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LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FOR EXEMPTION: HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE SHORT TERM INTERVENTION FOR THE CENTRAL BASIN OF THE WITWATERSRAND GOLD FIELDS ACID MINE DRAINAGE (AMD) PROJECT

Dear Andrew

On behalf of our client, Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA), please find herewith a letter of recommendation for exemption of a heritage impact assessment. The exemption requested is in regard to proposed construction activities that will take place during the short term intervention in the Central Basin of the Witwatersrand Gold Fields Acid Mine Drainage Project (AMD Project) in terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (ACT No. 25 of 1999) (NHRA).

A Heritage Statement has been attached as motivation for the recommendation for exemption. The Heritage Statement includes relevant project details, a summary of the Scoping Report and findings and recommendations. In brief, the proposed project area is located in an area that has been degraded to such an extent that no heritage resources can be expected to occur. The property has already been subject to immense change and vandalism. All existing infrastructure has been demolished and removed, resulting in a vacant and unsafe property within an industrialised area. Therefore, the likelihood of any heritage resources occurring is low to negligible.

We look forward to receiving your timeous comments as required under Section 38(4) of the NHRA.

Regards.

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