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**RE: CIPLA PROJECTS (PTY) LTD – AMENDMENT OF PROSPECTING RIGHT  
IN TERMS OF SECTION 102 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM  
RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002), AS  
AMENDED, AND IN TERMS OF SECTIONS 31 AND 32 OF THE NATIONAL  
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998), AS  
AMENDED**

Cipla Projects (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter referred to as 'Cipla') has a valid Prospecting Right, with Protocol No: 19/2021, over the Remaining Extent, Portion 1, Portion 2 and Portion 3 of the Farm Vlakfontein 433, Hay District, Northern Cape Province.

Cipla plans to incorporate bulk sampling, in terms of Section 20 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002), as amended (hereinafter referred to as 'MPRDA'), into the existing Prospecting Right.

An application to amend the Prospecting Work Programme, Environmental Authorisation and Environmental Management Plan, to incorporate the additional prospecting activities, is required in terms of Section 102 of the MPRDA and in terms of Sections 31 and 32 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended (hereinafter referred to as 'NEMA').

M and S Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Cipla, as an independent consultant, to conduct the application process to amend the required documentation, on Cipla's behalf.

Sections 21 – 24 of the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Regulations'), require that a Scoping Report and Environmental Impact Assessment process be followed should a listed activity under Listing Notice 2 of the Regulations be triggered by the proposed activities. The proposed bulk sampling activities triggers Listed Activity No. 19 of Listing Notice 2 of the Regulations and thus a Scoping Report and Environmental Impact Assessment process shall be followed.

In terms of Sections 42 to 47 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 and in terms of Section 16(4) and Regulation 3 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) Interested and / or Affected Parties must be notified and consulted with regard to the proposed activity.

You are hereby notified, as an Administrative Body, of the Application to amend the relevant documentation of Cipla to include bulk sampling.

Attached hereto find a registration- and comment form and draft Scoping Report for perusal and comment.

A draft Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme Report shall be made available for perusal and comment in the near future to all registered interested and/or affected parties.

Should we not receive your comments and registration within 30 days from the date of this letter, it will be accepted that you have no comments or concerns regarding the proposed amendment. Only registered persons will be contacted for future engagements with regard to this project.

If you have any other questions or need some more information please feel free to contact us.

Yours faithfully



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