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Kind Regards

Marline Medallie





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From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

13 April 2018 03:55 PM

To:

Annemarie Bosman

Subject:

RE: Opencast mine Florida

Attachments:

West Wits Project Mining Permit BID (20180413).pdf; West Wits Project Mining

Right BID (20180413).pdf

Dear Annemarie,

Thank you for the email.

The concerns regarding the West Wits Project have been noted, and will be included and addressed in the issues table of the environmental assessment process together with issues and/or concerns still to be raised during the ongoing environmental assessment process for the project.

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Kind Regards Marline Medallie

From: Annemarie Bosman [mailto:annie5436.bosman@gmail.com]

Sent: 06 April 2018 09:22 AM

To: 720.13087.00001 - West Wits Mining Right

Subject: Opencast mine Florida

Good day

I am very concerned about the fact that you want to do open cast mining close to us.

I used to stay in Brakpan near an open cast mine and we were sick all the time. The dust from the mine was also unbearable. Not to mrntention your house that is dirty all the time. You have to wash your curtains and carpets about once a month. Your swimming pool stay dirty and my Koi fish died all the time.

My daughter is pregnant as well and I can just see how it will affect her heath, as well as the baby. Especially since we as a family are highly allergic to dust.

We are renting a house at the moment but I would like to know who will compensate him, if there is any structural damage to the house?

Kind Regards Anna Maria Francina Kruger 47 Wemmer street Discovery Roodepoort 011-674 1400 078 707 7109

Masegomotso Rangwaga <rangwagam@gmail.com> 12 April 2018 04:37 PM JC Pretorius Re: West Wits Mining - Public Meeting</rangwagam@gmail.com>
g a great working relationship with you.
Pretorius < <u>jcpretorius@slrconsulting.com</u> > wrote:
tabase and keep you updated.
[mailto:rangwagam@gmail.com]
all this afternoon. As discussed please include me in the mails respect of any (i.e. the venue and dates).





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From: Marline Medallie

Sent: 05 April 2018 04:13 PM

To: Blackie Swart

Cc: 'Zenobia Heldsinger'; 'Gert Niemand'; ndbecker@wol.co.za

Subject: RE: Meeting: Live IT Church, Koeberg Street, Witpoortjie on 4/4/2018 at 17h00.

Dear Blackie,

Thank you for the email.

The concerns regarding the meeting have been noted, and the request and suggestions will be discussed with the project team. A follow-up response will be provided once this has been done.

Your registration form and questions as submitted yesterday at the meeting has been received in good order, thank you. Your concerns and objections regarding the project have been noted and will be included and addressed (with any issues or concerns still underway) in the issues table of the environmental impact assessment process.

Please note that the copies of the presentations will be circulated shortly.

Kind Regards



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From: Blackie Swart [mailto:swartalfred@gmail.com]

Sent: 05 April 2018 07:35 AM

To: Marline Medallie

Cc: 'Zenobia Heldsinger'; 'Gert Niemand'; ndbecker@wol.co.za

Subject: Meeting: Live IT Church, Koeberg Street, Witpoortjie on 4/4/2018 at 17h00.

Dear Marline,

Yesterday I attended the scoping meeting held at the above venue and I am sorry to say the presentations left me with more questions than answers. In my humble opinion it was poorly facilitated and due to the timing and change of venue, it was not well attended.



I fully support Councillor Niemand's request that another meeting be held either at the Roodepoort Town hall or Florida Moth hall, which will be more accessible to the residents of Florida Lake, Hamberg, Roodepoort CBD and surrounding areas.

I would like to request a copy of the three presentations made yesterday as I am most perturbed that no mention was made of the gas and petro pipeline that runs adjacent to the proposed mining sites!

The facts concerning water, electricity, storing of water and rehabilitation of land has left me with serious concerns and I wish to discuss this further with our board and residents and will in due course furnish you with these concerns.

Due to another commitment I had to leave during the question and answer session but handed my registration form and questions [only a few at that time!] to J C [SCRIBE]. Could you kindly confirm that you have received it.

