N'komati Anthracite Mine's Block L Archaeological Mitigation

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Letter of Advice

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Henk Steyn

PGS Heritage and Grave Relocation Consultants

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Application for archaeological excavations, GPR surveys, the relocation of human remains and the removal of archaeological samples for the N'komati Anthracite Mine's Block L, Nkomazi local municipality, in the Ehlanzeni district municipality, Mpumalanga province - Linked to CaseID: 18243 Dear Henk,

RE: N'Komati Anthracite Mine's Block L Archaeological Mitigation

Thank you for your permit application for Phase 2 archaeological mitigation which entails excavations, GPR Surveys, and the removal of archaeological samples for the N'Komati Anthracite Mine's Block L, Nkomazi Local Municipality, Enhlanzeni District Municipality, Mpumalanga Province. SAHRA has reviewed your application and noted that only two sites (NKM21/6 & NKM21/15) will actually be impacted by the Mining Pit. Two sites (NKM21/31 & NKM21/33) are confirmed graves and will not be affected by Block L development. However, the rest of the sites are potential location of unmarked graves/burilas and are yet to be determined.

You are advised to amend this application and turn it into an application mitigation of the two known archaeological and create a seperate application for GPR survey and Test Excavation for burials which will also include any potential reburial. Please provide a detailed methodology on how each aspect of the mitgation will be undertaken in respective applications.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

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Yours faithfully

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