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South African Heritage Resources Agency  
155 Harrington Street  
Cape Town

Att: N. Q. Machete,

**RE: SUPPORTING LETTER FOR THE REQUEST FOR BUFFERING OF KNOWN BURIALS AT KHANYE COLLIERY**

This letter is written in support of the letter addressed to SAHRA from Canyon Coal requesting mining within a 50m buffer from known graves at the Khanye Colliery near Bronkhorstpruit.

G&A Heritage Properties (Pty) Ltd has been advising Canyon Coal on the management of these graves since the inception of the project. Having made several site visits to the area and having evaluated the possible impacts on these graves it is my finding that a 50m buffer should be sufficient to prevent any damage to the graveyard resulting from the planned mining in the area.

The monitoring of dust-fallout as well as seismic monitoring will ensure that any secondary impacts are identified before they will impact on the burial sites.

It is recommended that we continue to monitor the site on a bi-weekly basis and supply feedback to SAHRA on the preservation of the site.

A stalemate has resulted in the negotiations with the families involved in terms of the relocation of these graves and the above mitigation is expected to be the most prudent approach to enable the mine to continue with its activities without impacting on the graves.

During the interim negotiations with the families will continue to establish an acceptable resolution in terms of their relocation.

We trust you find the above in order.

Best regards,



Stephan Gaigher  
CEO, G&A Heritage Properties (Pty) Ltd