

Feasibility Study for:

Coastal Clay Products

Clay Brick Manufacturing Plant

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1. Executive Summary

Coastal Clay Products, (CCP), has an exciting and viable business opportunity with the key focus being to produce and sell clay bricks. This opportunity aligns with the development objectives of the Namibian Government, the Erongo Region as well as the Municipalities of Henties Bay and Swakopmund. The key objectives being economic development and job creation. CCP is a Greenfield's project thus all economic activity and jobs created will be an addition to the exiting economy.

The business is sustainable on the three key sustainability legs namely Economic, Social and Environmental.

- On the social level 55 full time employment opportunities will be created with a potential of 49 of these being sourced from Henties Bay and the rest from Swakopmund.
- The plant design makes use of best in class energy efficient equipment and production methodologies thus reducing emissions and energy consumption with potential to make use of solar power to further reduce external energy requirements.
- The business model is economically viable and will add approximately N\$15,5 million in year one and N\$18,7 million from year two to the local economy on an annual basis. An anticipated annual salary bill of N\$2.57mill will be generated predominantly in Henties Bay reducing unemployment and uplifting household income.

There are several key elements required in order to successfully produce clay bricks and these are Clay, Energy to produce and fire the bricks, Stable work force, Infrastructure and access to Sales Market. The critical three are:

- Sales Market
 - During the due diligence and market research it is clear that there is a market for clay bricks with high levels of interest indicated by local building supply merchants with their requirements being supply consistency, product quality and price. It is clear from the research that these requirements can be met and possibly exceeded.
 - The distribution model is predominantly based on the local market with expansion opportunities into Windhoek and exploratory discussions being held that focus on the Northern development regions of Omusati, Oshana, Ohangwena and Oshikoto for future expansion activities.

• Clay Reserves

- Omdel Dam has clay reserves in excess of 200 years at the proposed production levels. This resource is renewable as silt is deposited on as ongoing basis by the Omaruru River. The current silt has been deposited over a period of 30 years.
- Removal of the clay from the dam will assist in restoring the carrying capacity of the dam thus assisting with future water supplies.
- The clay has been tested by a competent and respected laboratory and is suitable for producing a range of high quality clay products.
- Energy Sources
 - Coal is available from Walvis Bay where coal imports are received for Namibian companies. The supply quantity required by CCP is low in comparison to availability and future requirements can be met.
 - Diesel is available in bulk supply and an onsite storage facility will be catered for with bulk supply contracts to be negotiated. There are a number of suppliers available to negotiate with.
 - Electricity is available from the main supply to the Omdel Dam facility and permission will be attained from the various Agencies to draw off from the supply.

All elements are thus in place for a successful business opportunity with a few key elements of the model to be refined once funding has been achieved. The key decision still to be finalized is a technology selection criteria between brick extrusion vs brick pressing.



Operationally the business will be divided into two core divisions. The production facility will be established onsite at Omdel Dam and finished products will be distributed via a depot to be established in Swakopmund. The reason for this separation is that it is not viable to transport the raw material, clay, and the main local market is in and around Swakopmund/Walvis Bay. Business scenarios have been develop for three sales levels 1,000,000 bricks per month, 750,000 bricks per month. The following are the key business indicators at sales volumes of 750,000 bricks per month:

Cost of production	N\$694	Start Up Capital	N\$21,554,000
Average Selling Price	N\$1,625	Seed Capital	N\$990,000
Monthly Contribution	N\$698,310	Capex	N\$16,500,000
Monthly Overheads	N\$202,810	Working Capital including	N\$6,164,000
Net monthly cash contribution	N\$374,315	Initiation	
Payback period Months/Years	57.6 / 4.8	Revenue months 1-3	N\$2,101,000

This business model indicates a good return on investment with a low payback period. Combinations of debt and equity funding can be explored to determine the optimum funding model to boost returns for the shareholders. A payback period of 4.8 years at 750,000 bricks per month indicates a solid investment opportunity. Further research is required to determine the availability of investment incentives such as Government Grants and where possible other non-financial business incentives such as early year tax relief.

The CCP business model has been developed with Clay bricks at the core of the business model with the potential to develop alternative product lines once the plant has been established. The clay material is ideal for use as potter's clay and can be packaged and sold off to the various pottery associations across Namibia. At present all pottery clay is imported thus this future revenue stream to be explored. An alternative product line is handmade Quarry Tiles, for flooring surfaces, an alternative to imported glazed tilling products which are imported with no local production. These revenue generation opportunities will be explored once the basic operational model for Brick making has been established.

Coastal Clay Products is well positioned to develop and execute on a well-structured business plan that will provide attractive returns for suitable investors. Clay bricks are inherently the best walling construction material with long term benefits to building owners and construction companies. Phoenix Investments (Pty) Ltd invites interested parties to participate in this opportunity by investing in the Erongo region and to benefit in the developments in the Namibian construction industry. Full Financial models are available on request.

Coastal Clay Products – Your Eco-Friendly Clay Brick Producers



2. Introduction

The Omdel Brick Project was initiated by Phoenix Investments (Pty) Ltd, a Geosciences Exploration, Consulting and Services company registered in Namibia. The company owns 100% of the mineral rights for the Omdel dam area, through EPL 3903 for industrial minerals, namely clay, and is thus uniquely positioned to extract and process clay from the site. The required base infrastructure, such as access to electricity, water and roads to the area assist in making this a viable opportunity in a value added production environment. The project has been named Coastal Clay Products, (CCP), as it will encompass clay brick manufacturing with possible additional products such as handmade quarry tiles and the supply of potting clay to the Namibian pottery industry.

The project is registered with the Ministry of Mines and Energy under an Exclusive Prospecting Licence Number 3903 (EPL 3903). The employment opportunities will provide a much needed boost for the Erongo region while providing quality clay bricks for the greater Erongo region and further afield to neighboring regions.

Technical analysis has been conducted on the clay to determine the suitability of the clay for brick manufacturing purposes as well as clay paving.

2.1. Erongo Region



Namibia consists of 14 Regions with Erongo being centrally placed on the West side of Namibia bordering on the Atlantic Ocean to the west, Kunene to the North, Otjozondjupa and Khomas to the East and Hardap to the South.

Erongo is a large contributor to the Namibian GDP. This is achieved primarily through Fishing, Mining, Agriculture and Tourism. The GDP has seen fluctuating growth over time however a key economic concern is the level of unemployment. Statistics exist for two definitions of unemployment, those who are actively seeking unemployment, 16,7% of the employable population, December 2012 vs 51% if non job seekers are taken into consideration. Of 25,000 annual school leavers across Namibia it is estimated that only 8,000 will become employed. This will negatively impact the unemployment

over time. Given these statistic there should be little shortage of employable labor in the region of Omdel dam.

The Erongo region is home to Walvis Bay and Swakopmund, both situated to the South of Henties Bay and relatively close to Windhoek, situated inland to the East. These are the main economic hubs within reach of Henties Bay and which will form part of the target region for Phoenix Investments (Pty) Ltd. The Erongo region is also home to Namclay Bricks and Pavers (Pty) Ltd, manufacturing in Uis, 125km Northwest of Henties Bay.

