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From: Principal Inspector Northern Cape region Enquiries: Mrs.E.Babuseng

Mrs.M.Burger Mine Manager Beeshoek Mine

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Good day Sir,

I acknowledge receipt of your request for permission for exemption from the MHSA 1996 (Act No.29) Chapter 4, Amendment Section 4.14 as stipulated in Regulation 4.16(2). "Shot holes to be stemmed and tamped."

The base line and issue based risk assessments were conducted with and without the use of stemming or tamping. No significant increase in the residual risk resulted, provided the approved procedures were complied with.

Controlled blasting activities were conducted with the required stemming and tamping, as well as without the required stemming and tamping. No significant increase in the residual risk from fly rocks resulted, provided the approved procedures were complied with.

Whilst conducting the required bench pre-splits on all open cast mining operations, the use of stemming and tamping prevents the pre-split from being conducted effectively.

I also acknowledge receipt of all the required documentation such as risk assessment, proof of controls etc. as requested by the mining inspector D.Sandmann.

The inspectorate of the Northern Cape has scrutinized the applicable documentation and is satisfied that you may be granted exemption from Chapter 4, Section 4.14 as stipulated in Regulation 4.16(2). "Shot holes to be stemmed and tamped." This exemption is for the purpose of conducting presplit only, and provided that you comply with all the stipulations of the Mine Health and Safety Act as well as the required procedures drawn up by the mine.

Principal Inspector of Mines Northern Cape region

Thank you Mrs.E.Babuseng