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ACKNOWLEDEGEMENT OF AN APPLICATION FOR AN **ENVIRONMENTAL** TERMS OF AUTHORISATION LODGED IN SECTION 24 OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT 107 OF 1998) READ WITH REGULATION 31 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) REGULATIONS, 2014 FOR THE PROSPECTING RIGHT ON NABABEEP 134, PORTION OF REMAINDER, A PORTION OF PORTION 5, A PORTION OF PORTION 6 AND A PORTION OF PORTION 10, A PORTION OF PORTION 17, A PORTION OF PORTION 18, A PORTION OF PORTION 19, A PORTION OF PORTION 20, **EXCLUDING PORTION 3. PORTION 7 AND PORTION 12 OF NABABEEP** TOWNLANDS, SITUATED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF NAMAQUALAND, 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 12 August 2021 is hereby acknowledged.
- 2. You are advised to submit a final Basic Assessment Report within 90 days from the date that the application has been acknowledged. Your 90 days will lapse on 01 September 2022. Please note that this inclusive of weekends but exclusive of public holidays.
- 3. Acknowledgement of your application does not grant you permission to commence with mining activities. Commencement of a listed activity without an environmental authorisation 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 Acknowledgement of application for Environmental Authorisation: Ref No NCS 30/5/1/1/3/2/1 (13102) PR-

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.

4. NB: Regulation 45 of 2014 EIA Regulations 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)."

Hope that this letter will receive your utmost attention.

REĞIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION

NORTERN CAPE REGION

DATE 02/06/2022

Please quote this office file number for any correspondence as reference