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South African Heritage Resource Agency P.O. Box 4637 Cape Town 8001

Dear Mr. A. Salomon

## THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO BORROW PITS ON COMMUNAL GROUND OUTSIDE MUSONG IN THE EASTERN CAPE

Notice is given of an application to the Eastern Cape Department of Mineral Resources in terms of the EIA Regulations of 2014 promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) and Mineral And Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002) as part of an Environmental Authorization (EA) process for the establishment of two borrow pits on communal land outside, Musong, Eastern Cape.

Listed activities in terms of GN 983 applied for are the following:

Activity 21: The establishment of two borrow pits which will require mining permits in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002),

Activity 27: The clearance of approximately 5 ha indigenous vegetation for each borrow pit,

Activity 28 (ii): The mining of gravel on land used for agriculture before 1 April 1998 outside an urban area with the size of 5 ha for each borrow pit.

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.

The proposed borrow pits is located on communal land (i.e. Lower Tele 15) outside Musong in the Eastern Cape. Please refer to the locality map attached. Please refer to the attached locality map.

The following measures will be implemented to limit possible impacts that may occur during construction:

• 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 the area on a weekly basis or when necessary.
- Any hazardous waste will be stored according to best practices and disposed of at a registered facility.
- Temporary chemical toilet facilities will be established at the borrow pits for the management of human waste during mining.
- No vegetation will be cleared outside the mining area.
- The mining area will be demarcated and fenced off.

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 **18 June 2015**. Please send any concerns regarding the project in writing.

Please find attached the locality map indicating the area.

Kind Regards

Louis De Villiers

