## Dorper Wind Energy Facility, Eastern Cape

#### Our Ref: 9/21/062/0001

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# Letter

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

Attention: Ms Karen Jodas Savannah Environmental PO Box 148 Sunninghill 2157

The SAHRA APM Unit issued in August 2011 a comment on the archaeological and palaeontological impact assessments undertaken for the proposed establishment of the Dorper Wind Energy Facility. SAHRA has now received, as requested, a Phase 1 Palaeontological Impact Assessment, undertaken by Dr Fourie, and a detailed map of the turbine locations in relation to the identified archaeological sites.

Dr Fourie undertook a site visit and did not identify any fossil on site in the Molteno Formation, however as for any development located on palaeontological sensitive formations, fossil material may be identified during construction.

#### **Decision:**

The SAHRA APM Unit has considered all information included in the new documentation submitted and has no objections to the development of the approved wind energy facility, as presented to SAHRA, provided that the following recommendations for the specific area are adhered to:

- an ECO must be trained by an archaeologist on the identification of fossil material and on procedures to follow if fossil material is identified during construction;

- recording of the three Stone Age scatters (DOR16, 23 and 25) must be undertaken. If the material recorded differs from other stone tools on the property, than a representative sample must be collected. The archaeologist will require a permit in terms of section 35 of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999.

- If any new evidence of palaeontological fossils, archaeological sites or artefacts, graves or other heritage resources are found during development, the Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority (Mr Sello Mokhanya, Tel: 043 642 2811) and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, varying on the nature of the findings, must be alerted immediately.

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:

(DEA, Ref: 12/12/20/1778)

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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