2.2. Brick Making Feasibility

This study has been commissioned to determine the feasibility of developing and commission a Clay Brick manufacturing facility at the Omdel dam site which is 35km to the east of Henties Bay. Testing of the clay has been conducted by Cermalab, a credible company with an accredited testing facility,



and found to be suitable for the manufacturing of clay bricks. Multiple sources of information have been used in this study and these include:

- Cermalab's Technical Feasibility Report
- Research conducted and supplied by Phoenix Investments (Pty) Ltd
- Internet research
- Site visits and interviews with local industry role players

As this document is only a market feasibility study some values may require further research in order to ensure that the final detailed values used are as accurate as possible. The full Business Plan, to be completed, will ensure more detailed numbers are used.

2.3. Key Consideration for Business Feasibility Requirements

In order for the business to be viable it has to be able to effectively manage the various business drivers that this project will face. The following is a high level overview of the business drivers and their subsets:

- Capital requirements inclusive of:
 - Identified stakeholder funding
 - o Contractual obligations Legal, compliance and negotiations
 - Regulatory compliances such as Air Emissions License and ongoing monitoring requirements
 - Site establishment including connections and supply costs
 - Equipment purchases, construction and commissioning
 - Working capital for a minimum defined period
- Cost of sales
 - Supplier sourcing and negotiations
 - Minimize and control cost of production
 - Define distribution plan to minimize costs
 - o Administration and overheads
- Average selling price
 - Sales marketing and distribution costs
 - o Ongoing market research
 - Competitive analysis
- Ongoing skills development
 - Training
 - Staff development
- Cash flow and facility management
 - Capital repayment plans
 - Compliance costs
 - o Constantly reviewing Supplier agreements
- Regulatory and compliance costs

3. Industry and Market Place Analysis

The Namibian market information is very scattered and information was gathered from various public sources, interviews, internet research and knowledge of the key role players involved in the project. Namibia has a vibrant development community where, in general, cement bricks are the dominant walling material due to a lack of availability and a lack of knowledge of the benefits of using clay bricks.

3.1. Clay Brick Analysis

Standard brick sizing is considered to be imperial, being $105 \times 73 \times 222$ with variations according to regional breakdown and client demand.

- FBX Engineering standard face bricks
- FBS Face Brick Standard
- FBA Face Brick Aesthetic
- NFX Non-Facing Extra
- NFP Non-Facing Plaster
- Variation in size of the above
- Pavers

Brick sizing is typically:Imperial:105 x 73 x 222 mmMaxis:Variations existQuantums:Variations existGems:Variations exist140 Brick:140 x 75 x 222 mm

The SANS 207:2007 standard defines certain requirements relating to shape and form, texture and colour and durability for Burnt Clay Masonry Units. Compressive strength is adopted as a measure of durability, achieved through degree of firing achieved. The required compressive strengths for the brick types are defined as well as the testing methodology for compressive strengths are contained within SANS 207:2007.

The test results achieved by Cermalab and presented in their feasibility study indicate that the clay from the slimes is capable of meeting compressive strengths required for all brick types. The types of bricks produced by a plant is dependent on the processes selected to manufacture the bricks with higher value products such as FBS and Pavers requiring very high levels of control and quality management thus necessitating more expensive production equipment and processes.

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Class of unit	Nominal compressive strength MPa	Individual compressive strength MPa min
FBS)		
FBX)	12,0*	9,0*
FBA)	17,0	12,5
	3,5*	3,0*
NFP)	7,0	5,5
NFX)	10,5*	7,5*
-	14,0	10,5
* For hand-moulde	ed units.	

Table 8: Compressive Strength Table

3.2. Industry Analysis

The building industry in Namibia has been on a growth path for some time with a large number of key projects being undertaken in the public and private sector. The housing market in Namibia has also come under the spotlight of late with the Government promising to build in excess of 150,000 houses over the next 5 to 10 years in order to reduce the backlog of housing. The bulk of this housing will be in the entry level segment.

According to Market Research.com, as announced in their Namibia Infrastructure Report Q2, 2014, Namibia has seen a significant boost to the construction industry with a large increase in building plans passed in 2013 and a prediction of 16,3% year on year growth expected for 2014 in value terms. According to the report, the 10 year growth prospects are unlikely to be as good given that there is a short term Government driven stimulus. Long term forecasts can however be sustained if energy related projects are brought to the table as well as large private investments are made to unlock potential.

Localized development in the Erongo region is leading the overall index due to ongoing developments in the mining sector, enlargement of the Walvis Bay Harbour and increases being seen in the tourism industry. Discussions with a number of hardware retailers in the Walvis Bay, and Swakopmund area also indicate an increased volume of building plans being submitted with strong demand for building materials being experienced. Key focus areas in the local construction sector are housing and Leisure industry with private housing taking a lead role. This bodes well for ongoing demand for building materials in general as well as for walling materials.

3.3. Competitor Analysis

3.3.1. Clay Brick Manufacturers in Namibia

There are only three recognized clay brick manufacturers in Namibia with a combined production capacity of less than 30,000,000 bricks per year. In comparison with South Africa, who produce approximately 1,2 billion bricks per year, this is a very small volume. As a result the most common walling construction material is cement bricks with most construction companies using this building material.

The largest and most active Clay brick manufacturer is Namclay Bricks and Pavers (Pty) Ltd, based in Uis, Erongo Region, which produces a range of clay bricks monthly. According to market intelligence gathered to date it would appear that they have a production capacity in excess of 1,000,000 bricks per month. They produce and sell NFP, NFX, FBA and Pavers. Their pricing ranges from N\$1.05 for NFP up to N\$4.00 for Rockface facebricks. They have developed a good reputation in the market and distribute their products around Namibia. This is also the closest clay brick yard to CCP who will produce on site at Omdel. Namclay focus on providing quality products as their marketing strategy and although they are price aware they are not driven by market price.

The next largest clay brick producer is a Chinese owned and operated brick plant in Mariental. This factory produces a relatively low quality plaster brick and is said to produce and sell approximately 700,000 bricks per month. Their market positioning is based on price and do not have a good reputation for quality. The bulk of their market is Windhoek based and also sell into Keetmanshoop.

The remaining facility is also Chinese owned and based in the North East of Namibia up in the Kombat/Otavi area. It is relatively the smallest of the three companies and with the lowest quality bricks. They produce only about 416,000 bricks per month due to high rate of wastage. They will not be a marketing factor for CCP's as their distance from the main CCP marketing area makes competition unfeasible. Over time it is anticipated that CCP will market and sell products into the Northern and North western region of the county, and even at this stage this factory will not be competition if no improvement to their current production system is made.

3.3.2. Alternative Product Producers

The most popular current walling material is Cement Bricks and these are produced by a number of companies within the immediate Erongo area of Henties Bay, Swakopmund and Walvis Bay. One supplier based in Swakopmund distributes product as far afield as Windhoek which is surprising given the distance of 380km and the cost of transport.

