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## Interim Comment

### In terms of Section 38(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mrs Anette Basson

De Beers Consolidated Mines - Kimberley Mines

36 Stockdale street

Kimberley

8300

### NC 30/5/1/1/2/11759 PR Groenwater : • REMAINING EXTENTS OF PORTIONS 3, 4 & 5, • THE REMAINING EXTENT OF FARM GROENWATER 453, • A PORTION OF PORTION 1 OF THE FARM 472

De Beers Consolidated Mines (Pty) Ltd is applying for prospecting rights for kimberlite on the Remaining Extent of Portion 3, 4 and 5 of the Farm Groenwater 453 and Portion 1 of the Farm 472, located in the Magisterial District of Z.F Mgcawu in the Northern Cape Province. Prospecting activities include both invasive and noninvasive techniques.

It is indicated in the BAR and EMP draft submitted with the application, a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) will be undertaken before any invasive activities commence.

SAHRA requested in an interim comment from 04/01/2016 that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) will be required prior to any invasive activities, which must include an archaeological and palaeontological component as well as any other applicable heritage components.

On 18/12/2020 a Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) was submitted that consolidates 30 different applications in the larger Kimberley area.

### Interim comment

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) unit rejects the submitted PIA on the grounds that the report consolidating such a large area does not provide details per section for SAHRA to make an informed decision for each application. An HIA inclusive of a PIA specific to this application

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(NC30/5/1/1/2/11759PR) must be submitted.

In addition, an update must be given on the validity of the Prospecting Rights Application since it has been 5 years since the original application.

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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Ragna Redelstorff, PhD  
Heritage Officer  
South African Heritage Resources Agency

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**ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/351097>  
(DMR - NC, Ref: NC 30/5/1/1/2/11759 PR)

**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.