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ACKNOWLEDEGEMENT OF AN APPLICATION FOR **ENVIRONMENTAL** AUTHORISATION LODGED IN TERMS OF SECTION 24 OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) READ WITH **REGULATION 19 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS**, 2014 FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURAL ACTIVITIES ON PORTION OF REMAINDER STYR-KRAAL NO. 81 PORTION OF REMAINDER FARM OUPVLAKTE NO 90; PORTION OF REMAINDER, PORTION OF PORTION 1 AND PORTION OF PORTION 2 FARM SCUIT-KLIP NO 92; AND PORTION OF PORTION 1, PORTION 4 PORTION 5 AND PORTION 6 FARM LUCAS VLEI NO 93, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT **OF KENHARDT: NORTHERN CAPE REGION** 

- I refer to the abovementioned matter and confirm that your application for an Environmental Authorisation herein referred to as "EA" lodged on 03<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 is hereby acknowledged.
- 2. With regards to your listed activities, please note that GNR 983 are no longer applicable as there were revised/amended in 2017. Therefore, we make use of 2017 listing notices, which are GNR 324, GNR 325 and GNR 327. Also not that Listing notice 1, Activity 14 is not applicable here as you will store less 80m<sup>3</sup>, this

would fall under GNR 324, which is Listing notice 3, activity 10 if the area falls under the categories stated there .

- 3. You are there advised to Basic Assessment Report within 90 days from the date that you have lodged this application. Your 90 days will lapse on the 04<sup>th</sup> September 2019. Please note that this is inclusive of weekends but exclusive of public holidays. When submitting your Basic Assessment Report, make use of the comments stated in point 2 above and implement them.
- 4. Kindly note that regulation 45 of 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended, stipulates that "an application in terms of these Regulations lapses and a competent authority will deem the application as having lapsed, if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless extension has been granted in terms of regulation 3(7)." Further note that the said provision (regulation 45 of the EIA 2014 Regulations, as amended) does not cater for any form of circumstances around failure to adhere to the prescribed timeframes other than when a request for extension has been requested by the applicant before the prescribed deadline lapsed.
- 5. Please ensure that comments from all interested and affected parties, including relevant stakeholders, are submitted together with the Basic Assessment Report to the department, in order for the department to consider and come to an informed decision in respect of your application
- 6. Acknowledgement of your application does not grant you permission to commence with Prospecting activities. Commencement of a listed activity without an EA constitutes an offence in terms of Section 49A (1) (a) of NEMA, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) as amended and upon conviction for such an offence, a person is liable to a fine not exceeding R10 million or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years, or to both such fine and such imprisonment.

Hope that this letter will receive your utmost attention. For any other queries regarding the content of this letter, please contact the above mentioned official.

REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION NORTHERN CAPE REGION DATE: 06/06/2019

Please quote this office file number for any correspondence as reference