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South-African Heritage Resource Agency PO Box 4637 Cape Town 8000

Dear Mr. A. Salomon

TRANSFORMATION OF UNDEVELOPED, VACANT OR DERELICT LAND TO RESIDENTIAL AND INDUSTRIAL USE ON THE FARM ZAND PLAATS 102/1, SCHMIDTSDRIFT

Notice is hereby given of a joint public participation process currently underway in terms of the EIA Regulations of 2010 under the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) to apply for authorization from the Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation through a basic assessment, as well as to obtain the necessary authorisation from the Department of Water Affairs. This notification also provides stakeholders and / or identified Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with the opportunity to comment on the proposed project and to indicate their interest.

Eko Environmental was appointed as environmental assessment practitioner to manage the required authorisation process on behalf of the applicant, i.e. Rooipoort Developments (Pty) Ltd. The proposed project entails the transformation of approximately 10 hectares of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land to residential and industrial use outside an urban area on the farm Zand Plaats 102/1, Schmidtsdrift, Kimberley district.

Solar panels will be used for electricity supply at the residential buildings and at the borehole. A generator will be used at the store.

Water used at the residential area (housing approximately 90 employees of the mine) and the store will be abstracted from a borehole. The water use will be registered with the Department of Water Affairs in terms of the General Authorisation in terms of the National Water Act (NWA), 1998 (Act 36 of 1998). A water use license application will not be required for this water use.

Storm water will be diverted around the site to enter the natural drainage patterns.

General waste (i.e. paper, plastic, glass bottles, etc.) will be collected and disposed of at an authorised landfill site in Schmidtsdrift on a weekly basis or when necessary.

Human waste will be disposed of by using septic tanks on site.

To register as an Interested and / or Affected Party or to obtain more information, please contact Louis de Villiers at Eko Environmental: Suite 158, Private Bag X01, Brandhof, Bloemfontein, 9324; or 051 444 4700 (Tel), 086 697 6132 (Fax) or louis@ekogroup.co.za on or before **06 June 2013**. Please indicate any concerns regarding the project in the table attached hereto.

Please find attached the locality map indicating the area.

Kind Regards

Louis De Villiers

