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Subject: RHINO OIL AND GAS KZN 295 ER: 2nd UPDATE ON SCOPING AND EIA PROCESS

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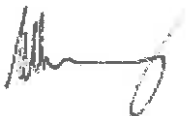
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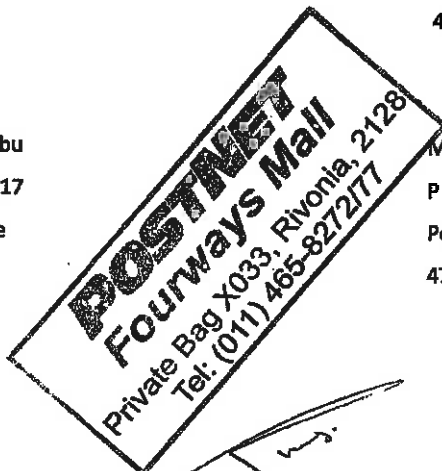
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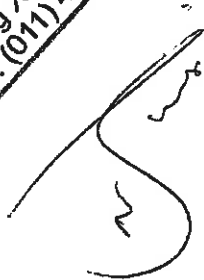


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Subject: Rhino Oil & Gas, KZN 291 ER: Notice to trustees
Attachments: 2016-01-28 Rhino KZN 291 ER BIDv2_English with farm names.pdf

ATTENTION: TRUSTEE

Dear Sir/Madam

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF EXPLORATION RIGHT APPLICATION FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ON VARIOUS FARMS IN IN REGISTRATION DIVISIONS ET, FT, GS, GT, GU & GV IN THE KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE (12/3/291 ER): NOTICE TO TRUSTS

The above-mentioned project refers.

You have, based on information received from the applicant, been identified as a Trustee of a Trust, which owns property that may be included within the application area of the subject application. We therefore wish to notify you of the application and initiate consultation in this regard.

Please be informed that Rhino Oil and Gas Exploration South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Rhino Oil and Gas) lodged an application for an **exploration right** to the Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) in terms of section 79 of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA). Minerals included in the application are oil, gas, condensate, coal bed methane, helium and biogenic gas. The application area extends across a large part of south and central KwaZulu-Natal (KZN). Please refer to the map and list of included properties in the attached Background Information Document (BID) for a description of the application area.

Rhino Oil and Gas proposes to undertake early-phase exploration for oil and gas which may be located within suitable geological strata. The 3-year exploration work programme will be restricted to non-invasive techniques, as well as seismic surveys and the drilling of less than 10 core boreholes for determining stratigraphy. As a result very few sites will be subject to any physical disturbance. The purpose of the exploration work programme is to obtain a regional interpretation of the relevant geology to allow for the determination of the presence of a petroleum resource which could be investigated further. No hydraulic fracturing (fracking) is proposed.

Rhino Oil and Gas then made an application for **environmental authorisation** of the exploration activities in terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA). The application is subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process as stipulated in the EIA Regulations (GNR 982, 8 December 2014). SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd are appointed as independent environmental consultant responsible for the public participation and environmental assessment required to inform a decision on the environmental authorisation.

The Scoping and EIA process for this application commenced in October 2015 with notification to and consultation with potentially interested or affected parties being undertaken through a variety of mechanisms. Due to various challenges in sourcing contact information, not all landowners were notified. The assessment and consultation process is ongoing and currently in the EIA phase. SLR is preparing the Environmental Impact Report which will be made available to interested or affected parties (IAPs) for review in due course. The final scoping report (FSR) has been submitted to PASA for decision making and has been accepted. Consultation with interested and affected parties is on-going and will continue through the EIA process.

All of the reports and information produced for the Scoping and EIA process to date are available to download from the SLR ftp site. To do so, please visit: <ftp.slrconsulting.co.za>

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Alternatively contact SLR and all of the relevant documents can be supplied (email or on CD).

If the Trust you represent is not affected please advise SLR and we will remove you from the database. Otherwise we have registered you as an interested and affected party.

Please also pass this document on to any other Trustees or persons whom you know reside in or near to the exploration right application area.

We welcome any comment or questions.

Yours faithfully



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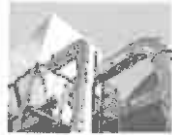
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ATTENTION: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY

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APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION WITH REGARDS TO AN EXPLORATION RIGHT APPLICATION FOR PETROLEUM ON VARIOUS FARMS IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICTS OF MATATIELE AND MOUNT FLETCHER, EASTERN CAPE (12/3/295 ER): 30-DAY REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT AND PUBLIC MEETING

Our previous correspondence of the 13th of June 2016 regarding the abovementioned project has reference.

