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1 Introduction

Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd (hereinafter Universal Coal) operates the New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC), situated in the Nkangala Magisterial District of the Mpumalanga Province with Mining Right (MR) reference MR Ref. No. MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR.

Universal Coal has identified coal resources north of this existing MR and as such is proposing to extend the proposed North Opencast Pit to the Middeldrift Resources (Middeldrift). This involves the following activities:

- Opencast coal mining through a pan (wetland);
- Diversion of the district road D1651;
- Construction of a new road (linked to the diversion) (approximately 4km long); and
- Construction of a bridge over the Steenkoolspruit.

Universal Coal has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) to independently facilitate the required Environmental Authorisation (EA) process for the proposed Project. The following environmental-legal processes will be undertaken:

- Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) Process to authorise the new Listed Activities as per the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA); and
- Application for an Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) has accepted the Scoping report allowing Universal Coal to proceed to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Phase. As part of the Environmental processes Public Participation Process (PPP) in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) must be undertaken, which includes consultations of stakeholders who might be affected by the project.

This report presents the PPP activities which have been undertaken during the Scoping phase and which will take place during the EIA phase.

2 Public Participation Process Objectives

The public participation objectives for the Scoping Phase were as follows:

- To provide information and the environmental-legal process followed for the proposed project;
- To identify and register Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs);
- To provide I&APs with an opportunity to comment on the proposed project.

- To utilise local knowledge to identify and record material environmental and social issues and concerns associated with the proposed project.
- To consult with registered I&APs who are impacted by the proposed project; and
- To record all issues and comments for inclusion into the Final Scoping Report.

3 Legal Framework

A phased-consultative approach has been adopted to carry-out the PPP activities as a legislative requirement in terms of Chapter 6 of the EIA regulations, 2014 (as amended) in accordance with Section 24(5) and 44 of the NEMA. The phased-consultative approach includes the following, namely:

- Scoping Phase;
- Impact Assessment Phase; and
- EA decision-making Phase.

4 Methodology for Public Participation

The methodology implemented for the PPP is outlined further below.

4.1 Scoping Phase

The following activities were undertaken during the Announcement and Scoping Phases of the proposed project.

4.1.1 Compilation of Stakeholder Database

A site visit was conducted to place site notices in and around the project, the locations of these site notices was chosen based on how often the place was frequented. The following activities were then carried out after placement of site notices:

- Development of a local regional setting and land tenure maps showing the district and local municipal levels in the area;
- A review of existing stakeholder database provided by Universal Coal and updated with new stakeholders;
- A map was also developed showing the different land parcels found within the area in order to identify landowners. The information gathered was complemented by Windeed and internet searches to identify and verify land ownership and obtain contact details;
- Additional stakeholders were identified when the site notices were displayed in the surrounding areas and distribution of the Background Information Documents (BID) was undertaken via Email; and
- Internet searches to identify government officials and for the confirmation of their contact details.

Subsequently, additional stakeholders were identified after the public release of the Draft Scoping Report through:

- request to be registered as I&APs

A consolidated database was then compiled with all the I&APs.

4.1.2 Announcement and Public Participation Communication Channels

The legislative requirements indicate that specific materials and communication tools be utilised as part of the PPP to identify, inform and engage with I&APs as outlined below:

- **Site Notices:** English site notices were placed at various public places as indicated in Table 4-1. These site notices contained a brief project description, information about the required legislation, details of the appointed EAP, details on how to register as an I&APs as part of the Public Participation Process.
- **A Background Information Document (BID) with Comment and Registration Form (CRF)** was emailed to I&APs. The BID entailed a project description, geographic location of the project, legislative processes, and requirements, triggered listed activities in terms of NEMA and NWA, the stakeholder engagement and registration processes as well as contact details of the Digby Wells Stakeholder Engagement Office. A CRF was attached to the BID and provided for stakeholders to use for formal registration as I&APs or to submit comments. The BID was available in English only.
- **Announcement Letter:** A letter was sent via email in English which contained information about the proposed project, applicable legislation, details of the environmental process, information about availability of the Draft Scoping Report for public comment.
- **Newspaper Advertisement:** Newspaper advertisement was placed on Highveld Chronicles, this advertisement contained a brief project description, information about the required legislation, details of the appointed EAP, details on how to register as an I&APs as part of the PPP.

The various Public Participation materials and communication tools used during the Scoping phase have been included as Appendix A to Appendix G.

4.1.3 Stakeholder Consultation

Focus Group Meetings (FGMs) were conducted with key representatives from the surrounding communities, adjacent landowners and the local municipality. The comments of all I&APs were noted on the Comments and Response Report (CRR). The aim of these FGMs was to present the proposed project to I&APs and record their comments.

4.1.3.1 Stakeholder Comments

All comments raised by I&APs during the FGMs have been captured in the CRR and responses provided. Digby Wells will be engaging with all the registered I&APs during the EIA

phase and updating the CRR with comments from the upcoming FGMs with affected I&APs. .
The CRR has been attached in the Final Scoping Report.

4.1.3.2 Summary of Public Participation Activities during Scoping Phase

Table 4-1 details the activities undertaken during the Scoping Phase, together with referencing materials appended.

Table 4-1: Public Participation Scoping Phase Activities

Activity	Details	Reference in Report
Identification stakeholder database	Stakeholder database which represents government authorities, landowners, various business Forums and NGOs.	Appendix A: Stakeholder database
Stakeholder Engagement Plan	A SEP was submitted to the Regional DMRE prior to the commencement of the Scoping Phase on 26 January 2021	Appendix B: SEP
Placement of site notices	English site notices were placed in areas that are frequently visited by locals namely: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kriel Library; • Kriel Post Office; • Emalahleni Local Municipality and; • Emalahleni Post Office. On the 27 of January 2021	Appendix C: Site Notice
Distribution of BID and CRF.	English BIDs and CRFs were emailed to stakeholders on 29 January 2021 .	Appendix D: Information Material: BID, CRF. and sent Email
Distribution of Notification letter	A Notification letter was emailed to I&APs on 29 January 2021 .	Appendix E: Notification Letter
Stakeholder Consultation	FGMs were held with I&APs as indicated below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emalahleni Local Municipality at Emalahleni Local Municipality Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department on 19 February 2021 from 10H00-11H00 • Landowners at New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom on 19 February 2021 from 14H00-15H00. • Various business Forums and NGOs at New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom on the 20 February 2021 from 10h00-13h00 	Appendix F: Proof of stakeholder consultation registers

Activity	Details	Reference in Report
Announcement of Scoping Report	<p>Announcement of the availability of the Draft Scoping Report was emailed to stakeholders together with the formal project announcement letter on 29 January 2021. The Draft Scoping Report was made available on http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ (under Public Documents).</p> <p><i>Due to the COVID-19 national regulations and associated restrictions, the Draft Scoping Report was released electronically via a data free resource.</i></p> <p><i>(The Draft Scoping Report was made available for a 30-days commenting period from 29 January 2021 until 1 March 2021.</i></p>	Appendix G: Proof of Newspaper Advertisement
Announcement of the Final Scoping Report	<p>Scoping Report will be submitted to DMRE on 19 March 2021. A notification letter for availability of the Scoping Report will be emailed to all stakeholders on the database. The Scoping Report will also be made available on http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ under Public Documents.</p>	
Obtaining comments from stakeholders	Comments, issues of concern and suggestions received from stakeholders have been captured in the Comment and Response Report.	Final Scoping Report

4.2 EIA Phase

During the EIA phase, involvement and participation of stakeholders on proposed project will be enforced in order to comply with the legislation.

4.2.1 Summary of Planned Public Participation Activities during Draft EIA Phase

Table 1 details the activities underway and the planned activities for the EIA phase.

Table 4-2: EIA Phase consultations

Activity	Details
Publication of newspaper advertisement	A Newspaper advertisement will be published in English, IsiZulu and IsiPedi in the Highvelder Newspaper on 22 July 2021 , which is a local newspaper that covers the proposed project surrounding areas. The aim of the newspaper advertisement during the EIA Phase is to notify

	I&APs of the availability of the Draft EIA report for public review and commenting.
Announcement of Draft EIA Report.	<p>Notification on the availability of the Draft EIA Report will be emailed and SMS' will be sent to stakeholders together with the formal project notification letter and CRF on Friday 23 July 2021. The Draft EIA Report will be made available on Digby Wells' website via a data free link on http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ (Under Public Documents).</p> <p><i>(A 30-day legislated public review and commenting period for the draft EIA report will commence on 22 July 2021 until 23 August 2021)</i></p>
Focus Group Meetings (FGM)	FGMs will be planned and undertaken during the public review and commenting period (22 July 2021 – 25 August 2021).
Obtaining comments from stakeholders	Comments, issues of concern and suggestions received from stakeholders will be captured in the CRR.
Announcement of the Final EIA Report	<p>The Final EIA Report will be submitted to DMRE in August/September 2021 after comments from the Draft EIA have been finalised. A notification letter on the submission of the Final EIA Report will be emailed to all stakeholders on the database. The Final EIA Report will also be made available on Digby Wells' website via a data free link on http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/ under Public Documents.</p>

5 Decision-making Process

The DMRE accepted the Scoping Report on Date X. Attached hereto is the acceptance letter for the Scoping Report, allowing Universal Coal to proceed to the EIA phase. An acceptance letter has been included in Appendix I.

The documentation appended to this report provide all stakeholder material generated and distributed as part of the PPP for the prosed project. The detailed CRR as well as copies of all comments received to date have also been included in Appendix G, where applicable, all the stakeholders' comments will be shared with the various specialists on the project for further consideration during the EIA phase.

Documentation related to the acceptance or rejection of the draft EIA, an updated CRR (including stakeholder and I&APs' comments raised during the Draft EIA phase), and PPP chapter will be publicly available during the submission of the Final EIA Report.



