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APPLICATION NUMBER: APP-004983

Project Title:

Renewal of the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for Mining Activities of Blue Sodalite and Other Minerals on Mining License 40, Located Near Otjimuhaka in the Epupa Constituency, Kunene Region

I.....**Rose Mtuleni**..... (full name of Environmental Assessment Practitioner - EAP) understand and agree that the information I have furnished in this submission will be reviewed by the Office of the Environmental Commissioner (OEC). I accept that the Environmental Commissioner, will hold me accountable in terms of Section 43(1)(b) of the Environmental Management Act, Act No. 7 of 2007 for any inaccurate or misleading information knowingly provided in the following documentation.

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- ☐ Pro Forma Environmental Contract for Mining Claim(s)
- ☐ Environmental Questionnaire For Mining
- ☐ Scoping report
- ☐ Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)
- ☒ Environmental Management Plan (EMP),
- ☐ Consent from Relevant Authority

I certify, and, acknowledge that the provision of such information will impede the lawful carrying out of the duties, responsibilities and functions of the Environmental Commissioner. I declare that the information submitted is my own work. All direct or indirect sources used are acknowledged as references.

Consultancy Name:....**Gecko Exploration (Pty) Ltd**.....

EAP Signature:..........

Date:.....**02/12/2024**.....

NB- To be submitted jointly with Scoping Report, EIA, EMP documents to the Office of the Environmental Commissioner