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Mine Environmental Management

The Directors

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Dear Sir/Madam

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME IN TERMS OF REGULATION 31 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REGULATIONS, 2014 AS AMENDED, WITH REGARD TO A MINING RIGHT ISSUED TO HOTAZEL MANGANESE MINES (PTY) LTD ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 1 AND PORTION 2 OF MAMATWAN 331, FARM SINTERFONTIEN 748, PORTION 3 OF FARM ADAMS 328, PORTION 3 OF THE FARM MOAB 700, PORTION 5 AND 6 OF THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM GOOLD 329, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF KURUMAN.


1. This office hereby acknowledges an updated Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme received on the 24 November 2021. The proposed amendments to the authorised Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme have been evaluated and after due consideration have been approved.
2. Factors considered include, inter alia:

- a. The proposed amendments will result in change of scope of activities.
 - b. The proposed amendments will result in change of the environmental impact not assessed.
 - c. The public participation undertaken in which no stakeholders registered any concerns with the proposed amendments.
3. The approval is subject to the following conditions:
- a. The management actions stipulated in the EMPr and supporting specialist studies must be implemented and adhered to.
 - b. All registered interested and affected parties must be informed of the approved amendment within 14 days of the date of the decision to the fact that an appeal may be lodged against the decision in terms of the National Appeals Regulations, if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision.
 - c. The EMPr must be included in all contract documentation for all phases of implementation.
 - d. A copy of this approval and the EMPr must be kept at the facility where the activities will be undertaken. These must be produced to any authorised official of the Department who requests to see them and must be made available for inspection by any employee or agent of the holder of the authorisation who works or undertakes work at the facility.
 - e. The applicant shall remain responsible for the facility, and/or any of its impacts on the environment.
 - f. The Department reserves the right to audit or inspect the Facility without prior notification at any time and frequency as may be determined by the Department.
 - g. The applicant must make any relevant records or documentation available to the Department upon request.
 - h. The Licence Holder must keep records of all monitoring results, nuisances and complaints regarding the authorised activities.
 - i. The right holder must annually assess the environmental liabilities of the operation by using the master rates in line with the applicable Consumer Price Index (CPI) at the time and address the shortfall on the financial provision submitted in terms of section 24P of NEMA; and

- j. Submit an Environmental Audit Report to this Department biennially and such report must be done by qualified Environmental Assessment Practitioner in terms of section 24Q of NEMA.
- k. This Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme replaces previous Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme issued for the scope covered in the approved Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme.

Your interest in the future of our environment is appreciated.

Yours faithfully



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CHIEF DIRECTOR: CENTRAL REGIONS AND ADMINISTRATION

MINERAL REGULATIONS

DATE OF DECISION...14/06/2022