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Dear Mr Johnston,

REQUEST FOR A HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT: ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE PROPOSED PHOTOVOLTAIC PLANTS NEAR KEIMOEES, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Thank you for your indication that three solar plants are proposed to be established in this area.

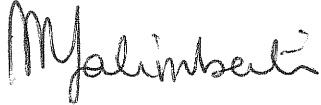
In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. This means that before such sites are disturbed by development it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment** is done. This must include the archaeological component (Phase 1) and any other applicable heritage components. Appropriate (Phase 2) mitigation, which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed, must be done as required.

According to the Background Information Document, heritage has already been identified as a possible impact associated with solar facilities. Heritage resources that may be impacted upon are archaeological, palaeontological, built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories,

burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes.

SAHRA will therefore comment on the Heritage Impact Assessment once it is submitted for review.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Malimbe'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'M'.

PP Mrs Nonofho Ndobochani
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For: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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