Appendix A: Stakeholder Database

Category	Name and Last Name	Position
National Government	Ms Nyiko Nkosi	Principal Environmental Officer
National Government	Lucas Mahlangu	Control Environmental Officer
National Government	Dakalo Rambuda	Environmental Officer
National Government	Phillimon Khwinana	Control Environmental Officer
National Government	Andre Cronje	Chief Director
National Government	Adv. Thabo Mokoena	Director-General
National Government	Patricia Gamede	
National Government	Adv Mmadikeledi Malebe	
National Government	David Msiza	
National Government	Mr Max de Kock	Deputy Director
National Government	Mr Harry Maphutha	Regional Land Claims Commissioner
National Government	Mduduzi Shabane	
National Government	Emma Twala	MP Land Use Administrator
National Government	Bashan Govender	
National Government	Marius Keet	
National Government	Pertunia Ramunenyiwa	
National Government	Kelvin Legge	
National Government	Konanani Khorommbi	
National Government	Mziwonke Dlabantu	
National Government	Pule Selepe	
National Government	Thobile Lamati	
National Government	Ms Nomvuzo Mjadu	Deputy Director - Water Managerment
National Government	Ms Mashudu Mukwevho	Dir: Land Use & Soil Management
National Government	Mashudu Marubini	

Provincial Government	Mr. S Kheva	Director
Provincial Government	Mrs. M Ralushai	Scientific Manager
Provincial Government	Ms. K Mashava	Production Scientist
Provincial Government	Lindiwe Mabuza	
Provincial Government	Stanford Macevele	
Provincial Government	Nokuthula Cebekhulu	
Provincial Government	Tembani Mashamba	
Provincial Government	Mr Mokope Taiwe	
Provincial Government	Mr David Mabuza	
Provincial Government	Dr Nonhlanhla Mkhize	
Provincial Government	Ms Nonkululeko Mbatha	
Provincial Government	Siyabonga Matshata	
Provincial Government	Kleinboi Mabaso	
Provincial Government	Tsepo Lefifi	
Provincial Government	Mr KM Mohlaseedi	Head of Department
Provincial Government	Mr David Nkambule	Head of Communications
Provincial Government	Mr Densy Malatji	
Provincial Government	Stephan Pienaar	
Provincial Government	Dr A Morake	Head of Department
Provincial Government	Mr Dumisani S Malamule	Head of Communications
Provincial Government	Mrs Careen Swartz	
Provincial Government	Mr Cain M Chunda	Head of Department
Provincial Government	Mr George Mthethwa	Head of Communications
Provincial Government	Mr ML. Matsebula	Acting Director:
Provincial Government	Mr M. Simelane	
Provincial Government	Ms CP. Nkuna	
Provincial Government	Mr FJ. Mogane	
Provincial Government	Mr BC. Ntiwane	
Provincial Government	Mr ET. Mashego	
Provincial Government	Ms MZ. Lushaba	
Provincial Government	Sam Nkosi	Chief Director

Provincial Government	Lindelani Shezi	District Director
Provincial Government	Happy Motha	Project Officer
Provincial Government	Freedah Lubisi	
Provincial Government	Themba Mkhonto	
Provincial Government	Mr Benjamin Mlomo	Operations Manager
Provincial Government	Ntokozo Nkambule	Deputy Director (land Reform)
Provincial Government	Petruscha Lindoor	
Provincial Government	Vusi Kleinboy Khoza	
Provincial Government	Ms Ningi Mlangeni	Head of Department
Provincial Government	Mr Ronnie Masilela	Head of Communications
Provincial Government	Ms Petunia Lessing	
Provincial Government	Mr Benjamin Moduka	
Provincial Government	Nkosazana Machete	
Provincial Government	Eunice Chego	
Provincial Government	Joye Nel	
Provincial Government	Mamatjie Matume	
Provincial Government	Ms Nonkululeko Mbatha	
Provincial Government		
Provincial Government		
Provincial Government		
Provincial Government	Mr Love Shabane	
Provincial Government	Ms. V.S. Siwela	
Provincial Government	Ms. N.L. Sithole	
Provincial Government	Ms. Z.J. Shabangu	
Provincial Government	Mr. Bheki Nyathikazi	
Provincial Government	Mr. O.G. Xaba	
Provincial Government	Andries Gamede	MEC
Provincial Government	Ms Nelisiwe Sithole	Head of Department
Provincial Government	Phillip Hine	
Provincial Government	Ms Victoria Bota	Environmental Coordinator

Provincial Government	Mr Mike Yorke-Hart	
Provincial Government	Ms Dineo Tswai	Deputy Director
Provincial Government	Ms Okwethu Fakude	
District Municipality	Ms Miilicent Skosana	Municipal Manager
District Municipality	Mr Solly Links	Environmental Officer
District Municipality	Mr Andrew Nkosi	Stakeholder/PP Official
District Municipality	Mr Walter Makgai	LED Manager
District Municipality	Mr Boetie Mathe	IDP Manager
District Municipality	Cllr E Makhabane	Chairperson
District Municipality	Cllr L Dikgale	Chairperson
District Municipality	S.K Mashilo	Chairperson
District Municipality	N.A.L Mtsweni	Chairperson
District Municipality	Idah Dikeledi	
District Municipality	Vusi Mahlangu	Enviromental Manager
District Municipality	Walter Makgai	LED Manager
District Municipality	Precious Raputsoa	IDP Manager
District Municipality	Thomas Ngwenya	Mayor
Local Municipality	Mr Sizwe Maisela	Acting Municipal Manager
Local Municipality	Vero Ndhlovu	Regional Mgr
Local Municipality	Cllr Maggy Magagula	Ward 25
Local Municipality	Cllr Thembi Tshabalala	Ward 37
Local Municipality	Cllr Rika Wilken	Ward 26
Local Municipality	MJ Mtsweni	Ward 15
Local Municipality	Ms Nomkitha Fani	Executive Director
Local Municipality	Ms Priscilla Fenyane	Environmental Health Practitioner
Local Municipality	Mr Tefo Kadi	LED Manager
Local Municipality	Clr Linah Malatjie	Mayor
Local Municipality	Mr Sipho Mthimunye	Town Planner
Local Municipality	Ms Nomawabo Mtshabe	IDP Manager
Local Municipality	Cllr Nomasonto Mofokeng	Ward Councillor

Local Municipality	Mr Erald Nkabinde	Environmental and Waste Management
Local Municipality	Ms Kate Ringane	Chief Horticulturist
Local Municipality	Cllr. Grobler D.H	Kriel farms (ward councillor)
Local Municipality	Cllr. Wilken P.H	Kriel Town
Local Municipality	CLLR. MATHEBULA T.T	Environmental and Waste Management
Local Municipality	CLLR. MASEKO B.H	DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
Local Municipality		
Local Municipality		
Local Municipality		
Local Authority	Mr Abe Sibiya	Acting CEO
Local Authority	Ms Cilia de Jesus	Secretary to CEO
Local Authority	Ms K. Nkambule	Manager
Local Authority	Frans Krige	
Local Authority	Mr XGS Sithole	CEO
Local Authority	Ms U Johnson	
Local Authority	Mr K. Tshukudu	
Public Places		
Public Places		
Public Places		
Public Places	Ms Maledimo Mashabela	
Environmental NGO's	Ursula Franke	
Environmental NGO's	Ms Karryn Morrison	
Environmental NGO's	Piet Kemp	Regional Manager
Environmental NGO's	Davel Robert	
Environmental NGO's	Ms Angus Burns	
Environmental NGO's	Mr Koos Pretorius	
Environmental NGO's	Ms Ziyanda Mfanta	
Environmental NGOs	Mr Johan Els	

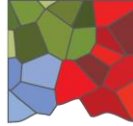
Environmental NGOs	Mr Professor Legwabi	
Environmental NGOs	Mr Simon Gear	Policy & Advocacy Manager
Environmental NGOs	Mr Mark Anderson	
Environmental NGOs	Dr Koos Pretorius	
Environmental NGOs	Ms Marianna Niewoudt	
Local Business	Winnie	
Local Business	Ms Joyce Nkosi	
Local Business	Margaret Phatlane	
Local Business	Sydney Nhlapo	
Local Business	Mr Wim van der Westhuizen	
Local Business		
Local Business	Nonkululeko Mafokane	
Farmers Association	N.L Bosman	
Farmers Association	Mr Gert Smith	Chairperson
Farmers Association	Mr Ruan van der Merwe	
Farmers Association	Mr Gert Smith	Chairperson
Digby Wells	Xanthe Taylor	Project Manager
Digby Wells	Janet Mkhabela	
Digby Wells	Bongane Nkuna	
Digby Wells	Leraato Ratsoenyane	
Digby Wells	Thembi Zulu	
Directly Affected Landowner KROMFONTEIN 30, P9		
Directly Affected Landowner HARTEBEESEFOTEIN 39, P3		
Directly Affected Landowner HARTEBEESEFOTEIN 39, P9		
Directly Affected Landowner ROODERPOORT 40, P15		
Directly Affected Landowner ROODERPOORT 40, P21		
Directly Affected Landowner DIEPSPRUIT 41, P2		
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Indirectly Affected Landowner MIDDELDRIFT42,P5		
Community	Dumisane Sithole	Baaklagte Rarm Rep
Community	Thandi Shelembe	Womans Structure REP
Community	Innocent Malinga	Luphiwa Trading MD
Community	Dinah Skosana	Sizanani NPO REP
Community	Petrus Skosana	Sizanani Rietspruit Rep
Community	Sipho Moroane	
Community	Babongile Ndzabe	
Community	Zanel Gulube	
Community	Bonisile Zulu	
Community	Mr Ndhlala	
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Additional Stakeholders	Robyn Hugo	
Additional Stakeholders	Mrs Mariette Liefferink	CEO- Federation for a Sustainable Environment (FSE)
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Additional Stakeholders	Mr JF kirsten	
Additional Stakeholders	Mr VJ Sivengo	
Additional Stakeholders	Sinayethina	Mbeki
Additional Stakeholders	Thya	Pather
Additional Stakeholders	Tendayi	Makombe
Additional Stakeholders	Jacob Molefi	Mazibuko
Additional Stakeholders	Stanley	Nzama
Additional Stakeholders	Christinah	Ramoele
Additional Stakeholders	Z	Mnyandu
Additional Stakeholders	Gloria	Bhele

Additional Stakeholders	Mary	Madaure
Additional Stakeholders	Phillimon	Khwinana
Additional Stakeholders	Thabisile	Rakgotho
Additional Stakeholders	Patrick	Maseko
Additional Stakeholders	Thandekile	Mbili
Additional Stakeholders	Zoe	Gebhardt
Additional Stakeholders	Phylls	Maphetula
Additional Stakeholders	Amukelani	Shibambo
Additional Stakeholders	Jurgo	Van Wyk



Appendix B: SEP



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To:	Department of Mineral Resources - Mpumalanga	Date:	26 January 2021
From:	Njabulo Mzilikazi	DMRE Ref #:	MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR
RE:	Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd New Clydesdale Colliery: Proposed Environmental Regulatory Process for the Middeldrift Resources Within the Existing New Clydesdale Colliery Mining Right, Situated in the Magisterial District of Nkangala, Mpumalanga Province - Public Participation Plan		

The Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC) with Mining Right MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR has reference.

