



10 December 2013

The Heritage Officer: Heritage Objects Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency
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Dear Mr. Ngcai and Isaacs

RE-INSTATEMENT OF THE HISTORIC TRAIN : CAPE TOWN STATION

Your letter dated 27 November 2013 has reference.

On your request for the latest developments the following:

- The plinth on which the historic locomotive will be re-instated is complete, see photographs below;



The historic locomotive will be enclosed in the black area

White area will be retained as seating / reflective space

- A request for a capital budget in the new financial year, starting on 1 April 2014 was submitted. The capital budget is not formally approved yet. The amount requested will be enough for the re-location of Blackie out of storage to Cape Town Station on Station Square, and enclosure of the historic locomotive to protect it from vandalism and weather.

An interesting fact that I learned the other day is that the plinth, and therefore Blackie's orientation is aligned with the original railway tracks of the first railway station in Cape Town.

Thank you for incorporating our requirements in your terms of reference. If all goes well we should be completed with the re-instatement of the historic locomotive before the end of 2014.

Regards

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