



mineral resources

Department:  
Mineral Resources  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

NAME OF APPLICANT: Moopetsi Chrome Investments (Pty) Ltd

REFERENCE NUMBER: NW 30/5/1/2/3/2/1/10802 EM

## **REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF CONSULTATION**

## **WITH COMMUNITIES AND INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES**

**AS REQUIRED IN TERMS OF SECTIONS, 16(4)(b) or 27 (5) (b) OF THE  
MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT  
28 of 2002), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARD DIRECTIVE  
FOR THE COMPILATION THEREOF AS PUBLISHED ON THE OFFICIAL  
WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES.**

## **A. Definitions**

**'consultation'** means a two way communication process between the applicant and the community or interested and affected party wherein the former is seeking, listening to, and considering the latter's response, which allows openness in the decision making process.

**'community'** means a group of historically disadvantaged persons with interest or rights in a particular area of land on which the members have or exercise communal rights in terms of an agreement, custom or law: Provided that, where as a consequence of the provisions of the Act negotiations or consultations with the community are required, the community shall include the members or part of the community, directly affected by prospecting or mining, on land occupied by such members or part of the community.

**'Interested and affected' parties** include, but are not limited to; –

- (i) Host Communities
- (ii) Landowners (Traditional and Title Deed owners)
- (iii) Traditional Authority
- (iv) Land Claimants
- (v) Lawful land occupier
- (vi) The Department of Land Affairs,
- (vii) Any other person ( including on adjacent and non-adjacent properties) whose socio-economic conditions may be directly affected by the proposed prospecting or mining operation
- (viii) The Local Municipality,
- (ix) The relevant Government Departments, agencies and institutions responsible for the various aspects of the environment and for infrastructure which may be affected by the proposed project.

## **B. Report on the results of consultation**

### **1. Methodology applied to consultation.**

1.1. Name the community or communities identified, or explain why no such community was identified.

**The community of Witpoortjie and the Moses Kotane District Municipality was identified.**

1.2. Specifically state whether or not the Community is also the landowner.  
**The community is not the land owner.**

1.3. State whether or not the Department of Land Affairs been identified as an interested and affected party.

**The Dept of Land Affairs was consulted to ascertain if a land claim has been lodged on the mentioned portion. It must be noted that the land is privately owned.**

1.4. State specifically whether or not a land claim is involved.

**A land claim has been lodged by Malemela Lentswe Jacob, this could however not be confirmed by the Department of Land Affairs. The status of the land claim is also unknown.**

1.5. Name the Traditional Authority identified

**Malemela Lentswe Jacob.**

1.6. List the landowners identified by the applicant. (Traditional and Title Deed owners)

**The land is owned by Thutse Mining (Pty) Ltd.**

1.7. List the lawful occupiers of the land concerned.

**The application area is not occupied. Several small scale mining operations (legally and illegally) are conducted on the farm Witpoortjie 173 JP.**

- 1.8. Explain whether or not other persons' (including on adjacent and non-adjacent properties) socio-economic conditions will be directly affected by the proposed prospecting or mining operation and if not, explain why not.

**The proposed mining operations will be conducted using opencast mining methods. Because of the open cast mining this will result in land disturbances. However, the socio-economic conditions of land occupants will not be directly impacted since site rehabilitation will be undertaken and mitigation measures implemented throughout the mining process.**

- 1.9. Name the Local Municipality identified by the applicant

**Moses Kotane District Municipality.**

- 1.10. Name the relevant Government Departments, agencies and institutions responsible for the various aspects of the environment and for infrastructure which may be affected by the proposed project.

**See attached table (Appendix 1) for complete list of I&AP's consulted.**

- 1.11. Submit evidence that the landowner or lawful occupier of the land in question, and any other interested and affected parties including all those listed above, were notified.

#### **Identification of Stakeholders**

**To ensure a proper representation of stakeholders interested in or affected by the proposed, the following identification methods were used to develop a stakeholder database:**

- **Utilisation of an existing stakeholder database;**
- **Conducting Windeed and related desktop searches in and around the project to verify landownership and obtain contact details;**
- **Responses to be received from newspaper advertisements and site notices;**
- **Responses on the distribution of the Background Information Document (BID);**  
**and**
- **Telephonic and one-on-one consultations with stakeholders to identify additional I&APs.**

## **Public Participation Materials**

**Considering the legislative requirements and good practice the following methods have been implemented to disseminate information to stakeholders about the proposed project.**

**The various PP materials used during announcement of the proposed project have been included.**

- Background Information Document (BID): includes the location and a description of the proposed project, the legislative processes and requirements that will be followed, the specialist studies to be conducted, the competent authorities, and the consultation and registration process including contact details of the responsible person representing the EAP.**
- Newspaper Advertisement: an English newspaper advert was placed in the Rustenburg Herald of 5 November 2021. The advert included a brief project description, information about the required legislation, the competent authorities and details of the appointed EAP.**
- Site Notices: English site notices were put up at various places. The site notices contained a brief project description, information about the required legislation, the competent authorities and details of the EAP.**
- Letter with Registration and Comment Sheet: a letter was sent in English which contained information about the proposed project, applicable legislation and competent authorities. A Registration and Comment Sheet was also provided for stakeholders to use for formal registration as I&APs or to submit comments**

**Proof of consultation is appended to this document and also described in the Basic Assessment Report.**

## **2. Description of the existing status of the cultural, socio-economic or biophysical environment, as the case may be, prior to the proposed prospecting or mining operation.**

**2.1.1. Confirm that the identified and consulted interested and affected parties agree on the description of the existing status of the environment.**

**Stakeholders made no comment regarding the status of the existing environment. All other comments received have been captured.**

2.1.2. Describe the existing status of the cultural environment that may be affected

**The majority of the province's residents are SeTswana people who speak Tswana. Smaller groups include Afrikaans, Sotho, and Xhosa speaking people. English is spoken primarily as a second language.**

**No current sites of cultural significance such as initiation sites or other culturally significant sites were identified.**

2.1.3. Describe the existing status of any heritage environment that may be affected

**No sites of heritage importance exist on or near the site.**

2.1.4. Describe the existing status of any current land uses and the socio-economic environment that may be directly affected

**The land was used for small scale mining, being legally or illegal. The neighboring areas are used for residential purposes, farming and other mining activities.**

2.1.5. Describe the existing status of any infrastructure that may be affected.

**No infrastructure will be affected.**

2.1.6. Describe the existing status of the biophysical environment that will be affected, including the main aspects such as water resources, flora, fauna, air, soil, topography etc.