There are a number of producers in the area, two in Henties Bay, three in Swakopmund and two in Walvis Bay. Between these players there are a variation of products with the typical range including:

- Plaster bricks
- Foundation bricks
- Face brick, including colour variations



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- Interlocking pavers
- Oversize bricks for single skin construction
- Building blocks of various dimensions



Distance between points of interest:

- Omdel Dam Hentiesbaai 35km
- Hentiebaai Swakopmund 75km
- Swakopmund Walvis Bay 35km

Research indicates that these producers do not typically transport their products outside of their immediate market, the exception being the one Swakopmund producer. The advantage that they have is an intimate knowledge and working relationship of their immediate client base. This may make it difficult to enter a relatively closed market and cognizance of this must be taken into account.

3.4. Product Demand and Pricing

According to investigative visits at three hardware stores in Swakopmund as well as an exploratory meeting held with the Town Engineer in Henties Bay, there is a growing demand for bricks. What was not specified is what portion of the market could be captured by a local producer of quality clay bricks. Most local builders construct housing and local Architects are also specifying cement bricks. The reason for this is a lack of knowledge on the benefits of clay bricks as well as the lack of availability of alternative products.

One of the key issues, well known and understood within the industry, is that there is a constant need to maintain houses and in particular the need to repaint on a regular basis due to constant water



penetration. Cement bricks have a very high expansion co-efficient when coming into contact with water and then reduces back to the original size on drying out.

This results in continuous fine cracking that breaks the paint barrier resulting in a constant need to repair and repaint houses in areas with high moisture, either from ground penetration or precipitation from rain or coastal fog. With ground water table being relatively high and the salt content being high along the coast line Architects are specifying a high Mpa product, typically face brick products to be used up to floor level. This is an attempt to reduce the impact of salt erosion experienced in cement brick products as well as reduce the impact of expansion and contraction due to water penetration. This is clearly a product advantage for clay bricks and one to be exploited.

It is evident that there is a clay face brick market in the area. The existing constraint to this market is that imported face bricks from South Africa have a retail price in excess of N\$10.00 per unit which immediately reduces market interest. A locally produced quality FBA, Face Brick Aesthetic, will be able to penetrate the market at the proposed pricing.

Pricing will be determined in conjunction with the market in order to be competitive and in order to be able to compete favorably against Namclay to ensure a viable market. Visits have been made to a number of building supply merchants as well as to one or two cement brick producers to ensure that the market pricing is well understood. Feedback as received from market players with regards to requirements from suppliers are listed as:

- Product availability
- Product quality
- Price

Brick pricing is made up of a number of factors, the most important from a marketing perspective is the landed price to the consumer. This is made up of a yard price, selling price at the factory, and the transport price, cost of delivering the product to the client site.

Swakopmund Pricing									
Product	Yard	Tpt	VAT	Delivered					
NFP	1,100.00	376.90	221.54	N\$1,698.44					
NFX	2,100.00	377.90	371.69	N\$2,849.59					
FBA	2,400.00	378.90	416.84	N\$3,195.74					
Paver	2,750.00	379.90	469.49	N\$3,599.39					

Table	1:	Proposed	brick	pricing
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The Average Selling Price, (ASP), is important to understand in context of determining the factory's profitability. The table below provides an overview of the anticipated ASP given a prediction of the product mix expected to be sold.

Table 7: Product mix and ASP

Product Type	N\$/1,000	% Sales	Weighted
NFP	1,100	60%	660
NFX	2,100	10%	210
FBA	2,400	20%	480
Paver	2,750	10%	275
		100%	N\$1,625

The ASP above provides a healthy operating margin at the factory level with good contributions from which to cover overheads as well as returns to investors and shareholders.



4. Marketing Plan

As a new entrant to the local market CCP will focus on a visibility and education campaign in order to ensure that key stakeholders in the area are aware of the products as well their benefits. Each market segment identified may require a slightly different marketing approach and the intention is to develop the marketing message to allow for flexibility in its delivery. Membership to the Clay Brick Association of South Africa, ClayBrick.org, will be undertaken. This will provide access to market research, marketing material, training material and marketing literature ready for use across the identified market segments.

4.1. Brick Market Segments

The target market can be divided into four key sectors, Public sector formal building, Private sector formal building, Private sector informal building and Brick Resellers and Specifiers. The Private sector informal segment is predominantly small Do-It-Yourself, (DIY), alterations and minor improvements. Each one of the sectors has specific elements and requires a different marketing approach.

4.1.1. Public Sector

Public sector construction is generally aimed at large infrastructure development projects such as:

- Government buildings
- Public health
- Education
- Police and transportation
- Low cost housing

The above list is non-exhaustive. These projects tend to be large, are done over a period of time and typically backed by Government construction guarantees. Even though these are Government projects typically with Public Works Departments as the end client, they are constructed by Private companies. Lead times from investigation/feasibility through top tender and finally to breaking ground on these projects could take years and are subject to available budgets.

4.1.2. Private Sector Formal

Private sector formal construction is made up of a number of stakeholders namely: Large national construction companies such as Grinnaker/LTA, Basil Read, Stefanutti Stocks etc. they are put together with

- Small to medium size companies, these tend to be more regionally based
- Small to medium size builders, Kimberley and immediate surrounds
- Small builders only local

Public sector buildings will usually be constructed by the large national companies as well as by small to medium sized regional companies. Larger private developments such as commercial and retail construction projects will also be completed by these construction companies with smaller projects being taken on by regional or local companies.



4.1.3. Private Sector Informal

This sector is often referred to as the "Bakkie Brigade" and also encompasses the private DIY sector and tends to focus on very small once off type projects with low volumes. This sector is not to be dismissed as it will account for a fair portion of the market during slowdowns in the building cycles that afflict the construction sector from time to time. Many home owners are often not in a position to buy and sell on a regular basis and focus on small upgrades on an ongoing basis.

4.1.4. Brick Resellers and Specifiers

The Brick Reseller sector of the market consists of National hardware chains, regional and/or local hardware stores and dedicated brick resellers. Although selling of bricks through resellers dilutes the Average Selling Price, (ASP), achieved by the brick manufacturers they often have established relationships and offer a personalized service with credit facilities.

Specifiers as mentioned earlier are typically members of the project Professional team such as Architects and Quantity Surveyors. Architects once convinced of the benefits of one product over another play a critical role in the dissemination of the knowledge and the benefits derived from the use of the product. Where clay bricks have an advantage of competing products it will be necessary to educate and inform this sector about the benefits, short, medium and long term. Once clay products are specified by the professional team it bolsters the future sales of the product and reduces the effort required to penetrate the market.

4.2. Identifying and Marketing to Market Segments

Each market sector identified above will require a variation in approach to identifying opportunities as well as the marketing effort required. The matrix below provides an insight to the overall marketing approach that will be adopted by DB's:

Sector	Opportunity Identification	Marketing Message	Delivery Mechanism
Public Sector	 Feasibility studies LED Plans Tender bulletins Public announcements 	 Industry driven Specification by Architects Low ability to influence 	Tender responseMeetings
Private Sector Formal	 Tender requests Public media and announcements Cold calls Relationship management Word of mouth 	 Marketing material from Claybrick.org Benefits of clay bricks Service levels 	 Tender responses Advertising in local and regional media Word of mouth Meetings
Private Sector Informal	Walk-inWord of mouth	 Benefits of clay bricks Service Price 	AdvertisingWord of mouth
Brick Resellers	 Business listings National chains Relationships Word of mouth Cold Calling 	 Service Pricing Benefits of clay bricks Research to back up marketing 	 Advertising Cold calls Relationships Benefit analysis

Table 5: Marketing Matrix



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As per the marketing matrix there is a strong need identified for establishing the CCP brand as well as developing relationships. Although a little has been said with regards to targeting the professional role players such as Developers, Architects and Quantity Surveyors, it is important to re-iterate their importance. These are an important target market.

