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Final Comment

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

Attention: Anchor Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd

Trans Atlantic Diamonds applied for Environmental Authorisation and Prospecting Rights with the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), to prospect for diamonds; gemstones and precious minerals and metals in South African Sea Concession Areas 14A. Concession Area 14A is an inshore sea concession located between Groothoekbaai and Doringbaai on the West Coast of South Africa.

The South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) would like to thank you for submitting the Final Basic Assessment Report (BAR) for the proposed prospecting in sea concession 14A by Trans Atlantic Diamonds (Pty) Ltd.

Having reviewed the final BAR, SAHRA is pleased to note that the mitigation measures relating to cultural heritage and set out in the HIA and Draft BAR have been addressed and incorporated into the final document. These mitigation measures must be adhered to especially in the event that any cultural heritage should come to light.

While there are no known shipwreck sites within the proposed prospecting areas there is always the potential for unknown wrecks or shipwreck material to be uncovered during the works. Should anything of archaeological or paleontological significance be exposed during the proposed project, work must cease immediately and SAHRA must be informed of its discovery without delay. In this event, work may not commence until feedback has been received from SAHRA.

Please note that all updates and/or changes to the project, supporting documentation, correspondence, reports, or any other work relating to the project must be uploaded to the case on SAHRIS to provide SAHRA with the opportunity to comment. SAHRA does not accept emailed documents or hard-copy documents received via post.

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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Direct URL to case: <https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/587996>

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.