



## Final Comment

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

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### PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF HOTEL SEBATA, RESTAURANT, CONFERENCE AND WEDDING FACILITIES, HEALTH SPA AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ON PORTION 48 (A PORTION OF PORTION 39) OF THE FARM 272 JQ, RIETVLY, RUSTENBURG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

Mngomezulu, M. July 2012. *Heritage Impact Assessment: The Proposed Development Of A Hotel, Conference And Wedding Facilities, Health Spa And Recreational Facilities On Portion 48 (A Portion Of Portion 39) Of The Farm Rietvly 271 JQ, Rustenburg, North West Province*

Sebata Group has proposed the development of hotel facilities on Portion 48 (A Portion of Portion 39) of the Farm 271 JQ, Rietvly, Rustenburg Local Municipality, North West Province. The Hotel Sebata will include a restaurant, conference and wedding facilities, a health spa and recreational facilities and cover 8,715 hectares. The site is currently unused and surrounded by residential developments and small farms; the area is badly degraded due to littering and rubble and waste dumping.

The archaeologist notes that the Rustenburg area is rich in historic and prehistoric cultural material. Stone Age sites include Sterkfontein and Kruger Cave, while Iron Age material, in the form of pottery and walled enclosures, is known from the Magaliesberg and surrounds. Historically, the area saw an influx of people during the Mfecane, subsequent invasions by the Pedi and Ndebele, the Griqua-Koranna wars and the Zulu Wars; the Voortrekkers arrived in the area after the 1830s.

The field assessment identified a single abandoned recent structure on the site, but no archaeological resources. This is probably due to the disturbance of the site by dumping and other activities.

No palaeontological assessment was conducted, but the area is underlain by the Rustenburg Layered Suite which is largely unfossiliferous.

### Decision:

As there is apparently no evidence of any significant archaeological material in this area, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the development (in terms of the archaeological and palaeontological components of the heritage resources) on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources are





found during development, construction or mining, SAHRA (Katie Smuts/Colette Scheermeyer, tel: 021 4624502) and an archaeologist and/or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, 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:**  
(DEDECT, Ref: NWP/EIA/24/2012)

**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.

