

# **MAIN STREET 811 (PTY) LTD**

## **Meeting Minutes**

21 October 2011

### **1. Call to order**

Mr. H. Erasmus, independent Environmental Consultant appointed by Main Street 811(Pty) Ltd, called to order the public meeting regarding the revision of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme for the Lomoteng Mine at 10:10 on 21 October 2011 at Namakwari Lodge, Kathu.

### **2. Apologies**

Mr. M. Koorzen - Surface Owner

### **3. Present**

An attendance register was sent around for all attendees to complete. The following persons were present:

- a. Mr. D. Koorzen - Surface Owner
- b. Ms. V. Koorzen - Surface Owner
- c. Mr. W. Uys - Surface Owner
- d. Ms. R. Uys - Surface Owner
- e. Mr. K. Claassens - Surrounding surface owner
- f. Mr. J. Rossouw - Interested party
- g. Mr. S. Erasmus - Surrounding surface owner
- h. Mr. W. Cornelissen - Interested party
- i. Mr. Wu - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd (Chief Operational Officer)
- j. Mr. C. Wang - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd (Director)
- k. Mr. W. Deng - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd (Operational Officer)
- l. Ms. A. Strauss - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd
- m. Mr. A. Shone - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd
- n. Ms. L. Hough - Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd
- o. Ms. Tanja Jooste – M&S Consulting
- p. Mr. J.H. Posthumus – M&S Consulting
- q. Mr. H. Erasmus - Environmental Consultant

### **4. Opening and Welcome**

Mr. H. Erasmus welcomed all attendees and introduced the representatives of M&S Consulting and Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd. Mr. H. Erasmus asked about his acceptance as a chairman and the meeting had no objection.

## **5. Presentation**

Ms. L. Hough gave a presentation regarding the planned future plans of the Lomoteng Mine under the new Management. A copy of the presentation is attached hereto for easy reference.

## **6. Comments/questions/concerns**

- **Validity of Mining Right**

Mr. Uys requested to know if the Mining Right was held as an entity over the three properties, Remaining Extent of the Farm Lomoteng 669, Portion 1 (Fourross) of the Farm Lomoteng 669 and Portion 2 (Mineraal) of the Farm Lomoteng 669, or if a separate right is held over each property.

Mr. Posthumus explained that the Mining Right is held over the three properties as an entity.

- **History of Lomoteng Mine**

Mr. Uys mentioned that the history of the obtaining of firstly the Prospecting Right, thereafter the Mining Right, was not done legally. He feels that the future plans of the Lomoteng Mine's new Management would be affected, should the past issues not be addressed and sorted out.

Mr. Erasmus acknowledges his concerns and brought under the attention of the attendees that the public meeting was held by the new Management of the Lomoteng Mine and that the reason for the meeting was to address environmental issues for the purpose of revision of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme Reports.

- **Employees**

Mr. Uys requested to know what the percentage of employees (at full production) would be between South African citizens and Chinese employees.

Ms. Hough answered that a maximum of 15% of the total workforce would consist of Chinese employees. Ms. Hough further assured Mr. Uys that the top structure of the Lomoteng Mine would consist of South Africans.

Mr. Uys further requested to know where these Chinese employees would be housed.

Mr. Shone explained that some of the Chinese employees are currently staying on the mining site temporarily as there are no housing available in the town. The Chinese Employees (labourers and semi-skilled) would reside on the mining site in

single quarters to be built. A maximum number of 40 employees would be able to reside on these planned quarters. Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd is awaiting the approval of these building plans before building will commence. The local employees are transported to nearby towns (Postmasburg, Olifantshoek, Kathu & Dibeng) on a daily basis and do not, nor will they ever, reside on the site.

- Memorandum

Mr. Uys prepared a memorandum for which M&S Consulting signed acknowledgement of receipt. This memorandum was requested to be included in the Minutes of the Meeting as well as in the revised Environmental Impact Assessment and revised Environmental Management Programme Reports. Attached hereto find a copy of the said memorandum. It should be noted that this memorandum's contents will be included in the revised reports as requested.

- Soil

Mr. D. Koorzen wanted to know what the term 'minimize loss of soil' as used in the presentation means. He stated that during the rainy season the tailings dump is washed into his property.

Mr. Erasmus explained that this is a standard statement which includes pollution control measures to prevent contamination of soil, leading to loss of soil.

