Installation of Ground Behavior Monitoring Sensors at Sterkfontein Caves

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Letter

In terms of Section 27(18) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Prof. Frederick Cawood

University of the Witwatersrand

The Wits Mining Institute (WMI) intends to install and maintain ground behaviour monitoring, integrated with a GIS for the purpose of safety research at Sterkfontein Caves. A communication system will also be install to transfer data from the sensors to the control room at the WMI and a workstation at the Caves, to facilitate statistical data analysis and safety status determination of the Caves. Johannesburg, Gauteng.

Dear Prof. F. Cawood.

Thank you for your permit application for the installation of sensors to monitor ground behavior in the Sterkfontein Caves NHS within the Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site (COHWHS).

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has reviewed the application and decided to approve it.

We wish you every success with this project.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Ragna Redelstorff Heritage Officer

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- 1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
- 2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
- 3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.