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APPLICATION FOR CONSENT

(Sections 53(7) and 55(8) of the National Heritage Act, 2004 (Act No. 27 of 2004))

CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. The receipt issued serves as a reference when making enquiries.

2. Works and activities applied for under section C, of this application, is subject to an environmental impact assessment at the applicant's expense.

3. Instructions for completion:

Applicants must complete the relevant parts of this application.

A. APPLICANT'S DETAILS

1. Name and address of applicant

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2. Full name and designation of the person in charge of undertaking the works or activities:

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3. Full name and personal details of researcher, contractor or person in charge of the proposed works or activities:

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

Dr Sindila Mwiya (**Environmental Assessment Practitioner- EAP**) Risk-Based Solutions (RBS) CC 41 Feld Street Ausspannplatz, Cnr of Lazarett and Feld Street P. O. Box 1839, WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA, Tel: +264 - 61- 306058; Fax: +264 - 61- 306059, Mobile: + 264-811413229; Email: <u>smwiya@rbs.com.na</u>

- 4. Academic qualifications, skills, occupation and competencies of the person in charge mentioned under A2 above.
 - 1. Ms Ming Shi is the General Manager is a qualified and experienced business person responsible for operations of Bluesate Investments CC. She has experience in business operations and management of exploration and mining contractors.
 - 2. Dr Sindila Mwiya is a qualified and experienced Environmental Consultant who was the Environmental Assessment Practitioner EAP) for the project. Dr Sindila Mwiya has more than eighteen (18) years of practical field-based technical industry experience in Environmental Assessment (SEA, EIA, EMP, EMS), Energy (Renewable and Non-renewable energy sources), onshore and offshore resources (minerals, oil, gas and water) exploration / prospecting, operation and utilisation, covering general and specialist technical exploration and recovery support, Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) permitting for Geophysical Surveys such as 2D, 3D and 4D Seismic, Gravity and Electromagnetic Surveys for mining and petroleum (oil and gas) operations support, through to engineering planning, layout, designing, logistical support, recovery, production / operations, compliance monitoring, rehabilitation, closure and aftercare projects lifecycles.
- 5. Previous permits issued in Namibia:

None

6. Period for which permit is required:

The Consent is required for the duration of the proposed minerals exploration activities within the EPL 7272 Area.

7. Date by which permit is required: May 2021

B: WORKS OR ACTIVITIES

15. Geographic location and address (farm, village, settlement, town, region, magisterial district, constituency, Global Positioning System coordinates) of the site, protected place, or protected object where works or activities are proposed:

Bluestate Investments (Pty) Ltd (the "Proponent") holds mineral rights under the Exclusive Prospecting License (EPL) No. 7272 for base and rare metals, dimension stone, industrial minerals, precious metals, precious stones, and semi-precious stones. The EPL 7272 was granted on the 23/05/2019 and will expire on the 22/05/2022.

The following is the summary of the proposed minerals exploration activities:

- (i) Initial desktop exploration activities covering the review of existing information and all previous prospecting activities undertaken in the general area in order identify any potential target/s.
- (ii) Regional reconnaissance assessment covering field-based activities such as reginal mapping and sampling to identify and verify potential targeted areas as delineated during the desktop stage (i) above.
- (iii) Initial local field-based activities such as widely spaced geological mapping, sampling, surveying and possible widely spaced trenching and drilling in order to test the viability of any delineated local target, and.

(iv) Detailed local field-based activities such as localised site-specific detailed geological mapping, trenching, bulk sampling, surveying and detailed drilling to determine the feasibility of any delineated local targets.

The EPL 7272 has a total area of 14774Ha and covers parts of the communal land around Otjimanangombe Area (Fig 1). The local topography around the EPL area is generally flat with minor steep slopes along the Epukiro and Alexest Ephemeral River Channels.

The land use of the area is mainly dominated by subsistence agriculture centred on cattle and small stock.

Game farming linked to tourism and trophy hunting is common on private commercial farmland and communal Conservancies within the surrounding areas of the EPL but not within the EPL boundary.

The EPL area is situated in a remote area far from major towns and supporting infrastructures. Otjimanangombe is situated on the centre of the EPL and is 100 km from Epukiro Post, 200km from Gobabis, 390 km from Windhoek and 700 km from the Port of Walvis Bay.