Digby Wells Environmental has been appointed by Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to conduct an environmental regulatory process which includes an Environmental Authorisation Application, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process as promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA).

The Covid-19 Regulations, (Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of Covid-19 Relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences (GN R 650 of 5 June 2020)) have been considered for this application process. In accordance with Annexure 3 of GN R 650, an applicant is required to submit a Public Participation Plan which is to be approved by the Competent Authority prior to public participation commencing.

Digby Wells hereby submits the Public Participation Plan for the Application for Environmental Authorisation for the Proposed Environmental Regulatory Process for the Middeldrift Resources Within the Existing New Clydesdale Colliery Mining Right, Situated in the Magisterial District of Nkangala, Mpumalanga Province, for your comment and approval.

Regards,

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1 Public Participation Plan

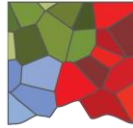
The Public Participation Plan (refer to Table 1) explains the engagement process per phase of the S&EIA process.

Table 1: Public Participation Plan

Project Phases	Stakeholders groups	Communication Methods	Outputs	COVID -19 protocol
Announcement	General public	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Placement of newspaper advertisement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Register Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs)	N/A
	National government	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distribution of e-mail, SMS and WhatsApp notifications.• Distribution of Background Information Document (BID) including a Registration and comment sheet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto the Comments and Responses Report (CRR); where applicable, distribute specific comments to the relevant Specialists.	
	Provincial and District and Local government			
	Neighbouring landowners			
	Closest Community (Delmas): Ward Committee Members			
Public review and comment of Draft Scoping Report and consultation	All stakeholders captured in the database	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Upload Draft Scoping Report onto data-free online site for free report download;• Provide data-free link to I&APs through e-mail, SMS;• Telephonic and/or e-mail consultations with stakeholders who need additional information;	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto CRR; where applicable, distribute specific comments to the relevant Specialists.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• On-site meetings will be limited to 13 attendees to facilitate social distancing in the meeting venue.• Meetings will be broken up into several sessions if the number of attendees is expected to exceed the venue limit.• NCC will ensure hand sanitiser will be available to attendees

Project Phases	Stakeholders groups	Communication Methods	Outputs	COVID -19 protocol
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One Focus Group Meeting at the NCC with community representatives; One Virtual Focus Group Meeting with directly affected landowners 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendees will be required to bring and wear their own masks. COVID -19 screening document with names and contact details of all attendees will be completed by attendees for each on-site meeting. Temperatures will be taken prior to admission into the venue (should symptoms be present, NCC health and safety procedures will apply) NCC will ensure the venue is suitably sterilised prior to the meeting taking place. <p>(Refer to section 2 below for further details)</p>
Final Scoping	All stakeholders captured in the database	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution of e-mail, SMS and WhatsApp notifications to notify I&APs of Final Scoping Report on Digby Wells website. 	N/A	N/A
Public review of Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report and consultation	All stakeholders captured in the database	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution of e-mail, SMS and WhatsApp notifications; Upload Draft EIA Report onto data-free online site for free report download; Provide data-free link to I&APs through e-mail, SMS; Telephonic and/or e-mail consultations with stakeholders who need additional information; Virtual or Focus Group Meetings with community representatives and directly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting minutes. Capture comments/ issues and recommendations onto CRR; where applicable, distribute specific comments to the relevant Specialists. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-site meetings will be limited to 13 attendees to facilitate social distancing in the meeting venue. Meetings will be broken up into several sessions if the number of attendees is expected to exceed the venue limit. NCC will ensure hand sanitiser will be available to attendees. Attendees will be required to bring and wear their own masks.

Project Phases	Stakeholders groups	Communication Methods	Outputs	COVID -19 protocol
		affected landowners (if required)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID -19 screening document with names and contact details of all attendees will be completed by attendees for each on-site meeting. • Temperatures will be taken prior to admission into the venue (should symptoms be present, NCC health and safety procedures will apply) • NCC will ensure the venue is suitably sterilised prior to the meeting taking place <p>(Refer to section 2 below for further details)</p>
Final Environmental Assessment Report	All stakeholders captured in the database	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of e-mail, SMS and WhatsApp notifications to notify I&APs of Final Environmental Assessment Report on Digby Wells website. 	N/A.	N/A
Environmental Authorisation	All registered stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Place a newspaper advertisement • Send e-mail, SMS and WhatsApp notifications. 	N/A	N/A



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2 COVID-19 Measures during Face-to-face Meetings

The following provides further detail to meeting conduct, should the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy approve this plan.



Avoid large gatherings:

- No gatherings of 50+ people will be held. All Focus Group Meetings will comprise of 15 people or less.
- Participants will be confirmed by invitation only.



Wearing of cloth face-masks:

- Mandatory wearing of face masks by all participants incl. Consultants.
- Universal Coal will provide face masks for participants.
- Both Consultants and Community members have right to refuse to participate if someone is refusing to wear a mask.



Maintenance of Social distancing:

- Consultants and community members will be seated 2m apart in all Focus Group Meetings.
- Meetings will mostly be held outside; when possible; if inside, DWE will ensure that there is adequate ventilation.



Hand washing and sanitising:

- Hand sanitisers will be provided in all meetings.
- DWE and Universal Coal will provide hand sanitisers at the entrance of the venue.



Regular cleaning of shared surfaces and equipment:

- Consultants will sanitise and clean chairs and tables in the venue regularly.
- There will be a designated rubbish bin in the meeting venue to collect all waste generated. All waste will be handled and treated as hazardous waste.

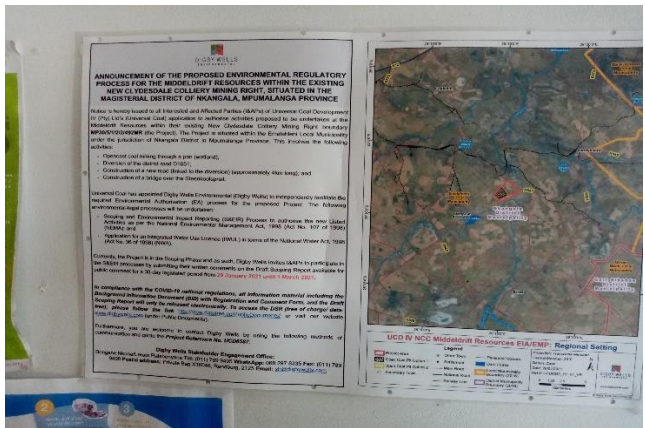
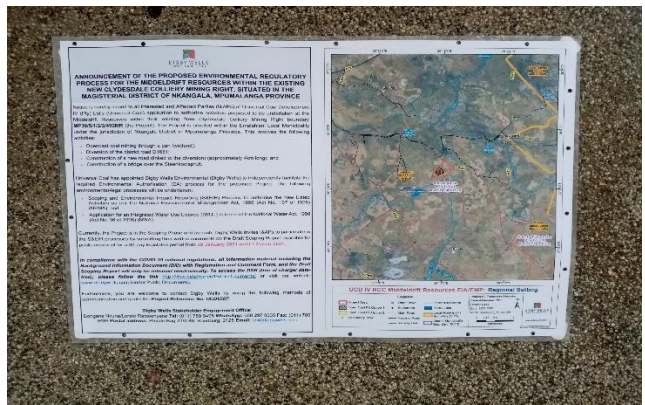



Appendix C: Site Notices

PROPOSED INCLUSION OF THE MIDDELDRIFT RESOURCES INTO THE EXISTING NEW CLYDESDALE COLLIERY, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NKANGALA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

