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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Willie Oosthuizen
Wadala Mining and Consulting Pty Ltd

OPEN CAST ALLUVIAL MINING OPERATION WITH YELLOW GEAR

Wadala Mining and Consulting Pty Ltd have been appointed by Renaissance Resources (Pty) Ltd to undertake an Environmental Authorisation Application for proposed mining activities on portion 2 of the farm No 232, Barkley West and portion 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of the farm De Bad, Kimberley, Northern Cape Province (NC 30/5/1/3/2/10199 MR).

A Draft Scoping Report (DSR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the EIA Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed mining right cover 6 221.1955 ha and include activities such as alluvial diamond mining, water distribution pipelines, clean and dirty water systems, possible storage dam and tanks, access and haul roads, diesel storage, stockpiles, office complex, temporary workshop facilities, ablution facilities, and waste disposal site.

It was noted that an Archaeological Impact Assessment and Palaeontological study will be completed (page 112 of the DSR) as part of the EIA process. In an Interim Comment issued on the 08/04/2022, SAHRA requested that the reports comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA as required by section 38(8) of the NHRA. Since the issuing of the Interim Comment, an HIA, desktop PIA and the EIA have been submitted (25/10/2022).

Bamford, M. 2022. Palaeontological Impact Assessment Mining Right Application on Last 232, Portion 2 of near Delportshoop, Northern Cape Province

The proposed development area is underlain by aeolian and fluvial Kalahari Sands. Any fossils that would be present would be out of context through transportation by wind and water. A Chance Fossil Finds Procedure is recommended to be followed.

Matenga, E. 2022. Heritage Impact Assessment (including Palaeontological Desktop Assessment) for a Mining Right Application on Portion 2 (At Last) of Farm No 232 near Delportshoop, and Portion 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the

MINING RIGHT APPLICATION FOR RENAISSANCE RESOURCES ON DE BAD AND AT LAST

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Farm De Bad 155 near Schmidtsdrif, Northern Cape Province

A total of 10 heritage resources were identified. These include surface scatters of Stone Age lithics of low heritage significance and two historical structures of high local heritage significance. It is noted that the farmer stated that graves were located on the farm De Bad, however, the graves were not found.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- If graves will be located in a mining area, a 100 m servitude must be reserved;
- A 50 m servitude is reserved around sites ATL01 and ATL03;
- A Chance Finds Procedure must be implemented.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit is not satisfied with the coverage of the site visit conducted as part of the HIA. SAHRA requests that a more comprehensive site assessment be conducted and the results of which are to be included in a revised HIA.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the revised HIA. The applicant is advised to extend the EA process in terms of section 23(1) of the NEMA EIA Regulations in order to address this comment.

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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