Not being the end user of the product and not linked directly to the sale of the bricks these role players will specify walling materials and need to be marketed to with the following information:

- Benefits of clay bricks over alternative walling systems
- Life cycle energy consumption
- Life cycle costs
- Low energy consumption of the selected production methodology
- Environmental benefits utilizing tools such as Green Star and the role of low energy bricks

5. Operational and Technical Plan

Clay brick manufacturing can be broken down into two key factors, namely material handling and energy management.



Material handling from the mining and preparation of the clay, moving of bricks in their various states of production through to customer delivery requires constant management. Clay and clay products by nature are heavy and thus effort and costs escalate if not managed correctly.

Energy costs consist primarily of Firing Energy, Fuel energy used in material handling and electricity to drive the production machinery.

Labour is a key component and although it is possible to reduce labour through automation it is only feasible to do so above certain volumes or where high end products with larger margins are produced. Given the environment that CCP is going to operate as well as the product mix, automation is not feasible.

The general process used to produce clay bricks does vary significantly regardless of manual labour or if highly automated. The diagram below is a high level overview of the production process used by clay brick manufacturers globally. Minor variations do occur according to plant layouts and technologies employed however these changes can still be classified as per the diagram below.





The key steps in the process do not change significantly however the detail of how these are performed will change dramatically dependent on the technology applied, product suite produced and the level of automation applied. In keeping with the stated objectives of this project a combination of business feasibility and job creation must be achieved in order to be classified as successful.

The primary products to be manufactured by DB are Clay Bricks as per the above high level process. Any further products identified will require a separate process and these will be discussed further on in the BP.

5.1. Technical Analysis

5.1.1. Mining and Stockpiling

There are two options for the clay extraction namely self-extraction or contracted out. In order to reduce the overall capital requirements at start-up the preferred approach is to make use of a contractor to remove the raw material from the Omdel dam and create stock piles. The stock piles allow for continuous operation and a minimum of one month's stockpile should be in place at any point in time in the event of machinery breakdown or adverse extraction conditions. Stockpiles should be allowed to "rest" for a period in order to allow for some oxidation of the clay. Given the relatively "young age" of the Omdel deposits this may not be a requirement but will be assessed once operations begin.

It is recommended that contractors be used by CCP given that it will be more economical to do mass extraction on a regular basis. This will also reduce risk of removing as and when required due to unpredictable rainfall in the area. A minimum of 3 months stock pile is recommended under these circumstances to cater for unexpected events and to aid production planning.

The following are considerations for the material extraction:

- The winning of the material and stockpiles must be considered during the preparation of the Environmental Management Plan, (EMP), if required according the mineral rights processes in Namibia
 - o Roads used
 - Waste generated from removal of vegetation
 - Stock pile area and water run off
 - o Dust suppression at extraction, on roads and in the stock pile area
- 2.2 m³ of clay is required per 1,000 bricks
- Access to the clay must be planned



- Mine from the edges of dam with excavator
- o Dry material to be mined in layers in order to allow lower material to reduce moisture
- o Vegetation to be removed and screened out during mining process
- Stock piles are laid down in a manner that improves clay mix
 - o Stock piles are layered to create a homogeneous mix
 - Stock piles are sloped to allow for water runoff
 - Height of stock piles lower than 4 meters at the face to prevent collapsing
 - Stockpile face to be close to feeder bin to reduce handling distance

Further analysis of mining requirements will determine if self-extraction or outsourced mining is the best option.

5.1.2. Raw Material Preparation

The generic process for clay preparation is a combination of lump breaking, crushing and grinding/refining in order to produce a determined maximum particle size. The condition of the raw material will play a significant role in determining the final process. The Omdel dam consists of very fine material near the dam wall with gradually increasing size of material moving further back, over 1 km back from the wall. These deposits have been laid down over a period of 30 years since the dam construction in 1984. Given the fineness of the material it will be beneficial to mix in a percentage of coarser material from the upper reaches of the dam to increase the average particle size.

Given the initial fineness of the material from the silting process of the dam it is anticipated that the focus will be on ensuring that lumps are removed and not on pure crushing as would be required when strip-mining embedded clay. The key preparation processes from the stockpiles are as follows:

- Scoop buckets from stockpile with Front End Loader
 - Removed from sequence of stock piles
 - Use up one stockpile
 - Move to next in line
 - Layers within stockpile create homogeneous mix
- Drop clay into feeder hopper
 - Hopper capacity to be defined during detailed review
 - Feeder belt under hopper driven by electric motor
- Feed drops onto conveyer belt

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- Conveyer belt carries clay to crusher/refiner
 - Require input from detailed analysis to determine best equipment
- Crusher reduces lumps in clay to workable sizing
 - Maximum particle size <2mm
 - Options for crushers are:
 - Hammer mill
 - Hazemag
 - Chain crusher
 - Pan mill (wet or dry)
- Crusher output goes to a constant feed hopper
- Constant feed hopper set according to production volume requirements
 - o Clay drawn from hopper by constant feed belt
 - o Belt driven by electric motor
- Constant feed clay is dropped onto conveyer belt
- Internal fuel is dropped onto constant feed conveyer belt
 - o Internal fuel is picked up from stock pile by Front End Loader



- Internal fuel is loaded into a feed hopper
- o Constant feed is drawn off by motor driven belt
- Feed rate is determined according to clay feed rate
- Coal feed conveyer belt drops coal onto clay constant feed belt
- Combined clay and coal is dropped into pre-mixer
 - Brick production method extrusion vs pressing will determine if pre-mixer is required
 - Pre-mixer will benefit extrusion
 - Pressing does not require pre-mixing
- Water is added into pre-mixer
 - Moisture content is determined by brick production mechanism
 - Brick press uses lower moister content
 - Extrusion requirement determined by Solid/Perforated requirement
- Green mix drops onto conveyer belt and transported to main mixer
- Samples of green mix are taken and tested for carbon content
 - Required for control in VSBK
 - Coal feed is upped/reduced based on regular results
 - Main mixer used to feed the brick production process
 - Additional water added as required

Key to the clay preparation process is the removal of organic material. The decision as to how to treat organic material will be made once a full assessment has been made on the nature and volume of the plant materials in the extracted clay.