Thanking you in anticipation for your assistance in this matter and looking forward to receiving the document's/presentations as requested #

Kind Regards, A C [Blackie] Swart. 083 250 3492



From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Attachments:	Alfred Swart <swartalfred@gmail.com> 03 April 2018 11:37 AM Marline Medallie Nic Becker; Gert Niemand; Zheldsinger@gmail.com; aadild1973@gmail.com Re: West Wits Project: Proposed meeting on 4 APRIL 2018 at High School Bastion, Mindalore, Krugersdorp. image004.jpg</swartalfred@gmail.com>		
Noted with thanks.			
On Tue, Apr 3, 2018, 11:16 AM	Marline Medallie < <u>mmedallie@slrconsulting.com</u> > wrote:		
Dear Blackie,			
-	ic scoping meeting will take place tomorrow, 4 April 2018 at 17:00 at the embeeck. We will place notifications to redirect meeting attendees from ch.		
1	t assessment study will be undertaken once the application form has been of Mineral Resources next week.		
Please feel welcome to contact	t me should you have further queries or would need additional clarification.		
Kind Regards			
	Niemand'; Zheldsinger@gmail.com; aadild1973@gmail.com : Proposed meeting on 4 APRIL 2018 at High School Bastion, Mindalore,		

Dear Marline.



Thank you for your e-mail below. I would like you to confirm the date, time and venue the meeting to-morrow, $4^{\rm th}$ of April 2018 ,as residents are under the impression that the meeting is still going to take place at High School Bastion.
I believe no Environmental Impact Study has been undertaken yet, if this is correct, when will it be done?
Thanking you for your assistance in this matter and looking forward to your response to my questions.
Kind Regards,
Blackie Swart.
083 250 3492
From: Marline Medallie [mailto:mmedallie@slrconsulting.com] Sent: Tuesday, 03 April 2018 9:38 AM To: Blackie Swart <swartalfred@gmail.com> Cc: ndbecker@wol.co.za; Zheldsinger@gmail.com; 'Gert Niemand' <gert@ward84.joburg> Subject: RE: West Wits Project: Proposed meeting on 4 APRIL 2018 at High School Bastion, Mindalore, Krugersdorp.</gert@ward84.joburg></swartalfred@gmail.com>
Dear Blackie,
Thank you for your email.
Yes, that is correct. However, SLR is securing another venue (Live IT Church NG Kerk Culembeeck) which is in close proximity to Hoërskool Bastion for the 4 th of April at 17:00.
Please find attached the English advert that was published in the Daily Sun and the Urban News.
I've also attached the background information documents for the mining right application and the mining permit application processes respectively which include maps of the proposed mining activities.
Kind Regards
Marline





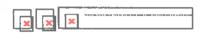
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From: Blackie Swart [mailto:swartalfred@gmail.com]

Sent: 29 March 2018 02:29 PM

To: Marline Medallie

Cc: ndbecker@wol.co.za; Zheldsinger@gmail.com; 'Gert Niemand'

Subject: West Wits Project: Proposed meeting on 4 APRIL 2018 at High School Bastion, Mindalore, Krugersdorp.

Good Afternoon Marline.

We as residents of Hamberg have taken note of the proposed meeting on the 4th of April 2018 but it has come to our attention that High School Bastion can no longer host this event.

Secondly, I phoned your offices now to request an English version of the advertisement/notification placed in the Roodepoort Record, but nobody could assist me.

Would you please be so kind as to furnish me with an English copy and to confirm the time and venue for the meeting scheduled on the 4th of April 2018.03.29 Thanking you in anticipation for your kind assistance in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Blackie Swart.

083 250 3492.



From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

12 April 2018 04:22 PM

To:

John Gafney

Subject:

RE: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY

Attachments:

West Wits Project Mining Right BID.PDF; West Wit Project Mining Permit BID.PDF

Dear John,

Thank you for the email.

The Discovery Community Forum has been registered as an interested and affected party on the West Wits Project. The project database has been updated with the contact details of you as the Vice Chairman.