Background: Rhino Oil and Gas Exploration South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Rhino Oil and Gas) lodged an application for an exploration right with the Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) in terms of Section 79 of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA). Rhino Oil and Gas also lodged an application to PASA for environmental authorisation of exploration activities in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA). The application is subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process that is being undertaken in terms of the EIA Regulations 2014 (GNR 982, 8 December 2014). The Scoping process was previously completed by SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd (SLR). PASA accepted the Scoping Report on 10 June 2016, granting permission for the EIA to be undertaken in terms of the Plan of Study for EIA.

Scope Changes: Subsequent to the acceptance of the Scoping Report, Rhino Oil and Gas has reduced the extent of the ER application area through the exclusion of the Malekgalonyane (Ongeluksnek) Nature Reserve thus reducing the number of properties included in the ER application to approximately 180 properties (farms and portions) over an area of 110 572 ha. More recently, Rhino Oil and Gas has also excluded ground-based exploration activities including core hole drilling and seismic surveys from the proposed 'early-phase exploration' work for which they are seeking environmental approval. The current focus of the application and the related

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environmental assessment work is now only on remote exploration techniques (including analysis of existing data and an aerial full tensor gradiometry gravity survey).

If the current application is approved, Rhino Oil and Gas would be in a position to conduct the remote exploration techniques and to develop a more detailed understanding of the potential oil and gas resources in the application area. Thereafter, should Rhino Oil and Gas propose to conduct ground based exploration activities would need to be informed by a further application to PASA and a separate environmental assessment and authorisation process. A benefit of this revised approach is that any future application for ground based exploration activities would be focused on specified sites, thereby enabling interested & affected parties (I&APs) to understand where Rhino Oil and Gas proposes to access land and conduct ground based exploration activities. This addresses some of the concerns raised by IAPs in not understanding exactly where any of the proposed ground based exploration activities may be located.

EIR for Review: This letter serves to inform you, as a registered IAP on the project, that SLR, on behalf of Rhino Oil and Gas, produced an environmental impact report (EIR), including an environmental management programme, for the application. The purpose of the EIR is to summarise the EIA process followed to date and provide an overview of the proposed project and the affected environment. It also provides an assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed project and sets out the management and mitigation measures that are recommended should the application be approved.

The EIR is being made available to registered I&APs for review and comment on the findings and management measures for the proposed project. In this regard, the EIR will be available for a 30-day comment period from the **12th of August 2016 until the 13th of September 2016**. Hard copies of the EIR have been placed at the following locations for public review:

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Matatiele Public Library	102 Main Street, Matatiele, 4730
Maluti Magistrate Offices	101 Main Street, Matatiele, 4730
Mount Fletcher Public Library	Enkululekweni Location, Mount Fletcher
Elundini Local Municipality (Mount Fletcher Offices)	272 Back Street, Mount Fletcher
Maclear Public Library	Van Riebeeck Street, Maclear, 5480
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Ramohlakoana Traditional Council	Queen Sibi's Office, Hebron
Bakoena Traditional Council	Chief Lebenya's Office, Seqhobong
Amahlubi Traditional Council	Chief Zibi's Office, Ezingonyameni, Kwa Dzingwa

The EIR is also available to download from the SLR website. To download the EIR and Appendices go to: <http://www.ccaenvironmental.co.za/sub-oil-gas-minerals/rhino-exploration-right-for-petroleum-products-matatiele-and-mt-fletcher-eastern-cape>. Alternatively, contact SLR and an electronic copy of the EIR can

be emailed to you, or the EIR and Appendices provided on CD. An executive summary of the EIR is also available on request in English, Sesotho or isiXhosa.

All comments on the EIR should be submitted to SLR at the details shown in the Table below. Comments received will be used to update the EIR, as relevant, and copies of all the comments will be included with the EIR when it is submitted to PASA for decision making. Please ensure that your comments reach us on or before the **13th of September 2016**.