Mr. Erasmus assured Mr. Koorzen that the outstanding rehabilitation issue has been discussed in detail with the new management and that rehabilitation activities has begun. Mr. Shone acknowledged that the rehabilitation process has begun and that he is satisfied with the areas rehabilitated. He said that he would try to complete the current area of rehabilitation before the rainy season commences. Mr. Shone also stated that the new management would ensure ongoing rehabilitation throughout the life-of-mine.

- Blasting

Mr. D. Koorzen stated that blasting took place on the mine on 20 October 2011. He is concerned about the frequency of these blasts and the impact (dust) it would have on his farm should the wind direction be towards his property.

Mr. Shone answered that at maximum production it is foreseen that blasting would take place once a month.

Ms. Koorzen was concerned about the impact of the blasting activities on the buildings.

Mr. Shone assures Ms. Koorzen that the buildings are too far from the mining site to cause any damage. Mr. Shone further assures Ms. Koorzen that a specialist will conduct the blasting activities and that the relevant monitoring will be done before and after each blast.

Mr. Uys requested to know if permission was obtained from the relevant authorities for blasting.

Mr. Shone answers authorisation has been obtained from the relevant authority.

- Storage of fuels

Mr. Uys requested to know if permission was obtained from the relevant authorities for the storage of fuel on the mining site. According to Mr. Uys there are various activities taking place on the mine without permission, leaving him to believe that the Mine is not legal.

Mr. Shone answers that every activity taking place on the mine has the relevant authority to take place.

- State Departments

Mr. Uys wanted to know if the Department of Water Affairs, Department of Environment and Nature Conservation and Department of Mineral Resources were given the opportunity to peruse the submitted documentation of Lomoteng Mine.

Mr. Posthumus assured Mr. Uys that copies of the submitted Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme reports were distributed (by DMR) to all relevant Departments for comments/questions.

Mr. J. Rossouw wanted to know if there is a registered Water Use Association in the area and if the Lomoteng Mine is a member of this Association.

Mr. Posthumus explained that the Tshiping Water Use Association is the official body in charge of the water use in the area. Mr. Posthumus explained that they are still a young organization and not all of their policies have been finalized. The Department of Water Affairs in Kimberley is therefore still mainly in charge of water use applications in the area.

- Communication

Mr. Cornelissen stated that the Lomoteng Mine is changing from a small mine to a big mine. He wanted to know if the new management's relationship with the interested and affected parties is good enough to sort out any historical problems.

Ms. Hough answered that a meeting was held between the new management and the three surface owners to address these issues. It was decided during this meeting that a forum would be established whereby they would meet on a quarterly basis to discuss any issues and the progress of mitigation thereof. Ms. Hough assured the attendees that anyone is welcome to address the Mine at any time should an issue need immediate attention.

Mr. Erasmus made mention of bigger forums in the area (Khumani etc).

Ms. Hough confirmed that Lomoteng Mine will join the bigger forums.

- Baseline studies

Mr. J. Rossouw wanted to know if a baseline study of the existing environment will be done as part of the revision of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme reports.

Mr. Erasmus confirmed that a baseline study is a standard requirement in an EIA/EMPR document. Mr. Erasmus said that monitoring, amongst others but not limited to, dust and water must be done. Mr. Erasmus confirmed that M&S Consulting appointed SRK Consulting to log all boreholes in the nearby vicinity and to log the current status of the groundwater in these boreholes as a baseline for reference in future monitoring programmes. SRK Consulting is in the process of compiling a geohydrological report.

Mr. Erasmus further made mention that the mine has investigated the re-cycling of water in their mining process, which process will be included in their future mine plans.

Ms. Hough confirmed that as soon as SRK's report on the groundwater is available it would be provided to the interested and affected parties and that continuous monitoring would remain until the end of life-of-mine. Ms. Hough confirmed that a company has been appointed to monitor the dust created by the mining operation and that various options are being considered for the mitigation thereof. Ms. Hough also confirmed that a company has been appointed to conduct environmental monitoring.

- Road

Mr. Stefan Erasmus stated that the transport trucks of the Mine damages the secondary road to such an extent that it is barely usable by the surrounding surface owners. He mentioned that the drivers of these trucks are irresponsible and demanded that the other road users be considered. Mr. S. Erasmus also mentioned that the dust created on the road by trucks makes it nearly impossible to drive safely on the road. He requested that the dust be mitigated immediately.

