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The Executive Director Ministry of Mines & Energy Private 13297 Windhoek Namibia

Att: Mr Simeon Negumbo

SUBJECT: INVITATION FOR COMMENTS: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (SCOPING) FOR THE PROPOSED MINERAL EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES – EPL 7719, KAMANJAB CONSTITUENCY, KUNENE REGION (NAMIBIA)

Pursuant to the provisions of the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and the Environmental Assessment Regulations of 2012, this invitation serves to inform that the above stated proposal was registered with the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (Office of the Environmental Commissioner), Application no. APP 003746 (Application for an Environmental Clearance Certificate). Scoping is the first formal step in preparing an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and initiates stakeholder involvement. Through scoping, stakeholder input/comments on the proposed development are solicited. This process helps the EAP and Office of Environmental Commissioner amongst other to:

- Identify areas that require an in-depth analysis, and those areas for which a more limited discussion is appropriate.
- Narrow the focus of the assessment to significant environmental issues;
- Identify alternatives to be analysed during the EIA process; and identifying mitigation measures that address potential environmental impacts of the proposal.

The Ministry of Mines and Energy being a Competent Authority is hereby kindly invited to provide comments on the proposed development. Information pertain to project activities can be found in the document (attached). Without limitations, suggested comment topics are as follows:

- Alternatives that need to be considered. i.e that will meet the need for, and the purpose of, the proposal,
- · Licenses or other approvals that may be required,
- Environmental information, policy guidelines, or reports relevant to the development
- Known or pending disputes that are likely to be associated with the proposed development.
- Areas or concerns that require in-depth analysis, and those areas for which a more limited discussion is appropriate.
- Probable significant adverse impacts and specific mitigation measures that should considered to avoid or minimize impacts

We trust that you will find the above in order

Yours faithfully

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