximately 2314.56 ha on the Farm Strydkraal 537 KS situated under Fetakgomo/Tubatse Local Municipality, Limpopo Province. (DMRE Ref: LP 30/5/1/1/2/ (13845) PR)).

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, both negative and positive will be submitted and made available to the relevant Departments such as the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy and if requested, Environmental Affairs, 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 Prospecting 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 and send it back to **Ms Deshney Mapoko** through given means of communication also attached there.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Prospecting Right Application has been submitted for the prospecting application for Chrome, Copper, Iron, Manganese, Nickel, Platinum Group Metals, Tin and Uranium on the property mentioned above.

This Prospecting Area, as seen in figure 1, is situated Approximately 10. 31 km South West of Ga-Nkoana and approximately 11.40 North east of Ga-Masemola.

Prospecting activities will be undertaken over a period of five (5) years and are designed in phases, each phase conditional on the success of the previous phase. Both invasive and non-invasive methods will be implemented. Desktop study of the area has commenced, and this incorporates desktop geographical and geological mapping.

This will be followed by detailed geochemical and geotechnical surveys. In turn, this is followed by detailed geophysical studies and later, a detailed drilling, sampling, assaying and mineralogical study. Percussion drilling and Diamond methods will be utilised to prospect in mineral deposits. To ensure or minimise impacts on the receiving environment, All the activities will be guided by the project's EMPr.

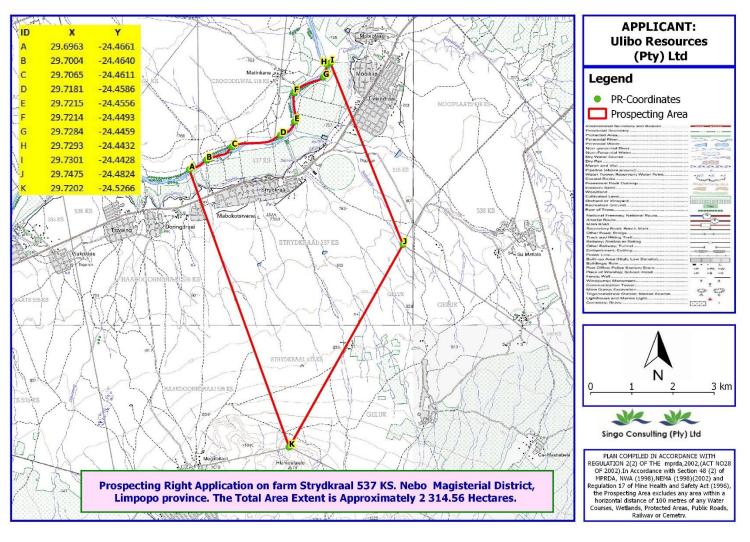


Figure 1: Regulation 2(2) Map of the Proposed Project Area.

REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

Therefore, EIA process to be undertaken will be conducted in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act (Act 38 of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment regulations as amended (April 2017).

The activity is to prospect the existence and occurrence of the applied commodities 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 275: 2017).

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 population is met.

BASIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESSES

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 PROCESS

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.

The key objective of PPP is to afford the I&APs with an opportunity to comment and provide valuable inputs during the planning phase of the project.

For this specific proposed project, I&APs will be given a period of 30 days to comment and raise issues/concerns with regards to this BID.

Kindly keep the following dates:

- ❖ Announcement of the Prospecting Right Application: <u>29th of October 2020</u>
- Stakeholder engagement and consultation:
 <u>02nd of November 2020- 01st of December</u>
 2020
- Review of Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr): <u>02nd December</u> <u>2020-20th January 2021</u> (Excluding the period from the 15th of December 2020 to the 02nd of January 2021 as per regulation 54 (2), section 4.6)
- ❖ Submission of the Final BAR & EMPr: <u>25th</u> <u>January 2021</u>

The Draft BAR & EMPr will be available at the Fetakgomo/ Tubatse Local Municipality (1 Kastania street, Burgersfort 1150) and a soft copy upon request from Singo Consulting using the contact details provided.



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PROSPECTING RIGHT APLLICATION ON FARM STRYDKRAAL 537 KS REGISTRATION & COMMENT SHEET

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