5.1.3. Green Brick Making

A key consideration still under investigation is brick pressing versus brick extrusion as the preferred machine production method. This decision can only be taken once a full investigation into brick press feasibility has been conducted. At present no large scale brick press operations are in production in South Africa however there are agents for brick press suppliers and they will be engaged moving forward. Advantages of brick press over extrusion are:

- 1. Capital outlay can be staggered with growth
- 2. Flexibility in volume production and shapes produced
- 3. Lower water consumption during clay preparation
- 4. Lower electricity consumption per brick

The major concern for is the lack of fully functional brick yards that operate on a brick press basis. In light of this the processes for both production mechanisms are described below:

Extrusion Process

The extrusion process is based on a technology that is generally the preferred technology in South Africa. It is the most widely used and best supported. The key process is as follows:

- Top mixer clay is fed via conveyer belt from the output of the clay prep process
 - Blades drive the clay towards the extruder
 - Final water is added subject to requirements
- Top mixer drives clay into the sealing auger
 - A plug is created preventing air from entering vacuum chamber
 - Vacuum chamber removes air via vacuum pump
- Clay is driven into extruder through auger sets
- Column of clay is pushed out shaper cap
 - Shaper cap is set to size of required bricks
 - o Different brick sizing require different shaper caps
 - Lubrication ring inside extrude reducing friction



- Clay column has length and width of brick
- Column carried on a conveyer
- Column is cut into brick height, typically 75mm by wire cutter
 - Push through cutter or;
 - Circular cutter
- Cut bricks move onto off-setting conveyer belt
- Bricks are picked up from the belt and packed on drying palettes

Brick Press Process

- Press feeder clay is fed via conveyer belt from the output of the clay prep process
- Drying/moister adding as required
- Conveyer belt feeds to press feeder
- Volumes as required per press is fed into moulds
- Press compresses brick shapes
- Pressed bricks are pushed onto off-setting belt
- Pressed bricks are packed onto drying palettes

Press shapes and sizes can be adjusted by changing the mould shapes and feed volumes. The change over time and effort is significantly less than that required to change an extruder. In an extruder plant the shaper cap must be changed as well as cutter adjustments need to be made to accommodate the brick sizes. Discussions have been held with Strom Brick Making Machinery who produce and sell brick presses. The agent is based in Bloemfontein and support and back up can be provided from there.

5.1.4. Drying of Green Bricks

The most common drying practice applied in South Africa is air drying as assisted drying requires additional energy. DB will make use of air drying during the commissioning phase of the plant while investigating assisted drying as a possibility in later years. Bricks produced using extrusion will have between 17 and 20% moisture whereas brick press will have between 8 and 10% moisture.

The key process for natural drying is as follows:

- Green bricks are packed onto drying palettes from the off-setting belt
- Palettes are picked up by forklift/tractor with fork attachments
- Palettes are put into hack lines where they are open to the elements
 - Forklifts are uneconomical over longer distances
 - Make use of tractors with forklift attachments or:
 - Tractor and trailer to carry multiple palettes
- Plastic is set up to cover hack lines in the event of rain
- Moisture content is regularly monitored
- Dry bricks down to <5% moisture
- Transport dry green bricks from hack lines to VSBK

It is anticipated that the drying time will be between 3 and 5 weeks if bricks are extruded and this will reduce to half the time frame if brick presses are used. The intention is to conduct research into a number of alternative drying mechanisms that will speed up the drying process and reduce the operational risks of unassisted drying. The operational risks associated with unassisted drying are as follows:

- 1. Exposure to rain unfired bricks sustain damage when exposed to rain. This increases drying losses
- 2. Working capital longer drying time translates to more green bricks in the hack lines.
 - a. Green bricks account for approximately 70% of brick value
 - b. Higher volumes require higher Work in Progress (WIP)
- 3. Reduced production flexibility due to lead times



Over time it will be of interest to reduce drying time and thus improve working capital required as well as reducing the business risk.

5.1.5. Firing of Bricks

The VSBK is a continuous firing process which requires 24 hour production 365 days per year and will be operated in shifts. The process once fully stabilized, which takes approximately 4 weeks from start-up is as follows:

- Bricks are transported to the VSBK from the hack lines
- Raise bricks to the platform height
 - Forklift is required to move palettes of dry green bricks
 - Forklift lifts palettes onto hoist deck
 - Hoist deck lifts palettes to platform deck
- Move bricks from Platform hoist to VSBK shafts
 - o Trolley jack with wheels
 - Moved by hand
 - Pack bricks into VSBK shaft by hand
 - Defined stacking pattern is used
 - o External fuel is added in at this stage
 - Predetermined volume of coal per batch loaded
 - Coal is weighed per batch
- Fired bricks are unloaded at bottom of shaft
 - Manual handling of trolley below shaft and hoisted by
 - Hydraulic unloading mechanism in shaft pit
 - o Unloading time frames are determined by shaft temperature
 - Batches are unloaded as per top loaded
- Bricks stand on trolley below shaft and cool down
- Fired bricks are sorted and packed onto palettes ready for dispatch area

The firing process is closely monitored with the aid of temperature sensors and these are what are used to determine the firing curve for each shaft individually.

5.2. Expected Plant Design and Capacity

The plant will be designed with a maximum initial capacity of 1,000,000 bricks per month. This can be added to at a later stage dependent on the market demand. Clay preparation will be designed for greater capacity as this will have minimal impact upfront and will allow for greater volumes as required. The following table indicates the initial design capacity and upper end volumes that can be achieved with current technology selection and/or flexibility to add volumes capacity.

Plant Volume Capacity Calculation				
Days per month	20			
Production hours per day	7			
Tons per 1,000	1.8			
	Monthly	Daily	Hourly	Tons/hour
Brick Production	Monthly 1,080,000	Daily 54,000	Hourly 7,714	Tons/hour 14
Brick Production Clay Prep x 3	Monthly 1,080,000 3,240,000	Daily 54,000 162,000	Hourly 7,714 23,143	Tons/hour 14 42

Table 4 Plant planning capacity



- Brick extrusion is not a flexible volume mechanism and volumes can only be increased by increasing operational time once the machine capacity is reached.
- Brick press volumes can be increased by adding additional presses in parallel to original production capacity.
- Clay preparation volumes can create bottle necks in the production process if under specified.

5.2.1. Plant Layout and Process Flow

IN order to manage the flow of material through to fired brick product plant layout has been defined in order to prevent cross flow of materials. This will allow for a continuous flow from clay stockpiles through to the finished product. As indicated is diagram 3 above there is a universal process flow that has been adopted for CCP.

Diagram 4: Proposed plant layout and material process flow



The plant is positioned to the North of Omdel dam taking the predominant wind directions into account, being NNE and Southerly. The VSBK is aligned according to the prevailing wind direction so as to reduce the impact of wind blowing directly into the shaft opening. A detailed overview of the production process is indicated in diagram 5 below and indicates the management of the clay preparation process.



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Diagram 6: Brick production Layout & Operation



The brick production process is laid out as if for a brick press. Where an extruder is used then the Press, step 4, is replaced by the extruder and an inline cutter. The balance of the process is the followed as per the diagram above.

The Vertical Shaft Brick Kiln is a continuous firing process making use of a counter current principle reutilizing heat energy from the burning coal to pre-heat bricks coming down the shaft. This removes the final moisture from the green bricks and slowly raises the temperature of the bricks so as to avoid thermal shock. The bricks below the firing zone are cooled down by the air sucked in at the bottom of the shaft. This is also a controlled cool down cycle to prevent thermal shock as the bricks cool down



to ambient temperature. The temperature in the firing zone is controlled through the adding or reducing the external coal.



