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Response to NID (Notification of Intent to Develop)

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

Attention: Mr Chris Weideman

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B&E International (Pty) Ltd intends to apply for a mining permit to mine 4.9 ha of the remaining extent of portion 2 of the farm Witkloof 408 JT, which falls in the Albert Luthuli Local Municipality in the Gert Sibande administrative district, Mpumalanga Province (Reference MP30/5/1/3/2/11433MP).

B&E International (Pty) Ltd is proposing to extent mining operations from an existing quarry located on Portion 2 of the farm Witkloof 408 JT, in the Albert Luthuli Local Municipality of Mpumalanga Province. The quarry will be extended by 4.9 hectares by blasting of the hard rock and hauled to the mobile crushing and screening plant. The aggregate will be stockpiled on site and transported via truck to clients. There is an existing access road and haul road which will be used for the proposed quarrying activities.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999 (NHRA), heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are generally protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. In contexts of development applications, the developer must ensure that no heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed development, by lodging an application to SAHRA and submitting detailed development specifications as a notification of intent to develop. If the application is made in terms of s. 38 (8) of the NHRA then it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA), as s. 38(2)a does not apply. Such a study should follow the SAHRA impact assessment guidelines and section 38(3).

Greenminded Environmental (Pty) Ltd have been appointed to undertake a Basic Assessment process in support of an Environmental Authorisation application in terms of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) 2014 Regulations, of the National Environmental Management Act, no 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002 (MPRDA).

SAHRA as a commenting authority in this application requires an assessment of heritage resources including palaeontological resources to be conducted by qualified archaeologist and palaeontologist respectively. As



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such SAHRA requires a Heritage Impact assessment and a Palaeontological Impact Assessment for the proposed development to be conducted and submitted to SAHRA for comments. If you are unaware of any archaeologists and palaeontologists, then a list of these professionals working within Heritage Resources Management field may be found in the following websites: (see www.asapa.org.za) and (see www.palaeontologicalsociety.co.za).

SAHRA will comment further on this proposed development once the requested reports are submitted to the case.

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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