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PERMIT

No. 80/05/02/001/51

Issued under Section 35(4) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25 of 1999. Permission is hereby given:

to: Mr R Brown (ID: 5601125039081),

of: FSG Consortium, 347 Charles Street, Brooklyn, Pretoria, 0001,

for: the development of infrastructure in the Sterkfontein Cavern which will prepare the site for visitors routed via the new Interpretive center, as part of the process if upgrading Sterkfontein. Agreement was reached on the following aspects:

- The entrance steps would be covered with a screed that would make them more regular in the interests of visitor safety and comfort;
- Electrical cabling is to be re-laid along the join between the floor and the cavern wall and the up-lighting id o conform with international best practice and lead to a decrease in the algal problem noted at the site;
- Stone parapets at the end of the visitor tour will be repaired, in keeping with good heritage practice;
- All existing handrails will be upgraded and others provided where necessary and in one
 area a metal boardwalk will be replaced. These boardwalks should cover the in situ
 deposits;
- Unsafe areas in proximity to the tourist route (e.g. precipitous areas, potentially unstable areas and areas currently under excavation) will be closed off using treated steel railing (galvanized), fixed by means of epoxied pins into the floor (the positions of these pins will need to be set in consultation with the Site Monitor).
- Concrete and concrete/wooden steps along the steeper sections of the tourist circuit will be replaced with new, even, concrete steps with dimensions conforming to international standards and comfort.
- Arrangements will be made to manage waterflow to stop the erosion that is occurring in two areas near and in the exit chamber.

at: Sterkfontein Fossil Hominid Site,

on: the farm Sterkfontein, Portion 1 of Zwartkrans 172-1Q, near Kromdraai,

in: the Krugersdorp District, Gauteng Province.

The following conditions apply:

- 1. If the permit holder is not to be present on the site at all times then SAHRA must be provided with the names and qualifications of the authorised representatives.
- 2. Adequate recording methods as specified in the Regulations and Guidelines pertaining to the National Heritage Resources Act must be used. Note that the position of all excavations must be marked on a plan of each site.
- 3. A report must be submitted to SAHRA on or before 1 April 2006. SAHRA reserves the

- right to withhold further permits if progress is not deemed satisfactory.
- 4. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to obtain permission from the landowner for each visit, and conditions of access imposed by the landowner must be observed.
- 5. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to protect sites to the satisfaction of SAHRA and the landowner.
- 6. SAHRA shall not be liable for any losses, damages or injuries to persons or properties as a result of any activities in connection with this permit.
- 7. SAHRA reserves the right to cancel this permit by notice to the permit holder.

This permit is valid until 1 April 2006.	
for CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	
Date: 1 April 2006	Place: Cape Town