Ms. R. Uys stated that the road has been made wider leaving narrower culverts. Ms. Uys is worried that due to the dust it could be possible for someone to drive into these culverts.

Mr. Shone stated that the mine would start with improvements to the road during the following weekend as was undertaken during the meeting held between the Mine and the three surface owners. Ms. Hough also confirmed that road signs will be put in place.

- Water License

Mr. J. Rossouw wanted to know if the Mine has a Water Use License. He also wanted to know what the planned increase in water use is.

Mr. Posthumus confirmed that an application for a water use license was submitted to DWA during 2008, which application is still in process.

Mr. Uys commented that the water use application lodged with the Department of Water Affairs did not contain all the required information and that Mr. A. Viljoen of Tshiping Water User Association would provide the Mine with the detailed information regarding the issue. According to Mr. Uys, the application will not be processed until all the required information/documentation has been provided. Mr. Uys stated that the mine is using groundwater illegally.

Mr. Erasmus acknowledged the comment.

- Dust

Mr. Uys said that the dust created by the Lomoteng Mine has a huge negative impact on the vegetation on the surrounding farms, limiting the grazing of the animals. Mr. Uys pointed out that there was no dust before mining activities commenced. He requested that the Mine and the affected parties must negotiate compensation for the impact.

Ms. Koorzen requested to know when the impacts will be mitigated. She asked if the mining activities could be stopped until all the mitigation processes have been implemented.

Mr. Uys made a comment that the new owners of the Lomoteng Mine inherited the historical issues caused by the previous owners. He also stated that he does not have a problem with the new Management as long as the issues can be resolved to ensure a good future relationship.

Ms. Hough confirmed that the new owners strive to resolve all identified issues and to revise the existing EIA/EMPR to identify any issues with their mitigation measures to ensure the impact of the Mine is minimized. Ms. Hough assured the attendees that the new management aims to adhere to the Act.

Ms. Koorzen and Mr. Cornelissen requested to know what timeframe can be put on the promises made in the meeting. Mr. Cornelissen further requested that the communication channels be open between the Mine and the interested and affected parties. He further requested that issues identified during the quarterly meetings be addressed promptly.

Mr. Shone comments that the revised EIA/EMPR reports will be made available as soon as it has been completed. A follow up meeting will then be held to discuss the order of priority of the issues identified.

Ms. Uys requested that the road be covered with waste material.

Mr. Shone stated that permission would need to be obtained before this could be done.

- Re-zoning

Mr. Uys wanted to know if the properties were rezoned to mining land.

Mr. Erasmus stated that the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002) allows mining activities and that according to his knowledge no re-zoning is required.

Mr. Uys stated that he has a document require agricultural land be rezoned to mining land before any mining can commence. Clarity will be obtained.

- Buildings

Mr. Uys requested to know if the necessary permission was obtained for the building of the single quarters. Mr. Uys commented that he had a discussion with the local municipality and that according to his knowledge the building plans have not been authorized.

Ms. Strauss commented that the contractor appointed to build the single quarters did submit the building plans to the Municipality and according her knowledge the plans have been approved. Clarity will be obtained.

- Water

Mr. Cornelissen requested that interested and affected parties have the opportunity to peruse the SRK Consulting geohydrological study and that this study must be done in conjunction with the revised EIA/EMPR reports.

Mr. Uys is concerned about the impact on groundwater by the mining activities. He stated that the water level has dropped with approximately 15m within the last year. He wanted to know what will happen if the groundwater resource is exhausted and where will water for the farmers be obtained in this instance. Mr. Uys stated that the Vaal Gamagara Pipeline has capacity available and suggested that the mine apply for water from the pipeline.

Ms. Hough acknowledged the statement and undertook to look into the matter.

- Interested and Affected Parties

Mr. K. Claassens stated that he is a surrounding surface owner. He wants to be included in the consultation process. He requested that an attorney of Kumba be included in the consultation process and that minutes of the meeting must also be provided to him.

Mr. Uys requested to know how the interested and affected parties were identified.

Ms. Jooste explained that all surface owners and adjacent surface owners were notified by registered mail as well as by advertisements placed in three different newspapers. Ms. Jooste further stated that various other interested parties were invited to the public meeting who failed to attend.

Ms. Uys wanted to know why the Maremane Community were not invited.

Ms. Jooste confirmed that they were invited but failed to show up.