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Public Feedback: I&APS are invited to attend an **open day** and **public meeting** at the Nokwhezi Community Hall in Matatiele on the 24th of August 2016. The purpose of the open day and public meeting is to inform I&APs of the findings of the EIA process and provide opportunity for questions to be asked. Comments will be recorded for further consideration. The open day will commence at **13h00** with members of the EIA and applicant team available to answer questions. The formal public meeting will commence at **15h30** and will include a presentation by the EIA team followed by a question and answer session.

Please pass this letter onto any other persons whom you know have an interest in the project. We welcome any comment or questions. Thank you for your ongoing involvement in the scoping and EIA process.

Yours faithfully



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Gays urged to form organisations

>> Minister raises awareness about rights of gay people

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THE Minister of Social Development, Bathabile Dlamini, called on gays and lesbians to form organisations that will educate people and fight for their rights.

Dlamini was speaking at a social development meeting organised to raise awareness about rights of gays in Matatiele on Saturday.

Addressing more than 100 members of lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) community, Dlamini said gays and lesbians are the victims of gender-based violence in some communities and are murdered by the public because of their gender and sexual orientation.

"Matatiele is one of the hot spots where gays and lesbians are victimised. In my office there are members of the LGBTI and they are very humble.

"People must be treated equally so stop killing gays and lesbians."

She called on NGOs dealing with gender-base

violence to seek funds from her department.

"The department is working with churches and community groups to raise awareness about gay rights. It's not easy for people to accept gays, but people must be educated."

Some LGBTI members who were part of the session drank alcohol outside the marquee while Dlamini delivered her speech. An official from the department said it is disrespectful and condemned it.

"I can't stop you [gays and lesbians] from drinking alcohol, but you must respect this function first. I am not going to waste time talking to drunk people," said Dlamini.

She said she is going to Matatiele where traditional leaders and stakeholders will be educated about gays and lesbian rights.

Dimakatso Sebidi (32), from the LGBTI community called for respect to young gays and lesbians.

"For people to understand us we should respect them.

"Never force family members to accept your sexual status," warned Sebidi.



PHOTO: SIPHELELE NKETO
LGBTI members at the meeting.



Minister of Social Development Bathabile Dlamini speaks at the session.

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Farmers amalgamate to improve production

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The new trucks and trailers
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A NUMBER of Matatiele farmers formed a company and bought machinery to assist with produce production because Matatiele relies heavily on agriculture.

The Matatiele Grain Company (MGC) is made up of 26 farmers who assist each

other.

Vusi Ngesi, the company administrator, said last year the government gave them R17 million to buy tractors, harvesters, trucks and other items to boost farming.

"In 2014 we brought farmers together in order to get financial support from government and we now use these machines for planting,

harvesting transporting crops to silos," said Ngesi. He said this year they will specialise in producing beans, grain and sunflowers.

MGC chairperson, Elijah Mohapi said it is better to work together as farmers, than to work as individuals.

The farmers under MGC have over 20 000 hectares of land in Matatiele and Cedarville.

NOTICE: REVIEW OF EIA REPORT AND PUBLIC MEETING INVITATION

Scoping and EIA Process: Application for Environmental Authorisation with regards an Exploration Right Application for Petroleum on Various Farms in the Magisterial Districts of Matatiele and Mount Fletcher, Eastern Cape (12/3/295 ER)

Rhino Oil and Gas Exploration South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Rhino Oil and Gas) has lodged an application for an exploration right with the Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) in terms of Section 79 of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA) and an application for environmental authorisation of exploration activities in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA). The application is subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process that is being undertaken in terms of the EIA Regulations 2014 (GNR 982, 8 December 2014). The Scoping process was previously completed by SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd (SLR). PASA accepted the Scoping Report on 10 June 2016.

Scope Changes: Subsequent to the Scoping Report, Rhino Oil and Gas reduced the extent of the ER application area through exclusion of the Malekgalonyane (Orngelusknek) Nature Reserve. Rhino Oil and Gas has also excluded ground-based exploration activities (core hole drilling and seismic surveys) from the application for environmental approval. The current focus of the application and the related environmental assessment work is now only on remote exploration techniques (including analysis of existing data & aerial full tensor gradiometry grav. survey). If approved, Rhino Oil & Gas would be in a position to conduct the remote exploration techniques. Should Rhino Oil and Gas propose to conduct ground based exploration activities they would need to make further application to PASA and undertake a separate environmental assessment and authorisation process. A benefit of this revised approach is that future applications for ground based exploration activities would be focused on specified sites and concerns linked to those sites.