SITE NOTICE REPORT

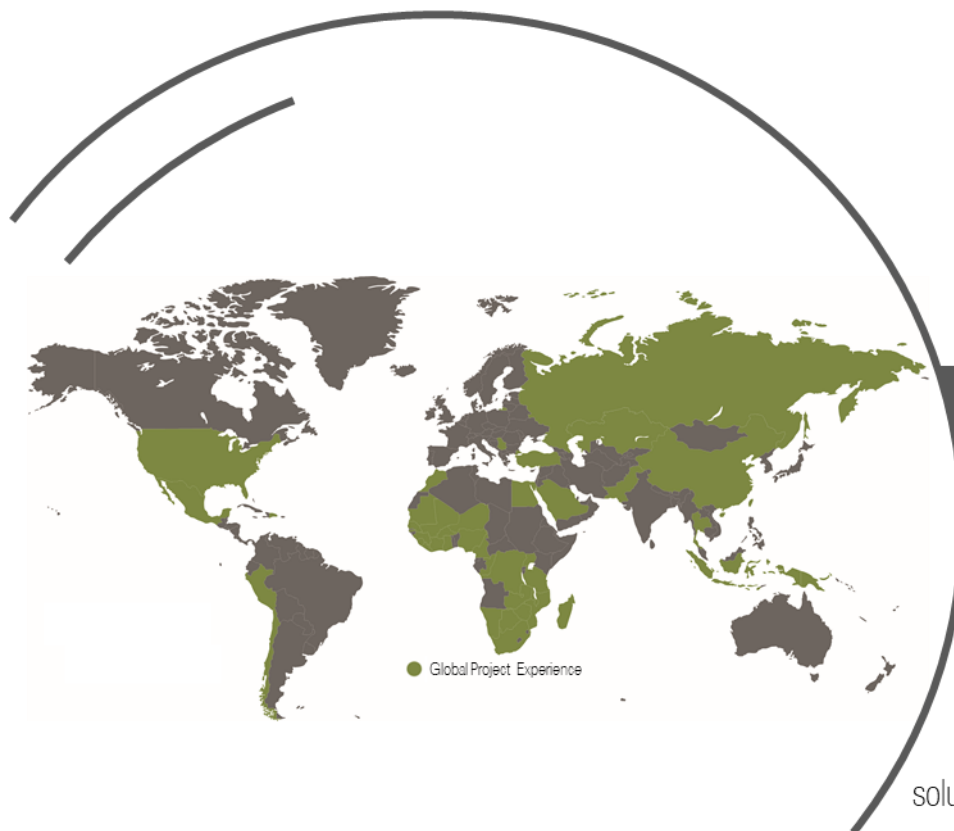
SITE NOTICES PLACED AT KRIEL LIBRARY & POST OFFICE, EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY & POST OFFICE AND DISTRICT AND LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES ON 27 JANUARY 2021

Public Place	Coordinates	Photo
Location 1: Emalahleni Local Municipality	25°52'28.00"S 29°12'52.46"E	
Location 2: Emalahleni Post Office	25°52'28.55"S 29°12'52.66"E	

<p>Location 3: Kriel Post Office</p>	<p>26°14'55.09"S 29°15'32.27"E</p>	
<p>Location 4: Kriel Library</p>	<p>26°14'49.52"S 29°15'50.02"E</p>	



Appendix D: Information Material: BID & Registration and Comment Form and Proof of Stakeholder Notification



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Proposed Environmental Regulatory Process for the Middelrift Resources Within the Existing New Clydesdale Colliery Mining Right, Situated in the Magisterial District of Nkangala, Mpumalanga Province

Background Information Document

Prepared for:

Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd

January 2021

Project Number:

UCD6587

DMR reference number:

MP30/5/1/2/3/2/1(492MR)

**TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY, SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS
OR FOR MORE INFORMATION;**

PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CONTACT INFORMATION

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1. Purpose of this Document

The purpose of this Background Information Document (BID) is to provide all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with information on Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd's (Universal Coal) application to authorise activities proposed to be undertaken at the Middeldrift Resources within their existing Mining Right boundary (the Project). This document aims to:

- Provide a description of the proposed Project;
- Provide an overview of the required regulatory processes;
- Provide details in terms of the regulated public participation process (PPP) to be followed; and
- Invite all I&APs to register as stakeholders, provide comments, or raise issues or concerns, and provide suggestions into the Environmental Authorisation (EA) processes and documentation to be made available to the public.

2. Project Description

Universal operates the New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC), situated in the Nkangala Magisterial District of the Mpumalanga Province with Mining Right (MR) **MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR**. Universal Coal had identified additional resources within this existing MR area, as Universal Coal is proposing to extend the proposed North Opencast Pit to the Middeldrift Resources. This involves the following activities:

- Opencast coal mining through a pan (wetland);
- Diversion of the district road D1651;
- Construction of a new road (linked to the diversion) (approximately 4km long); and
- Construction of a bridge over the Steenkoolspruit River.

3. Project Location

The regional context of the Project is shown in Figure 3-1 while the affected farm portions are shown in Figure 3-2. The proposed Project layout plan is depicted in Figure 3-3.

