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NEMA PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS - AVAILABILITY OF THE FINAL BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON ERF 745, OLYVENHOUTSDRIFT, UPINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE

D:E&NC Ref: NC/EIA/04/ZFM/KHA/UPI1/2017

Notice is hereby given of the availability of the Final Basic Assessment Report for the public participation, process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended ("NEMA"), Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014. The proposed housing development on Erf 745, Olyvenhoutsdrift includes activities listed in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014.

Please find included with this letter the Final Basic Assessment Report, including the Archaeological Assessment (Appendix D2) and the Palaeontological exemption motivation (Appendix D3).

<u>Public Participation:</u> Your department has 30 days to comment on the Final BAR (as per DEA requirement). Should comments not be received within the prescribed timeframes, it would be assumed that no comments are forthcoming and DENC will continue to process the application in the absence of your department's comments. The commenting period is from **16 March to 23 April 2017**.

Comments are to be submitted to the:

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All comments are to be copied to the Environmental Assessment Practitioner:

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Should you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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