## Proposed Construction of a New Iveco Plant in Rosslyn, Gauteng

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

Attention: Larimar Group

A Joint Venture (JV) company between lveco South Africa (Pty) Ltd and the Larimar Group plan to lease and possibly purchase Erf 72 Rosslyn Ext. 1, the Gauteng Province, for the purposes of establishing a new lveco vehicle assembly plant (hereafter referred to as the, "proposed development"). There is currently existing infrastructure on the site which is understood to be restored and upgraded as part of the future proposed development. The total area of the study site is 18 hectares, with existing buildings on the site which will be upgraded, refurbished and restored. A new construction area of approximately a hectare will be extended from the existing infrastructure.

Thank you for Notifying SAHRA on the proposed construction of a new IVECO assembly plant, located in Rosslyn, ERF 72 Ext 1, in the Tshwane Metropolitan Muncipality, Gauteng Province. IVECO South Africa (Pty) Ltd. is planning on expanding the existing vehicle assembly plant with an addition of constructing a waste management facility.

Under sections 34, 35 and 36 of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA 25 of 1999) heritage resources are protected from damage from mining and development activities. These resources are for instance burial grounds, unmarked and marked graves that are older than 60 years, built structures that are older that 60 years old, archaeology (stone tools, stone walled sites, prehistoric and historic pottery sherds, ash grounds etc.) and palaeontology (fossils of plant and animal material).

Mr. Hutton. May 2014. Proposed Construction of a waste management facility at the Iveco Vehicle Assembly Plant on Erf 72 Rosslyn Ext 1, Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

On the 9th of April 2014 a Mr Marko Hutton undertook a field assessment of the proposed IVECO assembly plant, whereby they found no heritage resources on the extent of the property. The project location has been previously disturbed by the first construction of the Datsun Nissan vehicle assembly plant, thus any resources found on site are unlikely to be significant. The area of Rosslyn is known however for having significant amounts of heritage resources, such as graves within close proximity to the proposed development as mentioned in the heritage report referenced above. However there were no heritage resources discovered on site, yet during the field assessment, vegetation was dense and there was no full visibility of the ground. Thus there is also still a possibility that some heritage resources may be discovered during the construction phase of the project.

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Based on the submitted information, the likelihood that any significant heritage resources being impacted on are low. SAHRA APM Unit agrees with some of the recommendations made in the heritage report referenced above. SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit (SAHRA APM Unit) has no objections with the proposed development on condition that should any evidence of any significant archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations), unmarked human burials, fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA APM Unit (Nokukhanya Khumalo/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/153124



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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.



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