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Dear Interested and affected party,

# CITY OF EKURHULENI – DAL FOUCHE AND IMPALA MINE OUTFALL SEWER GAUT002/19-20/E0190.

This advertisement gives notice to potential Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with regards to information in respect of the basic assessment application for the proposed new sewer pipeline. The existing Dal Fouche and Impala mine sewer pipelines will no longer be in use but will remain underground and a new sewer pipeline will be constructed parallel to the existing sewer pipeline with High-density polyethylene ("HDPE") pipe. The new sewer pipeline will follow the route of the existing sewer line.

# **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The proposed sewage drainage system comprises of 12 km of pipelines. The pipeline consists of 200 mm, 250 mm, 355 mm, 500 mm, 630 mm and 710 mm diameter pipes. The existing concrete pipelines will no longer be in use but will remain underground and a new sewer pipeline will be constructed parallel to the existing sewer pipeline with High-density polyethylene ("HDPE") pipe. ("HDPE") pipes were chosen due to their life expectancy, durability and the good resistance against the chemicals from the sewer sludge. The ("HDPE") pipe lasts longer regardless of the corrosion attacks.

The Dal Fouche portion of the projects includes the following scope of work:

- Decommissioning of existing pump station and rising main. The pump station will not be demolished but left as it is.
- Decommission the existing gravity sewer (5.0 km). The existing gravity sewer will be left in the ground and will no longer be used.
- Construction of 5.0 km of new gravity sewer. The new gravity sewer will be constructed parallel to the existing sewer pipeline.

The Impala Mine portion of the projects includes the following scope of work:

- Decommission the existing gravity sewer (7.305 km). The existing gravity sewer will be left in the ground and will no longer be used.
- Constructing 7.305 km new gravity sewers. The new gravity sewer will be constructed parallel to the existing sewer pipeline.

## LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

This process is in line with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) (NEMA) for the authorisation of listed activities contained in GN R 985 (listing notice 3) of 4 December 2014 as amended, published in terms of Sections 24(2), 24 (5), 24D, 44 and 47(A) (1)(b) of the NEMA.

The sewer pipeline triggers a Water Use License for water use activities contained in Section 21 of the National Water Act (NWA), 1998. The water use activities that were applied for are: Section 21(c) – Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse and Section 21(i) – Altering the bed, banks, course of characteristics of a watercourse.

Application submitted to competent authority the application was submitted to the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) on the **12 November 2019**. Reference number was obtained on the **14 November 2019**. The reference number of the project is GAUT002/19-20/E0190.

The purpose of this application is to apply for environmental authorisation for the proposed new sewer pipeline for Dal Fouche and Impala mine Outfall Sewer. The listed activities which have been applied for include:

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GN R 983, 8	Listing notice 1	The proposed sewer line will involve the depositing,
December	number 19	removal or moving of more than 10 cubic metres of
2014, as		material from a watercourse. Sections of the proposed
amended		sewer line will be located within a watercourse or may
		involve activities in close proximately to a watercourse.
GN R 985, 8	Listing notice 3	Clearance of indigenous vegetation for the proposed
December	number	new sewer pipeline for the Dal Fouche and Impala mine
2014, as	12 c (ii)	Outfall Sewer, in Gauteng within a Critical Biodiversity
amended		area ("CBA") or Ecological Support areas identified in
		the Gauteng conservation plan or bioregional plans.
GN R 985, 8	Listing notice 14 c	The proposed project will involve the construction of
December	(iv)	sewerage pipeline infrastructure or structures with a
2014, as		physical footprint of 10 square metres or more within a
amended		watercourse. ("CBA") areas form part of sections of the
		proposed pipeline route.

#### Legislation associated with the application

South African legislation requires that a Basic Assessment Report ("BAR") and an Environmental Management Programme Report ("EMPr") be compiled in accordance with Regulation 19 of Chapter 4 of GN R 982. In order to do so Shangoni Management Services (Pty) Ltd (Shangoni) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) in terms of Regulation 12 of GN R 982, in order to undertake and manage the processes to apply for the required environmental authorisations. Furthermore, Shangoni meets the requirements of an EAP contemplated in Regulation 13 of GN R 982.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

People have a right to be informed about potential decisions that may affect them and to be afforded an opportunity to influence those decisions. This advertisement forms part of a public participation process as part of the Basic Assessment ("BA"). It describes the various components of the project to enable I&APs to get a better understanding of the potential environmental and social impacts that could be expected from the proposed new sewer pipeline for the Dal Fouche and Impala mine Outfall Sewer. It also outlines the BA process and the opportunities for the public to become involved during the course of the study.

#### Register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP)

You may register as an I&AP. To register as an I&AP of this project, or to obtain more information or submit comments, please request a registration form from Shangoni and return it together with any comments to Shangoni by no later than **17 January 2020** at the details provided below.

#### Availability of the draft BAR and EMP

Availability of the draft BAR and EMP the draft BAR and EMPr are available to the public electronically for review for a period of thirty (30) days, from **28 November 2019 – 17 January 2020** on <u>www.shangoni.co.za</u> Public documents – Dal Fouche and Impala mine Outfall Sewer.

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

Please complete this form and return it to Shangoni Management Services (Pty) Ltd to ensure that you are registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP).

By answering the questions below, you will help us to develop a better understanding of your information requirements. The form also gives you the opportunity to make comments regarding the project. Additional pages may be attached should this be required.

### **I&AP Details:**

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Contact details:	Tel (w): Fax: e-mail:	Tel (h): Cell:		
Physical address:				
Postal address:				
Preferred method of communication: Preferred telephone number: Organisation/Representative: Farm name, number and subdivision or Street Address (if applicable):	□ fax □ e-mail □ post □ cell □ home □ work			
Questions				
<ol> <li>Where did you get information about the</li> <li>Newspaper advertisement          <ul> <li>notice bo</li> </ul> </li> </ol>		se specify)		
2) Do you represent a company/organisati	on or is your interest on	behalf of yourself?		
3) Do you know of anyone that is affected of the project? (Please provide contact		who was not informed		
4) Do you have any specific concerns or	r comments regarding the	e proposed project?		
If yes, please indicate what the comments are?				

Signed

Date

NOTE:

Please forward completed forms to Shangoni Management Services (Pty) Ltd. by no later than **17 January 2020.** 

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