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ATT: Kathryn Smuts
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**PROPOSED POSTMASBURG HOUSING DEVELOPMENT -
ENVIRONMENTAL BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

Dear Kathryn,

Due to the need for accommodation of staff in the Postmasburg area, Transnet SOC Limited ("Transnet") is proposing a housing development in Postmasburg which is located within the Tsantsabane Local Municipality and greater Siyanda District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. The housing development will include, inter-alia:

- » Up to 185 housing units;
- » A development footprint of ~16 hectares;
- » Access roads (internal and to the facility);
- » Carports;
- » Fencing;
- » Water Tanks;
- » Electrical infrastructure and cabling

The site is situated on Transnet-owned land, which is on the outskirts of the town of Postmasburg, in a residential area, and considered a brown-fields development. The land is currently zoned as "transportation" and is disturbed/degraded. A Google Earth image showing the general location of the site and a draft layout plan is attached with more details.

Environmental authorisation is required for the proposed housing development from the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA), in terms of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 and EIA Regulations of June 2010, as amended. This application would have to be supported by a Basic Assessment process. Savannah Environmental has been appointed by Transnet to undertake the required Basic Assessment process.

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As part of the process, the need for specialist input is required. Please advise in writing if SAHRA requires any assessment / studies (and the scope of such studies) for this housing development in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act No. 25 of 1999.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information regarding the proposed project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ravisha Ajodhapersadh'.

Ravisha Ajodhapersadh

Attachments:

- **Google Earth Map**
- **Draft Site Layout Plan**