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Dear Sir/Madam

APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF AN INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF REGULATION 30 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REGULATIONS, 2014 AS AMENDED, WITH REGARD TO A MINING RIGHT ISSUED TO ASSMANG LIMITED ON THE REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM SANTOY NO. 230; REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM BELGRAVIA NO. 246; REMAINING EXTENT AND PORTION 1, 2 AND 3 OF THE FARM NCHWANING NO. 267 AND PORTION AND PORTION 1 OF THE FARM GLORIA NO. 266, MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF KURUMAN.

1. This office hereby acknowledges an updated Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Environmental Management Programme received on the 19 July 2016, and subsequent updates and additional information as requested by the department on 03 October 2017.
2. The proposed amendments to the authorised Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) have been evaluated and after due consideration have been approved.
3. Factors considered include, inter alia:

- a. The proposed amendments will not result in an increase of the authorised scope of activities.
 - b. The proposed amendments will result in a reduced environmental impact.
 - c. The public participation undertaken in which no stakeholders registered any concerns with the proposed amendments.
4. The approval is subject to the following conditions:
- a. It is noted that the Black Rock Koppie is a potential heritage site in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999. A heritage resources assessment must be undertaken and subsequent approval from the South African Heritage Resources Agency must be sought prior to any further development, or mining, of the Black Rock Koppie.
 - b. The management actions stipulated in the EMPr and supporting specialist studies must be implemented and adhered to.
 - c. All registered interested and affected parties must be informed of the approved amendment within 14 days of the date of the decision to the fact that an appeal may be lodged against the decision in terms of the National Appeals Regulations, if such appeal is available in the circumstances of the decision.
 - d. An annual environmental audit must be undertaken in accordance with regulation 34 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended.
 - e. The EMPr must be included in all contract documentation for all phases of implementation.
 - f. A copy of this approval and the EMPr must be kept at the facility where the activities will be undertaken. These must be produced to any authorised official of the Department who requests to see them and must be made available for inspection by any employee or agent of the holder of the authorisation who works or undertakes work at the facility.
 - g. The applicant shall remain responsible for the facility, and/or any of its impacts on the environment.
 - h. The Department reserves the right to audit or inspect the Facility without prior notification at any time and frequency as may be determined by the Department.

- i. The applicant must make any relevant records or documentation available to the Department upon request.
- j. The Licence Holder must keep records of all monitoring results, nuisances and complaints regarding the authorised activities.
- k. This Integrated Environmental Authorisation replaces previous Environmental Authorisations issued for the scope covered in the approved EMPr.

Your interest in the future of our environment is appreciated.

Yours faithfully

M.M. Malapane.....

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Chief Director: Central Regions

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Date of Decision: 29.11.2018.....