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Regional Director
Department of Mineral Resources
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REF: Application for Mining Permit to mine AGGREGATE (construction stone) – Mr W.J. vd Merwe

Motivation Letter

Dear Sir,

On behalf of our client – Mr W.J. vand der Merwe (RSA ID 671024 5084 080), I would like to ask for special support and speedy processing of the application in question.

Mr W.J. van der Merwe is also owner of the farm. He, with few partners, plans to construct a solar power farm over most of the property.

There are several similar projects at different stages of development in vicinity of De Aar already. This should simplify connection to the National power grid upon completion of the construction.

The application in question is integral part of the overall planned development.

The dolerite and some of the country rock shale will be crushed and used for foundation and also access roads design for the planned solar power plant.

Surplus of the construction material will be sold locally around De Aar, which will positively affect economy of the solar project.

In a view of current shortage of power supply in the country, any alternative energy generating project deserves special attention and support.

Both mining and solar power plant projects will also create immediate and long term sustainable jobs.

With a hope for your understanding and support

Sincerely,

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