

THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A STORAGE FACILITIES FOR MINING MACHINERY, OFFICES AND PARKING AREA

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

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Izazi Investments (Pty) Ltd are proposing to develop two (2) storage facilities for the storage of mining machinery, and to construct offices and a parking area. The development footprint is on vacant land within Izazi Investments premises. The total area to be developed is 8 ha in extent that was previously used for subsistence farming.

Tshikovha Environmental and Communication Consulting (Pty) Ltd have submitted a Background Information Document (BID) and a draft Basic Assessment report (BAR) to inform the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) of the Environmental Authorisation application, made on behalf of the applicant, Izazi Investments (Pty) Ltd. The BAR process is in respect of listed activities in the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, that require an application for Environmental Authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and a prospecting right in terms of section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA) (As amended).

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

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s. 38 (8) of the NHRA then it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) is undertaken, as s. 38(2)a does not apply. Such a study should follow the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Components of Impact Assessment Reports and section 38(3) of the NHRA.

Any earth moving activities pose a threat to palaeontological and heritage resources, particularly in relatively undisturbed areas. Koppies, Mountains and River valleys as well as coal mining areas are sensitive to these types of heritage resources, which should be assessed for potential impacts as part of the HIA in terms of section 38(3) of the NHRA.

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The South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requires that a HIA and a Palaeontological Impact Assessment inclusive of a Fossil Finds Procedure is undertaken by a suitably qualified archaeologist and palaeontologist respectively. The reports must be submitted to the case for comment in terms of section 38(8). Furthermore, the requested assessments must be submitted to SAHRA for comment prior to the submission of the Final Bar to the competent authority.

SAHRA APM unit will process the case further once the above requested reports are submitted to the case along with a .kml file of the proposed development location in the relevant section of the case on SAHRIS. Furthermore, SAHRA recommends that the applicant applies for an extension of the BAR application in terms of section 19 (1)b of NEMA, Act, 1998, to allow for the assessment of heritage.

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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