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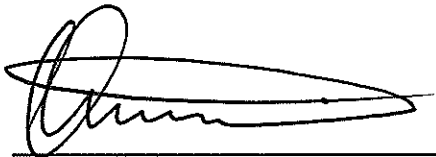
Dear Sir/Madam

**APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING RIGHT IN TERMS OF SECTION 16 AND PERMISSION TO REMOVE AND DISPOSE OF MINERAL IN TERMS OF SECTION 20 OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT 28 OF 2002) AS AMENDED BY SECTION 12 OF ACT 49 OF 2008: ON PORTION 3 OF FARM ELANDS DRIFT NO. 159: WITHIN THE ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT OF BARKLY WEST.**

1. This is to inform you that your application for a prospecting right in terms of Section 16 and permission to remove and dispose of mineral in terms Section 20 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002) ("Act") as amended to prospect **Diamonds (Alluvial, Kimberlite and General)** and **Sand** has been **accepted**.
2. In terms of section 12 (d) of the Act, you are directed to comply with the following instructions:
  - a. Notify and consult with the landowner, lawful occupier and any interested and affected party and include the result of the consultation in the environmental reports in line with Regulation 41(2) read with Section 24J of National Environment Management Act, 1998.
  - b. Lodge an application in terms of National Water Act No.36 of 1998 with the Department of Water Affairs with immediate effect.

3. Your attention is drawn to the provisions of sections 17(1)(e) of the MPRDA, which provide that the Minister may grant an application for a prospecting right if the applicant is not in contravention of any relevant provision of this Act. Section 19(2) (f) places an obligation on the holder of a prospecting right to pay the prescribed prospecting fees, as per regulation 76 of the MPRDA.
4. You are therefore reminded to ensure that payment of all prospecting fees for all the prospecting rights that you hold, are up to date, failing which this may have a negative impact on the outcome of your current application.
5. Further note that the acceptance of your application does not grant you the right to commence with prospecting activities. It only signifies that your application will be processed, evaluated and the Minister or his delegate will make a decision within 197 days from the date of lodgement of your application.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'NV Zindele', written over a horizontal line.

**NV ZINDELA  
REGIONAL MANAGER  
MINERAL REGULATION  
NORTHERN CAPE REGION  
DATE: 22/11/2023**