# Permit Report for the Perot Museum of Nature and Science

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# **Permit and Loan Renewal Request**

Permit Number: 80/10/01/018/62 & reference number 3/4/3/1/4/227

SAHRIS Case ID: 9289

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Date of Permit Issue: February 19, 2010, Renewed April 8, 2016

Report Due Date: March 31, 2020

Expiry Date of Permit: March 31, 2020

**Permit Holder – as on permit (name and affiliation):** Dr. Roger Smith (<u>rsmith@iziko.org.za</u>), South Africa Museum

**Permit To (names and affiliations of researchers):** Dr. Ron Tykoski, Curator of Vertebrate Paleontology of the Perot Museum of Nature and Science (Formerly in the name of Dr. Anthony Fiorillo, however, Dr. Fiorillo is no longer with the Perot Museum of Nature and Science.)

Name of Locality/Sites: N/A

**Object ID's (or batch ID) reflected on permit:** 

SAM-PK-K10378 (Lystrosaurus) SAM-PK-K10643 (Diictodon)

#### **Executive Summary**

The Perot Museum of Nature and Science respectfully requests an extension of our loan of the fossil material SAM-PK-K10378 (*Lystrosaurus*) and SAM-PK-K10643 (*Diictodon*). These specimens are integrated into our permanent exhibit halls; the former specimen is in our 'In Slow Motion' exhibit in our Dynamic Earth Hall, while the latter specimen is in our 'The Process of Evolution' exhibit within our Discovering Life Hall. The *Lystrosaurus* specimen, as a three-dimensional object that is recognizable as a fossil animal, helps illustrate the history of the development of plate tectonic theory while the *Diictodon* specimen helps illustrate biological adaption and the diversity of the evolutionary record. Recent photos of both specimens showing their current condition and method of display are attached to this report.

North Texas is home to over 7,000,000 people. Since we opened the doors to our downtown Dallas museum building in December 2012 we have had over 7,600,000 visitors. While most come from the North Texas area, our visitor pool includes a significant international component. We also have over 20,000 membership households supporting our institution.

We request an extension of the loan of the specimens listed above so that we can continue to provide the same level of remarkable visitor experiences that inspire and educate our visitors of all ages.

# Specimen Photographs

## *Lystrosaurus* SAM-PK-K10378 September 11, 2020



*Lystrosaurus* SAM-PK-K10378 September 11, 2020



## *Diictodon* SAM-PK-K10643 September 11, 2020



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### SAHRIS Object Links:

https://sahris.sahra.org.za/objects/sam-pk-k10378 https://sahris.sahra.org.za/objects/sam-pk-k10643

#### **Curation of Materials**

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