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From: John Gafney [mailto:john@arrowfreight.co.za]

Sent: 06 April 2018 02:57 PM

To: 720.13087.00001 - West Wits Mining Right Subject: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY

Good day Marline and Clive,

DISCOVERY COMMUNITY FORUM.

Please note that the above forum acting on behalf of our members and residents of the Discovery area, Roodepoort wish to be noted as interested and concerned parties in your plans for open cast and underground mining within our area.

Thanking you.

Kind regards
John Gafney
Vice Chairman
Discovery Community Forum

Cell: (072)951-9518



From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

13 April 2018 02:48 PM

To:

Kayter, Mark: Absa

Cc:

David van Wyk; Brown Motsau; Reece Rosenberg; Robin Wheatley; voughan

reyneke; Carol Kara; blods@hotmail.co.za; muriedaroskin3@gmail.com;

incarecares@outlook.com; Terry-lu Barlow

Subject:

RE: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Dear Mark,

Thank you for the email.

As part of the independent environmental assessment process for the West Wits Project, public participation is required to provide interested and affected parties with opportunities for involvement which is the reason for scheduling these additional meetings.

The objections regarding the project have been noted, and will be included in the issues table of the environmental assessment process together with issues and/or concerns still to be raised during the ongoing environmental assessment process for the project.

Kind Regards

From: Kayter, Mark: Absa [mailto:Mark.Kayter@absa.co.za]

Sent: 13 April 2018 02:28 PM

To: Marline Medallie

Cc: David van Wyk; Brown Motsau; Reece Rosenberg; Robin Wheatley; voughan revneke; Carol Kara;

blods@hotmail.co.za; muriedaroskin3@gmail.com; incarecares@outlook.com; Terry-lu Barlow

Subject: RE: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Dear Ms. Mdealie

Thank you for your email.

From what I understand, the appendees at the meeting expressed their dissatisfaction with the mining proposal.

If that is the case, what is the point of having further discussions

From: Marline Medallie [mailto:mmedallie@slrconsulting.com]

Sent: 13 April 2018 12:40 PM

To: Kayter, Mark: Absa

Cc: David van Wyk; Brown Motsau; Reece Rosenberg; Robin Wheatley; voughan reyneke; Carol Kara;

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Subject: RE: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Dear Mark.

Thank you for the email.

The concerns regarding the meeting arrangements have been noted. The request for additional meetings has been discussed with the applicant and initial planning for these meetings has begun. We will provide further details in due course.



Kind Regards

From: Kayter, Mark: Absa [mailto:Mark.Kayter@absa.co.za]

Sent: 03 April 2018 09:34 PM

To: Marline Medallie

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Subject: RE: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Good evening Ms. Madallie.

I received the below invitation from Mr. David Van Wyk of the Bench Marks Foundation for which I thank him hole heartedly.

It is with a great sense of deep concern that a matter of such great importance be given to interested and affected parties at such late notice to attend a meeting that will have a devastating effect on their lives and properties.

It boggles the mind to think that such an important event should be held at a time when most if not all the people affected are at work or on leave away from home.

I sincerely implore the conveners of this meeting to reconsider the timing of this event and move it to a weekend where more residents, interested and affected parties can attend and give their input.

Sincerely

Mark Kayer Deputy Chairman Riverlea Mining Forum Tel no: 081 061 9689

From: Kayter, Mark: Absa Sent: 03 April 2018 02:12 PM

To: 'muriedaroskin3@gmail.com'; 'blods@hotmail.co.za'

Subject: FW: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Good afternoon ladies

Please check out, we have to put a stop.

From: David van Wyk [mailto:d.vanwyk58@qmail.com]

Sent: 03 April 2018 01:42 PM

To: Brown Motsau; Moses Cloete; Kayter, Mark: Absa; mariette@pea.org.za; Mariette Liefferink; john; Jeremy

Dapnne

Subject: Fwd: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Dear Colleagues

Weswits is about to have a public consultation process through SLR. This is highly contested by communities along Main Reef Road. Please see the attached documents.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Marline Medallie < mmedallie@slreonsulting.com>

Date: Tue, Apr 3, 2018 at 1:17 PM

Subject: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

To: "d.vanwyk58(a gmail.com" <d.vanwyk58(a gmail.com>



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Please register, provide comments and / or attend the proposed Public Meetings.