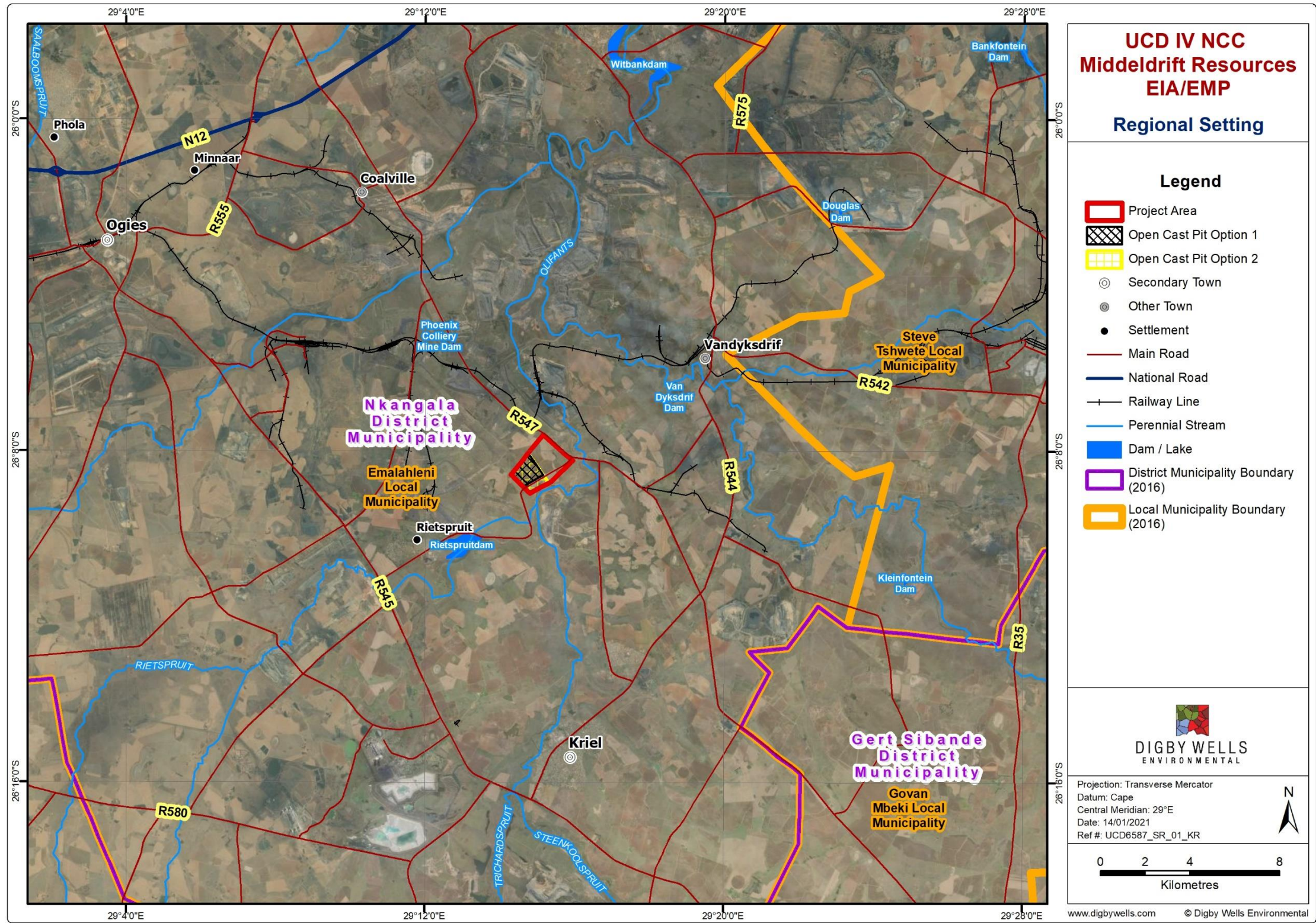


Figure 3-1: Regional Setting of the project area

Figure 3-2: Land Tenure Map

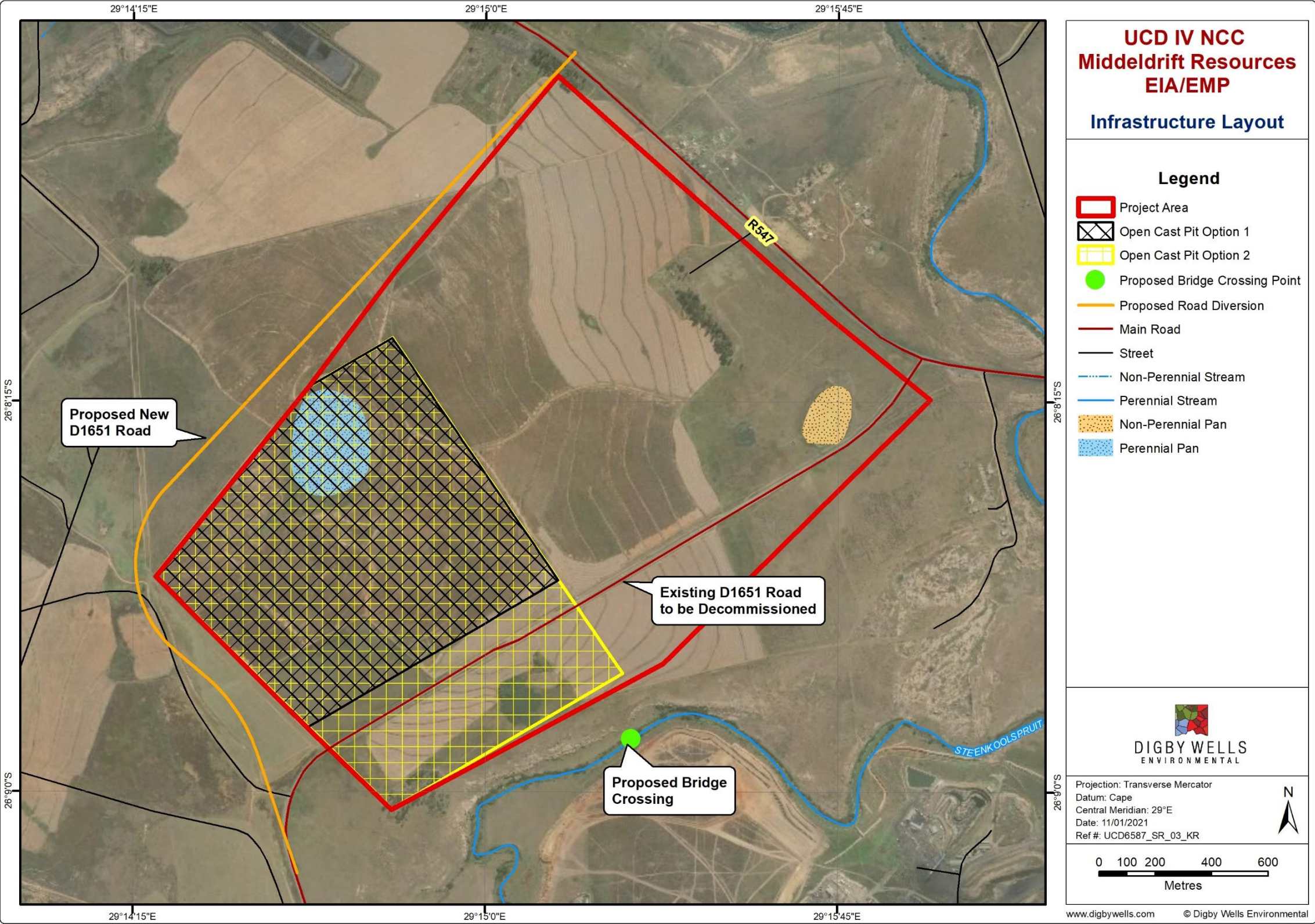


Figure 3-3: Project Layout

4. Environmental Regulatory Permits Required and Processes to be Followed

Universal Coal has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) to independently facilitate the required processes of authorisation for the proposed Project. The fulfilling of the following legislation is required:

- National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA);
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Process in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (GN R982 of 04 December 2014 as amended), promulgated under the NEMA (EIA Regulations, 2014); and
- Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

A brief description of these is contained in the sections below.

4.1. National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)

The Project triggers activities incorporated in Listing Notice 1 and Listing Notice 2 of the EIA Regulations, 2014. The Listed Activities require a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process to authorise the new Listed Activities as per the NEMA.

4.2. National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998)

The Projects triggers water uses in Section 21 of the NWA due to the proximity to watercourses and as such, a Water Use Licence (WUL) application is required. This WUL application will be supported by an Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan (IWWMP) report. A full list of water uses to be amended in addition to the existing uses, will be identified during the EIA phase.

4.3. Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002)

Universal Coal currently holds Mining Rights over their current NCC operations in terms of the MPRDA and intends to apply for environmental authorisation to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), to undertake activities at the Middeldrift Resource within the existing Mining Right (MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR).

An Environmental Management Programme Report (EMPr), which incorporates the findings of the Project's EIA and sets out practical measures for managing or mitigating the identified environmental impacts of the proposed Project will be submitted. It will also indicate how environmental performance will be measured once the project commences, during operation and after closure of the proposed mine.

5. Public Participation Process

An integrated PPP will be undertaken for the applications and processes outlined in Section 4. This section below details the PPP involved with each process.

5.1. Scoping and Environmental Impact Report

The Listed Activities require a S&EIA process to be undertaken as part of the authorisation process. This process requires a comprehensive public consultation process and is dictated by a 300-day timeframe, from the date of submission until the application is either approved or rejected by the competent authority. The timeframes and S&EIA process are shown in Figure 5-1 below.

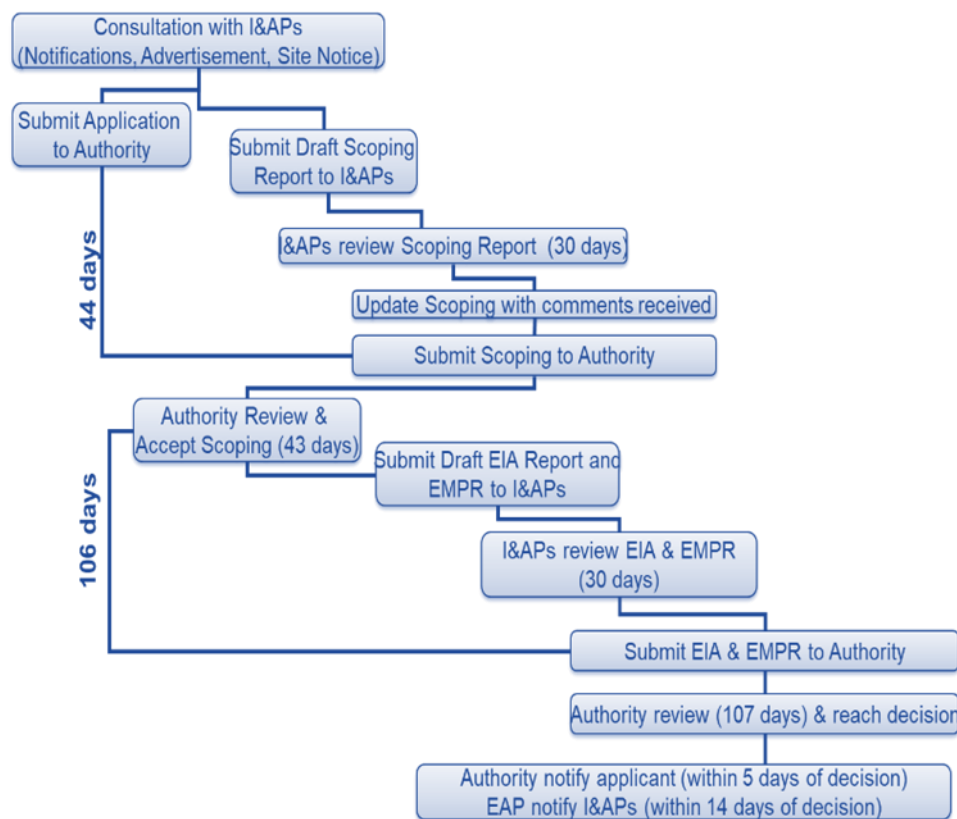


Figure 5-1 : The Full Scoping and EIA process flowchart

5.2. Water Use Licence Application Process

The IWWMP will be made available to the public for a 60-day review period as required by Regulations Regarding the Procedural Requirements for Water Use Licence Applications and Appeals, 2017. Following public review, the IWWMP will then be updated with comments received from the public and submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for consideration. The availability of this report for public review will be communicated when this process commences. Figure 5-2 shows the WUL application process.

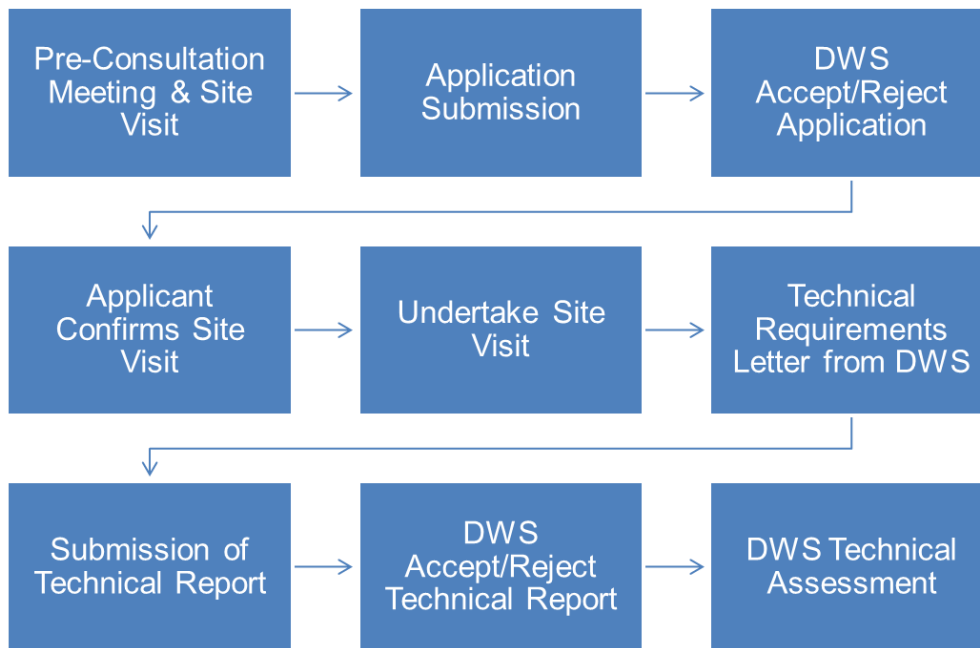


Figure 5-2: Water Use Licence Application Process (dws.gov.za)

5.3. Availability of Report

This BID serves to inform you as a potential I&AP of the proposed Project, the associated Environmental Authorisation Process and the availability of the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) for public review. As indicated in Figure 5-1, EA application process is currently on the Scoping Phase of the Project. The DSR will be available for public comment from **29 January 2021 until 1 March 2021**, a 30-day legislated commenting period.

In compliance with COVID-19 national regulations, all information material distributed for public comment will be done electronically. To access the DSR electronically, please refer below to below access requirements:

Electronic Copies
Visit our website: www.digbywells.com (under Public Documents). Alternatively, you can access the report via our data-free service: http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/



Environmental Regulatory Process For The Middeldrift Resources Within The Existing New Clydesdale Colliery Mining Right For Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd, Emalahleni Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province

REGISTRATION AND COMMENT FORM

January 2021

Registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) will be informed of ongoing developments via their preferred means of communication (SMS, email, post or fax).

