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## Letter

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) Attention: Monafa Trading cc 10th Floor Hallmark Towers 54 Siemert Road Doornfontein Gauteng CONSULTATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT 2002, (ACT 28 OF 2002) FOR THE APPROVAL OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR PROSPECTING RIGHTS ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM ZAAI-KLIPHEUVELS NO.414 AND PORTION 1,2 AND THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM KLIPEUVELS NO.393 SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF FRASERBURG, NORTHERN CAPE REGION

Thank you for your indication that development is to take place in this area.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years and structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority.

In terms of Section 38(8) of the NHRA, before any development proposed in terms of the MPRDA (2002) is approved, it is incumbent on the developer (or mine) to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment** is done that satisfies Section 38(3) of the NHRA. Appropriate mitigation, which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed, may be required depending on the nature and significance of the resources identified.

As such, SAHRA requires that a Heritage Impact Assessment report be completed and submitted for assessment.

This report should be inclusive of an assessment of impacts to archaeological resources and an assessment of impacts to palaeontological resources by suitably qualified practitioners. This assessment of heritage resources must satisfy Section 38(3) of the NHRA.

The requested Archaeological Report must identify the archaeological sites and assess their significance and make recommendations (as indicated in section 38(3) of the NHRA) about what mitigation may be required.

A Palaeontological study must be undertaken to assess whether or not the development will impact upon significant palaeontological resources. Alternatively, a letter of exemption from a Palaeontologist is required to indicate that this is unnecessary. If the area is deemed sensitive or if significant heritage is identified, a full Palaeontological Report may be required.

The impacts of the proposed development on any other heritage resources such as built structures over 60



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years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and significant cultural landscapes or viewscapes must also be assessed.

SAHRA looks forward to receiving this heritage report and will provide comment before the project can commence.

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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