

Dear stakeholder

MINING RIGHT APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED CONSBREY COLLIERY, NEAR BREYTEN, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

(Consbrey A: DMR Ref. No.: MP 30/5/1/1/2/10060 MR)

(Consbrey: DMR Ref. No.: Pending)

Xstrata South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Xstrata Coal) is applying for mining rights at the proposed Consbrey Colliery. The proposed project is located 10 km northwest of the town of Breyten in the Msukaligwa and the Albert Luthuli Local Municipalities, under the jurisdiction of the Gert Sibande district municipality, Mpumalanga Province.

The proposed Consbrey Colliery is made up of Consbrey 'A' & Consbrey area. Should a Mining Right be granted to Xstrata Coal to undertake the proposed mining activities, Consbrey Colliery will become part of the greater Spitzkop Operations. The proposed Consbrey mining site was granted prospecting rights in 2008 under the previous ownership of Breyten Coal Farms (Pty) Ltd, a subsidiary of Xstrata South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Xstrata Coal), for Consbrey A and Xstrata Coal for Consbrey. Should the Mining Rights be granted by DMR they will be transferred from Xstrata and its subsidiaries to Msobo Coal in terms of section 11 of the MPRDA. Xstrata Coal submitted a Mining Right Application (MRA) to the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in November 2012, for the proposed Consbrey Colliery located on the farms:

Opgoedehoop 205 IS	Hartbeestfontein 239 IS
Welgemeend 206 IS	Bankfontein 215 IS
Dwarstrek 216 IS	Klipfontein 241 IS
Morngenster 204 IS	Smutsoog 214 IS
De Wittekrans 218 IS	Bosmanskrans 217 IS

This Notification is being given in compliance with the terms of Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA), which requires that landowners and people in control of land be notified of Msobo Coal's intention to obtain the mining right to establish the proposed Consbrey Colliery.

Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) responsible for the EIA and Public Participation processes to be undertaken in support of the MRA for the proposed coal mining activities of Consbrey Colliery.

The Scoping Report will be available for public review from **Wednesday, 6 March – Tuesday, 9 April 2013** at the following public places:

Location	Address	Contact
Printed Copies		
Ermelo Public Library	Cnr Church and Smut Street, Msukaligwa Municipal Building, Ermelo, 2350	Mr T.S Dondolo
Breyten Public Library	Cnr Breytenbach & Oos Streets	Mr C Joseph
Chrissiesmeer Public Library	Edward street, Chrissiesmeer	Mr J Hadebe
Carolina Public Library	28 Kerk Street, c/o Voortrekker and Versvelds Street, Carolina	Mr Sisiso Zwane
Electronic Copies		
www.digbywells.com Phone and request a CD copy at (011) 789 9495		

You are hereby invited to attend any of the following public meetings:

Date & time: Tuesday, 26 March 2013, 10:00 – 12:00
Venue: Chrissiesmeer Community Hall
 151 King Edward Street, Kwachibhibikhulu

Date & time: Tuesday, 26 March 2013, 14:00 – 17:00
Venue: Breyten Town / Municipality Hall
 Cnr Oustrobleer & Breytenbach Streets, Breyten

For your participation, you are encouraged to register as an I&AP, and submit any comments, questions or issues of concern that you may have about the proposed project to Digby Wells Environmental:

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Yours sincerely



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