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The Chief Executive Officer
 South African Heritage Resources Agency
 P.O. Box 4637
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Dear Sir/Madam,

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INVESTIGATION AND EXCAVATIONS AT HERNIC FERROCHROME PROPRIETARY LIMITED - BOKFONTEIN CHROME MINE LOCATED AT VARIOUS FARM PORTIONS OF BOKFONTEIN 448 JQ, BRITS

Hernic Ferrochrome (Pty) Ltd, "in business rescue" hereon referred to as Hernic, grants permission to Dr J.C.C. Pistorius, *Archaeologist and Heritage Management Consultant*, to conduct archaeological excavations at the Bokfontein Chrome Mine that is owned by Hernic. The sites of interest are Site LIA02 and Site LIA03 (**Figure 1**).

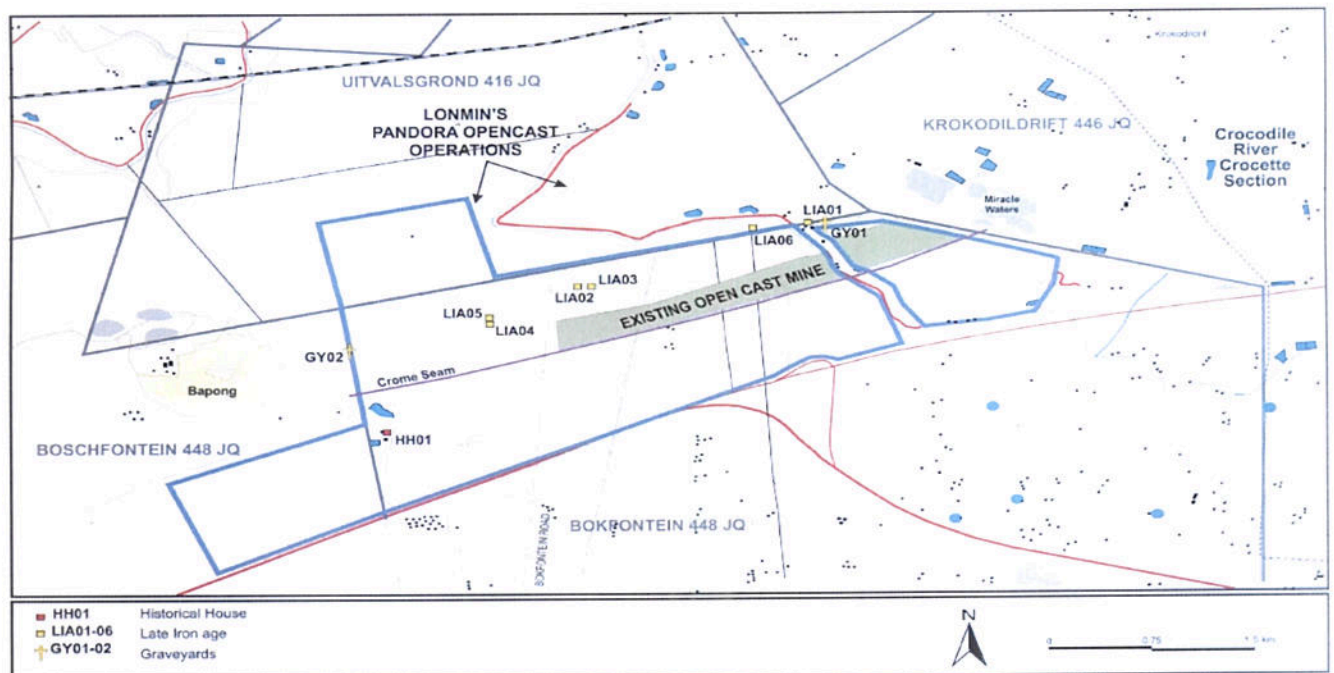


Figure 1: Identified Heritage Resources

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Both sites are situated on the farm Bokfontein 448 JQ, within the boundary of the mining area owned by Hercul, in the Bojanala District Municipality and Madibeng Local Municipality in Brits, North West Province.

Late Iron Age Stone walled sites	Coordinates	Significance
LIA02	25° 41'.029; 27° 43'.725	HIGH
LIA03	25° 41'.025; 27° 43'.784	HIGH

The archaeological investigation (Phase 2 excavation and documentation) of Site LIA02 and Site LIA03 is the continuation of the Hercul's Heritage Studies done at Bokfontein since 2009 and updated in August 2017.

The continuation of the heritage study is required by the fact that open cast mining activities require that Sites LIA02 and Site LIA03 has to be mitigated by means of excavations and documentation before being destroyed as a result of the expansion of Phase 2 open cast mining activities.

It is the mine's objective to ensure that best heritage practices be implemented in ensuring the continued unaffected existence of heritage resources which will not be affected by mining or other related developmental activities.

Hercul continues to support sustainable cultural heritage management based on the sound principles of conserving heritage resources within this mining area; heritage education; involvement of local communities; and co-operating with surrounding parties and partners with regard to social issues and natural and cultural resources.

Should you require additional information and clarity on this matter, you are welcomed to contact Ms Elzanne Moodie, Head of Safety and Sustainable Development at 012 381 1224 or elzanne.moodie@hercul.co.za, alternatively Ms Lesego Raborifi, Environmental Superintendent at 012 381 1183 or lesego.raborifi@hercul.co.za.

Yours Sincerely



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