- Availability of information

Mr. Uys requested to know if the information of the mine will be available. He mentioned that he has been trying to obtain the historical documentation for a period of two years without success.

Mr. Posthumus explained that the new owners must give permission before these documents can be made available. He suggested that a written request be made to Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd for access to these documents. Mr. Posthumus suggested that a personal meeting be held between himself and Mr. Uys to discuss historical issues.



Mr. Erasmus reminded the attendees that this meeting is about the future plans of the mine and that historical issues will not be attended to in this public meeting.

Ms. Uys requested that the foundation be fixed to ensure a good relationship with the Mine in future.

- Blasting

Mr. Claassens is concerned that the blasting activities would damage his property. He requested that the properties be evaluated before any more blasting activities takes place to ensure that they can claim against the Mine should their properties be damaged.

- Main Street 811 (Pty) Ltd

Mr. Cornelissen complemented the new Management in their willingness to work together with the surrounding farmers and to address the issues created by their operation. Mr. Cornelissen wanted to know how the new management will resolve Mr. Uys' problems and requested a follow up meeting.

Mr. Erasmus acknowledged that a follow up meeting will be held after the documentation has been compiled.

- Environmental Guarantee

Mr. Cornelissen is worried about the existing guarantee at DMR for the rehabilitation of the environment.

Mr. Erasmus confirms that this issue has been raised with the Mine by M&S Consulting and that this guarantee amount will be revised as part of the revision process.

- Way forward

Mr. Uys requested to know the way forward.

Mr. Erasmus explained that the information, issues, comments and concerns obtained in the public meeting will be addressed in the revised EIA/EMPR reports. Once these reports have been finalized copies will be made available for comment by the interested and affected parties.

- Additional borehole

Mr. Posthumus made mention that an additional borehole must still be drilled before the geohydrological assessment can be completed.

Mr. Uys asked if the Mine has permission to drill the additional borehole as was discussed.

Mr. Erasmus confirmed that the Mine would look into the matter.

- Access to surrounding properties

Mr. S. Erasmus wanted to know if employees of the Lomoteng Mine are allowed access to their properties. He stated that on two occasions people made unannounced visits to his property demanding to know whether there is manganese ore on his property.

Mr. Shone confirmed that this would not be allowed again.

- Interested and Affected parties

Mr. Erasmus requested that contact details of any interested and / or affected party not identified to date must be given through to M&S Consulting to ensure that the communication between the parties are conducted fully.

Mr. Uys requested Ms. Jooste to provide a list of interested and affected parties to enable him to update the list. Ms. Jooste undertook to provide this list per e-mail to Mr. Uys.

**7. Closure statement**

Ms. Hough thanked all attendees and undertook to create and maintain a close relationship with the interested and affected parties.

**8. Adjournment**

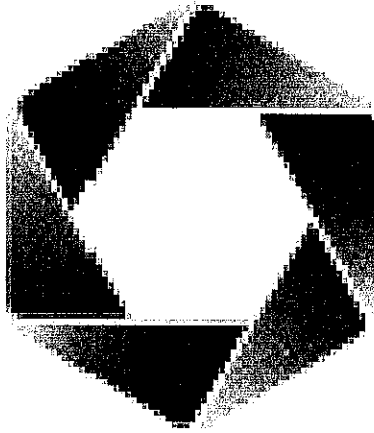
Mr. Erasmus adjourned the meeting at 11:30 after it was decided that there were no issues that were not discussed.

Minutes submitted by: Ms. T. Jooste

Minutes approved by: Mr. H. Erasmus

**MAINSTREET 811 (PTY) LTD**

**LOMOTENG MINE**



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1Mainstreet 811 (Pty) Ltd

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# INTRODUCTION

Lomoteng Mine is an open cast mine, mining manganese ore. Mining is done in one shift per day, five days per week.

Mining Method is trackless mining vehicles. The total run-of-mine ore tonnages are determined by parameters such as pit equipment, stripping ratio, and plant capacity.

The ore handling plant is by conveyor belts, crushing and screening and manual Sorting. The plant is producing on one-shift bases, eight hour shifts, five days a week.

# COMPANY PROFILE

Acquisition for Mainstreet 811 (Pty) Ltd, was accomplished in September 2010.