Due to the COVID-19 national lock down, the Reports will be released electronically. To access the report (free of charge/ data-free); please click on the following link <http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/> or copy the link onto your URL to download the Report for your review and comment or visit our website www.digbywells.com (under Public Documents).

Comments raised by stakeholders will assist in informed decision-making for authorities and provides information to be considered by the project team and specialists conducting the Environmental Impact Assessment process. Please register as an I&AP and provide comments by sending this form, or other written correspondence, to the contact details provided below:

Mr Bongane Nkuna/ or Ms. Lerato Ratsoenyane of Digby Wells Environmental
Stakeholder Engagement Office:

Fax: (011) 789 9498, **Telephone:** (011) 789 9495, **Postal Address:** Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125; **Email:** sh@digbywells.com

Please formally register me as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP)	Yes		No	
Do you wish to attend the focus group meetings	Yes		No	
I would like to receive my notifications by	Email	SMS	Post	Fax

Please indicate which sector you represent and also provide a name

Government Department	
Municipality	
Community	
Non-Government Organisation	
Business	



If you are a *landowner* or *land occupier*, please indicate which farm(s) and portion(s) you reside on

Landowner	
Land occupier	

Please fill in your contact details below for the project database

Title, Full Name					
Designation					
Cellphone		Fax		Tel	
Email					
Postal Address					

Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2014, promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, as amended, Section 44 (1) requires that we gather comments from I&APs. Please complete the questions below. Should you require assistance in completing these questions please contact the Stakeholder Engagement Office at contact information provided above.

How do you think the project might impact (affect) you?
How do you think the project might impact (affect) your socio-economic conditions? (e.g. livelihoods, farm, business, household)
How can these impacts be managed, avoided and / or fixed?
If you are a landowner or occupier, what is your land currently being used for?



Are there any environmental, social or heritage features on the proposed project area we need to be aware of?
Where are these found?
Do you think the project could impact (affect) infrastructure you might have? (e.g. houses, buildings, roads)
If so how can these impacts (affects) be managed, avoided or fixed?
General Comments

If there are any other stakeholders, we should include onto the stakeholder database for the proposed project, please provide their contact details.



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Organisation		Organisation	
Cellphone		Cellphone	
Email		Email	

Signature

Date



Appendix E: Notification Letters



Appendix F: Stakeholder Consultation Registers



Appendix G: Proof of Newspaper Advertisement

**UNIVERSAL COAL DEVELOPMENT IV (PTY) LTD
ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESS FOR THE MIDDELDRIFT RESOURCES WITHIN THE
EXISTING NEW CLYDESDALE COLLIERY MINING RIGHT, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF
NKANGALA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**

DMRE Reference Number:MP30/5/1/2/2/492(EM).

Introduction:

Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd (Universal Coal) operates the New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC), situated in the Nkangala Magisterial District of the Mpumalanga Province with Mining Right (MR) MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR. Universal Coal had identified additional resources within this existing MR area, as Universal Coal is proposing to extend the proposed North Opencast Pit to the Middeldrift Resources. This involves the following activities:

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- Construction of a bridge over the Steenkoolspruit River.

Universal Coal has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) to independently facilitate the required Environmental Authorisation (EA) process for the proposed Project. The following environmental-legal processes will be undertaken:

- Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) Process to authorise the new Listed Activities as per the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA); and
- Application for an Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

Digby Wells hereby informs Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report is available for public review. The aforementioned report will be available from Friday 23 **July 2021** to Wednesday 11 **August 2021** for a 30-day legislated commenting period at a public place as indicated in the table below.

Person	Location	Contact
Printed copy		
Mr Erald Nkabinde	EMalahleni Local Municipality	013 690 6911
Electronic copies for download		
Thembi/ Bongane	Digby Wells' data-free link http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/	(011) 789 9495

In addition, a water use license is required in terms of Section 21 of the NWA. As such, the following water uses are being applied for:

Section 21 (c)	Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
Section 21 (g)	Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource
Section 21 (i)	Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse
Section 21(j)	Removing, discharging or disposing of water found underground if it is necessary for the efficient continuation of an activity or for the safety of people.

An Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan (IWWMP) will be made available for a 60-days legislated commenting period. All stakeholders will be notified and given the opportunity to review and comment on the IWWMP.

Public Participation Process:

You are welcome to contact the Stakeholder Engagement Office through the following means:

Digby Wells Environmental contact details:

Contact Person:	Thembi Zulu/ Bongane Nkuna
Email:	sh@digbywells.com
Tel:	(011) 789 9495
Fax:	(011) 789 9498
Post:	Private Bag X10046, Randburg, 2125



Appendix H: CRR



Appendix H: Scoping Report Acceptance Letter.

**PROPOSED INCLUSION OF THE MIDDELDRIFT RESOURCES INTO THE
EXISTING NEW CLYDESDALE COLLIERY, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL
DISTRICT OF NKANGALA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE
COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT FOR FINAL SCOPING REPORT**

March 2021

This Comments and Response Report (CRR) has been compiled as part of the Public Participation Process (PPP) concluded for the Scoping Phase of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application process undertaken for the proposed inclusion of the Middeldrift Resources into the existing New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC).

The purpose of this CRR is to present the outcomes of the PPP including Focus Group Meetings held on 19 and 20 February 2021 with identified Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs); and any other feedback received from I&APs throughout the process.

The attendance registers for the FGM held on 20 February is not available however the names listed in the comments section can serve as an incomplete attendance register as the community seized the attendance register that was signed by all the attendees of the meeting due to disgruntlement about SLP issues. In addition, the recordings of the meeting will be made available upon request

All comments, queries and issues raised recorded have been collated into this CRR which will be appended to the Final Scoping Report for submission to Regional Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), Mpumalanga.

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1. Project-Specific Issues						
How far is the proposed area for mining from the nearest community?	Mr	L Mahlaule	Emalahleni Local Municipality (hereinafter ELM)	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	The area identified for the proposed mining expansion is approximately 10km away from the Thubelihle community.
What is the current zoning classification of the proposed mining area? Does the existing mine have a rezoning permit for mining? The ELM is responsible for issuing rezoning permits and this must be considered for the entire mine operations.	Mr	L Mahlaule	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	
The municipality requests that NCC complies with all Municipal By-Laws including the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013 (Act No. 16 of 2013) (SPLUMA).	Mr	L Mahlaule	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	Digby Wells will ensure that the applicable municipal by-laws are considered during the EA process undertaken for the project.
The cumulative impacts of the existing and proposed mine operations must be assessed as part of the EIA. The mitigation measures and management plans must be	Mr	L Mahlaule	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and	Thank you for the comment. Digby Wells will ensure that the cumulative impacts are addressed in the EIA.

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developed in order to protect the impacted community and the environment.					Waste Management Department	
What is the current land use of the proposed mining area?	Mr	O Riba	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	The current land use classification is agriculture.
Mr Malatji confirmed that he is not impacted by the proposed project.	Mr	Malatji	Farmer	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom	Thank you for the confirmation.
2. Proposed Project Infrastructure						
What is the purpose of the bridge in the proposed infrastructure plan?	Mr	O Riba	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	The proposed bridge will be constructed as an alternative route to cross over the Steenkoolspruit perennial stream which will connect the existing NCC and the proposed Middeldrift mine expansion operations.

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3. Specialist Studies						
Mr de Wet confirmed that he is not impacted by the proposed project; however is concerned about the potential increase in traffic.	Mr	C De wet	Farmer	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom	Thank you for the confirmation. Digby Wells will assess all potential impacts and findings of the specialist's studies will be presented during the EIA phase of the project. A Traffic Impact Assessment will be undertaken during the EIA Phase.
The current biodiversity in the area might be affected by the proposed mining activities. How will the impact assessment be conducted?	Mr	O Riba	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	Digby Wells will be conducting a Land Use and Land Capability study that will assess the impacts related to soil capability and agriculture. The Fauna and Flora, Aquatic and Wetland Assessment studies will assess the potential impacts on wetlands and aquatic ecosystems and biodiversity. The specialists will be conducting field surveys and use sampling

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						analysis methods. All samples will be taken to the laboratory for analyses. From the sampling analysis; the specialists will provide ratings as per the classifications of the different site-specific environmental aspects. All ratings will follow the specific methodology as prescribed in each specialist study in order to develop mitigation measures and management plans to limit or avoid negative impacts. The methodology is described in the Scoping Report.
Requesting specified parties to be registered as IAPs in the stakeholder database.	Mr	J. Venter	Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental	26 March 2021	Email	The parties specified by Mr. Venter were registered as IAPs in the stakeholder database.
The primary and secondary impact in our natural resources, especially soils.						Secondary impacts – Secondary impacts to soils

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		Affairs (DARDLEA)			include soil and water pollution, loss of water quality and quantity, decreased soil health, fertility, vegetation cover, increased alien invasive species, erosion and sedimentation, siltation.
The available information indicates that Land Type information was used in assessing farm level soil types, which is not adequate. The land type data is a mixture of verification points and remote sensing data at a very high scale of 1:250 000 scale, which is too coarse when assessing the various soil forms especially in view of rehabilitating the area. A detail soil survey whereby a grid of at least 200m x 200m is used, the survey is not a desktop study but a physical bucket and auger method through ground-truthing. This method will always supersede any desktop / remote sensing exercise. If we are serious in protecting the environment and its natural resources this is the only method in					Digby Wells looks at land type and land capability data prior to going to site. This information is used as a baseline. A soil survey is undertaken with a hand-held auger, depending on the size of the area, either grid sampling or transects. Soil samples are also collected to verify the findings and to create baseline information for specifically rehabilitation purposes as well as baseline information prior to mining.

