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Attention: Ndou Tshilidzi

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 19 OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998): ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014 (EIA REGULATION) AS AMENDED.

The Basic Assessment Report (BAR), Environmental Management Programme (EMP) received by the Department refers.

The Department has evaluated the submitted BAR&EMP and you are requested to address the following:

1. Your quantum calculation to the amount of R44 752 submitted together with your BA report has not quantified on how you arrived at the amount. You are requested to justify how did you arrive at the amount in terms of the number of trenches, how big are the proposed trenches in terms of length and breath, how big are the proposed structures to be constructed, how big will be the dumps, how big is the area planned for clearance of vegetation and other items that form part of the application. Place these activities in the quantum to quantify the right figure then submit the quantum for financial provision as required in terms of section 24(P) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 OF 1998).

- 2. The environmental screening tool report that was submitted together with the BAR is not accepted. You are requested to submit the environmental screening tool report that is printed in color for more visibility as required in terms of Regulation 16(1)(b)(iv) of of the NEMA: EIA Regulations 2017. You are also reminded that all the high and very high environmental screening report requires specialist studies to be conducted, the specialist report must also be submitted to all organ of state that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to this application as required in terms of Regulation 7 (2) of the EIA Regulations, 2017 and in terms of Regulation 40 (2) (b) of the NEMA: EIA Regulations 2017 as amended.
- 3. Page 10 and 7 of the submitted BAR talks to the submitted consultation letters addressed to other organ of state that administers environment (DWS, DEFF and NW Heritage Resource Agency) did not include proofs of submission to those Departments i.e., e-mails or signed delivery notices and you did not include proof of notices as required in term of Regulation 40 to 44 of the NEMA: EIA Regulations.
- 4. Item 3(1) (a) requires you to provide a CV and item 3(1) (d) requires you to provides the listed activities applied for. e.g., listing notice 1 activity 20.
- 5. You are requested to provide the rehabilitation management objectives (closure objectives) as required in terms of item M of appendix 1 of the EIA Regulation.
- 6. Page 8 of the submitted BAR referred to mining of granite and other part of the same BAR referred to mining of sand, you are requested to clarify the activity applied for. The statement on item (h) page 8 of the submitted BAR need to be rephrase.
- Page 8 of the submitted BAR give reference to pollution control and waste management, you application did not include the application for waste management licence.
- 8. Page 10 item f (ii) referred to consultation with the landowner in terms of section 10 of the MPRDA, you are requested to submit the proofs of consultation with the

landowner. You are also requested to rephrase this statement; BAR is submitted in terms of NEMA so as consultation.

- 9. The submitted BAR indicate that the area applied for is being used as a grazing land. Page 18 item v did not include the management of the animals in the applied area. You are requested to clarify the statement.
- 10. Page 19 of the submitted BAR talks to usual biodiversity, it is important to identify and understand the current biodiversity. Please clarify how revegetation is going to be done and the type of species to be revegetated.
- 11. Page 20 of the submitted BAR, 1st paragraph includes employment and development. How many people will be employed from this project and what infrastructures are you talking about. You also talk about sand to be blown away. What is the mitigation measure for that. 2nd paragraph did not include animals (grazing land), noise (equipment), heritage etc. you are also requested rephrase last paragraph.
- 12. Page 27 of the submitted BAR item t (i) please provide information on this item. You are also requested to rephrase the statement on the last paragraph.
- 13. Page 35 of the submitted BAR item m(2) you said "everyday there will be pollution management and monitoring" how?
- 14. Page 37 of the submitted BAR requested you to submit your qualification. There is only EAPASA registration certificate submitted. You are requested to submit the information as requested.
- 15. The submitted maps are not acceptable, you are requested to submit the A3 topographic and locality maps, it must be printed in colour for more visibility, and it must have all environmental features of the applied area including the surroundings.

16. Your attention is brought to Section 24F of the NEMA which stipulates "that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the competent authority".

The requested information must be submitted on or before 03 August 2023

Yours faithfully

REGIONAL MANAGER: MINERAL REGULATION

NORTH WEST REGION

DATE: 4 2025

ALL THE CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE ATTENTION OF THE REGIONAL MANAGER OF DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES: NORTH WEST REGION.