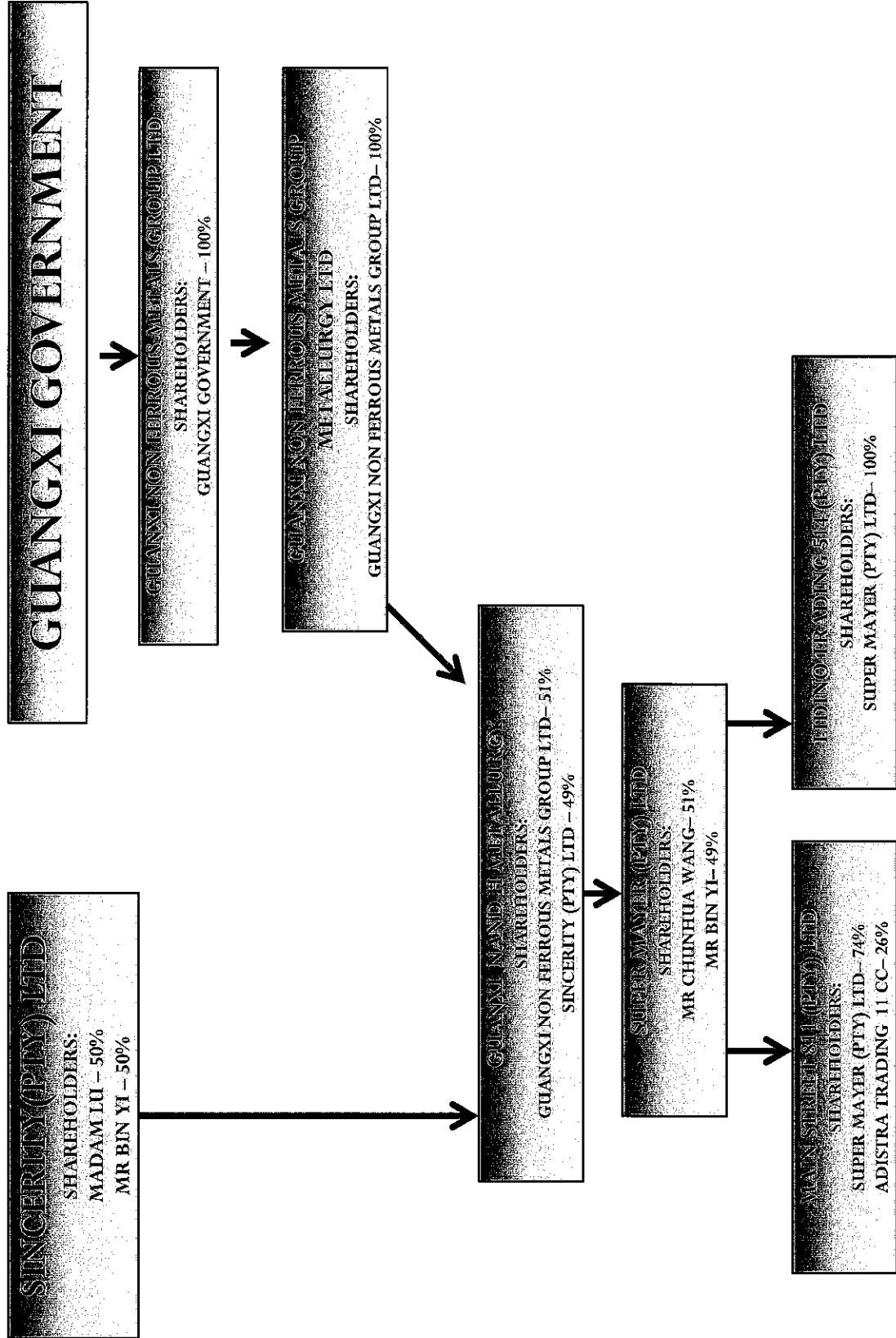
Capital of R210 million.

Commenced contract mining at Lomoteng 669 manganese mine since October 2010.

Total personnel planned for full production in 2013 of: 214 employees

A further R150 million is planned to be invested to upgrade the plant to increase production to an annual capacity of 800 000 to 1 million tons.

# COMPANY ORGANOGRAM



# MINING RIGHT HOLDER

On 28/01/2011 the Mining Rights has been carried over to Main street 811 (Pty) Ltd by the Director General of the Department of Mineral Resources. Mining Right was granted until 12<sup>th</sup> August 2025.



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# FUTURE PLANS

Production for the future will be as follows:

400 000 tons per annum for 2011

500 00 tons per annum for 2012

800 000 – 1 million per annum for 2013

This will all depend on certain constraints, market of product and machinery available.





