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**Attention      Bernadet Pawandiwa**

Dear Ms Pawandiwa

**Monitoring of graves adjacent to construction of the Richmond and Umlaas Bulk Water Supply Pipelines, Umgungundlovu District Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal**

**Project description**

In May 2013 Amafa were advised by Umgeni Water's Environmental Officer of two traditional burial places located close the proposed pipeline excavations on the above project in the vicinity of Thornville.

Amafa advised that a heritage practitioner be appointed to monitor the excavation activities in relation to the burial sites.

eThembeni Cultural Heritage was appointed on 28 May 2013. We visited the sites in the presence of the engineers and advised that the graves be cordoned with ski netting and that a buffer of 10 m be maintained away from the graves during excavation and pipe-laying. This was complied with.

**Site locations**



**FIGURE 1 GRAVE SITE LOCATION AT 29° 44.700 S 30° 23.885 E .**



FIGURE 2 GRAVE SITE LOCATION AT 29° 44.639'S 30° 22.935'E



FIGURE 3 GOOGLE EARTH IMAGE OF GRAVE SITE LOCATIONS.

### Conclusion

The sites were monitored during the excavation and construction phases and no damage or incursion onto the grave sites occurred. Construction is now completed and operations have moved off site. No further monitoring is required.

Yours sincerely

Len van Schalkwyk