Diagram 7: VSBK Operational Overview

5.2.2. Capital Required to Commission and Start-up

Staring up a clay brick manufacturing plant would typically require a long lead time due to various statutory requirements such as mining licenses and other regulatory approvals. In the case of CCP the Omdel dam is not a mining site, the removal of silt will an exercise to rehabilitate the dam and increase its carrying capacity with commensurate benefits to the surround area. This will reduce the timeline from project initiation through to full production.

The anticipated timeframe from project initiation through to production start is 13 months and a total capital required to achieve this is N\$21,577,000. This amount includes the first month's production volume prior to going live as well as the first operational month's production costs. Allowance has been made for the recruitment and training of staff critical to the operation of the VSBK. The VSBK will be the first of its kind in Namibia and the training of key staff will have to be facilitated in South Africa at an operational VSBK. It is anticipated that a Production manager will have to be hired in on contract until such time as local people can be fully trained to take on this role.

		Plant Commissiong Cost & Timeline													
	-13	-12	-11	-10	-9	-8	-7	-6	-5	-4	-3	-2	-1	1	\$21,576,927
		Seed Capita	l (4 months)												\$990,000
Corporate Governance	\$15,0	000													\$15,000
Plant Option Finalisation		\$10	0,000												\$100,000
Plant Layout & Design			\$125,000												\$125,000
Supplier negotiations			\$0											1	\$0
Road preparation			\$200,000												\$200,000
Electricity Connection			\$300,000												\$300,000
Site establishment			\$25	0,000											\$250,000
						Plant Establish	iment Timefra	me (7 months)			Commissi	oning & Start (3 months)	Production	\$19,950,000
Plant Equipment Purchase				\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000										\$6,000,000
Roof Construction					\$900,000	\$900,000									\$1,800,000
Electrical Room Set-up					\$750,000	\$750,000									\$1,500,000
Civil Works						\$500,000	\$500,000	\$300,000						1	\$1,300,000
VSBK Construction						\$360,000	\$720,000	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$720,000				1	\$3,600,000
Mobile Equipment						\$900,000			\$800,000						\$1,700,000
Recruiting & Training							\$100,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000					\$550,000
Equipment Delivery & set up									\$300,000	\$300,000					\$600,000
Clay Extraction									\$2,000,000						\$2,000,000
Plant Commissioning											\$400,000	\$500,000			\$900,000
Production Start up													\$291,087	\$345,840	\$636,927



It may be possible to reduce the capital cost requirements by sourcing good second hand equipment which will also reduce the payback period for the various sales scenarios developed in the financial business case.

5.3. Plant Operations and Job Creation

Omdel Dam is located 105km's away from Swakopmund which is the economic center for the Erongo Region and which is also the anticipated development node along with Walvis Bay. The decision has been taken that it will be necessary to establish a sales and distribution depot in Swakopmund. This will place the customer facing side of the business in the economic hub as well as allow for easier logistics outbound to other regions.

The Plant will be managed and Operated by the Production Manager who will responsible for all elements of the plant including ordering of materials as required. It is anticipated that the employment volumes in the plant will grow to 47 including the Production Manager at a total annual salary value of N\$1,494,000. Most of the employees for this opportunity will be sourced from Henties Bay and the surrounding area. The bulk of the employment will be for unskilled manual labour and training will be provided as required. The Depot will add an additional 8 employment opportunities with an anticipated total salary value of N\$1,075,000 per annum. This will be a substantial boost for the local economy.

Department	Area	Staff Type	Number		
	Clay Prop	FE Loader Operator	1		
		Cleaner/Operator	1		
		Machine Operator	1		
	Machine Production	Off-Setter	5		
		Cleaner	1		
	Drying	Forklift Operator	1		
Production		Shaft Supervisor	3		
FIGURE	Firing	Packing In	12		
	rii ilig	Unpacking	12		
		Forklift Operator	3		
	Docpatch	Strapper	1		
	Despatch	Forklift Operator	1		
	Maintenance	Maintenance Foreman	1		
		Maintenance Assistant	1		
	Production Manager				
Administration	General Administration				
	Sampler & Tester	1			
	Reception, Orders & Debtors		1		
	Logistics, Despatch & Creditors		1		
Donot	Sales		1		
υεροι	General Management		1		
	Despatcher & Security		1		
	Forklift operator		1		
Logistics	Deliveries from Eastery	Driver	1		
LUGISTICS	Derivenes from Factory	Assistant	1		
			FF		

Table 8: Employment per Operational Area

The Production Manager will take charge of all plant operations including HR issues. This position will report in to the General Manager who will be responsible for the Swakopmund Depot as well as the overall business.

6. Infrastructure Requirements and Business Risks

In order to establish the plant at Omdel there are a few critical infrastructure needs that will have to be established and these center on the production requirements namely:

- Access to electricity to run the plant and the site office requirements
 - o Nam Water have a substation at the Omdel dam wall
 - \circ $\;$ Permission is required to tap into the main line
 - o Investigation is required to determine substation capacity and output voltages
 - Access to water for the brick production
 - Permission required to sink boreholes
 - Storage capacity is to be established to cater for dry spells and possible erratic supply
- Road improvement from Uis road to the production site
 - Trucks will be using the road daily to carry bricks to the sales depot
 - Supplies such as coal and spares will be required on site
- Bulk diesel supply
 - Bulk capacity to cater for 10,000 liters
 - Monthly consumption is estimated at 6,600 liters
 - Resupply timeframe to determine final capacity
 - Planning permissions to be effected

These infrastructure requirements are all determining factors that could result in the project not being feasible. The road improvement is one which can be managed around but not the diesel, water and electricity supply.

The key identified business risk is the size of the market in the immediate vicinity as well as the price competitiveness in the further market areas such as Windhoek, the Capital city, economic and development hub of Namibia. The mitigating factor for this risk is that the current building boom is set

to continue for the short to medium term, 5-10 years and local brick resellers are excited about the prospect of having a local clay brick supplier.

Being able to educate the professionals such as Architects and Quantity Surveyors is an achievable goal and an activity that must commence as soon as funding for the project is secured. Establishing not only credibility but relationships with these key role players is a business imperative and failure to do so will jeopardize the ability to penetrate the market.

7. Financials

Financial modeling of the anticipated costs and carried out over three sales volume scenarios indicate the project will be operationally cash flow positive within three months. This has been done for the sales scenarios as per the table 8 below.