# LOMOTENG MINE MANAGEMENT STRUCTURE

THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS HAS BEEN DONE:

EMPLOYER REPRESENTATIVE (SECT 2.A.2)  
MINE MANAGER (SECTION 3.1.A)  
SUPERVISORS (SECT 2.9.2)  
OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENIST (SECT 12.1)  
SAFETY OFFICER (SECT 2.17.1)  
OCCUPATIONAL MEDICAL PRACTITIONER (SECT 13(1)(A))  
MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL ENGINEER (SECT 2.13.1)  
ELECTRICIAN (SECT 2.13.1.3)  
SURVEYOR (SECT 7.2)  
SAFREPS (SECT 29(4))  
OPERATORS (SECT 18.1.2)

# WATER MANAGEMENT

Water availability studies is currently done by SRK, a leading hydrogeology company. Mainstreet 811 (Pty) Ltd is planning to establish a ongoing monitoring system to ensure control of water levels on ongoing periods.

# ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Mainstreet 811 (Pty) Ltd – Lomoteng Mine has appointed an accredited company to address environmental issues, to :

- conduct monitoring on a continual basis
- conduct performance assessments

## Our General objectives are:

- reinstate a landform similar to pre mining environment
  - minimize loss or contamination of soil
- limit adverse effects of mining on vegetation, animal life, land, water, air quality
  - limit noise, vibration, dust
  - conserve archaeological and cultural resources
    - limit pollution of any kind
- establish and implement effective monitoring programmes – environmental monitoring
  - revise and manage an effective Environmental Management Programme
  - ensure revised financial provision in terms of commitments made in the EMP

# SOCIAL AND LABOUR PLAN

Human resources and social and labour skills development planning is in process.

The company is committed to ensuring that all its workers become functionally literate and numerate.

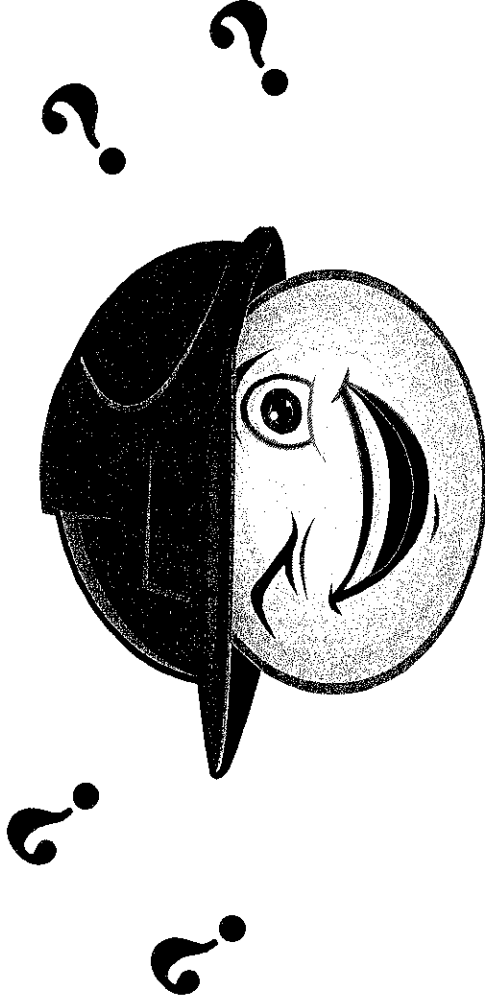
One of the primary goals of the company is to poverty eradication and community upliftment in the area which mining is taking place and in areas from which the majority of the workforce is being sourced.

An amount of money for local children who need help will form part of our Social and Labour Plan.

The company will partake in Thansabane Community development programs.

Development of infra structure in the surrounding area.

# ANY QUESTIONS?



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**MEMORANDUM T.O.V. OPTREDE VAN VERKRYGING VAN  
PROSPEKTEER-EN MYNREG OP DIE PLASE:**

- 1) RESTANT VAN LOMOTENG 669
- 2) GEDEELTE 1 VAN DIE PLAAS LOMOTENG 669
- 3) GEDEELTE 2 VAN DIE PLAAS LOMOTENG 669

Ek W.J.Uys ,is 'n trustee van Hilliard Trust .Ek is woonagtig op die Restant van Lomoteng 669 en die betrokke plaas is ingesluit in Hilliard Trust.

