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**FOR ATTENTION: MS ISABELLA CHIRCHIR – MINING COMMISSIONER (MINISTRY OF MINES AND ENERGY)**

**COPY TO: MR TIMOTEUS MUFETI – ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER (MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND TOURISM)**

**RE – APPLICATION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE FOR THE PROPOSED SMALL-SCALE MINING AND QUARRYING ACTIVITIES ON MINING CLAIM 73963 ON FARM !URIS 481, OSHIKOTO REGION, NAMIBIA (APP-005061)**

Dear Mr Mufeti,

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd (ECC) has been engaged by Three Musketeers Investment (Pty) Ltd (the Proponent) to conduct an environmental and social impact assessment (ESIA) and compile an environmental management plan (EMP) for the proposed small-scale mining and quarrying activities on mining claim 73963 on Farm !Uris 481, Oshikoto Region, Namibia.

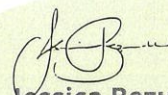
ECC submits on behalf of the Proponent, the following documentation:

1. Form 1 (ECC-105-568-FOR-01-D); and
2. Background Information Document (ECC-105-568-BID-02-D).

Should you require our assistance with the details contained within this letter or the application documents, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

  
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Form 1

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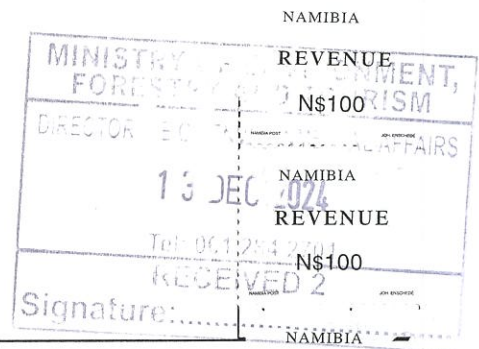
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**REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA**

**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 2007 (Section 32)**

**APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE**

**PROJECT REGISTRATION**



**PART A: DETAILS OF APPLICANT**

**1. Name: (person or business):**

Three Musketeers Investment (Pty) Ltd

**2. Business Registration / Identity No.:**

Three Musketeers Investment (Pty) Ltd: 2000/612

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd: Reg. No. 2022/0593

**3. Correspondence Address:**

P.O. Box 1321

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**4. Name of Contact Person:**

Mr Stephan Bezuidenhout

**5. Position of Contact Person:**

Principal Environmental Practitioner

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## PART B: SCOPE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

### 1. The environmental clearance certificate is for

Small-scale mining and quarrying activities on mining claim 73963 on Farm !Uris 481, Oshikoto Region, Namibia

Listed activities triggered by the project include:

LISTED ACTIVITY	EIA SCREENING FINDING
<b>MINING AND QUARRYING ACTIVITIES</b> (3.2) Other forms of mining or extraction of any natural resources whether regulated by law or not (3.3) Resource extraction, manipulation, conservation and related activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The extraction of loose silica gravel will be used to provide this material to the nearby Sinomine Resource Group Tsumeb smelter, previously owned and operated by Dundee Precious Metals Tsumeb (DPMT). The quarrying activities are estimated to be 3,000 Mt per month, including the fines.</li></ul>
<b>FORESTRY ACTIVITIES</b> (4.) The clearance of forest areas, deforestation, afforestation, timber harvesting or any other related activity that requires authorisation in term of the Forest Act, 2001 (Act No. 12 of 2001) or any other law.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The area required to be disturbed by the Project is heavily encroached by invasive species and will need to be cleared to grant the operations of the Project. The total area to be cleared is equivalent to 17.6 ha.</li><li>- The relevant forestry permit (forest permit for harvesting) would be obtained for land clearing activities.</li></ul>

## **2. Details of the activity(s) covered by the environmental clearance certificate:**

### **Title of activity:**

Small-scale mining and quarrying activities on mining claim 73963 on Farm !Uris 481, Oshikoto Region, Namibia.

### **Nature of activity:**

The proposed Project is for the small-scale mining and quarrying activities on mining claim 73963. Loose silica gravel will be extracted and delivered to the Sinomine Resource Group Tsumeb smelter, previously owned and operated by Dundee Precious Metals Tsumeb (DPMT). The proposed Project will include low-impact and non-intrusive activities mentioned in the table above.

### **Scale and scope of activity:**

- The quarrying activities are estimated to be 3,000 Mt per month, including the fines.
- Supplying the loose gravel to Sinomine Resource Group Tsumeb smelter.
- Obtaining a forest permit for harvesting for the removal of encroacher bush from approximately 17.6 ha of land
- It is expected that operations will continue for a period of 10 years.



