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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: South African Road Binders (Pty) Ltd

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND AN ATMOSPHERIC EMISSION LICENSE FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMULSION PLANT ON ERF 1559, HARDUSTRIA, HARRISMITH, FREE STATE.

The proposed project entails the establishment of an emulsion plant on Erf 1559, Hardustria, Harrismith, Free State Province. The Background Information Document noted that "a Heritage and Paleontological Impact Assessment will be conducted as part of the EIA process and will be included in the EIA reports".

In an interim comment from 11 October 2019 the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requested the HIA and PIA to be submitted to the application before providing a final comment and noted that a field-based PIA is required as the proposed area falls within an area of very high palaeontological sensitivity.

A draft Environmental Scoping Report was submitted on 18 November 2019 repeating that a Heritage and Paleontological Impact Assessment will be conducted as part of the EIA process.

Interim comment

As per the previous interim comment the SAHRA APM Unit requested the HIA and PIA to be submitted to the application before providing a final comment and noted that a field-based PIA is required as the proposed area falls within an area of very high palaeontological sensitivity.

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

Yours faithfully

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ADMIN: Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/529199 (DESTEA, Ref:)

Terms & Conditions:

- 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.