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Final Comment

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

Attention: Bokamoso Landscape Architects and Environmental Consultants CC

The proposed CCBSA Clayville Truck Parking Facility will entail construction of a truck parking area and associated infrastructure, which includes a wash bay area, ablution blocks, a storm water attenuation pond (outside of the 32m watercourse buffer and 1:100-year flood line in the north-western corner of the developable area) and a guard house.

Pelser, A. March 2021. Motivation For Exemption From Full Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment – Proposed Clayville Truck Yard, Portions 55 & 56 Of Erf 1015, Clayville Extension 11, Gauteng

Butler, E. March 2021. Palaeontological Impact Assessment For The Proposed Clayville Truck Yard, Ablution Blocks And Wash Bay To Be Situated On Portion 55 And 56 Of Erf 1015, Clayville X11, Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province

The proposed development entails the development of a Truck Yard on Portions 55 & 56 of Erf 1015 in Clayville Extension 11 in the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality of Gauteng.

In terms of archaeology, the author notes that the area would have been utilized in the historical past for agricultural purposes, while recent urban developments would have impacted on any archaeological and/or historical sites, features or material that might have been present in the area. Aerial images of the area (Google Earth) also shows the relative flat, open and disturbed nature of the area and the likelihood of any sites, features or material of cultural heritage significance being present, is slim. The author states that it is unlikely that any significant sites, features or material of cultural heritage (archaeological and/or historical) origin might exist in the study area. Recent historical activities (agricultural and later urban/industrial) would have impacted on any if they did exist here in the past and would have disturbed or destroyed these to a large degree.

The palaeontological assessment notes that development footprint is underlain by Precambrian dolomites and associated marine sedimentary rocks that are allocated to the Malmani Subgroup (Chuniespoort Group) within the Transvaal Supergroup. A site-specific field survey of the development footprint was conducted and revealed no visible evidence of fossiliferous outcrops was found. The author states that the scarcity of fossil

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heritage at the proposed development footprint indicates that the impact of the proposed development will be of a low significance in palaeontological terms. It is therefore considered that the proposed development is deemed appropriate and feasible and will not lead to detrimental impacts on the palaeontological reserves of the area. The author recommends that, if fossil remains are discovered, the Environmental Control Officer should follow the guidelines as stipulated under the Chance Find Procedure of the report.

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In terms of archaeological and palaeontological heritage, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objections to this proposed development, provided that the recommendations in the specialist reports and this comment are adhered to, and in addition, on the following conditions:

- If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations) or palaeontological remains are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, based 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 significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves, mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow.

Should the project be granted Environmental Authorisation, SAHRA must be notified and all relevant documents submitted to the case on SAHRIS.

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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CLAYVILLE TRUCK YARD HIA EXEMPTION LETTER

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ADMIN:

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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.