Kind Regards

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From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

12 April 2018 03:36 PM

To:

Muhammad Bodhania

Subject:

RE: West Wits Project Advert

Attachments:

West Wits Project Mining Right BID.PDF; West Wit Project Mining Permit BID.PDF

Dear Muhammed,

Thank you for the email.

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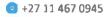
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From: Muhammad Bodhania [mailto:muhammad@bsmbaker.co.za]

Sent: 03 April 2018 08:15 AM

To: 720.13087.00001 - West Wits Mining Right

Subject: Re: West Wits Project Advert

Dear Sir/Madam

I am emailing you with regards to the Gauteng West Mining Project (see attachment). I am a resident of a small residential area adjacent to the Roodepoort CBD (informally known as "lappies"), which is close to the proposed mining project.

I am not against the re-development of the mines in the area in principle. I do however have a few concerns which I would like satisfactory responses to in due course as the relevant studies are complete. I see that the project entails open-pit mining as well as refurbishment of existing shafts. I would like to know the locations of the open-pit mines and the underground mines as the impacts of each may be different.

The following are some of the concerns I have with regards to project (some applies to open-pit mining while others to both methods);

- 1) Dust generation and environmental pollution: We are residents of the area and this may be detrimental to our health. Also, is the possibility of toxic dust being generated is a concern.
- 2) Movement of heavy mining equipment through the area and its effects on the current deteriorating infrastructure.
- 3) Rehabilitation of the pit after de-commissioning of the mine.
- 4) Effects of the pit (or possibly mining activities) to the underground water. This relates to the altering of the water table which could lead to settlement of nearby structures or pollution of the underground water due to AMD or miming chemicals.
- 5) How will the areas be secured during and after the operations (the emergence of "Zama Zamas" has made this a serious concern).
- 6) Mining effects on potable water to residential and business areas.
- 7) Mining effects such as rock blasting on environment and nearby structures.

The above are some of my concerns, which I hope will be satisfactorily answered during the upcoming environmental and other relevant studies. We would therefore like to be part of the process and be kept in the loop with regards to the outcomes and conclusions of the studies, the proposed methodologies of monitoring and mitigating risks and we would appreciate adequate time for us to review and respond to the reports of the studies.

Again, I am not against the project as it may have numerous socio-economic benefits, but we just want to make sure that the negative effects are adequately addressed and mitigated.

PS; I am unable to attend the upcoming meetings, hence my email. My details are given below. Please register me as an I&AP.

Regards Muhammad Bodhania BSc Civil (Wits) MEng (Wits)

From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

21 April 2018 04:24 PM

To:

Saimon Sibanda

Subject:

RE: West Wits Mining MLI in the Roodepoort Area (Johannesburg)

Attachments:

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Right BID (20180413).pdf

Dear Saimon,

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From: Saimon Sibanda [mailto:Saimon.Sibanda@imperiallogistics.com]

Sent: 19 April 2018 08:54 AM

To: Marline Medallie

Subject: West Wits Mining MLI in the Roodepoort Area (Johannesburg)

Morning,

I would like to express my opinion on the proposed mining development in Creswell Park, Roodepoort.

I reject the proposal and therefore do not support this project.



Regards Saimon



From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

20 April 2018 02:29 PM

To:

Celeste Ross

Subject:

RE: Registration as interested and affected party: West Wits Mining MLI (Pty) Ltd =

Proposed Underground and Opencast Mine (Gauteng)

Dear Celeste,

Thank you for the email.

You have been registered as an interested and affected party on the West Wits Project and the project database has been updated with the contact details.

The comment has been referred to the applicant. SLR will ensure that the comment is included and addressed in the issues and response table of the environmental regulatory processes together with all the issues and/or concerns still to be raised during the ongoing environmental assessment process.