As gevolg van bogenoemde betrokkenheid, eis ek die volgende van hierdie vergadering:

- 1) Notule: Ek eis dat 'n notule gehou sal word van hierdie vergadering gehou op 21 Okt. 2011 te Namakwari Lodge op Kathu . 'n Afskrif van die notule moet binne drie weke na hierdie vergadering aan elke persoon teenwoordig gestuur word. Hierdie notule moet ook vervat word in die impakstudie.
- 2) Presensielys: Daar moet 'n volledige presensielys van hierdie vergadering gehou word, met almal se adresse asook die hoedanigheid waarin die vergadering bygewoon word.
- 3) Kennisgewing: Op watter wyse is daar kennis gegee van hierdie vergadering en aan wie.
- 4) Watter plase is betrokke: Volgens die kennisgewingsbrief word die drie plase almal onder " PLACE " aangedui en dit is nie duidelik of die MYNREG op drie afsonderlike plase of as 'n eenheid bedryf word nie.
- 5) Doel van die vergadering: Volgens die kennisgewing van 11OKT. 2011 is hierdie vergadering belê om 'n impakstudie en omgewingsbestuursplan te WYSIG. Geen vorige studie of bestuursprogram kon na twee jaar se skriftelike navrae van my en my regsvertegenwoordiger voorgelê word nie,terwyl daar op volskaal voortgegaan word met mynbedrywighede. Die twee ander grondeienaars het ook nog geen vergadering van publiekedeelname se notule of enige impakstudie tot op datum gesien nie.
- 6) Hantering van insette by vergadering: Die insette wat by hierdie vergadering gelewer word, asook hierdie memorandum, moet as deel van die impakstudie gehanteer word en daarin vervat word. Hoe gaan die insette en kwelvrae by vandag se vergadering verder gehanteer en terugvoering gegee word?
- 7) Voldoening aan wetlike vereistes: Ek eis dat bewyse gelewer moet word dat die mynaktiwiteite in alle opsigte aan die wetlike aspekte voldoen. Wat is die huidige toedrag van sake?
- 8) Hersonering: Is die betrokke grond hersoneer ? Volgens Mnr. Bloem van Tsantsibane Munisipaliteit dra hy geen kennis van enige hersonering of goedkeuring van bouplanne vir die betrokke grond nie. Ek dra as een van die eienaars van die geraakte plase , ook geen kennis van sodanige aksie nie.
- 9) Watergebruikerslisensie: Die gebruik van grondwater impakteer op die hele ekologie, wat ook plantegroei insluit. Daar word beoog om op baie groter skaal

*WJ*

met mynaktiwiteit voort te gaan en baie meer water te gebruik. Ons bevind ons in 'n water- arm gebied en die invloed van ontwatering deur mynaktiwiteit is bewys.

- a) Hoe gaan die watergebruik ondersoek, gemoniteer en bestuur word?
- b) Waar gaan die ekstra water vandaan kom?
- c) Wat gaan bv. gedoen word, indien die gebied benadeel word?
- d) Hoe gereeld en aan wie gaan verslag gelewer word.?
- e) Hoe gaan benadeeldes vergoed word en in die huidige posisie gehou word ?.
- f) Gaan daar by Dept, van Waterwese aansoek gedoen word vir die boor van watergate
- g) Beskik die betrokke maatskappy oor 'n watergebruikerslisensie ?
- h) As daar van water gebruik gemaak word in die " Screening plant," waar en hoe gaan die sliksdamme gebou word ?

