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Dear Ms Khumalo

**RE: Palaeontological Impact assessment for Plot 34 of the farm Avontuur, near
Badplaas, Mpumalanga.**

As requested by Steven Henwood on behalf of Emoyeni Christian organization a desktop palaeontological impact assessment has been done as part of the EIA for the development of Plot 34 of the Farm Avontuur 725, near Badplaas. The organization proposes to expand and develop farming, accommodation and training facilities for the local children and young adults and work with local churches. They have bought the farm/plot as they would like to develop the following an orchard and buildings.

The rocks to the region around Badplaas are mostly ancient basement rocks of the Barberton Greenstone Belt with a few outliers of slightly younger rocks of the Malmani subgroup. The rocks are ancient and igneous so there is no likelihood of any fossils being preserved. No further palaeontological assessment is required.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'M Bamford'.

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