This notice serves to inform Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) that SLR has prepared an environmental impact report (EIR), including an environmental management programme. The purpose of the EIR is to summarise the EIA process followed to date; provide an overview of the proposed project and the affected environment; present the assessment of the potential impacts and sets out the recommended mitigation measures. The EIR is being made available to I&APs for a 30-day comment period from the 12th of August 2016 until the 13th of September 2016. Copies of the EIR have been placed at the following locations for public review:

Name and Location	Physical Address
Matatiele Public Library	102 Main Street, Matatiele, 4730
Makuti Magistrate Office	101 Main Street, Matatiele, 4730
Mount Fletcher Public Library	Erkululekweni Location, Mount Fletcher
Elundini Local Municipality (Mount Fletcher Offices)	272 Back Street, Mount Fletcher
Madear Public Library	Van Riebeeck Street, Madear, 5480
Bakoona Traditional Council	Chief Moshoeho's Office, Queen's Mercy
Ramohlakona Traditional Council	Queen Sibisi's Office, Hebron
Bakoona Traditional Council	Chief Lebanya's Office, Seghobong
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The EIR is also available to download from the SLR website. To do so, please visit: <http://www.ccaenvironmental.co.za/sub-oil-gas-minerals/>. Alternatively, contact SLR and an electronic copy of the EIR can be emailed or provided on CD. An executive summary of the EIR is also available on request in English, Sesotho or isiXhosa.

All comments on the EIR should be submitted to SLR at the details shown below. Comments received will be used to update the EIR, as relevant, and copies of all the comments will be included with the EIR when submitted to PASA. Please ensure that your comments reach SLR on or before the 13th of September 2016.

Matthew Hamming (Project Manager) and/or Stella Mooketsa (Public Participation) by

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I&APs are invited to attend an open day and public meeting at the Nkwezi Community Hall in Matatiele on the 24th of August 2016. The purpose of the open day and public meeting is to inform I&APs of the findings of the EIA process and provide opportunity for questions and comment. The open day will commence at 12h00 followed by the formal public meeting at 13h30.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CALLING FOR INSPECTION OF THE 1ST SUPPLEMENTARY ROLL 4TH FINANCIAL YEAR VALUATION ROLL AND LODGING OF OBJECTIONS

BID NO.: GKM 19-16/16

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 49(1) (a) (1) together with Section 78 (2) of Local Government:

Municipal Property Rates Act 2004 (Act No 6 of 2004), hereinafter referred to as the 'Act', that the Supplementary Valuation Roll for the Financial Year 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 is open for inspection at the Municipal Offices at No 75 Hope Street, Kokstad as from 15 July 2016 to 15 August 2016 during office hours. Supplementary Valuation Roll is also available on www.kokstad.org.za.

An invitation is hereby made in terms of Section 49(1)(a)(iii) read together with Section 78 (2) of the Act that any owner of the property or other person who so desires, should lodge an objection with the Municipal Manager in respect of any matter reflected in or omitted from the Supplementary Valuation Roll within the above mentioned period.

Attention is specifically drawn to the fact that in terms of section 50(2) of the Act an objection must be in relation to a specific individual property and not against the Supplementary valuation roll as such. The form for lodging of an objection is obtainable from the Municipal Offices, 75 Hope Street during office hours.

The completed form must be returned to the above mentioned address by not later than 15 August 2016.

For enquiries please contact: Miss Nonzukiso Juqu on 039 7976621

(Email: Nonzukiso.Juqu@kokstad.gov.za)

MR AW VELEM
ACTING MUNICIPAL MANAGER
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Prayer for more rain held

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THE people of Kokstad from various denominations got together to pray for rain last Thursday at the St Patrick's Catholic Church, this despite the recent heavy snowfall and rain.

Bishop Zolile Mpambani said the recent rain and snow was "an answer from God", but more rain was needed.

"We are praying for the whole country to get rain in order for farmers to produce crops," said Mpambani.

Reverend Minerval Black said people should always pray for rain when there is a drought.

Judy Patterson, who came up with the idea of praying for rain, said she was happy with the response.

"I am so happy to see people coming together under one roof to pray for rain. We can survive without electricity, but without water we cannot survive," she said.



Reverend Minerval Black at the prayer.

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Congregants and church leaders pray for more rain.

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Wesleyan Service Guild members.

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Wesleyan Service Guild convention conquers

IT was a positive journey for more than 200 Wesleyan Service Guild congregants who attended a four-day convention at Mvotlozana village in Umzimkhulu on Saturday.

