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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: NOTIFICATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP) PROCESS FOR THREE (3) COAL MINING PERMIT APPLICATION LODGED IN TERMS OF SECTION 27 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002) (MPRDA)

You are hereby informed of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) compilation process for three (3) mining permit applications (MPA) submitted in terms of Section 27 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA).

Three (3) separate MPAs were submitted by the applicant, Kgosana Mineral and Construction cc to the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) Regional Office in Mpumalanga. The DMR accepted all three (3) applications for consideration and issued notices in terms of Section 10 of the MPRDA on 14 May 2012.

The three (3) MPA areas are situated directly adjacent to each other on the farm Eenzaamheid 534 JR, Portion 3 (Remaining Extent), which lies approximately 23km east of Bronkhorstspruit and 12km west of Witbank (Refer to the locality map under Appendix A of this letter). The MPA areas for each of the applications do not exceed 1.5 ha each. No infrastructure, coal stockpiles, or beneficiation of coal is planned within the mining permit areas. The coal mined within the MPA areas will be stockpiled temporarily within a Run of Mine stockpile adjacent to the MPA areas before being transported daily, by truck the customer. This RoM stockpile was authorised by the DMR in November 2011.

The proposed mining for the three MPA areas will take place via opencast pits. The mining of coal (from 6 metres below ground level (mbgl) to 12mbgl) and silica (from 2mbgl to 6mbgl) will take place over a maximum duration of one (1) year. Once the coal reserve has

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been fully exploited, the pits will be filled in and rehabilitated to as close to the natural, pre-mining environment as possible.

Should you have an interest in this application, you are invited to participate in the stakeholder engagement process by registering as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) as well as to raise any issues or concerns about the proposed mining or to submit suggestions regarding the project. As a registered I&AP, you will receive further information and will be kept informed of the decision taken by the competent authority (DMR).

Please forward your comments to the GCS office on or before Friday, 27 July 2012:

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any clarity.

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## APPENDIX A: LOCALITY MAP OF THE COAL MINING PERMIT AREAS

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