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an agency of the
Department of Arts and Culture

Letter

In terms of Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Stephen Michael Valentine
Argo
15 Rose Avenue
Kirstenhof
7945

Re-application/extension for excavation permit for the wreck of the English East Indiaman Grosvenor (1782) at Port Grosvenor, Eastern Cape

Dear Mr. Valentine,

Further to our phone discussion on the Friday 1 November 2013. SAHRA would like to thank you for your application and submitting the documents on SAHRIS. Your application for a permit to work on the Grosvenor wreck has been reviewed by SAHRA and its Archaeology, Palaeontology, Meteorite and Heritage Objects Permits Committee on the 31 October 2013 and left open for further comment until the 11 November 2013. During this review the following concerns were brought up:

- SAHRA and its APM HOB Permits committee found that the report submitted was unsatisfactory and did not meet with requirements. Given that this has been a new application, a complete report was requested upon expiration of the your previous permit which expired on the 25 July 2013.
- The Conservation strategy submitted with the new application was not comprehensive enough and failed to provide further information on the treatment of the archaeological remains during activities underwater on the site and for objects removed during transit and in the long term. Neither did it provide an outline on the projects end objectives, nor the methodology involved for proposed future work on the site.
- Furthermore, based on the requirements set out by the project Archaeologist, Mr. Jonathan Sharfman in his letter to you. It was agreed that a letter should be requested from the projects sponsors, Tyroon and its South African partners that further agrees to Mr. Sharfman's requirements as outlined in his letter.
- SAHRA supports the Archaeologists requirements in that the work to be carried out on the site is for non-commercial, archaeological intervention only. SAHRA would further consider the application if full control of the archaeological work completed on the site was put in the hands of the Archaeologist, Mr Jonathan Sharfman and the Archaeologist himself applies for the permit. This would ensure that all work carried out on site is according to accepted archaeological standards.

Until such time that the above concerns are addressed, SAHRA will not be issuing a permit for the wreck of Grosvenor. We recommend that you discuss the above concerns with the project Archaeologist so that he may



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Excavation of the Grosvenor Wreck, Port Grosvenor



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assist you in addressing the concerns laid out by SAHRA and its APM HOB Permits Committee.

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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South African Heritage Resources Agency

Shawn Berry
Acting Manager: MUCH
South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

Direct URL to case: <http://www.sahra.org.za/node/133023>

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.



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