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From: Celeste Ross [mailto:CRoss@randleases.co.za]

Sent: 20 April 2018 02:05 PM

To: Marline Medallie

Subject: Registration as interested and affected party: West Wits Mining MLI (Pty) Ltd = Proposed Underground and

Opencast Mine (Gauteng)

Dear Sir / Madam

Please find attached our registration as interested and affected party (landowner)

Kindly acknowledge receipt

Kind regards



Celeste Ross Property Administrator

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From:

Marline Medallie

Sent:

21 April 2018 05:12 PM

To:

Tsholz Dikgole

Subject:

RE: residents-petition-against-open-cast-mining-by-west-wits-mining

Attachments:

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Kind Regards Marline Medallie

From: Tsholz Dikgole [mailto:tsholo.dikgole@gmail.com]

Sent: 17 April 2018 11:25 AM

To: Marline Medallie

Subject: residents-petition-against-open-cast-mining-by-west-wits-mining

Good day

Im also a home owner at Groblerpark,

Please add me on your mailing list

Best Regards Tsholo



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From:

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Sent: To: 20 April 2018 02:10 PM Jasmine Abrahams

Subject:

RE: West Wits Mining Company - Request to register as an I&AP

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Dear Jasmine,

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Kind Regards
Marline Medallie

From: Jasmine Abrahams [mailto:jasabrahams@gmail.com]

Sent: 20 April 2018 12:58 PM

To: Marline Medallie

Subject: West Wits Mining Company - Request to register as an I&AP

Good Day,

I hereby request to be registered as an I&AP.

Please also advise as to when the closing date is for objections.

My details are: jasabrahams@gmail.com; 0833065239.

Kind regards,

Jasmine Abrahams



Marline Medallie

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Subject: RE: PRELIMINARY COMMENTS ON THE WEST WITS PROJECT

Dear Mrs Liefferink

I refer to your mail below and confirm that we shall respond as soon as possible on all the issues raised.

Regards

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Subject: PRELIMINARY COMMENTS ON THE WEST WITS PROJECT

Dear Robyn (Mrs. Marline Medallie and Messrs. Clive Phashe, Hock and Milne).

I write on behalf of the Federation for a Sustainable Environment (FSE).

I thank you for the background information documents (BID) and invitation to participate in the EIA process.

Regrettably I received the invitation to participate in the process only today which disallows the FSE and myself any opportunity to participate in the proposed scoping meetings scheduled for the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th of April.

We infer from the BID and correspondence that Mr Eddie Milne, the former CFO of Mintails* and Mr Neels Hoek, formerly of the Department of Minerals and Energy, are the applicant and consultant in the West Wits Project, respectively. Kindly advise if my inference is correct.

*(Please see the attached document of Mintails' alleged environmental non-compliances while Mr Milne was the CFO of Mintails.)

We furthermore infer from the Prospecting Right Application that:

- 1. A prospecting right was granted in 2006 to DRD Gold for certain portions within the farms Roodepoort 237 IQ, Roodepoort 236IQ, Witpoortjie 245 IQ, Vlakfontein 238 IQ, Vogelstruisfontein 233 IQ and 231 IQ and Doornkop 239 IQ.
- 2. The prospecting right was renewed to 2019.
- 3. The original prospecting right holder (DRD Gold) changed its name to Mintails SA Soweto Cluster (Pty) Ltd.
- 4. Mintails SA Soweto Cluster (Pty) Ltd ceded its prospecting right to West Wits Mining in 2016.
- 5. West Wits Mining, we deduce from West Wits Mining website, is an Australian Mining Company.