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ensuring proper planning and management of our resources for generations to come.						
The desktop / remote sensing exercise is not acceptable in view of protecting agriculture potential soils ensuring food security.						Desktop and remote sensing are undertaken, however a site verification is always recommended.
The geo-tech studies focus only on the geological aspects.						The purpose of the study undertaken by Digby Wells only focuses on the geohydrological aspects.
From an agriculture point of view our interest is in the topsoil's ranging from the surface up to 1.2 meters deep or up to the restrictive layer, for example at least horizons A, B and C (subsoils). This is where all the interaction microorganisms, chemical interaction and water movement takes place ensuring that the plant receive the nutrients and available water through chemical interaction. If there is water in the soil profile, not all the water is available to the plant. The profile must at least reach field capacity before water becomes available.						During the site survey, soils are augured to at least 1200 mm or the first restricting layer. Soil depth, and if applicable, water table depth is recorded. Erosion gullies, river banks, dongas etc are also sometimes assessed (if available) for soil profiles and deeper soil depths.

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Various homogeneous soil type must preferably be stockpile together. It must also be considered that the restrictive layers, which prevented the water from leeching out of the profile does not exist anymore. No sub-surface layers that prevent the water from leeching out of the profile. The water is now outside the reach of the plant and the possibility of the profile obtaining field capacity regarding water availability is very limited. On the other hand, the water will leech through the profile reaching the overburden and decanting upwards to the plant with unwanted toxic chemicals						It is always recommended that soil types (homogeneous soils), including soil horizons, be stockpiled together. Topsoil stockpiles, specifically must not exceed 4m to prevent compactions and be vegetated to prevent erosion, loss of organic material, soil fertility etc. Evidence and research show that subsoil can also be vegetated. During rehabilitation, it is always recommended to backfill and landscape the area with the same soil sequence (topsoil overlying subsoil). It is also recommended to do a Rehabilitation Audit and monitoring to ensure that this is happening. The Rehabilitation Audit includes soil infiltration tests to determine whether the soils are adequate for plant/crop/vegetation. Vegetation success, water ponding, slope, topography etc. is also taken into account to determine the rehabilitation

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						is as close to natural conditions as possible.
The method of stripping the soils is very important, less rehabilitation cost when reseeded thus reaching the necessary vegetation cover that is required, it is also important to rehabilitate the stockpiles as soon as possible therefore preventing unnecessary erosion on the stockpiles						<p>It is recommended to strip topsoil, not deeper than 400mm separate from subsoil. Topsoil stockpiles should not exceed 4m heights and be vegetated as soon as possible. Monitoring is necessary to assess erosion as well as alien invasive species proliferation.</p> <p>Stockpiles should be shaped and have erosion berms, silt traps etc. to prevent erosion and loss of topsoil and soil fertility. Subsoil stockpiles must also not exceed 4m heights. When stockpiles are too high, the soils are compacted, less oxygen circulates to the soils, less water and infiltration, loss of organic material and therefore loss of soil fertility. Recent studies show that subsoil stockpiles have just as good success to revegetate as</p>

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Possible impact on agriculture activities or nearby agricultural livelihoods						<p>topsoil, when managed correctly.</p> <p>Mining might have a direct effect on agriculture (such as mining high land capability soils – high cultivation potential soils such as Hutton, Clovelly, Avalon and Pinedene), but also indirect impacts, such as soil and water pollution, increased traffic on farm roads, dust and air pollution, decreased water, loss of fauna which helps agriculture (such as birds, bees etc), erosion, sedimentation of water resources, increased crime etc. High land capability farmlands (high cultivation potential) are drastically decreasing. Farmers are forced out of the areas due to the various impacts and thus impacting the livelihoods of themselves, but also of the country due to decreased food supply, work loss and</p>

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						increased importing of goods/food.
Containment of grey surface water and sub-surface water						<p>It is always recommended to ensure proper stormwater management as well as wastewater management. Clean and dirty water must be stored separately and not mixed. Clean water must be put back into the freshwater systems, whereas dirty water (grey water) must be treated before putting it back into the systems. It is also advised to re-use water where possible and decreased to use of water for mining. For example, dust suppression with grey water is saving the use of clean water, however, the water might be polluted and enter the soils, contaminating the soils and end up in the groundwater. Water used for e.g., dust suppression should be ensured not to be harmful to the environment.</p>

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						Dirty water will be diverted via pipeline to the existing Pollution Control Dam at NCC.
Cut-off drains, which prohibits surface water as well as sub-surface water from flowing outside the relevant site. Each site / company must cater for his or her own grey water. If a cut-off drain is not installed the surface water and especially the sub surface water can move laterally underground to other waterways, streams, wetlands and settlements						It is advised to ensure proper stormwater and wastewater management. Aquatic, wetland, and soil monitoring of areas within the mine, as well as upstream and downstream of the mine is important to ensure that contaminants are contained within the MRA. If any contamination has occurred due to the mine, impacts should be rehabilitated immediately. This is addressed further in the EIA report.
Impact on water sources in view of possible spillage						If any spillage has occurred, it should be cleaned up immediately. Contaminants might enter the soils and the groundwater, ending up in

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						<p>the wetlands and freshwater systems. Depending on various factors, such as type of spillage (hydrocarbons, oils, diesel, sewage), soil type, groundwater, water table depth, slope, and distance from the pollution source to the wetlands/freshwater bodies), changes the manner of how spillage should be cleaned and controlled. Contaminants entering water sources, changes the biological, physical, and chemical composition of the water. This will directly influence the fauna and flora of the systems. Depending on the size of the spillage and the abovementioned factors, influences the plume of contaminants. The larger</p>

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						the spill, the larger the plume of impacts. Impacts are further discussed by the Aquatics, Groundwater, Surface Water and Wetlands Impact Assessments.
Mitigation actions in view of above-mentioned concerns						Mitigation measures have been included in the EIA and EMP.
Impact on existing or future agriculture projects, source information from relevant Government Sector Departments						Rehabilitation is not always done successfully and decreased the land capability (prior mining) to very low land capabilities (post mining). When rehabilitation is not successful, the soil depth, fertility and water holding capacity decreases and the soil salinity, heavy metals and potential harmful elements increases. This changes the land capability from high (cultivation potential) to very low,

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						<p>sometimes even risks to wildlife (such as subsidence, decanting and sink holes).</p> <p>It is however important to note that rehabilitated land must not always be used for cultivation, but can be used for various other purposes, such as warehouses, fisheries, agricultural tunnels (flowers, hydroponics, vegetables, nurseries etc).</p>
Current land use zonings and alignment thereof with regards to the relevant legislations such ACT 70-1970, CARA Act 43 of 1983, Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act, 2013, historical land uses are not always up to date or compliant with current land uses						<p>Spatial Land Use data is assessed at desktop level and used for baseline information; however, site assessments are done to confirm and update these land uses. New maps are created with the current land uses, compared to historical land uses.</p>
Chemical fallout with regards to surrounding areas						<p>From a soil and wetland perspective, air pollution and chemical fallout return back on the land (soils, wetlands,</p>

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						waterbodies). This affects the land capabilities, by polluting the areas, as well as smothering plants and crops which changes the functionality and health of these areas (soil health and wetland health).
Mitigation actions in view of above-mentioned concerns						Mitigation measures will be implemented to ameliorate wind erosion and by extension exposure to the chemical constituents of dust.
Availing of the draft report, as well as all specialist studies in electronic format as well as any GIS related data (shapefiles) based on modelled predictions and layout plans.						Mitigation measures have been included in the EIA and EMP.
						The Draft EIA report and all specialist studies is being made available for public review and has been shared with all IAPs in the stakeholder database including the DARDLEA.

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4. Auxiliary Information Requested by Commenting Authority						
The Municipality requests NCC to provide dust monitoring reports for the past 6 months for the existing mine operation.	Mr	L Mahlaule	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	Air Quality monitoring reports dated July 2020 – January 2021 were submitted to ELM on 18 March 2021.
The Municipality requests NCC to provide their Waste Management Plan (WMP) for the existing mine operation.	Ms	J.C Phetla	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	The Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan was submitted to ELM on 18 March 2021.
5. Public Participation						
The ELM requested a meeting with the project team on 3 August 2021 and further requested to be registered as an I&AP.	Mr	O Riba	ELM	3 February 2021	Email Correspondence	The ELM has been registered as an I&AP on the proposed project. The request for a meeting has been acknowledged as per correspondence dated 12 February 2021. Furthermore, a meeting was held at ELM Main Offices with the

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						Environmental and Waste Management Department on the 19 February 2021.
It is recommended that all project related information and advertisements be broadcasted on the local radio station, namely the Emalahleni FM in languages that are dominant in the area being IsiNdebele, Isizulu and SePedi.	Mr	L Mahlaule	ELM	19 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting ELM Main Offices: Environmental and Waste Management Department	Digby Wells has noted the request and Universal Coal have agreed to undertake this during the EIA Phase.
What was the process that was followed to inform all the affected and interested (I&APs)?	Mr	M Thwala	Bakenlagte farm	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom	I&APs were identified through the use of existing stakeholder databases as provided by Universal Coal and from Digby Wells' existing projects in the same area. These were also updated to verify that they are current. Notifications were distributed by email and Short Message Service (SMS) to inform all I&APs about the proposed project and the date for the FGMs. Electronic mail (e-mail) was also distributed.