Table 8: Scenario Break Even Analysis

Break Even Analysis			
Monthly Sales volume	500,000	750,000	1,000,000
Cost of Production	706.17	694.19	670.22
ASP	1,625.00	1,625.00	1,625.00
Contribution/1,000	918.83	930.81	954.78
Monthly Production Contribution (N\$)	459,617.81	698,310.31	954,982.81
Monthly Overheads	-202,810.67	-202,810.67	-202,810.67
Monthly Cash Contribution	256,807.14	495,499.64	752,172.14
Average VAT payment	-35,432.69	-61,033.05	-120,416.54
Average Company Taxation	-34,982.73	-60,151.31	-118,478.20
Net Monthly Cash before Lease/Loans	N\$186,392	N\$374,315	N\$513,277
Months required to repay full investment	115.6	57.6	42.0
Years Required to Repay Full Investment	9.6	4.8	3.5

The calculation to determine the number of months and years to pay back the full investment is based on the upfront N\$21,577,000 required to establish and commission the plant. Key comments resulting from the analysis are as follows:

• 500,000 Bricks per month

- Bricks sold per month will not deliver sufficient monthly cash flow to repay Lease/Repayment costs on a monthly
- Additional Capital of N\$6,952520 will be required to finance the project over and above Capex spend
- Equity investors would be required to make up the bulk of the investment however this may not prove to be feasible
- o Grant funding options will reduce the required capital to be raised via debt and equity
- Lease costs are considered a business expense and will reduce Income tax Burden as well as monthly VAT payments. This however on its own will not mitigate the shortfall

• 750,000 Bricks per Month

- Equity investors are not as critical however it would be beneficial to manage a 50/50 debt to equity finance model in order to bring down the repayment risk
- Monthly cash flow will cover combined repayments but not leave much upside for investment returns in the first 5 years

• 1,000,000 Bricks per month

 Good monthly cash flows will provide reasonable returns particularly if based on a balanced debt to equity ratio

A surprising development that emerged during the financial modeling is the small variation in Cost of Production, (CoP), across the various volumes scenarios. The key reason for this is that energy, which accounts for almost 50% of CoP is based on input per 1,000 bricks. The CoP is calculated on a per 1,000 bricks basis in line with generally accepted cost and pricing mechanisms for the industry.

In mitigation of the financial modeling impact for the 500,000 brick per month scenario, it will be possible to reduce the capital expenditure required. The figures that have been used for a number of Capex elements are for new equipment and it will be possible to source some of this equipment in the second hand markets both locally and in South Africa. Areas where this can be achieved is for brick making equipment such as extruders, clay preparation and material handling equipment such as forklifts etc.

In the event that the final technology decision is in favor of extrusion then this may limit the ability to reduce the Capex required for plant purchase and commissioning. Alternative pricing of brick presses will be sought other than Strom Technica and this may assist in meeting the budget requirements.

Full cash flow projections for the above scenarios have been developed and are attached as Appendixes to this document.

8. Next Steps

The next steps to be taken are the following:

- Determine ability to meet the infrastructure requirements as identified in section 6
 - Get written approvals as required
 - Establish actual costs associated with these
 - o Review these costs with the financial cost assumptions
- Determine more concrete evidence for brick and brick equivalents in the target areas
 - Clarify volumes through industry associations
 - Establish meetings with Industry Professionals to gauge initial understanding of the benefits of clay bricks and their willingness to specify clay products subject to availability
 - Further research with regards to market pricing in Windhoek and the logistics costs to determine actual feasibility of selling into the area
- Finalize technology selection based on pricing, funding required and confidence in the production methodology
- Refine the funding model
 - Approach potential investors with the business modeling scenarios and gauge reception to the investment returns
 - o Identify possible grant funding opportunities that reduce the need for external funding
 - Review financial returns based on the feedback
- Secure funding and proceed with the implementation of the Business Plan

Appendix A – 5 Year Operational Cash Flow: 1,000,000 Bricks/Month

	Month -1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Opening Balance	700,000	206,102	5,744,390	13,199,636	20,642,490	28,035,852
Brick Sales		16,250,000	20,475,000	21,498,750	22,573,688	22,573,688
Transport Sales		3,762,390	4,514,868	4,514,868	4,514,868	4,514,868
Total Cash In		20,218,493	30,734,259	39,213,254	47,731,046	55,124,408
Transport Cost		3,078,088	3,693,705	3,693,705	3,693,705	3,693,705
Cost of production	291,087	6,990,063	7,969,229	8,742,152	9,592,367	10,527,604
Production Overheads	49,667	596,000	655,600	721,160	793,276	872,604
Depot Overheads	153,144	1,837,728	2,021,501	2,223,651	2,446,016	2,690,618
Sub-Total	493,898	12,501,879	14,340,035	15,380,668	16,525,365	17,784,531
VAT		1,052,492	1,597,475	1,594,943	1,584,479	1,395,604
Provisional Tax		919,731	1,597,113	1,595,154	1,585,351	1,411,343
ABF Payments		0	0	0	0	0
Loan servicing		0	0	0	0	0
Collateral Financing		0	0	0	0	0
Directors Fees		0	0	0	0	0
Dividends		0	0	0	0	0
Total Cash Out	493,898	1,972,223	3,194,588	3,190,096	3,169,829	2,806,947
Closing Balance	206,102	5,744,390	13,199,636	20,642,490	28,035,852	34,532,930



Appendix B – 5 Year Operational Cash Flow: 750,000 Bricks/Month

	Month -1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Opening Balance	700,000	269,837	3,312,559	7,287,301	11,159,920	14,893,308
Brick Sales		12,512,500	15,356,250	16,124,063	16,930,266	16,930,266
Transport Sales		2,897,041	3,386,151	3,386,151	3,386,151	3,386,151
Total Cash In		15,679,377	22,054,961	26,797,515	31,476,337	35,209,725
Transport Cost		2 070 000	2 602 705	2 602 705	2 602 705	2 602 705
	207.050	5,076,066	5,095,705	3,095,705	5,095,705	5,095,705
Cost of production	227,353	5,838,523	6,691,632	7,336,795	8,046,474	8,827,122
Production Overheads	49,667	596,000	655,600	721,160	793,276	872,604
Depot Overheads	153,144	1,837,728	2,021,501	2,223,651	2,446,016	2,690,618
Sub-Total	430,163	11,350,339	13,062,438	13,975,311	14,979,471	16,084,048
VAT		544,356	851,995	830,235	800,542	634,855
Provisional Tax		472,123	853,228	832,049	803,016	648,663
ABF Payments		0	0	0	0	0
Loan servicing		0	0	0	0	0
Collateral Financing		0	0	0	0	0
Directors Fees		0	0	0	0	0
Dividends		0	0	0	0	0
Total Cash Out	0	1,016,479	1,705,222	1,662,284	1,603,558	1,283,518
Closing Balance	269,837	3,312,559	7,287,301	11,159,920	14,893,308	17,842,159



Appendix C – 5 Year Operational Cash Flow: 500,000 Bricks/Month

	Month -					
	1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Opening Balance	500,000	126,084	2,189,259	4,583,285	6,846,156	8,946,826
Brick Sales		8,775,000	10,237,500	10,749,375	11,286,844	11,286,844
Transport Sales		2,031,691	2,257,434	2,257,434	2,257,434	2,257,434
Total Cash In	500,000	10,932,775	14,684,193	17,590,095	20,390,434	22,491,104
Transport Cost		1,662,167	1,846,853	1,846,853	1,846,853	1,846,853
Cost of production	171,105	3,987,406	4,548,309	4,979,139	5,453,053	5,974,359
Production Overheads	49,667	596,000	655,600	721,160	793,276	872,604
Depot Overheads	153,144	1,837,728	2,021,501	2,223,651	2,446,016	2,690,618
Sub-Total	373,916	8,083,302	9,072,262	9,770,803	10,539,198	11,384,432
VAT		352,421	513,401	485,401	450,762	323,977
Provisional Tax		307,793	515,245	487,734	453,649	334,542
ABF Payments		0	0	0	0	0
Loan servicing		0	0	0	0	0
Collateral Financing		0	0	0	0	0
Directors Fees		0	0	0	0	0
Dividends		0	0	0	0	0
Total Cash Out	0	660,214	1,028,646	973,135	904,411	658,519
Closing Balance	126,084	2,189,259	4,583,285	6,846,156	8,946,826	10,448,152

