ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUPER FINES STORAGE FACILITY AT GLORIA MINE ASSMANG (PTY) LTD, BRMO, SANTOY, NORTHERN CAPE

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

Attention: Ms Tshifhiwa Ravele

Assmang Black Rock Mining Operations P.O Box 136 Santoy 8491

BLACK ROCK MINING OPERATIONS PROPOSES TO ESTABLISH A NEW SUPER FINES STORAGE FACILITY AT GLORIA MINE TO ENABLE ADEQUATE STORAGE CAPACITY AS A RESULT OF PREVIOUS AUTHORISATIONS RELATING TO INCREASED PRODUCTION TAKING PLACE AT THE GLORIA MINE, ASSMANG (PTY) LTD BLACK ROCK MINE OPERATIONS, SANTOY, NORTHERN CAPE

EScience Associates (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Assmang (Pty) Ltd Black Rock Mine Operation to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the establishment of a Super Fines Storage Facility at Gloria Mine near Santoy, Northern Cape Province.

A Final Comment was issued by SAHRA on the 18/05/2020, noting no objections to the proposed development and provided several conditions. Since the issuing of the Final Comment, SAHRA has been informed that the HIA had included the incorrect layout in the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) report. A revised HIA has been submitted with an assessment of the correct layout.

Van Vollenhoven, A. C and Smit, J. 2019. A report on a Heritage Impact Assessment for the proposed New Tailings Facility at the Gloria Mine of the Assmang Black Rock Mining Operations (BRMO), Northern Cape Province (revised).

No heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. Stone Age lithics are known to be present in the surrounding area as shown in Figure 9 of the report. A Chance Finds Procedure is recommended.

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As the results and recommendations of the revised HIA are the same as the original HIA, the Final Comment issued on the 18/05/2020 remain valid. The conditions provided in the Final Comment must be adhered to.

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This letter must be read in conjunction with the Final Comment issued on the 18/05/2020.

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

Yours faithfully

Natasha Higgitt Heritage Officer South African Heritage Resources Agency

Phillip Hine Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/526995 (DMR - NC, Ref: Awaiting)

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.