We also infer from the BID that:

- The proposed open cast mining falls within a vulnerable eco system area with numerous wetlands (National Freshwater Ecosystem Priority Areas (NFEPA)) and within endangered grassland vegetation areas. The NEM:BA and Mining and Biodiversity Guideline are of relevance in this regard.
- 2. The numerous open pits in the West Rand Goldfield have been identified as a source of ingress of acid mine water, by a study commissioned by the mining industry estimating that they contribute approximately 30% of the total ingress. It can therefore be logically inferred that the pits created by the proposed open cast mining will contribute significantly to the ingress of acid mine water into the West Rand Basin/Void.
- 3. The open pits and underground voids will be backfilled with waste rock. The EIA must address the acid producing potential of the waste rock and impact on groundwater since the waste rock contains large inventories of pyritic material.
- 4. The life of mine for the open cast mining is 5 years and for the Kimberley and Creswell open cast mining the life of mine will be 2 years. The post closure socio-economic and environmental costs (the near certainty of contaminated water; sulphate, metal and NORM contamination of soils and sediments; the concomitant loss of genetic/biodiversity and potentially ecosystem goods and services on disturbed, fragmented and polluted properties; the potential for bioaccumulation of some metals and NORMs by flora and fauna and the potential for exposure of fauna and humans to bio-



accumulated pollutants) must be assessed to motivate the economic and environmental sustainability of the project and to determine the financial provisions.

The motivation for the application is, according to the BID "depending on the price and profitability the project will allow for the generation of jobs." We request that the motivation be assessed in accordance with the Best Practicable Environmental Option (BPEO) principle of the NEMA and the 2015 National Environmental Management Act (107/1998): Regulations pertaining to the Financial Provision for Prospecting, Exploration, Mining or Production Operations which dictate that:

- 5. An applicant or holder of right or permit must make financial provision for—
- (a) rehabilitation and remediation;
- (b) decommissioning and closure activities at the end of prospecting, exploration, mining or production operations; and
- (c) remediation and management of latent or residual environmental impacts which may become known in future, including the pumping and treatment of polluted or extraneous water.

The balancing of the negative environmental impacts versus the alleged short term social benefits (which have not accrued in the last period of mining to the local communities) and the economic advantages can only be assessed if the loss to the environment and the long term impacts on groundand surface water are evaluated.

- 5. There is no reference made to an application for a Certificate of Registration (CoR) in terms of the National Nuclear Regulator Act (47 of 1999) in the BID. This is a serious omission since it is common cause that the gold ore in the West Rand co-occurs with uranium and its progeny.
- 6. The BID proposes that once mined areas are rehabilitated and stabilised it will be made available for housing development and agricultural purposes. Residential townships, edible crop production and livestock grazing are considered high risk land uses for these areas and areas within the aqueous and aerial zone of influence. These proposed land uses are incompatible with the safety and fragile status of lands under rehabilitation and could exacerbate the liabilities for mining and the State post closure. We also advise that mined areas are required in terms of the EIA Regulations to be rehabilitated to a natural or predetermined state or to a land use which conforms to the generally accepted principle of sustainable development.

We reserve our rights to comment more fully and meaningfully on the proposed West Wits Project.

We kindly request that you confirm receipt of this e-mail..

Best Regards

Mariette Liefferink

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Cc; 'Neels Hoek' <nhoek@malanscholes.co.za>; 'Eddie' <eddie.milne73@gmail.com>

Subject: Background Information Documents for the West Wits Project

Importance: High

Dear Mariette,

As briefly discussed telephonically today, please see attached the information concerning the proposed project. I have also attached the section 11 and the prospecting right as you have requested.

PURPOSE OF THIS E-MAIL AND ATTACHED DOCUMENTS

DMR REFERENCE: GP 30/5/1/1/2/10035 PR

The purpose of this email is to provide all interested and affected parties (I&APs) with information about two (2) proposed Mining Permit applications and one (1) proposed Mining Right application for West Wits.

In addition, the document also aims to:

- Introduce and explain the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) & Scoping Report (SR) / Environmental Impact Report (EIR)
 processes, including the public participation process (PPP) that will be followed;
- Invite all I&APs to comment on the proposed project by raising issues of concern and/or suggestions for enhanced benefits/alternatives on any aspect related to the proposed development; and
- Invite I&APs to provide comments.

To register as an I&AP on the project please contact the following person(s):

- SLR Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Ltd
- (011) 467 0945 (Tel) and/or (011) 467 0978 (Fax)

Any comments received on the mining permit application process would be forwarded to MalanScholes to be addressed. Comments received on the mining right application process will be addressed by SLR Consulting (South Africa).

INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

West Wits Mining MLI (Proprietary) Limited (West Wits) holds a prospecting right (GP 30/5/1/1/2/10035 PR) over various portions of the farms Glen Lea 228 IQ, Perdekraal 226 IQ, Rand Glen 229 IQ, Dobsonville 386 IQ, Doornkop 239 IQ, Fleurhof Township, Roodepoort 236 IQ, Roodepoort 237 IQ, Uitval 677 IQ, Vlakfontein 233 IQ, Vlakfontein 238 IQ, Witpoortjie 245 IQ, Vogelstruisfontein 231 IQ, Vogelstruisfontein 233 IQ, Soweto 387 IQ, Klipspruit 298 IQ, Klipriviersoog 299 IQ, Durban Roodepoort Deep 641 IQ, Bram Fischerville 663 IQ, Bram Fischerville 649 IQ and Tshekisho 710 IQ in the City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province. Consent in terms of Section 11(2) of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) (No. 28 of 2002) to cede a renewed prospecting right MPT No. 29/2016 from Mintails SA Soweto Cluster (Proprietary) Limited to West Wits was granted by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in 2018.

THE TWO PROCESSES TO BE FOLLOWED

West Wits intends to now apply to the DMR for two (2) Mining Permits applications (i.e. Kimberley West and Creswell) and a Mining Right application for gold, uranium, silver, sandstone and aggregate:

Process 1:

- The two (2) Mining Permit applications shall cater for opencast mining for two (2) areas that are less than 5 hectares

Process 2:

- The one (1) Mining Right application shall cater for opencast and underground mining activities within the mining right application area, the extent of the total area is 6149.7466 hectares

These processes will run parallel to each other, and if Process 1 is approved, it will provide West Wits with earlier access to some of the ore reserves.

Please register, provide comments and / or attend the proposed Public Meetings.



Kind regards,

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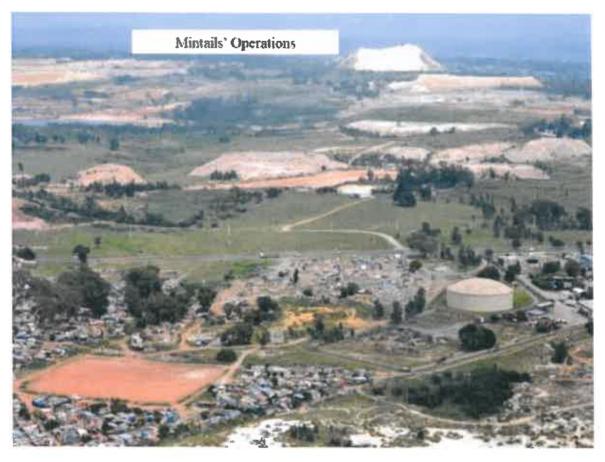
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BACKGROUND INFORMATION



Photograph: Courtesy Mark Olalde (2017)

Tudor Shaft Informal Settlement in the foreground, with the overburden material and open pits from Mintails' Princess Cluster operations, Lancaster Dam, 1L23 – 25, the partially reclaimed North Sands- and Eskom Dumps, and the unrehabilitated footprint of CAMS Dump in the background,

Mintails Mining SA (Pty) (Mintails) commercially holds three mining rights. Mining is undertaken within these three mining right areas as follows:

- MR132 covers the hard rock mining areas whereby open pit mining is undertaken by
 means of truck and shovel method. Mining is also being undertaken by means of
 underground mining at D Shaft.
- MR206 covers the recovery and reclamation of the gold dumps by means of hydraulic mining methods. The Closure Mining program includes (or intended to include) the processing of surface dumps on MR206 and MR132 areas.
- MR133 is located east of MR132 and MR206 areas. Mining of the open pits in this area is undertaken by means of truck and shovel method.