Appendix D – Capital Required

Seed Capital		N\$	990,000	N\$	990,000	
	Plant Equipment Purchase	N\$	6,000,000			
	Roof Construction	N\$	1,800,000			
	Electrical Room Set-up	N\$	1,500,000			
Capex	Civil Works	N\$	1,300,000	N\$	16,500,000	
	VSBK Construction	N\$	3,600,000			
	Mobile Equipment	N\$	1,700,000			
	Equipment Delivery & set up	N\$	600,000			
Initiation	Clay Extraction	N\$	2,000,000			
	Plant Commissioning	N\$	900,000	N\$	3,450,000	
	Recruiting & Training	N\$	550,000			
Working	Production -1	N\$	430,163		2,713,821	
Capital	3 Months Production	N\$	2,283,657	ΝŞ		
Revenue months 1 to 3 N\$			2,101,301	N\$	2,101,301	
Total Start Up Capital				N\$	21,552,520	

Appendix E – Profit & Loss 750,000 Bricks/month

		Start up	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
		Costs					
Sales			15,409,541	18,742,401	19,510,214	20,316,417	21,332,238
	Bricks		12,512,500	15,356,250	16,124,063	16,930,266	17,776,779
	Transport		2,897,041	3,386,151	3,386,151	3,386,151	3,555,459
Cost of Sales	5		10,277,912	11,662,934	12,435,857	13,286,073	14,221,309
	Clay Mining		576,000	641,520	705,672	776,239	853,863
	Coal		2,087,385	2,324,825	2,557,307	2,813,038	3,094,342
	Fuel & Oils		785,326	874,657	962,123	1,058,335	1,164,168
	Labour		1,593,514	1,774,776	1,952,253	2,147,479	2,362,227
	Electricity		576,000	641,520	705,672	776,239	853,863
	Water		384,000	427,680	470,448	517,493	569,242
	Maintenance		512,000	570,240	627,264	689,990	758,989
	Wrap & Strap		425,600	474,012	521,413	573,555	630,910
	Miscelaneous		260,000	240,000	240,000	240,000	240,000
	Cost of Transport		3,078,088	3,693,705	3,693,705	3,693,705	3,693,705
Gross margi	n		5,131,629	7,079,467	7,074,356	7,030,344	7,110,928
Overheads			2,636,539	2.677.101	2,944,811	3,239,292	3.563.221
	Communication		104.000	105.600	116.160	127.776	140.554
	Stationary & Postage		26.000	26,400	29.040	31.944	35.138
	Office refrehments		13.000	13,200	14.520	15.972	17,569
	Insurance		130,000	132,000	145,200	159,720	175,692
Factory	Security		65,000	66,000	72,600	79,860	87,846
,	Proffessional Services		65.000	66.000	72.600	79,860	87.846
	Bank Charges		32,500	33,000	36,300	39,930	43,923
	CBA Annual Fees		34 667	35,200	38 720	42 592	46 851
	Travel & Accommodation		175 500	178 200	196 020	215 622	237 184
	Rental/Purchase		325,000	330,000	363,000	399 300	439 230
	Electricity/Water		45,500	46,200	50,820	55,902	61,492
	Staionary & Postage		39,000	39,600	43,560	47,916	52,708
	Office Refreshments		13,000	13,200	14,520	15,972	17,569
	Security Alarm		6 500	6 600	7 260	7 986	8 785
	Marketing		52,000	52 800	58 080	63 888	70 277
Depot	Travel & Accommodation		156,000	158 400	174 240	191 664	210 830
Depot	Forklift rental		91,000	92 400	101 640	111 804	122 984
	Fuel		39,000	39,600	43 560	47 916	52 708
	Salaries & Wages		1 054 872	1 071 101	1 178 211	1 296 032	1 425 635
	Professional services		65,000	66,000	72 600	79 860	87 846
	Advertising		39,000	39,600	43 560	47 916	52 708
	Insurance		65,000	66,000	72,600	79,860	87,846
Operating P	rofit		2.495.090	4.402.366	4.129.546	3,791,052	3.547.707
Donrociatio			3 370 000	3 370 000	3 370 000	2 270 000	2 270 000
Depreciation	Vahislas	ļ	2,370,000	2,370,000	2,370,000	2,370,000	2,370,000
	Plant & Equipment (Evrs)		1 500,000	1 500,000	1 500,000	1 500,000	1 500,000
	Plaint & Equipment (5 yis)		1,500,000	210,000	1,500,000	210,000	210,000
	Kilps (10 yrs)		260,000	310,000	310,000	260,000	310,000
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mieresi		005,874	1,003,703	915,449	640,528	-022,190	-304,199
Start Up Costs		5,040,000	-	-	-	-	-
Nett Profit		-5,705,874	-940,675	1,116,917	919,217	2,043,243	1,681,907
- Accumulat	ed Loss	-5,705,874	-6,646,549	-5,529,632	-4,610,415	-1,647,955	0
Taxation (29	%)	0	0	0		-114,634	487,753
Profit After	Тах	-5,705,874	-6,646,549	-5,529,632	-3,691,197	280,655	1,194,154



Appendix F – Balance Sheet 750,000 Bricks/Month

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
ASSETS					
FIXED ASSETS	12,830,000	10,460,000	8,090,000	5,720,000	3,350,000
Property Plant & Equipment	12,830,000	10,460,000	8,090,000	5,720,000	3,350,000
CURRENT ASSETS	3,813,489	6,849,168	9,785,771	12,586,342	15,343,618
Trade and Other recieveables	1,500,929	1,561,867	1,625,851	1,693,035	1,777,686
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2,312,559	5,287,301	8,159,920	10,893,308	13,565,931
TOTAL ASSETS	16,643,489	17,309,168	17,875,771	18,306,342	18,693,618
EQUITY & LIABILITIES					
CAPITAL RESERVES	5,691,132	7,287,655	8,778,185	10,125,076	11,420,303
Issued Shares	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Owners Equity	5,690,132	7,286,655	8,777,185	10,124,076	11,419,303
TOTAL LIABILITIES					
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	10,240,786	9,240,786	8,240,786	7,240,786	6,240,786
Deferred Taxation					
Long Term Liabilities	10,240,786	9,240,786	8,240,786	7,240,786	6,240,786
CURRENT LIABILITIES	711,571	780,728	856,800	940,481	1,032,529
Taxation					
Short Term Portion of Long Term Liabilities					
Accounts Payable	711,571	780,728	856,800	940,481	1,032,529
Bank Overdraft					
TOTAL EQUITIES & LIABILITIES	16,643,488	17,309,168	17,875,771	18,306,342	18,693,617