PROPOSED EXPANSION OF A DANGEROUS GOODS STORAGE FACILITY WITHIN THE GREATER TUBATSE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

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Final Comment

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

Attention: Tubatse Chrome (Pty) Ltd

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proposed expansion of a dangerous goods storage facility. Tubatse Chrome has an existing Pelletising and Sintering Plant (PSP), constructed in 2000, for which an Environmental Authorisation was obtained (Ref No. 16.4.28.50L1). In 2009 the Plant was upgraded, after Tubatse Chrome obtained an Environmental Authorisation for the upgrade (Ref No. 12/1/9-6/25-GS2). Tubatse Chrome currently, has a Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) tanks installed at the PSP with a combined capacity of 45 m3. Tubatse Chrome now intends to expand the fuel storage capacity by installing an additional 46 m3 tank that will contain Light Straight-run Naphtha (LSR). The combined capacity of "dangerous goods" stored at the PSP will, therefore, be 91 m3. The study area is situated on the remaining extent of Portion 6 of the Farm Goudmyn 337 KT, in the town of Steelpoort, within the Greater Tubatse Local and Greater Sekhukhune District Municipalities in the Limpopo Province

Tubatse Chrome (Pty) Ltd have appointed Environmental Assurance (Pty) ltd to undertake a Basic Assessment process, in respect of listed activities in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014, that require an application for Environmental Authorisation, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA). The Basic Assessment report has been submitted to SAHRA for commenting in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, 25 of 1999.

The BA mentions that there will be no earth moving activities and the proposed fuel storage tank will be installed within existing infrastructure, with the operations of the Pelletising and Sintering Plant.

Final Comment

SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit has no objections to the proposed development, and, for the above reasons, grants exemption from commissioning an assessment on heritage resources for this proposed fuel tank installation. In the unlikely event of any new heritage resources being

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discovered during con

struction and operation phases of the proposed development, then a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings at the expense of the developer.

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If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required at the expense of the developer. Mitigation will only be carried out after the archaeologist or palaeontologist obtains a permit in terms of section 35 of the NHRA (Act 25 of 1999). You may contact SAHRA APM Unit for further details: (Nokukhanya Khumalo/Phillip Hine 021 202 8652).

If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves then mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow (Thingahangwi Tshivase/Mimi Seetelo 012 320 8490).

Should the developer, consultant or any member of the public wish to lodge an appeal against this decision or any part thereof in terms of Chapter VI of the NHRA Regulations No. R 323 of 2000, then the appeal must be addressed to SAHRA Council. The SAHRA Legal Adviser (Simphiwe Mome 021 202 8692) must be contacted directly for the procedures to follow.

This letter must be forwarded to the competent authority and once the record of decision is issued, the letter must be uploaded to this case.

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

Yours faithfully

Nokukhanya Khumalo

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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.