Guest speaker was the former ANC Youth League General Secretary, Sirdiso Magaga.

Guilders came from six circuits, including Durban north and south, Ibsi, Samaria, South Coast and Umzimkhulu.

Magaga encouraged Guilders to remain united and participate in communi-

ty development programmes.

"The convention was about to get reports from all six circuits and also educate Guilders on how to behave.

"There are four other issues the convention tackled, culture, comradeship, consecration and Christian service.

"We also debated about issues affecting communities," said Nontihla Mayeza, Guilders president.

Four child-headed families in the village received school uniforms from the Guilders.

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TSEBISO: TEKOLA YA RIPOTO YA TIHAHLOBO TSUSUMETSO YA TIKOLOHO LE MEMO YA PITSO YA SETJHABA

Tshebetso ya Ho Popola le Tihahlobo ya Tshusumetso ya Tikoloho (EIA): Kopo ya Tumello ya Tikoloho mabapi le Kopo ya Tekola ya Ho Raha Patrolama Mapofising a Fapafapanang Seterokong tsa Mmasetara ya Matatiele le Mount Fletcher, Eastern Cape (12/37295 ER)

Rhino Oil and Gas Exploration South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Rhino Oil and Gas) e le ya kema kopo ya tekola ya ho sheba lirafshoa (ER) ho Petroleum Agency South Africa (PASA) ho latela Karolo ya 79 ya Molao wa Ntshetsopele ya Mehloti ya Dimineral le Petroliam wa 2002 (MPRDA), Rhino Oil and Gas e kenise le kopo ho PASA bakeng sa tumello ya tikoloho ya shebetso ya ho rafa ho latela Karolo ya 24(5) ya Molao wa Naha wa Taolo ya Tikoloho (National Environmental Management Act) wa selamo sa 1998 (NEMA). Kopo ena e le tihahlobo ya Tihahlobo ya Ho Popola le Tshusumetso ya Tikoloho (EIA) e ntseng e etawa ho ya ka Molao wa Tihahlobo ya Tshusumetso ya Tikoloho (EIA) ya selamo sa 2014 (GNR 982, 8 December 2014). Tshebetso ya ho Popola le ya phethahla nakong e fofang ke SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd (SLR) mme PASA e le ya amohela Ripoto yao ya ho Popola (Scoping Report) ka la 10 June 2016.

Diphetho tabeng ya ho Popola: Ka morao ho ba ho amohela Ripoto ya ho Popola, Rhino Oil and Gas e fokiditse bohlo ba ebaka sa kopo ya ER ka ho shehla ka thoko ebaka sa Malekagalonyane (Ongolukane) Nature Reserve, Rhino Oil and Gas e tshaba ka thoko le shebetso ya ho sheba lirafshoa ka tsa ho latela (ho thaka makoti e mehlo le dipaliso tsa shebetso ya diphomane) kopong ya kanelo ya tikoloho. Makutšo a hona iwale le mosebela o amanang le thahlobo ya tikoloho jwale a lebetse feela mekgweng e hote ya ho sheba lirafshoa (ho kenyeliswa thopholo ya leedi le teng le dipaliso tsa shebetso tsa etawang o le hodimo tsa Tull tensor gradiometry gravity). Ma kopo ya hona iwale e ka ananelwa, Rhino Oil and Gas e ita ba boemong ba ho tsaamisa mekgwa ya ho sheba lirafshoa ba hote le ntshetsopele e nang le dintho tsa shebetso ya kutlwisso ya monyetla wa mehloti ya oile le igase (oil and gas) abakeng ena seo ho entsweng kopo ho sona. Ka morao ho moo, ho Rhino Oil and Gas e ka hlahisa hore e ita tsaamisa shebetso tsa ho sheba lirafshoa ka tsa ho latela e ita hloka hore e fumane leedi le amanang le kopo e lebetsewang ho PASA le tihahlobo ya tikoloho e ka thoko le shebetso ya tumello. Motemo wa katamelo ena e itang ya lebetso ka hore kopo ya ka nako e itang ya shebetso ya ho sheba lirafshoa ka tsa ho latela e ita tsaamisa ditheng tse keingang le dingongorehang tsa amanang le ditsha tsa.