Access to the EPL area is through M114 from Epukiro Post 3 connecting to the D3301 passing through Okovimburu, Okatuwa to Otjimanangombe situated on centre of the EPL area (Fig. 1).

The proposed / ongoing exploration programme will not require major water and energy supply services. Exploration water supply especially for drilling will be obtained from the local boreholes or supplied by a tanker as may be required. Electricity supply will be provided by generators and solar.

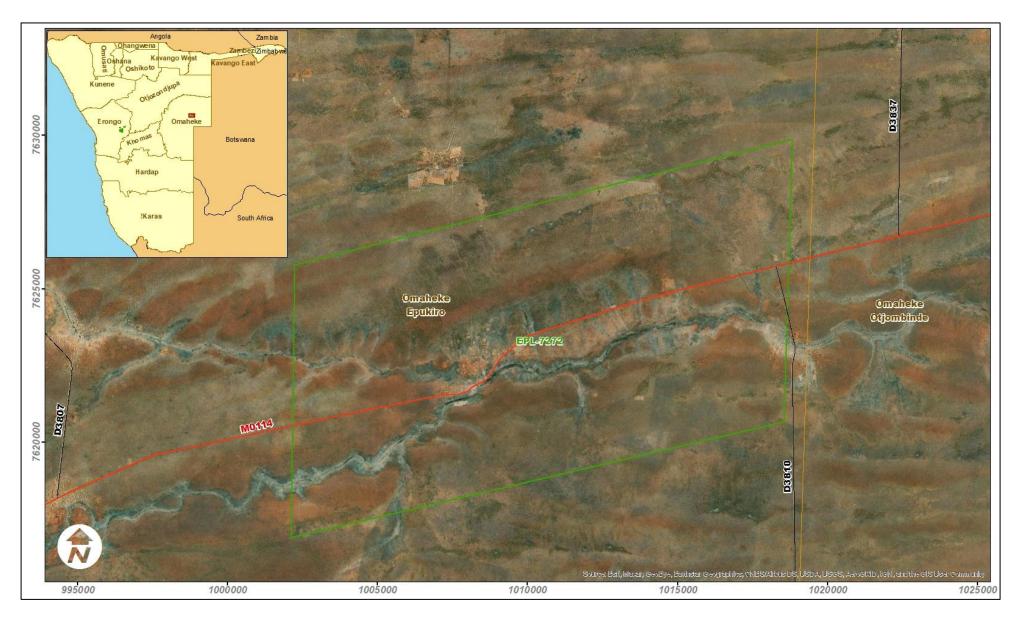


Figure 1: Detailed location of the EPL 7272 located in Otjimanangombe Area, Omaheke Region, Eastern Namibia (Location Reference Latitude: -21.428979, Longitude: 19.904030).

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16. Detailed description of the nature of works or activities for which the permit is applied for: (e.g. excavation, construction, filming etc) (*Attach additional and supporting information if the space on the form is insufficient.*)

The Proponent intends to conduct exploration / prospecting activities starting with desktop studies and aerial surveys, followed by regional field-based reconnaissance work and if the results are positive, implement detailed site-specific field-based activities over key site-specific localities using techniques such as geological mapping, geophysical surveys, trenching, drilling and sampling for laboratory tests.

If the proposed exploration activities lead to positive results, the exploration data collected will then be put together into a prefeasibility report and if the prefeasibility results prove positive, a detailed feasibility study supported by detailed site-specific drilling, bulk sampling and laboratory testing will be undertaken.

A positive feasibility study will be required to support the application for a Mining License (ML) together with a new site-specific Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) with specialist site-specific studies such as flora, fauna, socioeconomic, water, traffic, dust, and noise modelling and archaeology being undertaken to support the application for the new ECC for mining and minerals process.

Currently, there no minerals deposits known to exist within the EPL area and the Proponent intend to conduct prospecting activities as part of the testing of the developed theoretical geological and minerals depositional models. There is no guarantee whatsoever that the prospecting activities will find economic minerals resources that could led to the development of mine.

C: UNDERTAKING BY APPLICANT

17. I **Ms Ming Shi- General Manager** (the person in charge of undertaking the works or activities) and (where applicable) being head of Bluetsate Investment, institute, hereby undertake to strictly observe the terms and conditions under which the National Heritage Council may issue the permit.

____ dated 6th April **2021** Signature ____

Permit No......(For office use only)
. (Consecutive number & year of issue)