- 10) Besoedeling: Stoffbesoedeling het 'n ernstige nadelige invloed op die groei sowel as op die smaaklikheid van plantegroei.. Hoe beoog die maatskappy om die probleem aan te spreek en hoe gaan vergoeding hiervoor aan die benadeeldes geskied.?
- 11) Erosie: As gevolg van ontbossing, paaie en ander mynaktiwiteite, vergroot die probleme van erosie aansienlik. Stormwater uit die myngebied impakkeer ook op aangrensende eiendomme. Wat gaan gedoen word t.o.v. die probleme.?
- 12) Brandgevaar: Volgens wetgewing kan 'n persoon aanspreeklik gehou word vir skade wanneer 'n brand vanaf sy eiendom na 'n buurman versprei. 'n Eienaar word verder verplig om brandpaaie te maak-- net brandblussers is nie voldoende nie. Wie dra hierdie verantwoordelikheid van die grond waarop die prospekter- of mynreg verkry is ? Hierdie punt moet uitgeklaar en op skrif gestel word alvorens daar enige toegang tot 'n eiendom gegee sal word.
- 13) Brandstof berging: Hoe word brandstof op die mynterrein gestoor ? Omdat die mynaktiwiteite op 'n hoër liggende gebied geskied, sal enige besoedeling afspoel na die laer gebiede. 'n Impakstudie word verlang vir brandstofberging. Waar is die bewyse daarvoor?.
- 14) Plofstof: Gaan daar op enige stadium van plofstof gebruik gemaak word ? Indien wel, hoe gaan trillings gemoniteer word en vergoeding vir moontlike skade aan geboue of infrastruktuur bepaal en betaal word ?
- 15) Arbeid: Ons is bewus daarvan dat slegs op klein skaal van plaaslike arbeid gebruik gemaak word en dat Chinese werkers gebruik word. Die inbring van vreemdelinge het tientalle implikasies. Die volgende is sake van bekommernis :
  - a) Veiligheid- hoe word die persone beheer ?
  - b) Huisvesting- wat is die wetlike aspekte ?
  - c) Werkspermitte— is alles wettig?
- 16) Rehabilitasie: Die wet vereis dat geld beskikbaar moet wees vir rehabilitasie .Ek sien in die prospekterlisensie dat daar slegs R10000-00 vir daardie doel vereis is. Ondervinding het bewys dat hierdie 'n groot leemte is en dat verskeie van die klein myners vertrek het sonder dat enige rehabilitasie gedoen is. Ons vereis dat ernstige aandag aan die punt gegee word sodat 'n realistiese bedrag vir rehabilitasie gedeponeer word. Hierdie bedrag moet jaarliks hersien word en moet met inflasie tred hou. 'n Myn wat oor 20 jaar bedryf word, kan nie na 20 jaar met jaar een se fondse gerehabiliteer word nie.


*msj*

Daar word vervolgens van u verwag om die “ scooping report “ t.o.v. rehabilitasie asook die biodiversiteitstudie aan ons te lewer.

- 17) Paaie : Die grondpad tot by die myn is wyer geskraap en die waterdeurgange onder deur die pad (culverts ) is smal gelaat . Daar is geen aanduiding van ‘n pad-vernouing nie en indien twee voertuie agter mekaar ry kan die agterste een wat in die stof ry in die sloot beland . Alle padtekens is ook in die proses weggeskraap. Ek vra dus dat alle relevante padtekens a.s.b opgerig word .
- 18) Deskundiges :Bewys moet gelewer word dat daar van deskundiges op elke gebied gebruik gemaak word in die opstel van afdelings van die impakstudies , b.v. Geohidroloog – Seismoloog – Ekoloog – Plantkundiges - Geraas – Stof – besoedeling – Plantkundige –Die sosioekonomiese impak .
- 19) Skakeling met relevante betrokkenes bv. Omgewings forums: Waar pas die kleiner myne in t.o.v. skakeling met ander myne, forums en gemeenskapsbetrokkenheid? Die groter myne word deur die staat gedwing om deel te neem, maar die kleineres opereer skynbaar op eilande en dit veroorsaak dat hulle deur die net van wetgewing val.
- 20) Beskikbaarheid van inligting: Mnr. Hennie Erasmus het tydens sy besoek aan my i.s. hierdie impakstudie wysigings, aan my bevestig dat alle inligting, studies en ondersoekte t.o.v. impakstudies oor mynbedrywigheede publieke dokumentasie is en tot die beskikking van enige persoon is. Tenspyte van twee jaar se korrespondensie deur my en twee prokureurs is geen inligting deur die konsutant of D.M,E. aan ons gelewer nie. Hierdie optrede van die betrokke partye maak my beslis agterdochtig t.o.v. die hele proses tot dusver. Is vandag se vergadering nie maar net weer ‘n poging om soos in die verlede die wette te systap nie ? Die samewerking en goedkeuring van my kant sal afhang van die beskikbaarstelling van die relevante dokumente wat nie een van die omgewing se betrokkenis nog onder oë gehad het nie, en wat gebruik was vir die goedkeuring van die mynlisensie.
- Met hierdie verloop van sake as agtergrond, is my bekommernis beslis gegron!**

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