Tsebisano e lebetsewang ho Bathahasele le Baemehi hore SLR e hlophatselele ripoto ya Tihahlobo ya Tshusumetso ya Tikoloho (EIR), ho kenyeliswa hona la taolo ya tikoloho. Sepheo ka ripoto ya tshusumetso ya EIR, ke ho kufufatsa shebetso ya Tihahlobo ya EIA e lebetsewang ho filela mona, le ho fana ka kakaretso ya moreno wa projekite e lotothwang le tikoloho e amanang le ka ho fana ka tihahlobo ya tshusumetso e ka bang teng le ho rafa mehloti e kophalelang ya thahlobo. Ripoto ya EIR, e etawa hore e fumane ke IMAPS nakong ya matsatla a 30 hore ba hlahise maikulo a bona ho toha ka la 12 August 2016 ho filela ka la 13 September 2016, dikhopi tsa Ripoto ya EIR di behiwe dibakeng tsa latelang moo setjhaba se ita kgona ho di lekola:

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Ramohlakona Traditional Council	Queen Sib's Office, Hebron
Bakoena Traditional Council	Chief Lebanya's Office, Seqhobong
Amahlubi Traditional Council	Chief Zibi's Office, Ezingonyameni, Kwa Dzingwa

Ripoto ya EIR e fumaneha hapa ka ho e donlonda (download) webesateng ya SLR. O ka etsa jwalo ka ho etfa: www.coasenvironmental.co.za/docs-for-comment. Ntle le moo, kopana le ba SLR mme o ita tseba hokopi ya elektroniki ya EIR ka email, kapa CD. Kugulufatsa ya phethiso ya EIR e boetse e fumaneha le yona ha e o kopa mme e ngotsewa ka Senyessimane, Seotlho kapa isikhotha.

Makutšo kaofela a mabapi le Ripoto ya EIR a lokela ho nanelwa ho SLR ditheng tsa tsa ho fane ngwa ka tona. Makutšo a amohelang a ita sebetsewang ho ntlafatsa EIR, ho ya ka moo ho lokelang, dikhopi tsa maikulo kaofela di ita kenyeliswa Ripoteng ya EIR ha di fetisetwa ho PASA. Ntshetso hore maikulo a hao a ne finyella pele kapa nolite la 13 September 2016. Ho Matthew Hemming (Project Manager) le kapa Stella Mookete (Public Participation) ka

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Bathahasele le baemehi ba mengwa ho ita memong ya letatla le bohle le pitsong ya setjhaba e tshwerelwang Nokwazi Community Hall, Matatiele ka la 24 August 2016. Sepheo sa memo ena ya bohle le pitsa ya setjhaba ke ho tsaamisa Bathahasele le baemehi ka dithahlobo tsa shebetso ya EIA le ho fana ka monyetla wa dipotso le ho hlahisa maikulo. Letatla lena le kopane ya bohle le simola ka 13h00 mme kopano ya setjhaba ya molao e ita ba ka 15h30.



ISAZISO: INTLOLA YENXELO YE EIA NESIMEMO SENTLANGANISO KAWONKE-WONKE

Inkqubo yoPhando ne EIA: Isicelo soGuguziso lokuNgongileyo mdinga Ntsicelo esikhetheyo saLungalo lokuHlola kukhangelewa i-Petroleum (umxube wohlelo ongathi utshale uze utshale kuphume amatsho okuphambela okuninzi) kwiFama eziHlulileyo kwimilinda kaMatatiele aMmatatiele nase Mount Fletcher, kwimipuna-Koloni 12/37295 ER

Ithampani i-Rhino Oil and Gas Exploration South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Rhino Oil and Gas) itake isicelo salungalo lokuHlola kwi-Arhenis ye Petroleum yoMzantsi Afrika (PASA) ngokwacandelo 79 kwiMitho woPhuhliso looVimba bezeZimbiwa ne Petroleum, 2002 (MPRDA). I-Rhino Oil and Gas kwafake ntsicelo kwi PASA ngokugqibileyo lokuNgongileyo lweentshukumo zokuhlola ngokweCandelo 24(5) kwiMitho woLawulo lokuNgongileyo lweLizwe, 1998 (NEMA). Esi isicelo abhombekile kwinkqubo yoPhando noVavanyo lokuChaphazeka kokusilungileyo (i-EIA) eyenziwayo ngoku nje ngokwamilelo yaMagaga ya EIA yango 2014 (GNR 982, 8 Disemba 2014). Inkqubo yoPhando yayigqibiywe ngaphambili nge SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd (SLR) yayo i-PASA yeyamkele ingxelo yoPhando ngowe 10 kuJuni 2016, itika imvume ye EIA ukuba yanziwe ngokwamilelo yeCabo loPhando le EIA.