**This is described in detail in the Basic Assessment Report.**

2.1.7. Provide any relevant additional information.

**No additional information has been provided.**

### **3. The anticipated environmental, social or cultural impacts identified.**

3.1. Confirm that the community and identified interested and affected parties have been consulted and that they agree that the potential impacts identified include those identified by them.

3.1.1. Provide a list and description of potential impacts identified on the cultural environment.

**Please refer to Section 2.1.1 above.**

3.1.2. Provide a list and description of potential impacts identified on the heritage environment, if applicable.

**Please refer to Section 2.1.2 above.**

3.1.3. Provide a list and description of potential impacts identified on the socio-economic conditions of any person on the property and on any adjacent or non adjacent property who may be affected by the proposed prospecting or mining operation.

**Please refer to Section 2.1.1 above.**

3.1.4. Provide a list and description of potential impacts (positive & negative) identified on: employment opportunities, community health, community proximity.

**Unemployment levels are relatively high and income levels are relatively low thus there is sure to be raised expectations due to the arrival of another project. Please also refer to Sections 2.1.4 and 2.1.5 for supporting information.**

3.1.5. Provide a list and description of potential impacts identified on the biophysical environment including but not be limited to impacts on: flora, fauna, water resources, air, noise, soil etc.

**This is discussed in detail in the BAR.**

3.1.6. Provide a description of potential cumulative impacts that the proposed operation may contribute to considering other identified land uses which may have potential environmental linkages to the land concerned.

**This is discussed in detail in the BAR.**

**4. Land use or development alternatives, alternative means of carrying out the proposed operation, and the consequences of not proceeding with the proposed operation.**

4.1. Provide a list of and describe any alternative land uses that exist on the property or on adjacent or non-adjacent properties that may be affected by the proposed mining operation.

**No activities on the applied for properties will be affected. Due to the small scale of the operations and the current land uses it is unlikely that adjacent properties will be affected.**

4.2. Provide a list of and describe any land developments identified by the community or interested and affected parties that are in progress and which may be affected by the proposed mining operation.

**None identified.**

4.3. Provide a list of and describe any proposals made in the consultation process to adjust the operational plans of the mine to accommodate the needs of the community, landowners and interested and affected parties.

**No suggestions were made by stakeholders through the consultation process relating to operational plans.**

4.4. Provide information in relation to the consequences of not proceeding with proposed operation

**Mining contributes greatly to local economic stimulation through direct employment, business opportunities, royalties and tax revenues. If the chromite ore reserves on the property are not mined, South Africa and the local communities will forego the benefits of the associated employment, business opportunities, royalties and tax revenues.**



**5. Description of the process of engagement referred to in 3.2.1 and 3.2.2 above with identified communities, landowners and interested and affected parties.**

5.1. Provide a description of the information provided to the community, landowners, and interested and affected parties to inform them in sufficient detail of what the prospecting or mining operation will entail on the land, in order for them to assess what impact the prospecting will have on them or on the use of their land;

**See Section 1.11 for detail on the information that was provided to stakeholders. Further to the information provided in Section 1.11, all stakeholder comments are captured in the BAR.**

5.2. Provide a list of which of the identified communities, landowners, lawful occupiers, and other interested and affected parties were in fact consulted.

**All directly affected and adjacent landowners, traditional authorities and communities were engaged by means of e-mail, mailed BID's. Telephonic conversations followed. This was an effort to obtain comments. A resolution was signed by representatives from the Malemela Lentswe Jacob community in support of the Mining Permit application.**

5.3. Provide a list of their views raised in regard to the existing cultural, socio-economic or biophysical environment, as the case may be.

**Please refer to Table 5 in the BAR.**

5.4. Provide a list of their views raised on how their existing cultural, socio-economic or biophysical environment potentially will be impacted on by the proposed prospecting or mining operation.

**Please refer to Table 5 in the BAR.**

5.5. Provide list of any other concerns raised by the aforesaid parties.

**Please refer to Table 5 in the BAR.**

5.6. Provide the applicable minutes and records of the consultations as appendices.

**Please refer to Table 5 in the BAR.**

5.7. Provide information with regard to any objections received.

**Please refer to Table 5 in the BAR.**

**6. Describe the most appropriate means to carry out the proposed operation with due accommodation of the issues raised in the consultation process.**

**As far as possible local people should be employed to assist with the mining activities. Community infrastructure should be avoided as far as possible where these cannot be avoided discussions should take place with the affected community and mitigation measures put in place.**

**C. IDENTIFICATION OF THE REPORT**

The report on the results of consultation must, at the end of the report include a certificate of identification as follows;

<b>Herewith I, the person whose name and identity number is stated below, confirm that I am the person authorised to act as representative of the applicant in terms of the resolution submitted with the application, and confirm that the above report comprises the results of consultation as contemplated in Section 16 (4) (b) or 27 (5) (b) of the Act, as the case may be.</b>	
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