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## **Final Comment**

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

Attention: Busby Power (Pty) Ltd

P.O. Box 1033 Vanderbijlpark 1900

# Proposed construction of facilities for the generation of 5 MW (net) of electricity on the Farm Valschvlei 352 IT, Portion 5, Mpumalanga Province

Thank you for informing SAHRA of the above proposed construction of facilities for the generation of 12.5MW of electricity using plantation and sawmill residue as boiler fuel. The proposed facilities will be erected on the footprint of the existing Busby sawmill.

The total footprint of this proposed development is less than 1ha.

#### **Final Comment**

Due to the disturbed nature of the proposed development area from the existing Busby sawmill, it is highly unlikely that the proposed development will impact on significant heritage resources. As such, SAHRA has no objection to the proposed development and no further heritage studies are required.

If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, marine shell and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Jenna Lavin/Colette Scheermeyer 021 462 4502) must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

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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#### **ADMIN:**

Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/125646

#### 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.