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APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION: VARIOUS EIA LISTED ACTIVITIES FOR UNIVERSAL COAL'S PROPOSED BRAKFONTEIN COAL MINE ON PORTIONS 6, 8, 9, 10, 20, 26, 30 AND ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM BRAKFONTEIN 264 IR, DELMAS, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE

Reference number: 17/2/3N-143 NEAS Reference No: MMP/EIA/0000335/2012

Dear Stakeholder

Digby Wells Environmental (Digby Wells) would like to inform you that Universal Coal (Pty) Ltd was granted Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the proposed Brakfontein Coal Mine on portions 6, 8, 9, 10, 20, 26, 30 and on the remaining extent of the farm Brakfontein 264 IR, Delmas, Mpumalanga Province.

The authorisation was granted on the **16 October 2013** by the Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (DEDET). Should any stakeholder intend to appeal the decision Chapter 7 of the EIA Regulations state that a notice of intention to appeal must be lodged directly to DEDET within twenty (20) days **(4 November 2013)** of the authorisation date, and a copy be provided to Digby Wells. Further to the aforementioned regulation, <u>regulation</u> 62(1) states that "an appeal as contemplated in regulation 61(1) must be submitted within 30 days after the lapsing of the 20 days contemplated in 60(1)."

Please note that stakeholders have 20 (twenty) calendar days from the date of issue of the authorisation letter (excluding public holidays) to notify the MEC should they intend to lodge an appeal by means of one of the following methods:

By post: Private Bag X11215, Nelspruit 1200

By facsimile: (013) 766 4614

By hand: Building 4, No.7 Government Boulevard, Riverside Park Extension, Nelspruit, 1200

A copy of the authorisation letter can be obtained on request from Digby Wells. Please refer to the contact details below.

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Kind Regards,

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