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Final Comment

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

Attention: Mnr Cornelis Hoek
West Wits MLI (Pty) Ltd

Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) that forms part of the Basic Assessment Reporting process (BAR) for the mining permit application for the proposed opencast pit referred to as Kimberley West, will be located on a Portion of Portion 1 of the Farm Witpoortjie 245 IQ, a Portion of the Remainder of Portion 14 of the Farm Roodepoort 237 IQ, a portion of the waste rock dump will be located on a Portion of Portion 92 of the Farm Vlakfontein 238 IQ and a section of the access/haul road will be located on the Remainder of Portion 1 of the Farm Vlakfontein 238 IQ, Roodepoort Local Municipality, Gauteng Province.

Fourie, W. May 2018. Mining Permit Application: Proposed Kimberley West Opencast Pit: Heritage Impact Assessment

The proposed development entails opencast pit mining on a Portion of Portion 1 of the Farm Witpoortjie 245 IQ, a Portion of the Remainder of Portion 14 of the Farm Roodepoort 237 IQ, a portion of the waste rock dump will be located on a Portion of Portion 92 of the Farm Vlakfontein 238 IQ and a section of the access/haul road will be located on the Remainder of Portion 1 of the Farm Vlakfontein 238 IQ, Roodepoort Local Municipality, Gauteng Province.

The author states that there are no identified archaeological heritage resources situated inside or adjacent to the Kimberley West footprint area.

The SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has Low fossil sensitivity.

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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 on the following conditions:

- No palaeontological studies are required however a protocol for finds is required.
- 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

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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.

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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Acting Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit
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ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/508034>
(DMR, Ref: 10289 MP)

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.