Ubungakanani Beengqubo: Emva kweNgxalo Yobungakanani (Scoping Report), iRhino Oil and Gas itshibe umthamo wosicelo se-ER ngokuthi kukhuthwe iMalekagalonyane (Ongolukane) Nature Reserve iRhino Oil and Gas ikhuphe uhloko olusetyenziselwe emhlabeni (utshiriba okungundoqo nolilo lomkomo). Ngoku isicelo nolilo lwendalo esingongileyo ngoku ubeka umwe kubugcisa bokuhlola indawo okungaphandle (kugqiba ukuphila kitha ekhaya kunye naphando lwesinye esibangela ngumzuzulane kummandla lovo). Ukuba samkelwa, iRhino Oil and Gas ingakwisigaba sokuba iqhubo ubugcisa bokuhlola imimandla eku. Xa iRhino Oil and Gas ingathi isole ukuthaba uhloko lomhlaba kuya kutshika kubekho esinye isicelo esiya kwiPASA kwakunye nolilo lwendalo esingongileyo olusetyenziselwe kuzo kuzalwa nangokubo yoyuguziso. Inqanaba yale ndlela kukuba naziphi na izicelo zexasho elizayo zokwenza uhloko lomhlaba zya kujoliswa kwiziza ezithile.

Esi saziso sesokwaziwa Abantu abanokhala nabeChaphazekayo (BAP) ukuba i-SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd (SLR) ilungise ingxelo yokuchaphazeka kokungongileyo (EIR), kuzalwa inkqubo yelawulo lokuNgongileyo. Inqubo ye EIR kukunika isihawekhalelo senkqubo ye EIA esandakayo ukuba kufi ga ngoku; ukubonisa ngokulungileyo isicelo projekite lekhaya ngaphambili kunye nokungongileyo okuchaphazekayo; itshaze uvavanyo lokuChaphazeka okungathi kubekho, kuzalwa okufunyaniswe kuphando lweengqapho; itshaze namanyathelo asetyenzisayo ukuba abathwa akudambisa oko. I-EIR yanziwa ifumaneka kwi I&As kwilithuba senkululo ezingama-30 zonleko lwizimvo ukususela ngowe 12 ku Agasti 2016 de kube ngowe 13 ku Septemba 2016. Zixakhe ikopi ze EIR kwezi ndawo zilandelayo ukuzo wonke ubani azikhala:

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I-EIR ikwamkaneka ukuba uyithuphelele ivela kwimibhusayithi ye SLR. Ukwenzeka oko, nceda utyela: www.coasenvironmental.co.za/docs-for-comment. Okanye, chagamathelane ne SLR yayo ikopi ye EIR uyigqibiywe nge imeyili, okanye uyibonelele kwi CD. Isihawekhalelo esiphambili se EIR nase siyafumaneka xa uisolela ngeingqalelo, ngeesiboniso okanye ngeelithosa.

Zonke izimvo malinga ne EIR zifanele ukungqiniseka kwi SLR kwezi nkqubo zibonise ngazantsi. Izimvo ezinyeneyo ziya kusetyenziselwa ukuchazisa i-EIR, nanzigqibo izimvo ezifanelelele koku neekopi zazo zonke izimvo ziya kugqibela kwi EIR xa ingeniwe kwi PASA. Nceda uqh'akhele ukuba izimvo zakho zifika kuthi ngowe okanye phambi kowe 13 ku Septemba 2016.

Matthew Hemming (Project Manager) kunye okanye Stella Mookete (Public Participation) nge
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Abantu abazi-IMAPS bayamanye ukuba baze kusuku oluvuleleke wonke ubani nakwi ndanganiso kawonke-wonke e Nokwazi Community Hall e Matatiele ngowama 24 ku Agasti 2016. Inqubo yoku kuvuleleka umntu wonke nandanganiso kawonke-wonke kukwaziwa abantu abazi-IMAPS ngokufunyaniswe kwinkqubo ye EIA nokubonela ngakuba kubuzo lobuzo nokunika izimvo. Olu suku kuvuleleke umntu wonke luya kugqala ngentsimbi yokugqala, u 13h00 kudandele indanganiso esesikweni kawonke-wonke ngo 15h30.

