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## **Interim Comment**

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

Attention: Mr Gideon Raath

Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd

### **Environmental Impact Assessment Process for the Fodere Titanium Zero Waste Recovery Solution and associated infrastructure near Kwa-Guqa Mpumalanga Province**

Anglo African Metals (Pty) Ltd is proposing to establish the Fodere Titanium Zero Waste Recovery Plant and its associated infrastructure near KwaGuqa, in the eMalahleni Local Municipality, of the Mpumalanga Province. It will be located on Portion 48 of the farm Elandsfontein 309 JS, the total area of the plant will be 4 hectares, in the EVRAZ High Steel and Vanadium Property. The proposed new plant will consist of the construction of a chemical plant storage area, mill and crushing plant, slag stockpile area, as well as a substation, plant utility area, admin and security area and parking lot.

Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd has been appointed to undertake an environmental assessment as part of the Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting process in support of an Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environment Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) for activities that trigger the NEMA EIA 2014 Regulations. As well as an Environmental Management Plan as per the requirements of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 28 of 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended).

A Heritage Scoping report by PGS Heritage (Pty) Ltd has been submitted to SAHRA for commenting in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). and the PIA report is by Prof M Bamford has also been submitted.

*Fourie, W. October 2020. Heritage Scoping Report. Zero-Waste Recovery Plan, Mpumalanga Province.*

The study area has been disturbed by existing processing activities in the EVRAZ property, however initial deskbased assessment cannot rule out the potential impacts to heritage resources in the area. In addition, the proposed development area is located in a Very High Palaeontological sensitive zone and according to the SAHRIS palaeomap policy, a field based Palaeontological Impact Assessment is required.

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The South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) notes and supports the recommendations in the Heritage Scoping report and will comment on this project further once the HIA and PIA reports are submitted to the case for commenting in the EIA phase. The PIA report must be undertaken and compiled by a suitably qualified Palaeontologist and it must adhere to the 2012 PIA minimum standards.

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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