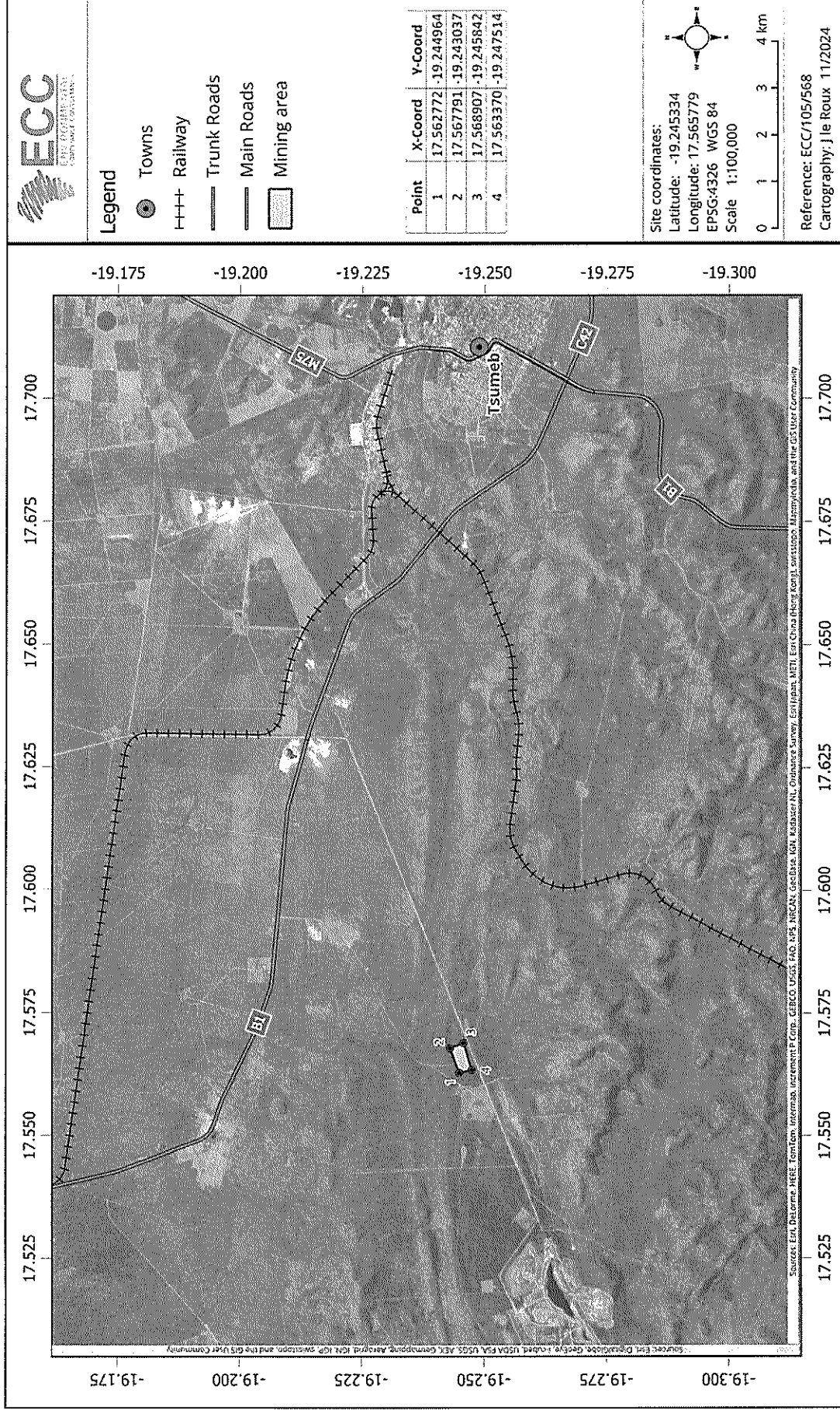


Figure 1 - Locality map of the Proposed small-scale mining and quarrying activities

**PART C: DECLARATION BY APPLICANT**

I hereby certify that the particulars given above are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the environmental clearance certificate may be suspended, amended or cancelled if any information given above is false, misleading, wrong or incomplete.

  
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Signature of Applicant

Stephan Bezuidenhout  
Full name in Block Letters

Principal consultant  
Position

On behalf of: Three Musketeers Investment (Pty) Ltd

Date: 11/12/2024