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## LETTER OF REQUEST OF EXEMPTION FROM A HIA FOR THE EIA REQUIRED FOR AN INTEGRATED WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENCE AT THE LANDAU COLLIERY

Dear Jenna Lavin,

On behalf of our client, Anglo American Thermal Coal (AATC), please find herewith a Letter of Request for Exemption (LoE) from a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA). The exemption requested is with regard to proposed new waste management activities that will take place under an Integrated Waste Management Licence in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) (NEM:WA).

A Notification of Intent to Develop (NID) has been attached in support of the LoE. The NID includes relevant project details, a summary of heritage resources identified during previous heritage studies completed for the Landau Colliery, a brief description of the current state of the immediate receiving environment, and recommendations.

In brief, the proposed project area is located in a brownfields area that has been industrialised to such an extent that no heritage resources are expected.

Please note that the Heritage Resources Management unit was excluded from the project and we therefore did not have the capacity to complete and follow our regular approach. The usual Heritage Statement report that accompanies our submissions has therefore not been completed. We however feel strongly that the NID process still needed to be followed to allow SAHRA and MHRA to make informed comments and decisions regarding this case.

We look forward to receiving your timeous comments with regards to this case.



## Regards,

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