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The communities around the NCC operations request that there be meaningful engagements with Digby Wells and Universal Coal.	Mr	J Nkosi	Rietspruit Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room	Comment noted.
All future PPP meetings must be held at the nearest community hall to allow all impacted community members to participate meaningfully in all processes. NCC must also assist in transport arrangements so that communities can attend PPP meetings.	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting	NCC indicated that this will not be possible. The next PPP meetings will be held in a venue nearest to the affected community which is Thubelihle Community Hall. This will be confirmed. All public gatherings will be organised according to the National COVID-19 Regulations.
The community demanded that the following stakeholders be present at all future meetings to be held namely: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Officials from DMRE; 2. Nkangala District Mayor; 3. ELM Executive Mayor and Municipal Manager; 4. ELM Integrated Development Plan Manager; and 	Mr	I Malinga	Rietspruit Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom	The PPP meetings are conducted in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 20014 (as amended) minimum requirements. The NCC will ensure that there are representatives from the organisation that can note and/or respond to concerns raised in the PPP meetings. All I&APs are

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5. Chief Executive Officer of Universal Coal Development						extended the invitation to attend meetings at their accord and discretion.
The community indicated that they will not provide the signed attendance registers until their above request is actioned.	Mrs	D Skosana	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting New Clydesdale Colliery BI Boardroom	This comment has been noted.
Digby Wells is being used by NCC to deceive the community. All that Digby Wells wants to do is to report back to the DMRE and say that the community has been engaged.	Mr	D Sithole	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room	Digby Wells does not act on behalf NCC but are independent consultants responsible for the EA Application process and EIA. Digby Wells cannot make decisions on behalf of NCC.
Digby Wells has been conducting PPP for many mines in the area and has made false promises since 2011 to the community about mining benefits.	Mr	M Thwala	Bakenlagte Farm	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room	
The community is objecting the NCC mining operations. The greater community of Nkangala is under the leadership of the Ndebele Tribal Authority led by Chief Popeye Mahlangu given that no formal communication was ever established with	Mrs	D Skosana	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room	Thank you for the comment. Digby Wells will identify the relevant traditional authority with jurisdiction within the project area. To this effect, Digby Wells will then

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the Tribal Authority. This shows that NCC undermines the tribal authority.						engage with the relevant traditional authority.
6. Employment, Business and Skills Training Opportunities						
<i>*Please note that the following comments do not relate to the proposed Middeldrift Resource Project application and have been forwarded to NCC's relevant Human Resource: Social and Labour Plan (SLP) Department for consideration and addressing in the SLP Forum structure in place at the mine.</i>						

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The mine does not hire local contractors and labour. All the companies that do business for the mine are from other Provinces including mine employees. The majority are not from nearby communities.	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
The surrounding communities have never benefited from the mine and thus will not agree to anything that is being proposed by NCC.	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
Kriel is the only town in Mpumalanga that has of the majority of mine	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting

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operations in the area; however, the socio-economic status of the town is bad and lacking in terms of infrastructure upgrades and educational facilities.					NCC Conference Room
NCC does not care about the community. All they care about is making money and this process that is being carried out by Digby Wells is a tick-box exercise that the community has been consulted and eventually led to the issuing of the mine license. In this way, the community will not be needed.	Mr	P Skosana	Rietspruit Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
NCC is the only mine that does not provide skills development opportunities for the youth and does not pay any stipend in their SLP programmes.	Mrs	T Shelembe	Ewamowa Woman's Structure	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
The community is opposing the mine extension and will go in court on 22 February 2021.	Mrs	J Nkosi	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
How is the community going to benefit from the proposed Mine expansion?	Mr	I Malinga	Rietspruit Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room

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The community is prepared to fight for the land and will close all operations of NCC if their requests are not met.	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room
NCC undermines us as a community because none of their top managers are present in this meeting, are you (Tshireletso Mdzingo) in a position to give us all the answers that we require?	Mr	G Nimrod	Thubelihle Community	20 February 2021	Focus Group Meeting NCC Conference Room



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25 July 2021

**ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY PROCESS FOR THE MIDDELDRIFT RESOURCES
WITHIN THE EXISTING NEW CLYDESDALE COLLIERY MINING RIGHT, SITUATED
IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF NKANGALA, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**

DMRE Ref No.: LP 30/5/1/2/2/10648 (as renewed) and 30/5/1/2/2/ 10649 (as renewed) PR).

**Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for Public
Comment.**

Dear Stakeholder,

Universal Coal Development IV (Pty) Ltd (Universal Coal) operates the New Clydesdale Colliery (NCC), situated in the Nkangala Magisterial District of the Mpumalanga Province with Mining Right (MR) MP30/5/1/2/2/492MR. Universal Coal had identified additional resources within this existing MR area, as Universal Coal is proposing to extend the proposed North Opencast Pit to the Middeldrift Resources. This involves the following activities:

- Opencast coal mining through a pan (wetland);
- Diversion of the district road D1651;
- Construction of a new road (linked to the diversion) (approximately 4km long); and
- Construction of a bridge over the Steenkoolspruit River.

Universal Coal has appointed Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) to independently facilitate the required Environmental Authorisation (EA) process for the proposed Project. The following environmental-legal processes will be undertaken:

- Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) Process to authorise the new Listed Activities as per the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA); and
- Application for an Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA).

This letter serves to inform you, as a potential Interested and Affected Person (I&AP) that the Department of Mineral Resources (DMRE) has accepted the Scoping report allowing Universal Coal to proceed to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Phase. As part of the Environmental Process, a Public Participation Process (PPP) must be undertaken in terms of Regulation 40 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

The PPP involves notifying stakeholders of the proposed Project and providing stakeholders with sufficient information about the proposed Project to enable effective stakeholder engagement. Stakeholders affected by, or who are interested in the proposed Project, are invited to register as an I&AP.

The Draft EIA Report is available for public review and comment. The aforementioned report will be available for a 30-day legislated commenting period from **23 July 2021 to 25 August 2021** in a public place as indicated in the table below:

Please use the Project reference number when providing your comment: **UCD6587**.

Person	Location	Contact
Printed copy		
Mr Erald Nkabinde	EMalahleni Local Municipality	(013) 690 6911
Electronic copies for download		
Thembi/ Bongane	Digby Wells' data-free link http://view.datafree.co/PublicDocuments/	(011) 789 9495

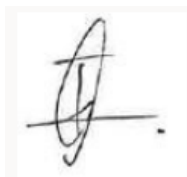
In addition, a water use license is required in terms of Section 21 of the NWA. As such, the following water uses are being applied for:

Section 21 (a)	Taking of water from water resource
Section 21 (c)	Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
Section 21 (i)	Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse
	Removing, discharging or disposing of water found underground if it is necessary for the efficient continuation of an activity or for the safety of people.
Section 21(j)	

An Integrated Water and Waste Management Plan (IWWMP) will be made available for a 60-days legislated commenting period. All stakeholders will be notified and given the opportunity to review and comment on the IWWMP.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries regarding the project.

Regards,



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**ACCEPTANCE OF THE SCOPING REPORT SUBMITTED IN TERMS OF
REGULATION 21 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT
REGULATIONS, 2014 FOR THE MINING RIGHT IN RESPECT OF OF PORTIONS
1,2,3,4 OF THE FARM MIDDELDRIFT 42 IS, PORTIONS 2 AND 9 OF THE
DIEPSPRUIT 41 IS, PORTIONS 15 AND 21 OF THE FARM ROODEPOORT 41 IS ,
PORTIONS 3 AND 7 OF THE FARM HARTEBEESTFONTEIN 39 IS AND PORTION 9
OF THE FARM KROMFONTEIN 30 IS UNIVERSAL COAL DEVELOPMENT IV (PTY)
LTD, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF KRIEL : MPUMALANGA
REGION**

The Scoping Report (SR) and Plan of study for Environmental Impact Assessment received by the Department on 19 March 2021 refers.

- a) The Department has evaluated the submitted SR and Plan of the study for Environmental Impact Assessment and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of Appendix 2(2) of the National environmental

Management Act, 1998 (as amended) (NEMA) Environmental Impact assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014. The SR is hereby accepted by the Department in terms of Regulation 22(a) of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014.

- b) You may proceed with the Environmental Impact Assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of study for environmental Impact assessment as required in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014.
- c) Please ensure that comments from all relevant stakeholders are submitted to the Department with the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR). This includes but is not limited to the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF), Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS), Mpumalanga Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport and the local municipality. Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the EIAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof of the attempts that were made to obtain comments should be submitted to the Department.
- d) It should be noted that the Department requires the following to be provided/included and form part of the final EIR and EMPr to be submitted.
 - The financial provision calculations must be provided for the proposed activities.
 - The plan to be submitted must depict the location and aerial extent of all proposed mining activities.
 - A map at an appropriate scale which superimposes the proposed activity and its associated structures and infrastructure on the environmental sensitivities of the preferred site indicating any areas that should be avoided, including buffers. All maps must be visible in A3 with clear legend.
 - Public Participation Process must be transparent and all comments received during the process must be incorporated into the comments and response report of the final Environmental Impact Report. Note that the stakeholder database is outdated

- Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the EIAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof of the attempts that were made to obtain comments should be submitted to the Department.
 - All comments from interested and affected parties must be adequately addressed in the final Environmental Impact Report.
 - Furthermore, it must be reiterated that, should an application for Environmental Authorisation be subjected to any permits or authorisations in terms of the provisions of any Specific Environmental Management Acts (SEMAs), proof of such application will be required.
 - Any other matters required in terms of Appendix 3 (3) and Appendix 4 (1) of the EIA Regulation 2014.
- e) The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of Regulation 3 of the EIA regulations, 2014 with regards to the time and period allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations.
- f) Please ensure that the EIAR includes the A3 size locality map of the area and illustrates the exact location of the proposed development. The map must be of acceptable quality and as a minimum, have the following attributes , maps are related to one another, Co-ordinates, Legible legends, Indicate alternative, Scale and Vegetation types of the study area.
- g) Your attention is brought to Section 24F of the NEMA which stipulates “that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the competent authority”.

N.B note that the mining of pan will only be approved after the Department of Water and Sanitation has given the approval to mine them .

For any enquiry regarding this application please contact the above mentioned Official

Yours faithfully


REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL AND PETROLEUM REGULATION

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DATE 28/05/201

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