MOGALE GOLD (PTY) LIMITED is a subsidiary of MINTAILS SOUTH AFRICA (PTY) LIMITED. Mintails SA (Pty) Ltd acquired Mogale Gold from the liquidators in late 2005 and re-commissioned operations in 2006.

Mintails' estimated closure costs have been assessed at R336.5 million.

Mintails, has, in terms of the DMR's Financial Provision Register Bank Guarantees amounting to R2 600 00.00 and a trust fund of approximately R14 000 000.



The Mogale Mining Work Program reveals that the Company cannot fund the rehabilitation obligation as per the prescripts of the MPRDA.

The expected life of mine is 2020.

Mintails is operational within the Headwaters of the Wonderfonteinspruit and the Upper Wonderfonteinspruit, and within the Tweelopiespruit Catchment Management Area.

Although the original MWP referred to surface workings, all rights to tailings and dumps on the surface of the area covered by Mining License 9/2000 belong to Mintails SA (Pty) Limited and /or its associates, which companies are working the dumps and tailings either by virtue of their own mining rights or the common law. Mintails SA has accepted all liability, whether relating to environmental rehabilitation or otherwise, in respect of all surface mining and other activities.

ALLEGED CONTRAVENTIONS OF THE LEGALLY BINDING EMPR, THE WUL, THE NEMA AND THE NWA INCLUDING THE NEM: REGULATIONS FOR THE FINANCIAL PROVISIONS FOR EXPLORATION, PROSPECTING AND MINING AND THE REGULATIONS ON USE OF WATER FOR MINING AND RELATED ACTIVITIES AIMED AT THE PROTECTION OF WATER RESOURCES (GN. R. 704 OF 4 JUNE 1999)

<u>Tudor Dam</u> (within the Headwaters of the Wonderfonteinspruit)



The Tudor Dam is located in the south eastern portion of the headwaters of the WCA.
The area behind the dam is currently dry and was mined by Mintails. The re-mining
had ceased. The activity concentration of uranium 238 in the soils and sediments behind
the dam are high, 8000-10000 Bq/kg with radium 226 at 1700-2800 Bq/kg (as measured
in 2009).



- The area remains un-rehabilitated, is not fenced off and there are no warning signs. A number of families live downstream of the Tudor Dam.
- This dam was silted over time with relatively highly radioactive material. The dam has been partially cleaned out and part of the material removed from the inside of the dam has been placed outside the dam confinements. The current state exacerbates the pollution potential in allowing greater retention and contact time of previously clean water with contaminants.

Wetlands downstream of Tudor Dam

Most of the sediments was disturbed as a result of the poor mining practices at Tudor Dam. During the mining Mintails was responsible to contain this material and should have been required to clean up the material. Uranium and radium activity concentrations were high here, at 2000 Bq/kg for uranium and 1200 Bq/kg for radium (as measured in 2009). This site has contamination of radioactive material exceeding exclusion levels of 0.5 Bq/g per nuclide.

The site remains un-rehabilitated, with no warning signs or fences and communities living downstream of the Tudor Dam.

<u>Lancaster Dam</u> (within the Headwaters of the Wonderfonteinspruit)

As the site presently exits acutely toxic acidic drainage is currently draining from the site through the crack in the dam wall into the pond and wetland immediately below the dam.

Because of the lack of any flow restriction this could become an extremely serious situation following a heavy rainfall.

The main pollutants are suspected of being acidic water and associated toxic metals arising from oxidation of sulphides such as iron sulphide, also known as pyrite. The acidic water presently seeps through the crack in the Lancaster Dam wall into the Upper Wonderfonteinspruit.

The slimes downstream of the Lancaster Dam, which was the result of Mintails" previous breach of the dam wall, have not been removed notwithstanding the urgency of the situation.

The trenches carrying stormwater are unlined and in a dirty area





• The polluted stormwater is flowing directly into the Upper Wonderfonteinspruit. There is no pollution control dam to treat the water prior to its discharge into the Upper Wonderfonteinspruit







• The Lancaster Dam wall is cracked and toxic water continues to seep into the Upper Wonderfonteinspruit. The water quality, as measured by Mintails and the DWS, is as follows:

